

AAUW THE PHOENICIAN

American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

January 2015

**The General Meeting is
Tuesday, January 20th
Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM**

**The Speaker is Sara Presler
CEO of Arizona Foundation for Women**



Sara is a member of AAUW - Phoenix Branch and Co-Vice President of Programs. She will speak on the origin and many functions of the organization

The Arizona Foundation for Women (AFW) creates a better life for Arizona's women and children. Our mission is to mobilize our community's power and resources to meet their unmet needs by empowering long-term solutions. We do this with a focus on **Safety, Health, and Economic empowerment**. We believe **SHE Counts!**[®]

Also, Tom Horne will be playing piano for us.

The Arizona Foundation for Women works through a holistic strategy of grants, research, advocacy, and innovative programs. We leverage our competitive advantages of thought leadership, expertise, responsiveness,

relationships, and collaborative spirit. *The Arizona Foundation for Women* is sustained by active and innovative fundraising, prudent financial decisions that reflect our values, the needs of our community, and our supporters.

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 \$15. The branch must pay for the number reserved.** New reservations may be added before noon Monday.

Please be considerate and RSVP ASAP to Sue Zeigler 602-992-8145 or SueZee85028@aol.com

Dinner is \$15 and is at 5:30 followed by our speaker at 6:30. 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: **Cucumber & Tomato Salad, Stir Fry Ginger Beef, Fried Rice, Sugar Snap Peas, Dinner Roll and Peanut Butter Pie** A vegetarian option is available.

Board Meeting

The Board Meeting will be at 1:15pm on **Wednesday, January 7th**. The meeting will be held at Phoenix College. We can lunch in the Culinary Café beforehand at 11:30am. Contact Barbara Presler for information or directions bpreslerlv@aol.com 602-463-5088.

The 2015 AAUW Bridge Marathon will begin in March 2015. New players are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, please contact Mary Palsma ([602-803-3617](tel:602-803-3617)) maryjpalsma@yahoo.com. Cost of the marathon is \$15 per year with profits going to our Phoenix College Scholarship.

Edwards telling about their experiences visiting in Russia.

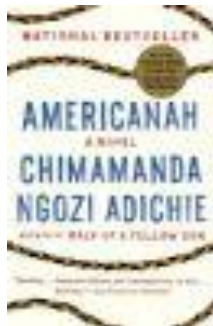
Things to Do

Morning Book Discussion



HALF THE SKY, by Kristof and WuDunn
Discussion is on **Friday, January 2nd and 16th at 9:30am**. Contact Mary Beth Lemons for information or directions: mlemon1@cox.net 602-510-1544.

Evening Book Discussion



AMERICANAH by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Evening book discussion is **Wednesday, January 21ST**. 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.

World Travelers

Upcoming world travelers meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, Noon to 2pm. Everybody is welcome. Bring a sack lunch to Carolyn Baker's for directions or information call 602-277-5032.

On **Thursday, January 8th at Noon**, AAUW's World Travelers will have Charlotte Smith and Nancy

Coffee and Conversation

We will be meeting on **the last Saturday, January 31st** at Scott's Generation Restaurant and Delicatessen, 5539 N 7th St (NE corner of Missouri & 7th Street) the agenda is VISITING. Come one, come all, and bring friends. Join us at **9AM**.

Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

Saturday January 17th at 12:30 - "EXODUS". Based on Leon Uris international best seller chronicling the plight of postwar Jews in their fight to establish a homeland in Israel. Paul Newman, Eva Marie Saint and Sal Mineo. 1960, 3 hour 28 minutes. We'll take 2 intermissions!

*These movies are not classic movies, they are movies of classic books. Beverages and popcorn are provided. Feel free to bring along any munchies or crunchies to enjoy and share and/or your own brown bag lunch. **Please contact Roberta (602)689-0774 by the prior Thursday to attend and get directions to her home.**

GREAT DECISIONS STUDY PROGRAM



The start of this year's study will be delayed one week until **February 18th** due to Legislative Day being scheduled on **Wednesday, Feb. 11th**. Thereafter, we will adhere to our regular scheduled meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, February through May, at 1:00 P.M. at the home of Mary Beth Lemons.

