



### WHAT'S COMING UP?

**September Branch Meeting:**  
To be announced in  
August

**Hiking Group:** Tue. May 26th, 10:00am, La Cieneguilla Petroglyph Site. Contact Sue Mathews at [alnsueinm@gmail.com](mailto:alnsueinm@gmail.com). Next hike June 12th.

**Board Meeting:** June 6 10:00 am, 1st Christian Church, 645 Webber St. All are welcome to attend.

**Daylighters Book Group:** June 10 at 1 p.m. at the La-Farge Library. We will discuss Quiet: The Power of Introverts by Susan Cain. Contact Helen Fan, 795-7767.

**Book Women:** June 15, 7:00pm, home of Enid Tidwell for discussion of The Rembrandt Affair by Daniel Silva. Contact Judy Kares, 474-0799.

**Tech Trek:** July 12-18, Highlands University, Las Vegas,

**AAUW National Convention:** June 18-21, San Diego, Calif.



ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!  
IT WILL ARRIVE ONE  
OF THESE DAYS.

# Capital Women

**BRANCH MEETING & PROGRAM**  
**JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm**  
**El Castillo Retirement Community**

**Dessert, Equal Pay Essays, Installation of Officers**

**Program Presentation**  
**by**

**Cynthia Dobson, Storyteller**

Storytelling? Yep, professional storyteller Cynthia Dobson will be telling some stories at the branch meeting. Before you say "what - stories are for kids" come to hear a bit about different types of storytellers and then be entertained with several stories...

Cynthia met her first storyteller, Joe Hayes, way back in the 80's just after she had started teaching kindergarten in Loving, NM and Joe was just starting out as a full time storyteller. Since then she studied "The Art of Storytelling" at Emerson College in England for a semester and then returned for a six week course in "Storytelling as a Healing Art."

Currently she tells stories twice a month at an Assisted Living Residence and was telling stories weekly at an elementary school. She told stories at the Albuquerque Folk Festival last week and tells stories at schools, libraries, camps and pretty much where ever she is invited. She also is the NM State Liaison to the National Storytelling Network.



Cynthia telling stories at the Roundhouse on Culture Day in February 2015.

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## From Our President



This is my last article as the solo Branch president. I will be joining Lina Germann as Co-President. Truthfully, I never thought I would be able to write a column every month. But somehow over the last two years I was able to put something on paper. A few kind souls came up to me at the convention and told me they read every one of my columns. Sometimes I had to reach to into my traumatic family Yosemite vacations to fill a column. But in this column I am going to take the high road.

I am going to my first AAUW National Convention in June. I am curious just how they work. This one in particular is very expensive because it is in a hotel on the water in San Diego. But I do have friends and family in California so I will be able to go to the convention and visit people I want to see.

I support the Mission of AAUW and have joined the Legacy Circle as part of my estate planning. I will do whatever I can to keep AAUW's programs and advocacy efforts moving forward because the basic premise of pay equity for women has not been achieved. To me pay equity is the "guts" of the AAUW movement. So to that extent I am committed to participating in AAUW.

I hope everyone has a great summer—see you in the fall.

*Jeanne*



## JUNE 10th BRANCH PROGRAM & MEETING

The last meeting for the 2014-15 program year will begin with dessert and coffee or tea, provided by the AAUW-Santa Fe Branch Board of Directors.

There will be a variety of happenings as well as a variety of desserts. The middle school girls who wrote essays for Equal Pay Day will be sharing their writings, our Santa Fe AAUW member, Cynthia Dobson (read about her on page 1 of this newsletter), will treat us to some of her special stories and the officers for 2015-17 will be installed.

**A GREAT ENDING TO A GREAT YEAR!**

## EQUAL PAY ESSAY AWARDS

At the AAUW June Meeting, which will be held at El Castillo, the four 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls from the Santa Fe Girls School who wrote essays on Equal Pay will be recognized. The girls, along with their parents, have been invited to attend and the two essay contest winners will be announced and given awards. Their teacher, Gretchen Peck, has also been invited.

We hope they will be able to attend so we can thank them in person. We hope you will be present to meet these outstanding young writers and their teacher.

Cynthia Dobson  
Public Policy Chair

**EQUAL PAY**  
campaign



**EMMA SMITH**  
**AAUW-SANTA FE SCHOLARSHIP**  
**RECIPIENT**

Emma Smith was chosen to receive the annual AAUW-Santa Fe scholarship of \$2,000. This amount will be paid in two installments, directly to the winner; \$1,000 in the fall of 2015 and \$1,000 in the spring of 2016. She is currently working toward a degree in biology with a focus on conservation and paleoecology.

