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American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

September 2013

September General Meeting Tuesday 17th Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM



Speaker for Phoenix Branch AAUW Sept.17 meeting is former Arizona U.S. Senator, Dennis DeConcini, Secretary of Arizona Board of Regents He will speak on: ABOR & Arizona's Public Universities: Transforming Arizona, Impacting the World

Senator DeConcini will provide historical background on the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) and explain the Regents' role in governing Arizona's public universities. He will provide insight on the state of higher education in Arizona and the U.S., including the debate over the value of a college degree, how K-12 and higher education in Arizona compare to the rest of the nation, the rising costs of higher education, the history of state funding, financial aid and tuition in Arizona. Finally. Senator DeConcini will outline ABOR's strategic plan to increase access to our institutions, produce enough high-quality university degrees for the state to be nationally competitive by the year 2020, and provide the educated workforce needed to fill shortages and to stimulate demand for higher paying jobs in Arizona.

Dennis DeConcini BIO

Dennis DeConcini is a former United States Senator who represented Arizona in the Senate from 1977 to 1995. He served on the Senate Appropriations Committee, the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate Select Intelligence Committee. In 2006, Gov. Janet Napolitano appointed Dennis DeConcini to an eight-year term on the Arizona Board of Regents.

Prior to his service in the Senate, DeConcini served as the Pima County Attorney. In 1968, he was a founding partner of DeConcini, McDonald, Yetwin & Lacy, P.C., one of Southern Arizona's largest law firms with offices in Tucson, Phoenix, Scottsdale and Flagstaff. Today, he continues to practice law and, in addition to his work on the Arizona Board of Regent, serves on the Boards of the International Center and National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Senator DeConcini is an Arizona native and was born in Tucson. He received his bachelor's degree from <u>the University of</u> <u>Arizona</u> in 1959 and his law degree from <u>the</u> <u>University of Arizona</u> in 1963.

We would like to have a crowd at this event. This is a chance to ask questions. When was the last time you had a chance to actually ask a question of an official without going to an expensive fundraiser

Dinner is \$14 and is at 5:30 followed by our guest speaker at 6:30. Monthly meetings are held at the Beatitudes, Everett Luther Center: 1616 W. Glendale Ave. Please enter the Beatitudes at the gate by the flag pole. Visitors are welcome. Dinner will include: Caesar Salad, Prime Rib, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Carrot Cake.

The vegetarian option available. THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR RSVP

We need your RSVP as promptly as possible. The number can be changed as late as noon on Monday before the meeting. If you must cancel, please call me 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

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

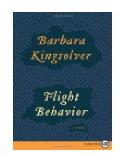
Phoenix Branch

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Things to Do

Morning Book Discussion

Upcoming discussions are held at the home of Martha Hoyt. 1821 E Keim Dr Contact Martha for directions: mhHoyt@aol.com, 602-279-9662. Friday, Sept. 6, 9:30AM, "Flight Behavior" by Barbara Kingsolver Friday, Sept. 20th, 9:30AM, same book/location as Sept. 6.



Friday, October 4th 9:30AM <u>My Beloved World</u> by Sonia Sotomayor



Evening Book Discussion

The discussions are regularly scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7pm. Discussions are held at the Orangaire club house. Contact Rita Christina for information or directions: ritachristina@cox.net, 623-872-6448 Wednesday, Sept. 18th, 7pm "Flight Behavior" by Barbara Kingsolver

Board Meeting

Board Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm. On Sept. 4th, the meeting will be held at the home of Martha Hoyt. Please contact: Dorothy Ward UniqueDorothy@cox.net 602-246-1246 or Martha Hoyt mhHoyt@aol.com or 602-279-9662.

World Travelers

Upcoming travelers meetings are held on the 2_{nd} Thursday of each month, Noon to 2pm. Please contact Carolyn Baker for directions or information: 602-277-5032. Sept 12th: Martha Hoyt reports on her three weeks in Germany. Please bring your own lunch.

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. The agenda is VISITING. Come one, come all and bring friends. Join us: Saturday Sept. 28th, at 9am

Saturday Matinee Noon Classics

Bring your brown bag lunch if you like. Popcorn/nuts/candy and beverages will be provided. *These are not classic movies, they are movies of classics. Movies will start promptly at 12:15. Located at the home of Roberta Rowland - please contact Roberta (602-689-0774) by the prior Thursday to attend and get directions to her home.

schedule for the year. It can be printed and put with your calendar.

NOTE: There will not be a gathering in September. The Dates and Locations of the showings are subject to change. Please see the attached

2013 – 2014 SATURDAY MOVIE MATINEES of CLASSIC BOOKS AND PLAYS Note – Dates and Locations are subject to change

These will continue for the 3rd season at the home of Roberta Rowland 602-689-0774 5939 East Thunderbird Rd. Call Roberta to let her know that you are coming and verify there has not been a change. Note that these are not so much classic movies as they are movies of CLASSICS. Season will resume in October at the new time of 12:30pm. Have lunch first or feel free to bring it with you. Typical movie time snacks and beverages will be provided.

