

## General Meeting December 19<sup>th</sup> Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM

**Chris Coffman**, founder and CEO of **HELPING HANDS FOR WORKING MOM'S**, will discuss the organization's mission and function.



Helping Hands for Single Moms is a community-based nonprofit that assists impoverished single mom families while the moms are pursuing a college education and financial independence.

When a single mom first enrolls in college, her family situation often becomes worse before it gets better. In addition to midterms, finals and term papers, the single mom must attempt to live on inadequate financial resources while maintaining a household, managing transportation challenges, and nurturing her children. She is juggling school, family and work while facing loneliness, isolation, and low self-esteem. Together, these are significant challenges that often converge and can lead to dropping out of school. In order to facilitate success, Helping Hands for Single Moms provides a supportive program.

Helping Hands is a nonprofit, 501c3 organization; donations are deductible to the extent of the law. We invite *you* to be a part of the Helping Hands mission. When you donate your time, talent or funds, you assist women and children who live near (or below) poverty level. All contributions will help meet pressing needs and encourage the single mom families who are sacrificing so much right now. With your help, she will stay in school, earn her college degree and discover career opportunities that offer a sustainable income.

## General Meeting Review for Nov 14<sup>th</sup>



President Sue Enright and Program VP Roberta Rowland presents speaker gift to Sophie Ewing and introduces Beatitudes Resident, Barbara, who was a Pease Corp volunteer in Honduras in the 70's. Sophia told us of her Pease Corp adventure in Swahiland. She is a recruiter and so told us all about joining the Pease Corp.



Life member Nan Steiner was awarded the AAUW Honorary Life Membership. She and her son Phil were our guests for the evening.

## 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 Monday before the meeting. If you must cancel, please call or **YOU WILL BE CHARGED THE \$15**. The branch must pay for the number reserved. New reservations may also be added on Monday. Please be considerate and RSVP to: MaryBeth Lemons 602-510-1544 or [mblemons1@gmail.com](mailto:mblemons1@gmail.com)

Dinner is \$15 at 5:30p followed by our speaker at 6:30p. 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: **Caesar Salad, Prime Rib w/Au Jus, Scalloped Potato, Roasted Asparagus and Lemon Cream Cake**  
**A vegetarian option is available.**

## Board Meeting

There is no board meetings scheduled at this time. If the need of a board meeting arises we will send out notification.

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

Phoenix Branch Officers:

Co-presidents: Sue Enright

Vice-president: Program: Roberta Rowland

Vice-presidents: Membership: Mary Beth Lemons and  
Glenda Walker

Treasurer: Lesli Jones and Debra DeVault

Recording Secretary: Suzanne Petersen

Corresponding Secretary: Carolyn Baker

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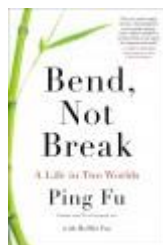
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[PJK360@yahoo.com](mailto:PJK360@yahoo.com)

## Things to Do

### Morning Book Discussion

Fridays December 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am



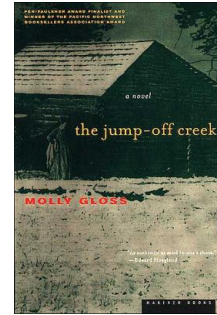
#### The Bend not Break by Ping Fu

For information about the book discussion group and its location please contact Linda Eaglestone [laEaglestone@gmail.com](mailto:laEaglestone@gmail.com) or 602-265-6962.

**Meetings are in the home of Mary Beth Lemons.**

## Evening Book Discussion

Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm



#### The Jump – off creek by Molly Gross

For information please contact Kathleen Preece [kathleenofaz@cox.net](mailto:kathleenofaz@cox.net) or 602-717-3894.

**Meetings are in the home of Kathleen Preece.**

## World Travelers

Thursday, December 14th Yiping Hwang Tells about her birth place – Taiwan. Please contact Carolyn Baker 602-277-5032 for information or directions. Also, if you know of anyone that has been on a trip and would like to share their experience with our group, let Carolyn know.

## Coffee and Conversation

We will continue to meet on the last Saturday at 9am. We are still looking for a possible new place that can accommodate our group. If you have any ideas, please contact Mary Beth Lemons [mblemons1@gmail.com](mailto:mblemons1@gmail.com). Watch for emails concerning the place for future meetings. It may remain at Elly's Brunch December 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

December 9<sup>th</sup> reschedule of IN HARMS WAY Otto Preminger's epic treatment of the bombing of Pearl Harbor only 24 years after the event. Based on the novel by James Bassett. Starring John Wayne and Kirk Douglas. 2 hrs. 45 min.

\*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



This is a reminder that it is necessary for me to have an idea who will be participating this year as I get ready to order our study books. The topics that we included in last month's newsletter look interesting and timely. I am looking forward to our regular participants and hoping more will join to enliven our learning experience. So in closing, please let me know your intentions.

Thank you! Gretchen Peniska  
poncachief1@cox.net or 602-793-4313.

If you [GOOGLE Great Decisions 2018 Topics - Foreign Policy Association](#)  
There is a one paragraph description of each topic.

- Topic 1: The waning of Pax Americana?
- Topic 2: Russia's foreign policy
- Topic 3: China and America: the new geopolitical equation
- Topic 4: Media and foreign policy
- Topic 5: Turkey: a partner in crisis
- Topic 6: U.S. global engagement and the military
- Topic 7: South Africa's fragile democracy
- Topic 8: Global health: progress and challenges

## Community Project for our Branch

The YWCA and the Phoenix branch have partnered to put on a series of Community Workshops called WORK\$MART. The topic is "Salary Negotiation" and the last of 3 workshop was on November 1st at ASU West. Our branch was represented by Carmela Arnoldt, Carolyn Baker and Kathleen Preece.