The study materials have been ordered and will be distributed at the January general meeting. Due to an increase in price of materials, the cost per participant will be \$24.40.

Contact Dot Fields 602-253-1643, or E-Mail dotfie@cox.net with questions.

The General Meeting December 16th
The speakers were Joan Sisco
and Mary Derryberry from
Veterans First, LTD



Program VP, Gretchen Peniska is very interested and showing her holiday spirit.



Volunteers at PBS KAET 8 Fundraiser—January 6th



Sara says “What Fun! Let’s do it again”.

Inter-Club-Council report

The ICC has made the decision to begin talks on taking action on CEDAW, which is the Convention on

the Elimination of all forms of **Discrimination Against Women** which was adopted by the UN in 1979.

CEDAW has been ratified by over 50 countries to remove gender bias language, but has not been by the U.S. Much of the opposition by the committee members in Congress is that ratification will lead to the decriminalization of abortion and prostitution. Senator McCain is on the committee but the ratification has consistently failed to pass the Senate and move to the President’s desk. Many opposing groups fear the easy access to abortion and contraception.

The U.S. shares the lack of ratification with countries like Iran, Somalia, Sudan and a few others.

As of ICC’s last board meeting it was decided to move on taking action in advocating to Congress to move forward in ratifying CEDAW.

by Jessica Gonzalez, Representative

Directory Additions/Changes/Corrections

New Members:

Jodi Russell
63-302-3876 missjode_58@hotmail.com
4728 N 61st Ave - Phoenix, AZ 85033-1710



Jodi & Daughter Kathryn Garcia

not sure of your district, the list is on the last page of this newsletter.

Legislative Day SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, February 25th, 2015
9 am to 2 pm

Lunch: Bring your own Brown Bag



MEET WITH YOUR LEGISLATORS
DISCUSS PENDING LEGISLATION

You will find it very satisfying to attend Legislative Day. Legislative Day is just around the corner and our planning has begun. Since what happens on Legislative Day is dependent on what is happening at the Legislature that day, our plans need to stay as fluid as possible. The Branch Public Policy Chairs from throughout our state held a conference call to discuss the day's plans.

All branches will need to report the names of those attending from their Branches. Each Branch will need to plan their own "brown bag lunch" as a group or individually this year. There will be a flyer sent out to all the Branches after the holidays.

Committee meetings are sometimes held as early as 8 am and run through 11 am. We will have a program and guest speakers from 9 am to 11 am. Branches will be writing cards, notes, or letters to their legislators (see attached examples) and setting appointments during the 11am to 1 pm time frame. At 1 pm the legislative Session begins. We will have a "Palm Card" like we did last year, that we can hand to our representatives. There was a discussion about speakers and that we try to have a panel or Q and A regarding what is happening in the four areas we are working on this year. Since our conference call, Jane Adrian, our President has invited and received confirmation that Dr. Anne Schneider will **"moderate our informative session and provide training and insights prior to members meeting with their legislators"**. More to follow.

Also, Dorothy Ward has compiled a list of Arizona Legislative Districts by AAUW members. If you are

Information about our Speaker/Moderator:

Anne L. Schneider (PhD, Indiana) joined the School of Politics and Global Studies in August 2008. She came to ASU in 1989 and served until 2004 as Dean of the College of Public Programs and Professor in the School of Justice Studies. Her long-time interest has been in research and teaching about the role of public policy in a democracy. Her current projects include work on the kinds of "policy experiences" people have, and how these direct experiences with policy impact their political voice. Dr. Schneider continues to study the Arizona legislature and writes a newsletter, Arizona Legislative Alert: Shining a bright light for socially-just public policy in Arizona for the Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation and the Unitarian Universalist Arizona Network. legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org

Harriet Young filled in for Karen English and gave us a **training** session in writing to our legislators. *Communicating with your Legislator(s): Notes from Harriet Young's presentation*

1. Prior to any visit, send a note congratulating legislator on his/her election. Indicate you look forward to meeting/seeing him/her. Your visit should not be the first time the legislator has heard from you/AAUW.
2. Introduce yourself. Tell a little about yourself so they get a sense of you and your organization. Let them know how many members are in your branch. Be sure to indicate there are 170,000 members nationwide. Tell them how many are in state organization, too.
3. Re visit: You will get 15 minutes, if that. If he/she tries to dominate conversation, say "I'm so glad to talk with you but we want to talk about why I came to see you...."
4. Prep for meeting – know bill #, your district, past voting record of legislator; your position and if you oppose, state why succinctly.
5. Get them on record...Often they do not have time to read legislation and are just following party leader's recommendation. Ask questions. If he/she can't answer, ask legislator/staff to do

more research (and provide the research which supports your position.)

