

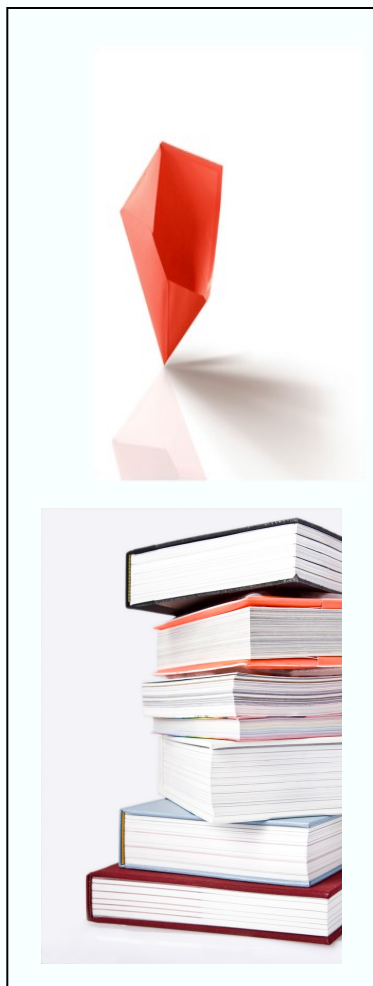


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February General Meeting

February 17, 2011, 9 am. Program: **Women and Heart Disease Valley**, Speaker: Dr Anthony Pozun.

Also, *Red Envelope Campaign Kickoff*,

Chairperson: Pat Riffle

Webb Rm, Foundation Building. (location: RH Johnson and Stardust Blvd)

Annual Book Sale

The Northwest Valley Branch Book Sale will be held starting Wednesday, February 2, and continuing on February 3 and 4, 2011 in Judy Hodgins' garage.

February 2nd, 4-6 pm, Wine and Cheese, Members and Guests

February 3rd, 9 am—3 pm, Book Sale open to all

February 4th, 9 am—12 noon, Book Sale open to all

Books may be brought to Judy's house after December 1, 2010

For more information click [here](#) for Book Sale page



Happy Valentines Day

from

Your e Currents Team

Sylvia, Helen and Alice



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ARIZONA ADVENTURES with LUNCH!

Az. Adventures with lunch will be going to the M I M (Musical Instrument Museum) on Friday Feb. 23 rd. We will meet at aisle 17 near the Johnson Rec Center at 10:00 A.M, and proceed to the 101. The Museum is located right off the 101 . Turn south on Tatum one block and then right on Mayo Blvd and you are there. A big beautiful building. Meet inside of M I M building by the entrance door. Then we will look around where you want to. We will meet at 11:30 for lunch . Cost to go in is \$13.00 and the price of your lunch.. A very nice cafe.

Please call Joy Ottenad if you are going 584 - 4059. Be sure to call by Feb. 15th. This an outstanding place to visit.

You are free to look around after lunch and leave when you wish.

Thunderbird School of Management Luncheon

Date: February 25, 2011 , **Time:** 11:30 a.m.

Place: Thunderbird School of Management, Glendale AZ

Speaker: Firdas Jawad, Adjunct Professor, who teaches Arabic in the Graduate School of Management

Topic: "Looking for Peace"

Send check for \$13.50, payable to Nancy Bossert, 9426 W. Newport Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351 before February 18th deadline. Luncheon includes cobb salad, roll, dessert and beverage If questions call 623/876-0540

Liz Rielly



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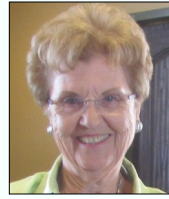
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Betty Eldridge, President 2010—2011

I wish you all a very **Happy New Year 2011!** As usual we ask ourselves where did last year go.

I received a note from a friend on my Christmas card that I thought was worth sharing - It said, " I HAVE A THEORY: The perception of time is inversely proportional to one's age. The passage of a year for a five-year old is equivalent to twenty percent of his/her life. The passage of a year for a seventy-five year old is one and one third percent of his life. According to my theory, the passage of a year in the life of a seventy-five year old is equal to 24 days in the life of a five year old.