OCT 19 JANE EYRE PART I

BBC film (1983) of Charlotte Bronte's novel of a mistreated orphan whose strength, courage and determination enable her to triumph over adversity. Starring Timothy Dalton as Mr. Rochester and Zelah Clarke. 120 minutes

NOV 2 JANE EYRE PART II 120 minutes

DEC 14 CHRISTMAS CHEER, COOKIES and MOVIE:

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST

British film (1952) of Oscar Wilde's witty delight with Michael Redgrave, Margaret Rutherford and Edith Evans. 95 minutes

JAN 11 ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT

Film (1979) of Erich Maria Remarque's classic novel set largely on the battlefields of WW I. Ernest Borgnine, Richard Thomas and Patricia Neal. Nominated for three Emmy awards. 128 minutes

FEB 15 12 ANGRY MEN The script was penned by playwrite Reginald Rose from his real life experience as a juror. Film (1997) starring George C. Scott, Jack Lemmon, Hume Cronyn, Tony Danza and James Gandolfini. 117 minutes

MAR 22 FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD

Film (1967) of Thomas Hardy's classic love story set in 1865 rural England. Filmed in Dorset. Starring Julie Christie, Peter Finch, and Alan Bates. 165 minutes

APR 19 THE SCARLET LETTER

Film (2001) of Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel of a time when adultery was punishable by death. Starring Demi Moore, Gary Oldman and Robert Duvall. 135 minutes

MAY 24 ST. IVES

Film of Robert Louis Stevenson's romantic comedy in the style of "Emma" and "Sense and Sensibility." Set in a prisoner of war camp in Scotland during the Napoleonic wars. Starring Miranda Richardson. 90 minutes

JUN 14 THE AGE OF INNOCENCE

Film (1993) of Edith Wharton's Pulitzer Prize winning novel about three wealthy New Yorkers caught in a tragic love triangle. Chronicles the grandeur and hypocrisy of high society in the 1870's. Starring Daniel Day-Lewis, Michelle Pfeiffer and Winona Ryder. 138 minutes

2013-2014 AAUW Phoenix Branch Programs

Sept.17, Sen. Dennis DeConcini, Secretary, Arizona Board of Regents. *Arizona Board of Regents and Arizona's Public Universities: Transforming Arizona, Impacting the world.* Sen. DeConcini will provide the background and explain the Regent's role. He will provide insight on the state of education in Arizona and the U.S., including how K-12 and higher education in Arizona compare to the rest of the nation, and the rising costs of higher education. Finally, he will outline ABOR's strategic Plan to produce enough high quality degrees for the state to be competitive, and to stimulate demand for higher paying jobs in Arizona.

Oct. 15, Rachel Linden, Founder and Director, GMO Free Arizona. *Genetically Modified Organisms from a Consumer's Perspective.* This trailblazer woman will help us learn about the associated risks of GMO's, how to avoid them, and what we can do.

Nov. 12, Mayor Greg Stanton, *Remarks from the Phoenix Mayor*. There will be an opportunity for you to ask the Mayor questions about current issues as well as a vision for the future.

Dec. 17, Dina Gerdon, Community Engagement Manager, Sojourner Center. *Overcoming the impact of Domestic Violence One Life at a Time.* Members are invited to bring unwrapped Christmas gifts for women. There will be a suggestion list in the newsletter. She will show us on a screen what an expansive operation this is.

Jan. 21, Anne Greenberg, President of Paradise Valley School Board. *Making the Grade-School Board Duties and Opportunities.* There were many school boards in the Phoenix area last year that had no candidates or not enough. We would like for people that may consider running to come to this meeting. Do you know anyone who might run? Sometimes the School Board experience starts people onto other elected public service.

Feb. 18, Linda D. Hallman, Executive Director, AAUW Association. *Updates from AAUW National Office.* The latest from Washington focusing on how far your donation stretches on Fellowships, Grants and the Legal Advocacy Foundation. They are also effective lobbyist for our Public Policy Issues. You will see what a bargain your membership fee is.

Mar.18, Monica Chapman, Fresh Start Women's Foundation Volunteer Services and Community Outreach Coordinator. *Fresh Start Women's Foundation-Connecting Women and Changing Lives Since 1992.* The programs and services offered at the Women's Resource Center are truly unique. Monica will share information about the work they do to support thousands of women in Maricopa County every year and the different ways you can support them. Be amazed at <u>www.freshstartwomen.org</u>.

April 15, Sandy Bahr, Director, Sierra Club Grand Canyon Chapter. *The Top Ten Ways the Arizona Legislature is Harming Our Environment.* When the legislature is in session, Sandy spends her days there. Learn how to help her.

May 20, Anne Mardick, Founder & President of Americans United for Separation of Church and State – Greater Phoenix Chapter, and sits on the national AU Advisory Board. *What Does Separation of Church and State Mean, and Why You Should Care.* AAUW Public Policy says, "We firmly believe in the separation of church and State."

June 17, Mary Jo Pitzl, *Arizona Republic* political reporter, will be giving us *The Legislative Wrap-Up*, for the third year in a row. We've found that she is the most informed about what went on in the Legislature.

All programs will be held at the Beatitudes Life Center, 1616 W. Glendale, 5:30 dinner, \$14. 6:30 Program. RSVP required for dinner 602-510-1544. Persons coming at 6:30 just for program, no charge. Questions: Carolyn 480-483-8267.

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15	16	17 General Meeting At the Life Center Dinner 5:30 pm Speaker 6:30 pm	18 Book Discussion At Orangeair Club House 7pm Contact R.Christina	19	20 Book Discussion 9:30 am Contact M. Hoyt	21
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