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*Co-Presidents' Message*



Exciting things are happening in AAUW-NM. First and foremost, we all need to thank the Albuquerque Branch for a fabulous state convention/Rocky Mountain Regional Conference. Carol Ann Council, Judy Prono, and committee provided a fun, diverse, informative and inspiring program with just the right amount of time for visiting with our regional cohorts.

Additionally, it was a delight to hear from Catherine Hill, Melissa Johnsen, and Jackie Littleton regarding AAUW National programs. Amy Blackwell and Nancy Scheer informed us about UN Commission on the Status of Women. Susan Burke inspired us concerning military sexual assault and Martha Burk continued our pursuit of equal pay for comparable work.

We want to acknowledge Karyl Lyne, our past-president, as well as Natalie Markin, Ruth Benjamins, Shirley Ash, Bonnie Rutherford, and Pat Maben, who have served on the AAUW-NM Leadership Team. Their service and dedication to AAUW-NM are very much appreciated. We welcome Claudia Poglitsch as Membership VP, Catherine Greenspan as Secretary and Roadrunner Editor, Mary Jane Giesler as Academic Chair, and Nina Thayer as Co-Public Policy Chair. We also want to acknowledge those who are continuing on the Leadership Team by virtue of their

terms of office or by moving into a new position on the Leadership Team. We are grateful for our creative and energetic leaders. Do take a moment to thank them. Appointed officers will be announced soon. Let us know if you are interested in serving as Nominations Chair, Awards Chair or Historian. Job descriptions are available at the AAUW New Mexico Web site, <http://aauw-nm.aauw.net>.

We hope you participated at a local Women's Equality Day event on August 26. Plan on joining us for a joint AAUW-NM and NMNWSE (New Mexico Network of Women in Science & Engineering) Fall Workshop at the Nativo Lodge in Albuquerque October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

AAUW-NM is a recipient of a 2016-2017 Public Policy Impact Grant, joining Michigan, Tennessee, Texas, Missouri, Montana, Pennsylvania and Florida, the remaining Impact Grantees. We are proud to join the Southwest Women's Law Center and the New Mexico Human Rights Commission in writing the regulations for the 2013 New Mexico Fair Pair for Women Act and in sponsoring public hearings concerning these regulations. AAUW-NM joined the Southwest Women's Law Center, NOW NM, and the New Mexico Women's Agenda in filing an Amici Brief with the NM Appellate Court in support of Plaintiff-Respondent Alisha Tafoya Lucero and the decision of the First Judicial District Court (see article later in this Roadrunner).

*Co-Presidents' Message (continued)*

Finally, we want to encourage EVERYONE to vote in the National Election. We have a goal to register 250 new voters before October 10, and we hope all the branches will participate during the National Voter Registration Day September 27.

*Co-Presidents Helena Whyte and Sylvia Fink*

*A Note of Thanks*

I was so honored to participate in the New Mexico's state convention and the Rocky Mountain AAUW Regional Conference. It was an incredible experience and one I will treasure and value always.



Melissa Johnsen  
AAUW Board Member  
Colorado e-Network Branch

It was amazing! The New Mexico team should be so proud of such a rich and deep conference. I walked away from each session having learned something new - and thinking deeply about what was presented and was further energized on our AAUW mission of empowering girls and women! And the accomplishments highlighted by each state - I was in awe!

Thank you so much for including me in this amazing event!

*Photos from the State Convention/Rocky Mountain Regional Conference*



Photos left to right:  
Co-Presidents Sylvia Fink & Helena White;  
Melissa Johnson installs incoming NM Officers;  
Co-President Helena Whyte presenting outgoing Co-President Karyl Lyne with a gift of gratitude.

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*AAUW-NM Signs on to Amicus Brief in Lucero vs. New Mexico Department of Corrections*

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Alisha Lucero worked as a warden for a number of years for the New Mexico Corrections Department before discovering that the other wardens, all of whom were male, were making \$10,000 a year more than her. In 2013, Ms. Lucero filed the first case filed under the New Mexico Fair Pay for Women Act. Corrections Department attorneys argued that the case should be dismissed because the state is exempt under this law and cannot be held accountable even though there is no language in the law to suggest such an exemption.

