

American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

May 2014

March General Meeting May 20th Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM

The Speaker for the Branch AAUW April meeting is Anne Mardick,

Founder and President of Americans United for Separation of Church and State-Greater Phoenix Chapter and a member of AAUW Phoenix Branch



The topic of Anne's presentation is "What Does Separation of Church and State Mean, and Why You Should Care."

Anne Mardick is a retired telecommunications professional with 27+ years' experience. She spent most of her career in new product development including director positions at both U S West (now Qwest) and Sprint. She has a BS Business Administration and an MS in Telecommunications.

Anne's passion is to educate people about the value of science, critical thinking/skepticism, separation of church & state, social justice, and to celebrate the diversity of humanity & nature. She is the founder & president of both the Greater Phoenix Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church & State and the Valley

of the Sun Chapter of Freedom From Religion Foundation. She is also Secretary of the Arizona ACLU Board of Directors. Anne is a Life-Member of the Humanist Society of Greater Phoenix, the American Humanist Association, the National Center for Science Education, and the Freedom From Religion Foundation. She is a Humanist Minister and is the Humanist representative on the Arizona Interfaith Movement Board of Directors.

Americans United for Separation of Church and State has a policy which is in line to the AAUW's policy. The AAUW's public policy states, "We firmly believe in the separation of church and State."

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR RSVP

We need your RSVP as promptly as possible and no later than Friday before the meeting. The number can be changed as late as noon on Monday before the meeting. If you must cancel, please call before noon Monday or YOU WILL BE CHARGED THE \$14. The branch must pay for the number reserved. New reservations may be added before noon Monday.

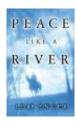
Please be considerate and RSVP ASAP. Mary Beth Lemons, (602)510-1544 or mlemons1@cox.net

Dinner is \$14 and is at 5:30 followed by our guest speaker at 6:30. Monthly meetings are held at the Luther Life Center at the Beatitudes, 1616 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix, AZ. Please enter the Beatitudes at the gate by the flag pole. Visitors are welcome. Menu: Grilled watermelon Salad, BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Cole slaw, Strawberry Short Cake.

A vegetarian option is available.

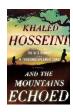
Things to Do

Morning Book Discussion



<u>Peace Like a River</u> by Leif Enger For information about the book discussion, group and its location please contact Mary Beth Lemons: (602) 510- 1544. On Friday, May 2nd and on May 16th the group will discuss at 9:30 am.

Evening Book Discussion



Evening book discussion is May 21st. This month we will discuss <u>And the Mountains</u> <u>Echoed</u> by Khaled Hosseini

The discussions are regularly scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7pm at the Orangeaire Villas Club House. Contact Rita Christina for information or directions:

ritachristina@cox.net, 623-872-6448

Great Decisions

The Great Decision Study Group meets for its final two sessions this month on the 1st and 4th Wednesdays at 1:00 P. M. at the home of Mary Beth Lemons 6825 N. 29th Ave. Please note that a change from the usual 2nd Wednesday to the 1st Wednesday of the month was made due to a scheduling conflict.

May 7----China's Foreign Policy May 28---U.S. Trade Policy

Snacks will be served and members are asked to bring their own beverages.

The group wishes to thank Mary Beth Lemons for offering her home as a meeting place for all study sessions this year.

Board Meeting

The May Board Meeting has been scheduled at 1:00 pm on **Thursday** May 1st. The meeting will be held at the home of Dorothy Ward (602)246-1246. Please contact Dorothy Ward for more information: UniqueDorothy@cox.net or (602)246-1246.

World Travelers

Upcoming world travelers meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, Noon to 2pm. Please contact Carolyn Baker for directions or information: 602-277-5032. On Thursday May 8th, the AAUW's World Travelers will learn about Carol and Alan Rodgers' experiences in Croatia and Dubrovnik.

Coffee and Conversation

We will be meeting at Scott's Generation Restaurant and Delicatessen, 5539 N 7th St (NE corner of Missouri & 7th Street) on the last Saturday of each month at 9AM.

On May 31, the agenda is VISITING. Come one, come all, and bring friends. Join us on Saturday, at 9AM.

Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

On May 24, the feature is St. Ives Film of Robert Louis Stevenson's romantic comedy. The movie stars Miranda Richardson 90 minutes Bring your brown bag lunch if you like. Popcorn/nuts/candy and beverages will be provided. *These movies are not classic movies, they are movies of classics. On Saturday, the movie will start promptly at 12:30. Roberta Rowland will host the movie at her home. Please contact Roberta (602)689-0774 by the prior Thursday to attend and get directions to her home.



Seventh Annual Garden Party

There were 98 people in attendance at the Party. The total profit for the day was \$1,722.

Dosia Carlson, a resident of The Beatitudes and good friend of our member Annette Mellott, played the piano while everyone was arriving and getting seated. Wonderful music.

Paul Yoder returned for the 4th year and arranged the entertainment which included his friends Katie, Johnny and pianist Indi Perry.

Nathanial Lemons finished the entertainment with "I Dreamed a Dream".

I would like to thank everyone that helped make this event a success.