6. After visit, keep track of who you saw and send a thank you note repeating what was said

Dorothy Ward has put together a list of the members Arizona Legislative Districts. The list is on the last page of this newsletter.

Since we are going to be involved in Legislative Day let's take a look at what some women who have gone before us felt about politics. These quotes come from Carolyn Warner's book "The Words of Extraordinary Women".

"The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any."

- **Alice Walker**

"If particular care is not paid to the ladies, we are determined to foment a rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have no voice, no representation."

- **Abigail Adams**

"Cautious, careful people, always casting about to preserve their reputation and social standing, never can bring about reform."

- **Susan B Anthony**

"Nothing could be worse than the fear that one had given up too soon, and left one unexpended effort that might have saved the world."

- **Jane Addams**

"U.S. politics is a beautiful fraud that has been imposed on the people for years, whose practitioners exchange gilded promises for the most valuable thing their victims own, their vote."

- **Shirley Chisholm**

"The challenge now is to practice politics as the art of making what appears to be impossible, possible."

- **Hillary Rodham Clinton**

"Women share with men the need for personal success, even the taste of power: and no longer are we willing to satisfy those needs through the achievements of surrogates – whether husbands, children or merely role models."

- **Elizabeth Dole**

"The clash of ideas is the sound of freedom."

- **Lady Bird Johnson**

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

- **Margaret Mead**

AAUW National Convention June 18-21, 2015

Prepare to attend the AAUW National Convention June 18-21, 2015 – San Diego, California – Sheraton Hotel and Marina.



NEW INTEREST GROUP FORMING

This new group will begin in February. The purpose will be to get together for lunch and to attend a movie, play, museum or other cultural activity once a month in the afternoon. An example would be the "Lunch Time Theater" at the Herberger. Although the goal would be to have the event on the same day of the week each month, possibly the first, third or fourth Thursday, this will be determined later. The contact person will be Kay Baughman. Kay is still looking for a partner to be a co-contact person to help be in charge of the group, since she is a part-time resident. Kay is working on an event for February.

Kay Baughman,
Kaybaugh@Aol.com
260-414-7469 (cell)

Looking for a new Phoenician Editor

Would you like to take over the position of Phoenician Editor? It is not really difficult or time

consuming. I just have many things in my life right now and would love to give this one to someone else.

Let me know. I would be happy to help someone get started.

Mary Beth 602-510-1544 or mlemons1@cox.net.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Book Discussion 9:30am Contact: MB Lemons	3
4 	5	6	7 3 Board Meeting Phoenix College 1:15pm Contact Barb Presler	8 World Travelers 12n-2pm Contact: Carolyn Baker	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Book Discussion 9:30am Contact: MB Lemons	17 Saturday Matinee 12:30pm Contact Roberta Rowland
18	19	20 General Meeting Beatitudes Life Center Dinner 5:30 pm Speaker 6:30p m	21 Book Discussion 7pm Orangeair Clubhouse Contact : Rita Christina	22	23 Bridge Marathon End of Year Party Ironworks 11:30am-4pm	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Coffee and Conversation 9am MB Lemons 

SAVE THE DATE



8th Annual

'Garden Party'

Have you registered your Fry's V.I.P card TO BENEFIT AAUW PHOENIX BRANCH SCHOLARSHIPS

We have registered with Fry's Food Stores to have our members, friends and relatives use their Fry's V.I.P. cards at time of purchase to earn money that will be used for our scholarships. The instructions to register your V.I.P. card are below. If you need help, please contact Mary Beth Lemons mlemons1@cox.net or 602-510-1544.

AAUW Phoenix Branch Organization **34523**

NOTE: I followed these instructions and I am now signed up.