Emma feels this award will enable her to attend important national and international meetings thus extending the scope and depth of her thesis.

The members of the AAUW-Santa Fe Scholarship Committee feel the 28 applications submitted by Santa Fe County graduate student women is a good indicator of the need that exists locally for this award.

The three-member committee of Jean Bahr, Judy Kares and Carol Ann Mullaney also chose additional winners to be funded by the Graduate Studies Program at UNM.

Emma will discuss her work at an AAUW monthly meeting in the spring. The date for her presentation will be announced in a later newsletter, e-mail or phone and the branch web site.



Members interested in helping PLAN the Fall Expanding Your Horizon conference are encouraged to contact Lina Germann. No date is set yet but we are hoping to get SFCC space sometime in September. Planning will start in June for this one day STEM conference for girls 5th-8th grades that usually takes place on a Saturday from 9am-3pm. See

<http://santafe-nm.aauw.net/stem/> for more details.



**AAUW-Los Alamos**  
**&**  
**AAUW-Santa Fe**  
**Out 'n About**

**Santa Fe Botanical Garden Tour**  
**& Lunch**  
**Thursday, May 28, 2015**

The Santa Fe Botanical Garden is located on Museum Hill. Many of you have been to the garden but have you been on a docent-led tour? Come and gain some new information about this lovely addition to the museums "on the hill."

Cost: \$7 for an adult, \$6 for seniors (65+) and includes the tour. Please join us for this **joint Santa Fe - Los Alamos Branch activity**.

**Schedule:**  
**11:00 Tour**  
**12:30 pm Lunch at Museum Restaurant**

Each car may depart when it chooses.

Please make reservations with Nancy Scheer ([nscheer@cowboys.uwyo.edu](mailto:nscheer@cowboys.uwyo.edu)) or Nina Thayer, ([gnthayer@cybernesa.com](mailto:gnthayer@cybernesa.com)), so if weather interferes we can notify you of a change in plans quickly.



## Newly Elected Branch Officers

### **FOR 2015-2017:**

Lina Germann, Co-President  
 Jeanne Patrick, Co-President  
 Melanie Buchleiter, Program VP  
 Luanne Moyer, Secretary  
 Cynthia Dobson, Public Policy Chair

### **FOR 2015-16:**

Sandra Bradley, Co-Finance Chair  
 Jeanne Patrick, AAUW Funds Chair

## Positions Needing To Be Filled

Newsletter Editor  
 Public Relations Chair  
 Diversity Chair  
 College/University Liaison  
 Membership Data Coordinator/Communications  
 Bylaws Chair/Parliamentarian

Even though rain threatened, five AAUW hikers enjoyed the Arroyo Hondo Open Spaces the morning of May 14th.



Back row—Nancy Scheer & Sue Mathews  
 Front Row- Shirley Aune, Kay Dorko  
 & Nickola Rubow

## Appointed Branch Officers

Outreach Coordinator: Alisha Tafoya-Lucero  
 Directory Editor: Enid Tidwell  
 Historian: Joy Poole  
 Website Manager: Jacqueline Ulrich  
 AAUW-UNM Scholarship Chair: Judy Kares  
 International Affairs: Jeanne Patrick  
 STEM Chair: Lina Germann  
 Social Secretary: Joanne Birdwhistell

**If you are interested in doing more than just paying your yearly dues to support the mission of AAUW, consider volunteering for one of the vacant positions on the Board of Directors. Become a member of the team, learn more about AAUW at the local, state, and national levels, and make new friends.**

**If you would like more information about these positions or are ready to volunteer, contact either of the 2015-17 branch co-presidents, Jeanne or Lina.**

**Jeanne Patrick: 984-1720**

**Lina Germann: 424-9254**



Careers & Curiosity at Nava Elementary School April 9<sup>th</sup>

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL & DUES OPTIONS

**Time for all current members of Santa Fe Branch-AAUW to renew their memberships with information updates and payment of full-year dues.**

2014–15 financial year (FY 2015) concludes June 30, 2015.

