September 2015



WHAT'S COMING UP?

October Branch Meeting:
To be announced later.

Board Meeting: Sept. 2, 12.30-2.30pm, 1st Citizens Bank reading room at 700 Paseo de Peralta All are welcome to attend. Bring a lunch if you wish.

EYH Conference: Saturday, Sept. 19, 9am-3pm, SF Community College. More information on page 3.

AAUW-NM Fall Workshop:
Oct. 24, Portales, Eastern
NM University Student Branch
hosting.

<u>Interest Groups:</u> all information is on pages 4 & 5 of this newsletter.



If you need to update your personal contact information, please send changes to our Membership Chair Luanne Moyer:

ca mom2000@hotmail.com

Capital Women

Come One, Come All!

AAUW Santa Fe is holding its annual Member Social—September 12th, 2-4pm, Estancia Primera Clubhouse, 450 Ave Primara S, Santa Fe



Meet the officers, make new friends, and re-establish contact with old friends. Learn about this year's activities, interest groups, philanthropies, and scholarship programs. Enjoy refreshments and have some fun.

Bring a friend, or renew your own membership (if you haven't done so already). New member packets, application forms, and dues collections will be available at a designated table near the refreshments.

To have an invitation sent to a friend, contact Luanne Moyer (Membership Chair).

Directions

From St. Francis Drive, turn East onto Paseo de Peralta Continue to pink Scottish Rite Temple and turn North onto Washing-

ton Avenue (becomes Bishop's Lodge Rd)

Continue to light and turn Right onto Artist Road (becomes Hyde Park Road)

Turn Right at Estancia entry (about 0.5 miles) onto Avenida Primera Continue to #450 (Clubhouse) on Left (about 0.5 miles)

Park in front of Clubhouse and follow signs to "AAUW Social" (Consult Google maps for further clarification)

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From One of Our Co-Presidents

This is my first letter as co-president of AAUW-Santa Fe branch. I have been a member since October 2000, so I guess I was overdue to take on this responsibility. I am a change agent so watch out! I am planning on streamlining operations and especially board meetings, and I am going to do everything I can to encourage members to get more involved in what they like to be involved in, whether it is influencing public policy and fighting for pay equity, enjoying social gatherings and making new friends, promoting STEM education for girls, or working with our local colleges/universities. Our branch is very active and respected in this community and I am proud to be an AAUW member.

Coming up is the Members Social on September 12. Please think of one or two friends you can bring along who might be interested in becoming a member. I am sorry that I am going to miss this event as I am will be on a work trip. Jeanne Patrick, my partner in crime will be there to welcome you all. It is the blessing of having a co-president.

Also on September 19, for the third year in a row, our branch is the main organizer of the Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference, where approximately 150 girls from all over Santa Fe and northern NM attend an all-day STEM conference at Santa Fe Community College. I encourage you to volunteer and be part of this large experience by contacting our own Shirley Aune at shirleyaune@gmail.com

Finally, please feel free to contact me anytime, best by email or text. I love going out for breakfast or lunch, or for a cocktail and discussing new ideas and initiatives. Oh, and please consider joining one of our many committees:

Program, Membership, Public Policy, Outreach, STEM... We need future leaders for this branch.



ADELANTE PANTRY ALMOST BARE

The <u>Adelante Program</u> for Homeless Students in the Santa Fe Public Schools is in dire need of food items for the pantry. The main items needed are:

Canned: fruit, tuna, milk, & beans rice, pasta & cereal

Purchase canned items with pop-top lids when possible.

The collecting of winter coats has already begin. Children's coats, both boys and girls, sized 2—18 are needed as well as adult sizes for some high school students. The coats must be new or never worn.

All items may be taken to Riette Mugleston (983-1268) and she will deliver everything to the Adelante office. You may also bring items to the September 12th Member Social but **food is needed now.**

Public Policy

Though the fall season is almost upon us with many Santa Fe AAUW activities being scheduled, Public Policy is not foremost. However, if you want to know more about the Washington Scene go to www.aauw.org/issues/advocacy for updates on many issues. You can also become a Two-Minute Activist and receive urgent email notices to read and then possibly contact your members of Congress to make your voice heard. On September 4th Congress will resume. Cynthiaia Dobson, Public Policy Chair



Girls enjoying the 2014 EYH conference.