The court did not agree and found for the Ms. Lucero. That decision is on provisional appeal before the New Mexico Court of Appeals and is likely to be decided by the New Mexico Supreme Court. The ramifications of the appellate decision will not only define the scope of the law, but it could radically change the numbers and types of cases brought to courts under the law. If the appellate court finds that the state and other governmental entities are not exempt from the law, thousands of women who are currently employed by state and local governments will have a strong avenue to seek relief and help eliminate the pay gap in New Mexico.

AAUW-NM was asked to sign on to an amicus curiae (friend of the court) brief with the Southwest Women's Law Center, NOW New Mexico, and The New Mexico Women's Agenda. These four organizations, all of whom have worked with issues of pay equity for many years, wish to participate in the case in support of the plaintiff. The brief was filed with the court on September 1. The New Mexico Court of Appeals in Santa Fe notify us once the hearing date is established. This is an example of how AAUW-NM takes action to support its public policy positions. Stay tuned for more!

*Immediate Past Co-President Karyl Lyne*

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*Seeking AAUW Board of Directors!*

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The AAUW Nominating Committee is grateful for your assistance in finding great leaders for the AAUW Board of Directors. As a current state president, you or an outstanding member of your board, would make a good candidate. As a current president or board member, you may be qualified to serve on the AAUW Board of Directors.

The Nominating Committee is contacting potential candidates and encouraging applications. We look forward to your self-nominations, recommendation, or referrals of potential candidates for board chair and vice chair (elected positions) along with 10 directors-at-large. If you are a current president, you may receive a call from Dale Satake, vice chair of the Nominating Committee, or me in the next month or so.

Applications for all positions are available [here](#). Applications are being accepted now until October 14.

The Nominating Committee looks forward to your nominations and applications. Please contact us if you have questions or comments.

*Sincerely, Shirley Breeze [sbreeze@mindspring.com](mailto:sbreeze@mindspring.com)  
2016-2017 AAUW Nominating Committee Chair*

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## *Branch Project Grant Proposals*

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**Branch Project Grant Proposals are due to Karyl Lyne, Branch Project Grants Chair at [karyloz505@gmail.com](mailto:karyloz505@gmail.com) by Saturday, October 1, 2016.** Please indicate 1) the amount requested, 2) how your branch will use the funds, and 3) how your request supports the mission of AAUW.

\$600 has been allotted in the AAUW-NM budget for these grants, which are typically \$100 each, depending on the number and amounts requested.

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## *AAUW Salary Negotiation Facilitator Training*

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On September 6<sup>th</sup> AAUW sent a notice about revision of Start Smart and Work Smart workshops for the coming year. A brief presentation about the programs will be held at the October LTM. Any members interested in becoming facilitators can register for FREE training at [AAUW Salary Negotiation Facilitator Training](#).

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## *Title IX in New Mexico*

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### **AAUW analysis of sexual harassment and bullying data and how you can be a Title IX advocate.**

AAUW recently [released our analysis](#) of the U.S. Department of Education's Civil Rights Data Collection, finding that 67 percent of Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in the United States reported zero allegations of sexual harassment and gender-based bullying during the 2013-2014 school year. However, students, parents, and administrators, and other [reliable research](#) shows that these zeros bear no resemblance to reality. AAUW-NM leaders are working to encourage the governors' office to improve this seemingly erroneous reporting. We can help to change the situation in schools by using tools and resources provided by AAUW. We debuted interactive maps to help find our [New Mexico Title IX coordinators](#). Then [complete AAUW's Title IX delivery project](#) to help coordinators understand the full scope of their important roles. Let's make it happen in every school in New Mexico!

### **UNM Moves to Fire Professor Previously Censured for Harassment**

The University of New Mexico wants to terminate a professor accused of sexual harassment whom it previously had decided to censure instead, [The Albuquerque Journal](#) reported. Cristobal Valencia, an assistant professor anthropology, was due to return to the classroom this fall, following a paid suspension last semester. But the university changed course after media reports about the case and, according to New Mexico officials, new allegations of harassment emerged. The university said it was [reopening its investigation](#) into Valencia earlier this month, and soon moved to suspend him anew.

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*Title IX in New Mexico (continued)*

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**New Mexico State Sued Over Pay for Female Coach**

The U.S. Justice Department [announced](#) that it was suing NMSU for paying a female assistant track coach less than male assistant track coaches. The suit was filed under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which bars discrimination in employment. The university is [disputing the charges](#), saying that the female coach was not in fact in an equivalent position to the male coaches whose salaries were used by the department in its comparisons.

