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Breaking through Barriers

Capital Women

April 2012

BRANCH MEETING <u>Thursday</u>, April 5

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Board Meetings: March 26, April 23,1:00 pm, First Christian Church. All are welcome to attend.

Chili & Book Event: April 12, 5:00 pm, Sweeney Elementary.

Branch Meeting & Potluck: Wednesday, May 2, 5:30 pm at the home of Enid Tidwell.

Next newsletter deadline: Apr. 20, 2012.

AAUW-NM Convention: April 27-29, Las Cruces; <u>AAUW Presi-</u> <u>dent, Carolyn Garfein</u>, to speak.

Careers & Curiosity: May 16, Agua Fria Elementary School.



Dinner at 5 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel 100 Sandoval Street, Santa Fe Meeting will start at 6:30 p.m.

Come and meet this year's UNM Scholarship recipient, **Christie Green**. Ms. Green is working on her master's degree in Landscape Architecture. In addition to her academic pursuits, Ms. Green is a Santa Fe entrepreneur who has developed her own landscape design business, Studio Succession. Recently in the New Mexican (2/21/12) there was an excellent article about her company. She was quoted in the article, saying that her company is a "collaborative design, development and consulting firm, with a slow integrated approach to the landscape." Christie will be joining us for dinner and then be making her presentation to us. **You won't want to miss this event!**

RSVP*RSVP*RSVP*RSVP

We will have a buffet dinner and we must have the count by March 30. The cost of the meal is \$22. The buffet will be a mixed garden greens salad with assorted salad toppings that include grilled chicken strips. Make your check payable to: AAUW Santa Fe. You may mail your check to Judy Kares before March 30th or give your check to Judy at the dinner on April 5th. No matter which way you plan to pay:

Please RSVP to Judy Kares by March 30th if you plan to attend the dinner at jkares@earthlink.net or call 474-0799.

Cash bar: There will be a cash bar available at the meeting for you to purchase wine and cocktails prior to the start of dinner.

Parking: Parking is free that night, depending on how full the hotel is. If their lot is full, parking is available on the street or in the city lot across the street.

More New Mexico Centennial Events

One of the speakers at the March 3rd meeting, historian Nancy Bartlit, mentioned 2 upcoming events here in Santa Fe. Presentations from seven internment scholars; documentaries on Sunday Tickets at the Lensic, \$15, Limited # of discount tickets for seniors & students at \$10

Box Office 988-1234

July 8, 2012 through October 7, 2012.

Museum of International Folk Art

Museum Hill

The Art of Gaman: Arts and Crafts from the Japanese American Internment Camps, 1942-1946 Showcase of arts and crafts made by Japanese Americans in U.S. Internment camps during World War I, including works from the Santa Fe, NM camp. These objects-tools, teapots, furniture, toys and games, musical instruments, pendants and pins, purses and ornamental displays—are physical manifestations of the art of *qaman*, a Japanese word that means "to bear the seemingly unbearable with dignity and patience".



April 21-22, 2012

Saturday, 10:30-4:30 pm; Sunday, 1:00-4:00 pm

NM History Museum Santa Fe

113 Lincoln Avenue Santa Fe, NM 87501

A Symposium on NM Internment: "From Inside and Outside the Barbed Wire: New Mexico's Multicultural World War II Internment Stories"

2012-2013 Dues for AAUW

We will begin collecting dues in April for the upcoming AAUW fiscal year.

\$77: \$16 for the Santa Fe

Branch, \$12 for AAUW-

NM, and \$49 for the Na-

tional organization. \$46

Dues for paid life mem-

bers are \$28; to cover

branch and state dues.

Dues for regular branch members are

is tax deductible.

Dues for out-of-state dual members are \$28; to cover branch and state dues.

Dues for in-state dual members are \$16; for the Santa Fe Branch dues.

Honorary Life Members pay no dues but sometimes wish to make a donation to the branch. If you wish to be an early-bird, bring your dues check, made out to AAUW-Santa Fe, to the April Branch meeting.

You may send your check, made out to AAUW-Santa Fe to Nickola Rubow at 105 Sol y Lomas, Santa Fe, NM 87505

You soon will receive further information.



CO-PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE



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Julie and I have been drafting the report on our busy Santa Fe Branch that will be shared at the State AAUW meeting in Las Cruces in April. You amazing women have already co-hosted Voter Education forums, given generously to Adelante, increased the size of the branch to 88 members (helping NM AAUW win a Membership Award), hosted the Legislative Day, donated to AAUW

Funds and our local UNM scholarship, and given freely of your time to help branch members with very serious health issues. You still find time to read and discuss books, knit, play Mahjong and have stimulating conversations at our outstanding monthly meetings.

We'll be providing a chili dinner and reading

books that we will donate to the children served by *Adelante* in April, doing Careers and Curiosity in May and enjoying every minute of it.

AAUW's mission emphasizes education and equity and you have illustrated the many creative ways that these goals can be realized. As we head into spring we'll be getting back to evening meetings.



If you need a ride, please call anyone on the board and we'll make sure you get to hear our newest UNM Scholarship winner.

Enid

Chili and Book Event for Adelante

At our March meeting we collected 63 gently used adult paper back books and traded them at used book stores for credit toward new and used children and young adult books. We received \$120 in credit from the stores to purchase 59 books ranging from "chunky books" for toddlers to novels for young adults; some in Spanish and a few in Spanish and English. Some novels focus on Latino role models and the problems of immigration. Our members donated an additional 64 children's books. Gaile Herling, the head of *Adelante*, will help sort the books and determine which are appropriate for each participant.

On April 12, we will sponsor a Chile and Books Event; providing a chile, salad and tortilla dinner. After dinner while parents attend a parenting class and older children do an art project, AAUW members will read to the toddlers. The event will reach 70 to 80 people.

The expected number for dinner is larger than anticipated so more food is needed. If you'd still like to donate a pot of chile (with beans and meat) to feed 6 to 8 people, a salad or tortillas please e-mail Enid Tidwell at etidwell01@comcast.net or Julie Vollmer at julianne.vollmer@gmail.com



Branch Fundraising Efforts

The UNM Foundation Fundraising effort is off and running. We have started receiving donations and are very hopeful of adding a good amount to the Endowment. The goal is to increase the Endowment Fund, eventually, to a level that it will be self-supporting. We want to offer the \$2000 scholarship each year with out asking for additional money. Send your checks to Charla Thomas at 2000 Calle Lejano, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Checks should be made out to the UNM Foundation with AAUW-SF Endowment on the memo line. Thanks to everyone for their participation.

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Mission Statement

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

La AAUW adelante en eguidad para las mujeres y las muchachas por medio de el apoyo, la educacion,

filantropia, y la investgacion.

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connect@.aauw.org

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