The 2015 Santa Fe Fall Expanding Your Horizons Conference is going to be held on Saturday September 19, 2015 at Santa Fe Community College.

This conference is sponsored by our branch AAUW-Santa Fe and NM Network for Women in Science and Engineering (NMNWSE).

The Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference is a dynamic conference with the mission to encourage young women to pursue Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) careers by providing women STEM role models and hands-on workshops and activities. EYH brings women from a wide range of industries and professions to work with girls in 5th-8th grade in an exciting hands-on environment. Over the course of the conference day, girls experience new activities and engage in discussions about current opportunities in STEM fields. This conference is often a once in a life-time opportunity for girls to engage with female role models working in STEM professions.

This conference cannot succeed without volunteers. Please consider being a volunteer. If interested and available, please go to http://nmnwse.org/sfeyh/volunteer to sign up. Thank you for your consideration!

Lina Germann (505-310-4122)
Fall EYH Santa Fe Program co-Chair
AAUW-Santa Fe STEM Chair

http://www.expandingyourhorizons.org/conferences/ SantaFe/





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

Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Tour

Friday, October 23, 9:30 am, \$25

Katherine Wells is the Director and organizer, for the Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project . AAUW-Santa Fe members are invited to join their "Hill" friends on October 23 to tour a part of Mesa Prieta, which includes petroglyphs from the Archaic Period (before 1000 AD), the Puebloan Period (1200-1600 AD) and the Historic Period (1598 – present). The mesa contains an estimated 70,000 petroglyphs and is the largest site in New Mexico.

This will be a private tour, limited to 30 participants. Currently all three scheduled public tours for this fall are full. The tour cost is \$25/person, begins at 9:30 am, lasts approximately two hours, and will be followed by lunch, TBA. The location is north of Espanola near Pilar.

Interested Santa Fe members may form their own carpools with directions provided a few days in advance. Please bring sunscreen, a hat, water and sturdy walking shoes as the trails are rough. We will divide into smaller groups according to walking agility. Contact Nina Thayer to make reservations and for help with carpools, gnthayer@cybermesa.com.



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

MEET & EAT

This is a new interest group that we will experiment with to see if it works. Members would meet every 2 months at a moderately priced restaurant for dinner.



The first restaurant will be Dinner for Two at 106 n Guadalupe. We will meet there at 5pm on October 4th. They have a Sunday dinner special that includes 3 courses for

\$20. Parking is 1 block away on Jefferson. There will be a sign-up sheet for people who are interested. If this works, hopefully, members will suggest other restaurants to eat at. Friends and relatives are welcome to join in the dining experience.

Questions may be sent to : Jeanne Patrick jeannepatrick2001@hotmail.com

DAYLIGHTERS

Daylighters Book Group meets the second Wednesday of the month in the afternoon. We either read and discuss books on selected topics or we all read and discuss the same book. The Sept. 9th meeting will be at the LaFarge Library from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Please read a play of your choice.

Contact person is Helen Fan.

COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION

Cocktails and Conversation is a social group initiated by our National Headquarters. The group met twice last year at Santa Fe Bar and Grill. Our first meeting of this year will be Thursday Oct. 22 at 5 pm at the Santa Fe Bar and Grill at the De Vargas Mall.

Jeanne Patrick



KNITTING

The AAUW knitting group is for women who are interested in handwork, including knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, sewing, etc. The group meets twice a month on the first and third Monday afternoons. Right now we are meeting at 1:00 in the little restaurant, El Tesoro, in the Sanbusco Center. Lunch is optional. We gather for about 2 hours to share projects and enjoy each other. People interested in developing handwork skills are welcome to come. Many members are expert and are happy to teach. All members are welcome to join us with or without a project. For more information please contact Sandra Bradley, sandbrad@aol.com, or at 983-5125.

The first meeting will be September 21st. I see that the Sanbusco Center is in the process of being sold. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us so I can let you know where we will be meeting.

UNBOOK CLUB

The Unbook Club was started in 2007 by Lina Germann and Jeanne Patrick. The only requirement for this club was that the authors must show up to discuss their books!