- Roberta Rowland and Sue Zeigler arranged to collect the items that were to be sold at the event. Roberta was instrumental in obtaining donated tickets from Ballet AZ, The Black Theater Troupe, Taliesin West, Phoenix Symphony, Arizona Theatre Company, Arizona Opera, Phoenix Theater and Art Provost donated a photo.
- Carolyn Baker and Dorcas Walker stored the items that all of the members brought to meetings, beginning in September.
- Art Provost and Steve Preece retrieved the goods from Carolyn Baker's home. Mary Beth and Linda Lemons picked up the items from Dorcas Walker's home. Sue Zeigler brought items that she held at her home.
- Mary Palsma and Louise Thompson manned the door to welcome everyone and collect the ticket monies.
 - Louise Slotta, Marilyn Schiedat and Mary Beth Lemons provided roses from their yards for centerpieces. Dorcas Walker and Louise Slotta put the lovely centerpieces together, along with an arrangement for the check in table.
- Marilyn Schiedat put out flyers and publicity all around the town. She and Sue Zeigler also obtained gift cards for door prizes.

There were many financial donations from members and friends that were not able to attend.

2014 AAUW Bridge Marathon Scholarship Proceeds

The scholarship funds were enhanced by \$335 from the funds paid to play bridge.

Martha Hoyt Memorial Fund

Thus far \$720 has been received in memory of Martha Hoyt. It was her wish that these funds be added to the Phoenix Branch AAUW Endowed Scholarship fund at Phoenix College.

If others wish to make a contribution in Martha's memory, they may send it to:
Mary Palsma
3130 W. Sunnyside Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85029

2014 AAUW Rocky Mountain Regional Conference Western Women: Beyond the Wagon Train

Patricia Fae Ho, President of AAUW, Lisa
Maatz AAUW Vice President of Government
Relations, Deepti Guadipati, AAUW Director of
Membership Leadership Programs, and Jill Hanauer
of Project New America are featured speakers at The
Rocky Mountain Regional Conference, "Women of
the West—Beyond the Wagon Train" at the Siena
Hotel, June 6-8, 2014. Nevada AAUW has been given
a unique opportunity to host AAUW women from
Colorado, Arizona, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico,
and Idaho.

Come learn what AAUW is doing nationally and in neighboring states. Come enjoy socializing with likeminded women who are dedicated to AAUW's mission. Tune in to the leadership training on Friday morning. Tour the historic area of Reno. Relax in the lovely hotel by the Truckee River. Celebrate the 100th anniversary of Nevada women's suffrage.

The low registration fee of \$130 includes Saturday lunch and dinner. The registration form is posted on AAUW Nevada's website. May 10th is the deadline for conference and hotel reservations. Make your reservations now to avoid late fees. Come join us for an experience you won't forget--"Beyond the Wagon Train"—rub elbows with modern Western Women!

AAUW Rocky Mountain Regional Conference 2014

Western Women: Beyond the Wagon Train



SAVE THE DATE: June 6th,7th,8th, 2014 Siena Hotel One South Lake Street, Reno, NV 89501

Program Includes: AAUW National President, Patricia Ho AAUW Vice Pres., Govt. Rel., Lisa Maatz

Registration: Friday, June 6, 8 am – 9 am in the main ballroom of the Siena Hotel

Conference Opening: 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the main ballroom

Reception: Friday, June 6, 6:00 pm in the Reception Hall

Saturday Breakfast: 8:00 am in the main ballroom

Saturday Sessions: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm in the main ballroom

No Host Social Hour: 6:00 pm in the main ballroom

Dinner: 6:30 in the main ballroom

Sunday Brunch: 10:00 am in the main ballroom

Sunday Opening Session: 10:15 in the main ballroom

Sunday Closing: 12:30

Membership Renewal

It is again time to renew your membership. Please make sure you send in your renewal not later but any time before June 30th. We will be changing officers for a new year as of July 1st. If you have any changes needed for the directory use the attached form. If there are no changes of your information, you do not need to complete and send in a form.

If you would like a new picture, or you do not yet have a picture, please contact Mary Beth Lemons so we can have one for the directory.

AAUW - PHOENIX BRANCH MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2014-2015

Make Check payable to AAUW and mail along with completed form to: AAUW Mary Beth Lemons 6825 N. 29th Ave - Phoenix, AZ 85017

Dues Structure

National Dues \$49 (\$46 is tax deductible)
State Dues \$ 9
Branch Dues \$14
TOTAL \$72

Donations are welcome for National EF/LAF and/or Local Phoenix College Scholarship. Donation amount: \$ Donation for:
Name:
Address:
E-mail
Phone and/or Cell:
Birth Month and Day:/ I would be interested in participating in Book Discussion GroupDayEvening
Membership Committee
Directory Committee
Great Decisions Group (Foreign policy study group - Eight sessions)
Public Policy Action Committee
Program Committee
Scholarship Committee (Raises funds and awards local scholarship[s)
Bridge:MarathonLessonsGames Mah Jongg:LessonsGames
Ways & Means (fund raising)
World Travelers Discussion Group
Last Saturday Morning Coffee & Conversation
Educational Foundation-National

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