**WORK\$MART**

**Salary Negotiation**  
November 1, 2017  
From 6:00-8:30pm

Arizona State Univ West campus  
4701 W Thunderbird Rd  
University Center Bldg Rm. 240  
Glendale AZ 85306  
Language: English / For: Women

Created for working women, Work\$mart is an interactive workshop that teaches you to evaluate, negotiate, and articulate your worth confidently in the job market.

Our expert facilitator leads discussions on the gender pay gap and its personal effects. Small group activities and role-play exercises give you the opportunity to create and perfect your persuasive salary pitch. You learn objective research and benchmarking skills to establish an equitable target salary, whether you are:

- Striving for a promotion
- Asking for a raise
- Negotiating a new salary

To register, visit [www.ywcaAZ.org](http://www.ywcaAZ.org) or contact:  
Natasha Lopez-Rodriguez • 602-258-0990 x 15

**AAUW WORK\$MART**  
salary negotiation for women

The Arizona YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice and dignity for all.

**JOIN OUR MISSION...**  
Join Us to Help Eliminate Racism and Empower Women.  
**BECOME A MEMBER.**  
Learn more at [www.ywcaAZ.org](http://www.ywcaAZ.org)

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The YWCA shares many values and women's issues with AAUW. For more information on this workshop, or many of the other programs available, visit [www.ywcaAZ.org](http://www.ywcaAZ.org) or call Natasha Lopez-Rodriguez at 602-258-0990 x 15. We hope to partner with them again in the future.

### Raffle to benefit LAF

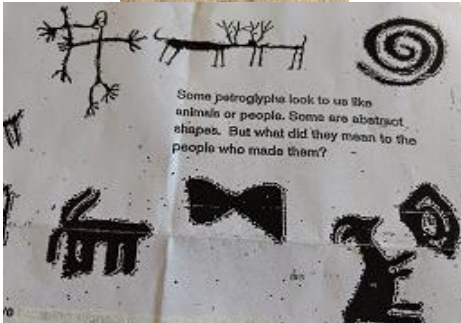


LAF Committee Chair Diane Tarris presented the lovely fall basket to our guest Bonnie McCulley. The basket was an anonymous donation and Tickets were sold at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The proceeds for the event amounted to \$145. Thanks to everyone.

## Movies, Museums & Theater

### AAUW Members Attended Visit to a Petroglyph Preserve on November 21<sup>st</sup>

Most of us were not aware of the wonderful Hedgpeth Hills 47-acre preserve located just off the I-17 and 101 interchange, but it was a sunny, cool morning when six members visited the Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve on Nov. 21. Our docent was Dennis Eaglestone, who is one of the absolute best. His presentation about prehistoric Native Americans who left their marks here in the form of rock art on huge basaltic lava boulders thousands of years ago was thought-provoking and inspirational. Our imaginations went to work as we discussed possible meanings of the various symbols, their culture, ecology, and the daily life of those ancient people. We then went to lunch at Romano's Macaroni Grill in the Deer Valley Towne Center and enjoyed pasta, salads and discussion.



**Mark your calendar for our next outing December 13th**  
Our next gathering will be on Wed., Dec. 13. Instead of going to a movie or museum, since everyone is so busy during the holidays, we will just go out for lunch at one of Phoenix's finest restaurants and enjoy ourselves! An email will soon be sent as to the restaurant, time and directions.

Happy Holidays, everyone! Contact Kay Baughman  
Kaybaugh@Aol.com, 623-742-7388, or  
260-414-7469 if you have any questions or suggestions.

## Other Community Gathering

### HOUSE OF BROADCASTING Fourth Annual Mike Chamberlin & Friends Holiday Concert Friday, December 8th at 7pm

Central United Methodist Church, Kendall Hall, 1875 N. Central - Phoenix

Holiday Music Mike Chamberlin "Singing TV Guy", Jan D'Atri-AZ Mid-Day on KPNX, Pat McMahon-AZ Daily Mix Host, Dave Munsey-Former Weathercaster, Dick Moore-Former KOY and much more.  
and  
Refreshments with Mike available to autograph his book and CD.

Cost is \$10 Admission: 12 and under free. HOBI is a 501c3 non-profit – Tax #86-0890442

For further info contact [pschu@q.com](mailto:pschu@q.com) or 602-944-1997.

### ARIZONA WINDS CONCERT BAND "Santa's Journey" December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2:30p Midwestern University 59<sup>th</sup> and Utopia – Glendale

### DESERT OVERTURE BAND "Around the World for the Holidays" December 3<sup>rd</sup> 3p \$15 Orangewood Presbyterian Church 7321 N. 10th Street, Phoenix

**Please note that we only have 5 participants this past quarter:  
So if you have not been registered be sure and get registered  
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](mailto: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

# December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1 Book Discussion</b> 9:30am Contact: Linda Eaglestone	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 	<b>8</b>	<b>9 Saturday Matinee</b> 11:30am Contact Roberta Rowland
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 	<b>13 MM&amp;T Event</b> Contact Kay Baughman  <b>Chanukah/Hanukkah (first day)</b>	<b>14 World Travelers</b> 12n-2pm Contact: Carolyn Baker	<b>15 Book Discussion</b> 9:30am Contact: Linda Eaglestone	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19 General Meeting</b> At the Life Center Dinner 5:30 pm Speaker 6:30pm	<b>20 Book Discussion</b> 6pm Contact Kathleen Preece  <b>Chanukah/Hanukkah (last day)</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	
<b>24</b>  <b>31 New Years Eve</b>	<b>25 Christmas</b>  <b>1</b> <i>Happy New Year!</i>	<b>26 Kwanzaa (until Jan 1)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 	<b>30 Coffee and Conversation</b> 9am Place TBA