So far 13 local authors have met with the group. The names range from Anne Hillerman to Valerie Plame to Maxine Davenport. The group meets when the author is available. So that usually means about 2 times a year. The group is gearing up for another meeting -so stay tuned.

Jeanne Patrick, Co President Santa Fe Branch AAUW



TWO MORE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

HIKING

Our hikes will continue through mid November and then start up again sometime in April. Our upcoming hikes usually last two to three hours and the locations vary. We will be hiking on the following dates: September 11th, September 25th, October 9th, October 23rd, and November 6th. If you are not already on our email list, please email Barbara A. at barbarcoyote@gmail.com and she will add you to the group email.



Enjoying a hike July 23, 2015— Luanne Moyer, Sue Mathews, Barbara Asarch-Aronowitz

BOOK WOMEN



Our group meets in the evening once a month at a member's home to discuss the reading selection of the month. We read a variety of books including but not limited to biographies, mysteries, fiction and non-ficiton. Our group is not "full" at this time. Anyone interested in joining, please contact Judy Kares at 474-0799 or jkares@earthlink.net for more information. Our next meeting will be held at Judy Kares' home on Monday, September 21st at 7 p.m. We will be discussing "The Best of Connie Willis" by Connie Willis that night.

2015-16 Santa Fe AAUW Branch Board of Directors



Missing from the photo are: Shirley Aune (co-college/ univ.), Joanne Birdwhistell (caring secretary), Mary Coffman (public relations), Virginia McCallum (newsletter), Joy Poole (historian). **Enid Tidwell** (directory), and Jacqueline Ulrich (web site manager)

Back row, L-R; Cynthia Dobson (public policy), Luanne Moyer (membership), Judy Kares (UNM Scholarship), Kris Rodgers (co-finance), Nickola Rubow (co-college/univ.)

Front Row, L-R; Lina Germann (co-president), Melanie Buchleiter (program), Jeanne Patrick (co-president), Sandra Bradley (co-finance), Maxine Davenport (secretary)



MEET TWO OF OUR NEW MEMBERS

My name is Billie Jean Behrens
I have lived Santa Fe since Nov 2012.

I am single. I have one son Larry, who lives here in Santa Fe. He and his wife Ruth have five children; who are the main reason I moved to Santa Fe.

I was born in Silver City, attended schools and graduated from high school there.

I moved to El Paso after graduation, I worked and raised my family there until I moved back to Silver City.

I finished my degree from Western NM University in 1988. My majors were public administration and accounting.

I worked for Gila Regional Medical Center until 2012.

I am a member of the Church of Later Day Saints, Beta Sigma Phi, Fort Bayard Historical Society.

I enjoy scrap booking, reading, history, politics, talking to people and most of all spending time with my grandchildren.

I look forward to meeting new people and becoming involved with AAUW.



Virginia McCallum



As I am a military brat, there are no really short answers to where I am from. My "home" town/state is San Diego, Calif. Actually, while most of my extended family, lives there or somewhere in California, my immediate family was generally stationed in Germany or Texas. I'm what is known as a Third Culture person. I do speak German.

Education: I'm a graduate of Cal-State University, East Bay (History & English BA & Secondary Teaching); University of California, Santa Barbara (MA History); Cal-State University, San Diego, (MA Literacy.)

Careers...many: I had thought to teach History in high school but nobody told me coaching a sport was a prerequisite. Instead I taught English in Compton, CA; Geography in Montreal, Canada; ESL in Juelich, Germany. When my husband and I moved to Birmingham, Michigan, just as the state was reducing it's teacher population, I converted to a corporate career. First I worked as a Senior Technical Education Specialist at Unisys; secondly, as a Technical Writer at General Motors writing Computer Assisted Manufacturing manuals around 3 inches thick.

In Ames, Iowa, I was back to teaching: English Department lecturer for upper division Business Writing at Iowa State University; supervised student teachers in the Education College; taught ESL at the community college. I retired from Iowa State University from a position as adviser to international students and scholars.

My husband and I are retiring to Santa Fe and have a home just below that of Jeanne Patrick who recommended AAUW to me. We are still in the moving process but will be in Santa Fe all of July for the opera. We hope to complete the move back to the West from the Midwest by September.

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