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*National Story of Interest on Gender Bias*

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**At NIH, one woman says gender bias has blocked promotions**

By [Lenny Bernstein](#) August 28

During her time at the National Institutes of Health, Bibiana Bielekova (photo, right) has helped identify a treatment for multiple sclerosis. She has published 52 papers in peer-reviewed journals, some of them the most prestigious in her field. She has built an international reputation as a neuro-immunologist.



Photo credit:  
Bibiana  
Bielekova

What Bielekova doesn't have, at age 47, is tenure, the coveted guarantee of recognition, job security and freedom to pursue controversial ideas that is critical to long-term success in an academic career. In that way, she is also emblematic of women at NIH, the primary government biomedical research center, and elsewhere who have made little progress into the ranks of senior scientists. Just 22 percent of the tenured research scientists at NIH are women, up from 19 percent in 2011, according to the institution. About 38 percent of the scientists now on the track toward tenure are women, up from 36 percent in 2011.

Bielekova, who has filed an Equal Employment Opportunity complaint against her institute's director and two others, said women's lagging prospects at NIH reflect gender bias, overt and unconscious, from the men who run the institution. She is supported by a body of research that leaves little doubt that bias is at least part of the problem.

Women in academic careers face obstacles at every turn. They are paid less, promoted more slowly, earn less recognition and hold fewer leadership positions, according to the National Academy of Sciences. The U.S. research system developed when most scientists were men with spouses who did not work outside the home. "The system was developed by men for men and the way that their professional lives were structured," said Shirley Malcom, director of education and human resources programs at the American Association for the Advancement of Science. [Read the full story in the Washington Post by clicking here.](#)

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*AAUW-New Mexico Calendar July 2016-June 2017*

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Oct. 1	Branch Project Grant applications due to Branch Project Grants Chair
<b>Oct. 14</b>	<b>Nominations for National Board Members due</b>
Oct. 21-22	Joint AAUW-NM and WISE Fall Workshop & AAUW NM Leadership Team Meeting, Nativo Lodge, Albuquerque
Nov. 14	American Fellowships applications due
<b>Nov. 30</b>	<b>Deadline: for Winter <i>Roadrunner</i></b>
Dec. 1	International Fellowships applications due
<b>Dec. 15</b>	<b>Deadline: nominations for AAUW-NM officers to Nominating Committee Chair</b>
<b>Dec. 15</b>	<b>Career Development Grants applications due</b>
Dec. 31	Postmark deadline for AAUW Funds contributions for year 2016
<b>Jan. 1, 2017</b>	<b>Half-year dues are accepted</b>
Jan. 7/8	Lobby Corps Meeting in Albuquerque/Santa Fe
Jan. 15	Deadline: proposed AAUW-NM bylaws changes to Bylaws Chair
Jan. 15	Deadline: proposed AAUW-NM Public Policy Amendments Co-PP Chairs
Jan. 15	Community Action Grants, International Project Grants, Selected Professions Fellowships applications due
Jan. 31	Bylaws revisions due
<b>TBA</b>	<b>Choice Rally at the Roundhouse, Santa Fe</b>
<b>Feb. 5 (Sun)</b>	<b>Winter Leadership Team Meeting, Location TBD</b>
<b>Feb. 6 (Mon)</b>	<b>Legislative Day at the Roundhouse, Santa Fe</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Women's History Month</b>
March 1	AAUW-NM NCCWSL Scholarship Application Deadline
March 3	Women's History Day at the Roundhouse, 12-1 p.m., Santa Fe
March 8	International Women's Day
March 15	Deadline for Spring <i>Roadrunner</i>
<b>April 4</b>	<b>Equal Pay Day</b>
April 10	Annual Reports due from State Officers & Branch Presidents to Los Alamos
<b>April 21-23</b>	<b>State Convention, Los Alamos</b> (Files & handbooks updated by officers for successors)
<b>May 30</b>	<b>Deadline for entering new state &amp; branch officers to national MDB</b>
May/June	National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)
<b>June 14-17</b>	<b>National Convention, Washington, DC</b>
<b>June 24-July 1</b>	<b>Tech Trek NM 2017, New Mexico Tech, Socorro</b>
<b>June 30</b>	<b>Deadline for membership dues for 2017-2018 year</b>
<b>July/Aug</b>	<b>Summer AAUW-NM Leadership Team Go-to-Meeting</b>
Aug. 10	Deadline for Summer <i>Roadrunner</i>