PLEASE NOTE: Before you can link your Fry's V.I.P card to an organization, you must have an email address.

STEP 1: Creating an Online Fry's Account

*NOTE: If you already have an online Fry's account, skip to #2

*Go to <http://www.frysfood.com/>

*Select 'Register'.

*Under Sign-In information, enter your email and create a password. (Write down your email & password—will need it in step 2)

*Select 'Use Card Number'.

*Enter your Fry's V.I.P Card Number, last name and postal code.

*Under 'Select Your Preferred Store' enter your postal code.

*Select 'Find Stores'.

*Choose your store then select 'Create Account'.

*You will then be prompted to check your email for a confirmation email.

Click the hyperlink in your email to finish creating your Online Fry's Account.

*Continue to step #2 to register for the Fry's Community Rewards Program of your choice.

STEP 2: Register for the Fry's Community Rewards Program

*Go to <https://www.frysfood.com/topic/community?activePage=community-rewards-2>

*Select 'Sign-In'.

*Enter your email and password then select 'sign in'. (This will be the email and password you created in step 1)

*Select 'My Account then select 'Account Settings' from drop down menu.

*Click 'edit' under Community Rewards. If prompted, enter personal information.

*Under Find Your Organization: Enter the NPO number or name of organization then select 'search'. (You can get the NPO number from your organization)

*Under Select Your Organization: Select box next to your organization

*Then select 'save changes'.

*If you have registered correctly, you should now see your organization information listed under 'Community Rewards' on your Account Summary page.

AAUW Members's Legislative Districts

AAUW Legislative Day at the Capitol will be February 25, 2015.

The purpose of this list is to help members know who is in his/her district.

<u>Name</u>	<u>AZ Leg. Dist.</u>
<u>Winona Aldridge</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Souad T. Ali</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Lennie M. Andrews</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Ann Anthony</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Joanne Babich</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Carolyn Baker</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Barbara Bailey</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Kay Baughman</u>	<u>Reg. in Mich.</u>
<u>Linda Blackwell</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Mary Ellen Bloomberg</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Margaret Brittingham</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Linda Byers</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Dixie Carpenter</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>Rita Christina</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>Clark-Wright</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Debra DeVault</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Linda Eaglestone</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Eric Ehst</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Sue Enright</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Rockel Etienne</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Sybil Eppinger</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Dot Fields</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Deborah Finkel</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Jessica Gonzales</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Sue Guardino</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Judith Harges</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Marty Horne</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Dorothy Hull</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Heidi Huusko</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Sue Johnston</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Leslie Jones</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Emily Jurmu</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Luisa Kaufman</u>	<u>21</u>
<u>Mary Keenan</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>LaVerne Koll</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Kae Knight</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Marge Krohn</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Sharon Kurtz</u>	<u>26</u>
<u>Mary Beth Lemons</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Mia Lorenzen</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Elizabeth Manera</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Anne Mardick</u>	<u>23</u>

<u>Name</u>	<u>AZ Leg. Dist.</u>
<u>Carolyn Maxon</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Deloris McCoy</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Annette Mellott</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Adrienne Miklas</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>Corky Mote</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Kelly Munkittrick</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Kate Offenberger</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Mitzi Olivere</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Georgiana Palmer</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Mary Palsma</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Gretchen Peniska</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Suzanne Petersen</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Laura Pogue</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Esther Pratt</u>	<u>21</u>
<u>Kathleen Preece</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Barbara Presler</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Sara Presler</u>	<u>Reg. in Flagstaff.</u>
<u>Valeria Ramirez</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Carol Rogers</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Linda Rosenthal</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Rachel Rowland</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Roberta Rowland</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Jodi Russell</u>	<u>29</u>
<u>Melissa Sanderson</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Dana Saylor</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Marilyn Schiedat</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Louise Slotta</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Nan Steiner</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Joyce Tatham</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Louise Thompson</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Kathleen Tokar</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Mary Alice Tuttle</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Sylvia Ulan</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Ellyn Ventura</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Gina Vesco</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Dorcas Walker</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Glenda Walker</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Dorothy Ward</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Mimi Weinberg</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Peggy Wollenman</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Pat Zajicek</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>Sue Zeigler</u>	<u>28</u>