The later years in life go by like a speeded up movie. We wish we could slow it down but we can't so our only recourse is to be aware of each hour and treasure them. I think this is good advice for all of us.

In December we celebrated our 30th year in existence and it was great to be able to have two people with us that have been here from the beginning of the organization. I'm sure things have changed somewhat over those years but we still have the same common goal and reason for existence. It takes all of us to make the organization successful. I'm sure looking back these two ladies think these 30 years have been like a speeded up movie.

February is the shortest month of the year. Upon doing some research I found that the Roman emperor Augustus took one day off of this month and added it to August the month named after him. Hence February has only 28 days until leap year comes and it has 29 days.

Ah, it is also the month of birthdays of many influential people such as: George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Charles Lindberg, Babe Ruth, Charles Dickens, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Susan B Anthony, Levi Strauss, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Rosa Parks and Hank Aaron to name a few.

It is also the "love month". There are many legends and stories about the man, St. Valentine, but we do know that February has been the month to celebrate love, dating back to the Middle Ages. Valentine's Day ranks second to Christmas in the number of cards sent. In closing I wish all of you joy, good tidings, prosperity, happiness and a great 2011. Talk slow but think quick, give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully. Happiness and joy and a bunch of thanks for all that you all do for the organization.



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UPCOMING MARCH EVENTS

Book Review Luncheon

Thurs., March 10th, 11:30 AM, Anacapa Grill at Corte Bella

Nobody Said Not to Go by Ken Culbertson Reviewed by Janet MacDowell

Bridge games to follow

If you read the New Yorker Magazine between 1925 and 1995 you would have read articles by Emily Hahn. Wonderful though they were, they don't compare to the life she led. Prepare to be delighted, shocked, horrified, but definitely entertained.

[See coupon on page 8](#)

International Pot Luck Luncheon

Fri., March 11th, 11 AM, home of Anne Levig, 13514 W Wagon Wheel Dr., SCW

Donations for the Educational Foundation

General Meeting—March 17th

Recognition of Book Grant Recipients

Program: *Pioneer Women of Arizona*

Speaker: *Sheila Bacon from Pioneer Living History Village*



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Reminder

If you know of a member who is ill or who has had a death in the family, etc. please let our Sharing and Caring person, Pearl Quast, and our President know.

New Member Recruitment

A reminder from your membership chairmen: **Help Recruit New Members.**

If you know of any interested women, send us their names and we will send them information and applications.

Barbara Gobell

687- 6629

barbaragobell@yahoo.com

Sue Hanrahan

544-8497

stunsueh@yahoo.com

Directory Changes

Barbara Humm, new address and phone number effective December 20, 2010,

11311 La Terraza Dr., Sun City West, AZ 85375, Phone : 623-584-9417

Email address remains the same

Evelyn Shipley – correction of phone number in directory. Correct number is 556-2762

AAUW MISSION STATEMENT

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



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AAUW Executive Director Hands Out Paycheck Fairness Awards

In a recent [article](#), AAUW Executive Director Linda Hallman whimsically lauds and/ admonishes the key players in the fight for [paycheck fairness](#). From Rep. Rosa DeLauro's (D-CT) and Lilly Ledbetter's for "MVP" and "Never Give Up" awards, to "Half Nelson" and "Father Does Not Know Best" labels for Sens. Ben Nelson (D-NE) and Scott Brown (R-MA), Hallman leaves no one unmentioned. Paycheck fairness advocates lost this battle, but the war on discrimination continues. We will no doubt encounter more stubborn policymakers, but AAUW and our coalition partners are determined to move ahead and to continue breaking through barriers for women and girls.