<b>AAUW Mission Statement:</b>	"AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research."
<b>AAUW Unifying Focus Statement:</b>	"Breaking through Barriers"
<b>AAUW Value Statement:</b>	"As a member of AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance."
<b>AAUW-NM Focus Statement:</b>	"Empowering women to take charge of their lives"

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*Will the next UN Secretary-General be a Woman?*

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The United Nations charter describes the Secretary-General as “chief administrative officer” of the Organization. The person in that position needs to be part diplomat, part advocate, part civil servant, and part CEO. The Secretary-General must be independent with solid values, bringing issues to the Security Council that express what the UN stands for; peace, security, human rights and development. Beginning in the 1990s, the UN’s principle of regional rotation has encouraged representation from around the world and previous Secretary-Generals were chosen with this in mind. The next potential region is Eastern Europe. A member nation may nominate someone from its citizens and the Security Council goes behind closed doors to make a selection from those nominated; then presents the candidate to the General Assembly. The selection process is non-democratic and political so achieving gender equity will be difficult.

Six women and six men were nominated (two have now withdrawn) for Secretary-General. The discussions and voting have started; with plans to announce the final candidate in October and for that person to take office in January 2017. The women nominees are:

Irina Bokova, Bulgaria	Director-General of UNESCO, former Bulgarian Minister of Foreign Affairs
Helen Clark, New Zealand	Administrator of the UN Development Programme, former Prime Minister of New Zealand
Natalia Gherman, Moldova	First Deputy Prime Minister of Moldova, Moldavian Minister of Foreign Affairs
Christiana Figueres, Costa Rica	Former UN Climate Change Chief, Founder & Executive Director of the Center for Sustainable Development in the Americas
Susana Malcorra, Argentina	Foreign Minister of Argentina, Deputy Executive Director of World Food Programme

There is no shortage of qualified women from whom to choose as many nations have had women leaders in recent years. All these women nominees have impressive credentials. Mary Robinson, former president of Ireland stated, “Women very often have a different way of leading, which could reinvigorate the United Nations as a whole, because there is more listening, being inclusive and working in practical ways to resolve problems.”

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*Public Policy Update*

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Nina and I are working on Get Out the Vote. (GOTV). We have scheduled a statewide National Voter Registration Day event on **September 27** with branch participation confirmed for Albuquerque, Carlsbad, Las Cruces, Las Vegas, and Los Alamos. We are encouraging all branches to participate, and our goal is to register 250 as a requirement for our Public Policy Impact Grant (see Karyl Lyne's article.) We hope to blow right past that. Please contact your branch President or branch Public Policy Chair to see how you can help!



We are also preparing for the AAUW Legislative Day at the Roundhouse. You can add the following details to your calendar. Complete details and updates will be in the Winter Roadrunner.

Albuquerque Lobby Corps training: **Saturday, January 7, 2017**, from 1-3 p.m. at La Mesa Presbyterian Church, 7401 Copper Ave NE.

Santa Fe Lobby Corps training: **Sunday, January 8, 2017**, from 1-3 p.m. at the Roundhouse, Room 326.

All members are encouraged to attend either one of these training dates. They will be structured very similarly, but will have different guest speakers.

**Save The Date: Winter LTM is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 5, 2017, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., location TBA.**

AAUW-NM Legislative Day is tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2017, starting at 8 a.m. We will meet at the Roundhouse in Room 326 to go over bills and make lobbying plans. Attendees can pick up lunch at the cafeteria and meet back in Room 326 at noon to discuss success, problems, and collect feedback for next year's Legislative Day. In the afternoon members can continue lobbying, attend committee meetings, or House and Senate sessions if they are meeting.

**EXTRA:** We have tentatively scheduled Katie Simon, Associate Director, Field Operations to attend our winter LTM and Legislative Day. If this works out, we will be scheduling a press conference in the Rotunda. Standby!

*Co-Public Policy Chairs Sonya Berg & Nina Thayer*

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*AAUW-NM Awarded Another Public Policy Impact Grant for \$1000*

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AAUW-NM has been awarded a Public Policy Impact Grant (PPIG) for 2016-17 in the amount of \$1000. The grant proposal AAUW-NM is actually an extension of the 2014-2015 Public Policy Impact Grant in that this proposal involves the creation, publication and public review of the regulations for the New Mexico Fair Pay for Women Act (NMFPPWA).