**2015-16 financial year (FY 2016) begins on July 1, 2015.**

**\$49 National + \$12 State NM + \$16 Branch SF = \$77 TOTAL full-year dues\***

There are **three options** for renewing your membership:

### MAIL

Provide information updates on Membership form and write dues check payable to AAUW- Santa Fe. Send in **stamped envelope** to:

AAUW - Santa Fe  
c/o Membership-Finance  
P.O. Box 31584  
Santa Fe, NM 87594-1584

(please note the PO Box # and the  
1<sup>st</sup> part of the zip code are different)



### MEETING

Bring your **check book to our next branch meeting, June 10, 2015**, El Castillo Retirement Community at 6:30 pm. Membership forms will be available for you to update your information, then write a personal dues\* check to AAUW- Santa Fe. Everything will be **collected** at the meeting, thus mailing is not required.

### ON-LINE

Renew **on-line** with your **personal credit card**. On-line renewal is now easy!

Our Finance Officer is arranging for renewal notices/invoices from AAUW's National website to be sent to your email address.

Each notice will have a personalized **link**. Once you receive the notice, all you have to do is **click** on the link and renew on-line with your personal credit card.

You can also update your personal information if you need to.

Be alert for an email notice from AAUW National using sender address

[EONSupport@aauw.org](mailto:EONSupport@aauw.org)



You may renew your membership with any one of the three options outlined above.

But please renew in May or June 2015, so your name will be listed in FY 2016 Member Rosters of AAUW at national, state, and branch levels.

*\*Special dues available for Dual, Paid-Life, Student members.*



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### MEMBERSHIP FORM SANTA FE-AAUW

Santa Fe Branch, American Association of University Women  
<http://santafe-nm.aauw.net>

**NEW MEMBER**

Please provide all information

**RENEWING MEMBER**

Provide information changes; indicate with \*\*

**Personal Information:**

**NAME**

Gender

Address

Preferred Phone Numbers

H  
W  
C

City

State

Zip

Birth date

Email

Ethnicity (optional): Hispanic  White  American Indian/Alaska Native   
Black/African American  Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  Asian  Other

Occasionally AAUW's membership list is made available to carefully screened companies or organizations.  
Check here if you do not want your name included:

Member Recruiter (if applicable):

Name

Branch Name

City/State

**Academic Information:**

Degree

Major

Year

College/University

City

State

**Membership Eligibility:**

I am a graduate, holding an associate or equivalent (RN), baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

**Full-year membership dues for new and renewing members:**

The AAUW membership year extends from July 1 to June 30 of next year

**National \$49 + State \$12 + Branch \$16 = TOTAL \$77.00**

Of the National Dues, \$46 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution, and \$3 is not because it supports AAUW Action Fund's 501(c)(4) Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities.

**Make check for \$77 payable to AAUW-Santa Fe**

**RETURN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND DUES CHECK TO:**

**AAUW-Santa Fe**



# "It Was Never A Dress" Campaign



What do you see when you encounter the usual symbol to indicate a women's restroom? The designer of the new symbol shown above says "I thought perhaps we were always seeing her from the back, and we turn her around and realize she's a superhero...she's been there the whole time."

According to the campaign's website, the new symbol was created to "shift perceptions and assumptions about women and the audacious, sensitive and powerful gestures they make every single day."

The campaign hopes to spark conversations about gender norms . "It Was Never A Dress will foster necessary conversations, vital voices and images from around the world that honor ALL women."

A Software company based in Scottsdale is doing away with the age-old symbol of a generic lady in a dress as a part of its "It Was Never A Dress" campaign. The creator came up with the idea as part of a Girls in Tech conference in Phoenix earlier this month. Tania Katan had been tasked to design an empowering symbol for women in tech, which ultimately lead her to the traditional, rigid women's restroom sign.



other interesting signs!



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We're on the Web!

<http://santafe-nm.aauw.net>



#### ELECTED OFFICERS

**President:** Jeanne Patrick  
**Program VP:** Ellen Cerreta  
**Membership VP:** Gail Fine  
**Secretary:** Pat Price  
**Finance Chair:** Kris Rodgers  
**AAUW Funds Chair:** Luanne Moyer  
**Public Policy Chair:** Cynthia Dobson

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**STEM Chair:** Lina Germann  
**Historian:** Joy Poole  
**Membership Data Coordinator:** Judy Bates  
**Caring Secretary:** Joanne Birdwhistell  
**College/University:** vacant  
**Public Relations:** vacant

National AAUW HELP  
LINE number is **1-800-  
326-2289**. It is  
available M-F from 10 am -  
5pm EST/EDT. The email  
address is:

[connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org)

The Congressional Action  
Line is (202) 785-7785.  
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FAX updates from the  
Women's Network for  
Change.

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