



Capital Women

January, 2017

Welcome to the newest version of the AAUW in Santa Fe Newsletter!

I recently volunteered to be the Newsletter Chairperson and this is my first edition. All future editions will be more timely, with a goal of reaching you two weeks before the beginning of each month.

I will be making up a calendar each month that you can print out for your bulletin board.

I welcome feedback at mcjensen@hotmail.com. Mary Jensen

A beautiful New Year's treat from member [Connie Deschamps](#),
[The Pedernal](#), Acrylic on canvas, 39"x22"



As a member of our AAUW in Santa Fe branch, you might consider entering the AAUW Annual Art Contest, which began to take submissions on January 4th.

If you would like to share a photograph of your art,
I welcome e-mails with photos I can include in future Newsletter editions.



Calendar January, 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>January 1</p>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1pm Knitting Group 	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •12:30 to 2 Board Meeting 	<p>5</p> <p>Annual Art Contest: SUBMISSION PERIOD BEGINS</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •11 to 12n La Fonda Tour •12n Lunch at La Fonda
<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1 to 3pm Lobby Corps Training 	<p>9</p> <p>Our Quilt Raffle has begun!</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1:30 to 3 Daylighters Book Group 	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1pm Knitting Group •7pm Book Women 	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •12n New Mexico 2017 Legislative Session begins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •6pm 2016 Election Talk 	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Presidential Inauguration Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •3pm AAUW on kbac98.1 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •10:30 to 12n, Santa Fe
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Annual Art Contest: SUBMISSION PERIOD ENDS</p>	<p>February 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •12:30 to 2 Board Meeting 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •4 to 6pm Cocktails and Conversation, El Dorado Hotel 	<p>4</p>

January, 2017 Events

1-4-17 2017 AAUW Annual Art Contest Submission Period begins

We hear about the gender gap all the time — in salary, in math and science fields, in leadership. But one of the most glaring and longstanding gaps is in the art world. For centuries, women artists were unrecognized, unencouraged, or even discredited simply because they were not men.

Today, things have changed ... some. Still, in 2012, only 4 percent of artists on display at the Metropolitan Museum were women. That's why AAUW hosts an annual art contest to give women artists the equal attention they deserve.

Want to share your artwork with thousands of AAUW members? Plan to enter the 2017 AAUW Art Contest. The six winning entries will be featured in a collection of note cards mailed to AAUW members in the spring.

For more information on the AAUW Art Contest, see the contest rules at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/artcontest-rules/>.

2017 Timeline

- Submission period: January 4–31 Submit your artwork. Members can submit up to two pieces.
- Voting period: February 6–28 AAUW members can vote for up to 10 entries.
- Winner announcement: Early March We'll announce the six winners!

1-7-17 11am January Program Tour of La Fonda

A huge Thank You to member **Sue Mathews** who arranged a wonderful **docent led tour of the La Fonda**. So many people attended this event that two tour groups were formed. Sue is also a docent at La Fonda and added interesting insights for the group in which she participated. After the hour-long tour, many members had lunch at one of the restaurants at La Fonda. Everyone enjoyed the tours and many of us are excited to return with guests. Thank you, Sue!



1-7-17 to 5-6-17 [Quilt Raffle](#)

Beginning now, AAUW in Santa Fe is sponsoring a Quilt Raffle benefitting our STEM initiatives for girls. Raffle tickets may be purchased from **Jeanne Patrick** (505-699-8645) at **\$5.00 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.00.**

Interested members are encouraged to sell tickets for this worthy educational cause! Call Jeanne for tickets!

The quilt is a beautiful handmade coverlet, valued at \$600, which was donated by the New Mexico Quilters' Association. The quilt is in a traditional maple leaf pattern and measures 77' x 101", lovely for either a king or queen sized bed.



1-8-16 **1 to 3pm** [Lobby Corps Training](#)

For more than 50 years, AAUW has had a strong voice in our New Mexico Legislature. Our Lobby Corps consists of a dozen or so members who become knowledgeable on one or more specific AAUW-NM priorities, read bills, attend committee meetings, and lobby their NM legislators. Lobby Corps Training will teach you how to talk effectively with your legislator and what issues and bills are expected during the upcoming 2017 60-day session.

Lobby Corps Training was held in Santa Fe on January 8th from 1-3pm in the Roundhouse.