**Karyl Lyne and Jaime Phillips listen as Pamela Herndon speaks at the RMRC in July during a panel discussion on Fair Pay. \***

The Southwest Women's Law Center in collaboration with the General Counsel of New Mexico Workforce Solutions has asked AAUW-NM to assist in drafting the language for the regulations for the NMFPPWA. The regulations will provide a plain English interpretation of the statute. Once the regulations are written, they must be filed with the State Records Center and Archives (SRCA) and be published in the New Mexico Register in order for the regulations to be valid and enforceable, and to encourage public review and comment. AAUW-NM will assist in the outreach to ensure that communities around the state are aware of the comment period, and will advertise and promote the hearings through paid advertisements, public service announcements, op-eds, talk show appearances and presentations to community organizations.

AAUW-NM views this as a rare opportunity to be involved in the entire process of developing the regulations for this very important law in our state. We bring an already aware and engaged audience to the table as well as our connections with like-minded people across the state. The target audience is the public who we want to read, review and comment on the draft regulations in the public hearings. As a part of the PPIG, we must engage in Get Out the Vote activities reflected in goal 4 below:

- Goal #1. To participate in drafting the language of the regulations for the New Mexico Fair Pay for Women Act.
- Goal #2. To distribute the draft regulations across the state.
- Goal #3. To promote and publicize the review and comment period for the regulations at public hearings across the state through paid and free advertising, talk shows and op-eds.
- Goal #4. To register voters in September and October, focusing on 17-year-olds whose birthdays are on or before November 8, 2016.
- Goal #5. To generate publicity and awareness around pay equity issues in New Mexico; the preparation, review, comment and adoption processes of these regulations will fulfill this objective.

All New Mexico branches are encouraged to engage in GOTV activities. This year we encourage all branches to register and report numbers of new voters, focusing on high school and college students. The goal is to register at least 250 new voters in New Mexico.

*Karyl Lyne, PPIG 2016 Chair*

**\*Dr. Jaime Phillips** is an Administrative Law Judge with the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions, Human Rights Bureau, serving as Hearing Officer for administrative hearings of the Human Rights Commission; **Pamelya Herndon, J.D.**, is the Executive Director of the Southwest Women's Law Center.



## September 2016

- **Learn New Strategies to Recruit Branch Members**

Ready to grow your branch and diversify your membership? Learn how to identify target audiences and implement tactics to recruit with our [guide](#). Plus, get a sample recruitment plan and learn a simple process to convert program attendees into paid members of your branch.

- **Join Us for the September 20 Community Engagement Webinar**

Collaborating with diverse groups in your community can help you recruit new members, host exciting programs, and strengthen your public policy efforts. [Sign up](#) for the September 20 Community Engagement Webinar to learn how to identify groups, reach out to them, and build lasting relationships. Did you miss the last diversity and inclusion webinar on building inclusive branches? Check out the [recording](#).

- **Collaborate with AAUW's Younger Women's Task Force**

Want to learn more about AAUW's [Younger Women's Task Force](#) and how your branch can collaborate with YWTF chapters in your area? [Sign up](#) for a webinar on September 13 to learn more about the Younger Women's Task Force and its role in the AAUW community.

- **Get Out the Vote This Election Season**

Learn all the information and resources you need to register, educate, and turn out voters during the It's My Vote webinar series. [Sign up](#) for the next trainings on September 28 and October 18. Missed the last one? [Watch the recording](#).

Don't forget to sign up for [AAUW in the Statehouse](#). This monthly newsletter features updates on state policies across the country, tips and resources for more effective advocacy, and insider information about good and bad bills. The first issue launches September 21.

- **Help Select the Next Class of AAUW Fellows and Grantees**

Help women break through the barriers in education and the workplace by serving on an [AAUW selection panel](#). [Learn](#) about the responsibilities involved with serving on a panel, and make sure to apply by October 31. You can also spread the word about [open applications](#) for AAUW's 2017–18 fellowships and grants to your networks.

- **September's Leadership Bite**

"As women, we must stand up for ourselves ... we must stand up for each other ... we must stand up for justice for all." — Michelle Obama, first lady of the United States

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*Around the State*

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*Las Cruces Branch*

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The Las Cruces AAUW board has had a busy summer starting with our last all-member gathering, a social potluck and installation of officers, on June 7 (photo, right, Co-Presidents Shirley Armstrong and Ann Palormo with Co-Programs Chair, Londa Sieffert). In July, we are pleased that ten of our members attended all or part of the LTM in Albuquerque and the Rocky Mountain Regional Conference that followed.



Back at home, Bonnie Schranz, our yearbook editor, worked with many board members to compile our comprehensive yearbook with the help of our executive board. We have 106 members on our roster which may be our largest number ever to start the year. Membership chairs are planning special gatherings to welcome new members with an orientation and social time we hope will lead to involvement and retention.

Our new NMSU liaison, Susan DeMar, is working to establish an AAUW affiliate group on campus and to bring Elect Her and Start Smart to the NMSU campus in 2017. Finally, our fundraising superstar, Beverly Chambers, is putting together a fundraiser featuring local talent that is scheduled for January 29, 2017 at our local, historic Rio Grande Theater. Save the date!

*Co-Presidents Ann Palormo and Shirley Armstrong,*

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*Online Branch: An Invitation*

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In honor of National Hispanic Heritage join AAUW's [¡Adelante! Book of the Month](#) with Carol Spaulding-Kruse and Kelsey [Me/Los Que Llevo Conmigo: Iowa's Latinas on Education, Identity, and Success.](#)



Month, we are pleased to invite you to [Month Club](#) for our upcoming discussion Lepperd, authors of [The Ones I Bring with](#)

This bilingual English and Spanish book explores the experiences of young Latinas who take part in [Al Éxito](#), an educational program originally established by [AAUW of Iowa](#) with support from an [AAUW Community Action Grant](#). The book tells the story of overcoming barriers that keep Latinas from completing school.

## Online Branch (continued)

The foreword is written by [Maria Hinojosa](#), award-winning journalist and the anchor and executive producer of *Latino USA* on NPR, a radio show devoted to Latino issues.



Join other national members by simply registering at [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) for the book discussion by September 26<sup>th</sup>. The event will be held September 28<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. EST.

## Albuquerque Branch



Linda McDowell (left), Branch Public Policy Chair, and Jan Bray (right) represented the Albuquerque Branch at the Women's Equality Day celebration organized by the Southwest Women's Law Center and other women's groups. The event celebrated the 96<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment by encouraging women to vote. Linda and Jan were there to register voters—no better way to celebrate winning the right to vote!

The Albuquerque program year started with an outstanding presentation by Elaine Hampton, Ph.D., who gave an overview of her book, *Anay's Will to Learn: A Woman's Education in the Shadow of the Maquiladoras*. Dr. Hampton told us of Anay's experiences in seeking an education while working as a factory laborer in Ciudad Juárez during some of the most violent years of the city.

In other news, Lyla June Johnston, recipient of the 2016-2017 AAUW Graduate Women Scholarship (\$900) for the Albuquerque Branch, is currently working towards a Master's degree in Language, Literacy and Sociocultural Studies with a concentration in American Indian Education.

## Carlsbad Branch

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, the Carlsbad Branch celebrated the 50-year membership anniversary of Carlsbad native, Virginia Spruiell. Over 30 women attended the celebration. Virginia's involvement with AAUW began in 1954 while attending Carlsbad High School, when she was named AAUW Girl of the Month. Virginia's leadership in AAUW is vast: in 1966, she joined the Las Cruces Branch, where she served as President. She moved back to Carlsbad where she was President, Treasurer and now currently serves as Historian. Virginia has served AAUW-NM faithfully as State Treasurer, Parliamentarian and Bylaws Chairperson—not easy tasks! Carlsbad Branch is lucky and thrilled to call Virginia one of its own and thanks her for her 50 years of continuous service to empowering women and girls! At right, Virginia looks at scrapbook pages, including a newspaper clipping from 1954.



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*Tech Trek NM 2017*

*Tentative dates at New Mexico Tech in Socorro June 24-July 1, 2017*

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**Dear AAUW-New Mexico Members,**

If you are interested in participating on the Tech Trek NM Steering Committee, we'd love to hear from you!

Cheri Burch has been appointed as Camp Director for a second year.

As this is a two-year commitment, you would shadow a member in 2017, then assume the role in 2018. The time commitment involves the following:

- Participation in conference calls once or twice a month from September through August; and
- Completion of tasks assigned to each function before, during, and after camp.