1-17-17 6pm 2016 Election Talk **What Happened?**

Location: Santa Fe University of Art & Design 1600 St. Michaels Dr., Southwest Annex Building

Come hear Professor Lonna Rae Atkeson discuss and answer questions about the 2016 election. What happened? What factors influenced the outcome? Dr. Lonna Atkeson is a Professor of Political Science, Regents' Lecturer, and Director of the Center for the Study of Voting, Elections and Democracy, and the Institute of Social Research at the University of New Mexico. She is an internationally recognized expert in the area of election sciences, survey methodology, voting rights, election administration, public opinion, and political behavior. She has written over 50 articles and book chapters, and dozens of technical reports, monographs, amicus curiae briefs and other works on these topics. She advocates for a data driven, applied social science, approach to election reform. During the 2016 election, she was KOBTV's election analyst.

1-17-17 12n New Mexico 2017 Legislative Session begins

SESSION DATES 2017

- December 15, 2016 - January 13 Legislation may be pre-filed
- January 17 Opening day (noon)
- February 16 Deadline for introduction
- March 18 Session ends (noon)
- April 7 Legislation not acted upon by governor is pocket vetoed
- June 16 Effective date of legislation not a general appropriation bill or a bill carrying an emergency clause or other specified date



2-6-17 8:30am AAUW Legislative Day at the Round House

AAUW in Santa Fe is hosting Legislative Day for members from around the state, a day to lobby our legislators on the issues that are important to AAUW-New Mexico. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. in Room 326. During the day, we will visit senators and representatives in the morning, then pick up lunch at the sandwich shop and compare notes back in the same room. Various committee hearings and floor sessions will be available in the afternoon.

Volunteers are needed to staff an AAUW table in the lobby. Contact Public Policy Chairperson **Cynthia Dobson** if interested.

1-20-17 3pm [AAUW Radio Interview](#)

On this Inaugural Day, Co-President [Jeanne Patrick](#) will speak on the radio talk show *Off the Grid*, with Ira Gordon, about pay equity, one of AAUW's primary platforms. Let's all tune in to hear her!

1-21-17 10:30am [Santa Fe Women's March](#)

AAUW National encourages us to participate in the Women's March either in DC or locally. We want to have a strong presence at the *local* Santa Fe Women's Marchand Rally -- so please join us and look for AAUW banner/signs.

Event Gathering: 10:30am

Please gather on the North side of the Bataan Building on W. De Vargas St., between Galisteo St. and Don Gaspar Ave on the grassy areas and sidewalks; please do not gather in parking areas.

March: 11:00am – 12:00pm

Starting Location: North side of the Bataan Building on W. De Vargas St., between Galisteo St. and Don Gaspar Ave.

Bataan Building Address: 400 Don Gaspar Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501

March is roughly 0.7 miles. See Event Map below for route details.

Rally: 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Location: New Mexico State Capitol (southeast side of the Capitol Building). Please use the south stairs off of Paseo De Peralta or the west stairs off of Don Gaspar Ave. to access rally as the east entrance will be reserved for persons with disabilities entrance.

New Mexico State Capitol address: 490 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87501

More information on the March, Rally, Parking, Maps, etc. can be found at:

<https://wmwsf.net/event/event-details/> In addition, car-pooling information for members will be provided in an e-mail to members.

RSVP: Not needed. Just Come!

Interest Groups

Book Women

The Book Women Group usually meets the third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at a member's home. At our monthly meeting, we discuss the reading selection of the month. We read a variety of books including but not limited to fiction, non-fiction, mysteries, and biographies. Our group is currently full. Contact Judy Kares at (505) 474-0799 or jkares@earthlink.net for more information or to get on the wait list.

Unbook Club

The Unbook Group meets to discuss everything, plus the book! The only requirement for this club was that the author must show up to discuss their book. So far, 13 local authors have met with the group. The invited authors have ranged from Anne Hillerman to Valerie Plame to Maxine Davenport. All members are invited and a notice will be sent out when a meeting is setup. Contact Jeanne Patrick at pres.jeannepatrick@gmail.com or Lina Germann at lsgermann@gmail.com for more information.