Steering Committee Positions require attending camp all week and include the following responsibilities:

- ✓ Assistant Camp Director: Plans field trips, snacks and administers pre- and post-camp surveys;
- ✓ Student and Family Coordinator: Communicates with nominating teachers, parents and campers; collects documents and health forms; *Note: familiarity with Google Drive and Microsoft products is a must!*
- ✓ Staff Coordinator: Recruits, trains and supervises dorm monitors, as well as day and night counselors;
- ✓ Volunteer Coordinator: Recruits and makes assignments of AAUW members to be day hostesses;
- ✓ Professional Women Night Planner: Recruits professional women in diverse STEM fields and organizes Professional Women Night at camp (usually falls on Wednesday);
- ✓ Marketing and PR Coordinator: Contacts New Mexico newspapers, writes op-eds, schedules radio interviews for camp director or co-presidents, prepares camp programs; *Note: this position does not require camp attendance.*
- ✓ Social Media Coordinator: Recruits camp photographer, updates web site as needed, administers Facebook page and Twitter accounts. *Note: camp photographer does not need to be a Steering Committee member, but does need to be at the camp all week.*

If you would like to participate, but would prefer a non-full-time opportunity, please consider the following:

- Conducting interviews and/or reading essays in February and March, 2017;
- Serving as a Camp Hostess for one or two days during the camp.

Please let us know which role you'd like to take. Email Helena Whyte ([mozden08@aol.com](mailto:mozden08@aol.com)) or Sylvia Fink ([sjsf44@hotmail.com](mailto:sjsf44@hotmail.com)), your AAUW-NM Co-Presidents.

*Co-Presidents Helena Whyte & Sylvia Fink*





*2016 AAUW-NM Fall Workshop and Leadership Team Meeting* **REGISTRATION FORM**

This event celebrates a joint gathering with NM Network of Women in Science & Engineering (NMNWSE).

**Schedule of Events October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at Nativo Lodge, Albuquerque**

- Friday: **6 p.m.:** NMNWSE has invited AAUW-NM members to a reception and games
- Saturday: **9 a.m.** AAUW-NM members gather for their Workshop session: Meet & Greet; Breakout Officer Groups; Mandatory by-laws revision; New Public Policy Impact Grant
- Mid-day:** Joint Session & Luncheon  
 Message from NMNWSE & awards  
 STEM-related Research; UNM speaker; NCCWSL History & 2016 Conference Highlights; Sheneika Rochester (NM Highlands University)  
 History & Development of Campus Programs [Start Smart-Work Smart-Elect Her]
- Mid-afternoon – 2:30 p.m.:** AAUW-NM Leadership Team Meeting (LTM)
- Late afternoon:** Poster Reception; hors d'oeuvres; mingle

Registration Form (please print):

NAME	BRANCH
ADDRESS	
EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE # (      )
BRANCH OFFICER ROLE	STATE OFFICER ROLE

Conference Costs

WORKSHOP (INCLUDES FACILITY/ LUNCHEON/TAX/GRATUITY/SNACK	\$45	
FRIDAY P.M. RECEPTION – GUESTS WELCOME # ATTENDING	PER PERSON \$10	
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Please circle your luncheon choice:

Herb Roasted Pork Loin  
Mashed potatoes  
Fresh seasonal vegetables

Farm Raised Chicken  
Roasted potatoes  
Fresh seasonal vegetables

Roasted Vegetarian Strudel  
Wrapped in Puff Pastry served with a  
light Marinara Sauce

**Mail to Carol Ann Council, AAUW-NM, 3115 Arrowhead Road, Las Cruces, NM 88011-4784**

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**Accommodations: Be sure to make your own reservation!**

**GROUP CODE NMNWSE 2016**

\$71 plus taxes and fees, includes breakfast

Online: [www.nativolodge.com](http://www.nativolodge.com) or phone: 888-628-4861 or 505-798-4300 with same group code.

**Nativo Lodge**—a Native American-designed Hotel – all rooms have balconies  
6000 Pan American Fwy NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109

*Directions to Nativo Lodge from the South -*

Take I-25 North to exit 230, toward San Mateo Blvd/Osuna Road. Merge onto Pan American Frontage Road North, 0.4 miles. Turn right onto Harper Drive, 335 feet. Take your first right onto Pan American NE.

*Directions to Nativo Lodge from the North -*

Take I-25 South to exit 230, toward San Mateo Blvd. Merge onto Osuna Road, 315 feet. Continue onto San Mateo Blvd NE, 0.1 mile. Turn left at Pan American Fwy NE, 56 ft. Continue onto Pan American NE. Nativo Lodge will be on the right.



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