Knitting Club

The AAUW knitting group is an interest group for women who like to do handwork, including knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, sewing, etc. We initially organized to knit warm scarves and hats for children in the Adelante program in the public schools. The group meets the first and third Mondays of the month at 1:00 at one of the tables in the de Vargas Mall near the Op. Cit. bookstore. We meet informally to chat and share knitting projects and techniques. Instruction is available for those wanting to learn to knit or crochet. Please contact Sandra Bradley at Sandbrad@aol.com for more information.

Daylighters Book Group

The Daylighters Book Group meets the second Wednesday of the month, from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. at the La Farge Library Community Room. We either read and discuss books on selected topics or we will read and discuss the same book. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Connie Petersen at valkyrie719@yahoo.com.

Hiking Group

The Hiking Group hikes from approximately April through mid-November, depending on the weather. Our hikes usually last two to three hours and the locations vary. If you are not already on our email list, please email Barbara Asarch-Aronowitz at barbaracoyote@gmail.com and she will add you to the group email.

Meet & Eat

The Meet and Eat group meets once a month on Sunday evening at a moderately priced restaurant for dinner. Contact Jeanne Patrick at pres.jeannepatrick@gmail.com for more information.

Cocktails & Conversation

The Cocktails and Conversation Group is a National AAUW program from Program in a Box. The idea is for local AAUW members to meet in a public bar and discuss issues pertaining to AAUW locally and nationally. The next Cocktails and Conversation group will meet on Friday, February 3rd, at the El Dorado Hotel from 4-6 pm. Parking is free for 2 hours with validation. No RSVP needed. Contact Jeanne Patrick (505) 984-1720 for more information.

Your Choice

If you are interested in starting a group that addresses your interests – interests—art, computers, gourmet, etc., please contact Jeanne Patrick at pres.jeannepatrick@gmail.com to discuss how you might get started!

Committees of Interest



PUBLIC POLICY

The Public Policy Committee locally provides candidates' forums in conjunction with other SF community groups for support of community issues that promote AAUW goals and participates with national AAUW to influence PP on all issues affecting women and girls such as education, the environment, families and equity in the work place. Contact our **Public Policy Chair, Cynthia Dobson**, with questions or interest.

STEM

The STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Committee promotes equity for women through STEM education. Participate in projects to help girls realize their potential. Projects such as *Careers and Curiosity* for elementary girls and boys, and *Expanding Your Horizons* conference for middle school girls. Contact one of our **STEM Chairs, Lina Germann**, or **Lynn Heffron**, with questions or interest.

OUTREACH

The Outreach Committee promotes equity for women through community service, such as collecting coats and food for the *Adelante Program* for the Santa Fe Public Schools' homeless children, youth and their families, advocating for Girls Inc. programs.

FUNDRAISING

The Fundraising Committee helps raise funds through activities such as Trash and Treasure Sale. Contact our AAUW Funds Chair, **Jeanne Patrick**, if interested in participating.

LEGISLATIVE POTLUCK

Our Program VP helps organize a potluck in preparation for a day of lobbying at the Roundhouse during legislative sessions. Contact our Program VP, [Melanie Buchleiter](#), at mkbuchleiter@sbcglobal.net , if interested in helping.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee recruits members and help new members feel welcome. Contact our Membership VP, [Luanne Moyer](#), at ca_mom2000@hotmail.com , if interested.

DIVERSITY

Currently the Diversity Chair position is vacant. Let us know if you would like to take on this important role.

Special Member Recruitment

Recruiting Essay Readers for the 2017 Tech Trek New Mexico Summer Camp

2-16-17	Essay Reader Training
31-17 to 3-31-17	Essay Reading and grading

The 2017 Tech Trek summer camp, sponsored by New Mexico AAUW, is to be held June 18-24 at New Mexico Tech in Socorro. At this camp, girls who will be in the 8th grade the next fall come from all over New Mexico to participate. Girls are now being nominated to apply to participate in Tech Trek by their 7th grade science teachers. Applications will be sent to girls on February 1st, and must be returned by February 28th.

AAUW members are asked to volunteer, in March, to read the essays that the girls write. As many essay readers as possible are needed, since each essay is read and graded three times. A training for essay readers outside of Albuquerque is planned for Thursday February 16th at a time to be determined.

If interested in being an essay reader, please e-mail Sylvia Fink at sjsf44@hotmail.com with your 1) name, 2) contact information (e-mail address and/or phone number, and 3) your input about the time of day that would be most convenient for training on February 16th.