New Report on Affordable Care Act A new [report](#) on health care costs finds that the [Affordable Care Act](#) (H.R. 3590), passed by Congress in 2010, will help drive down premiums and save money for Americans. The report found that in recent years, premiums for businesses, regardless of size, increased 41 percent and per-person deductibles rose 77 percent. Based on the research, under ACA, if premium growth slowed to one point below the national growth rate, the "cost of families' coverage " would drop an average of \$995 per annum by 2015.

AAUW [believes](#) that, although not perfect by any stretch, many of the reforms in the new laws will improve access to quality, affordable health care for all Americans.

We're Average! The 2009 Program for International Student Assessment [found](#) that U.S. students' science performance is now on par with the average for leading industrialized nations. However, U.S. students' mathematics performance is still below average and reading performance has remained flat compared to earlier studies. The report also found that male students in the U.S. are still outpacing female students in math and science. President Barack Obama [said](#) that he will continue to fight for investments in research, education and innovation. He has set a goal of increasing college completion rates and raising the percentage of GDP spent on research and development to three percent.

AAUW [supports](#) promoting and strengthening science, technology, engineering, and math education, especially for girls and other underrepresented populations.

Campus Sexual Assault Settlements Used as Guideposts

According to the U.S. Department of Education, [campus sexual assault](#) settlements from Eastern Michigan University and Notre Dame College will be used to [model](#) how other colleges and universities can deal with allegations of sexual assault on campus. Earlier this month, the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights revealed its "voluntary resolution agreements" with EMU and Notre Dame in an effort to change the culture on college campuses that often perpetuates sexual assaults.

AAUW [believes](#) that increasing and ensuring access to educational opportunities for all women and girls is a critical step towards financial security and economic independence. Sexual harassment on college and university campuses has a damaging impact on the educational experience of many college students.

Disparities in Women-Owned Business Growth, Revenues

The latest data from the U.S. Census Bureau's *2007 Survey of Business Owners* show that the growth of women-owned businesses [outpaced](#) those owned by men. Companies owned solely by women made up more than 28 percent of all U.S. businesses and accounted for \$1.2 trillion in transactions. However, in the same time period, male-owned businesses generated significantly more revenue



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The GLUE that holds us together! Please contact me for information on any group.

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What we're reading and writing...

What we're enjoying...

What we're learning...

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I – The Novel Lovers

All Card Games at 1 PM

Why So Few? AAUW publication on the under representation of young women in the STEM fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics discussion.

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Feb 14th 3 PM

Bridge

Feb 11th 10 AM

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Home of Walda Stevens

1st & 3rd Wed.

Contact: Elizabeth Rielly

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Sarah's Key by Titiana de Rosnay

Feb 2nd Roberta Hill

Contact: Anne Levig

Feb 16th Judy Hodgins

Contact: Pat Riffle

Book Talk II

Bridge

2nd & 4th Wed.

Great Decisions

Feb 8th 1 PM

Feb 9th and 23rd

Feb 14th Meet at 11:30 for Lunch. Discussions center on global interests and their involvement in the U.S.

Home of Marilyn Legacy

Contact Debbie Geske if you would like to play or sub.

Contact: Lois White

Category: History – novel or non-fiction

Solos

Every Sat 8:45 AM

International Issues

Contact: Joan Fedor, Debbie Geske or Helen Slemons

CoCo's on Bell

Feb 16th 9:30 AM.

The Open Book

Contact: Norma Denham or Mary Wylie

Contact: Shirley McDonald
No discussion info provided.

Feb 21st 2 PM

Hiking

Feb 14th 9 AM Starbucks (99th and Bell) for coffee and conversation.

AZ Adventures with Lunch

Home of Barbara Lashmet

Feb 28th 9 AM meet at Sun City West Library. Hike

Tour of the new **Musical Instrument Museum** on Fri. Feb 23rd. Meet RH Johnson Rec Center aisle 17 at 10AM. to car pool. Cost is \$13 and includes a guidebook. Meet at the café for lunch – pay on your own. Reservations a MUST! Joy Ottenad.

The Space Between Us

leaders: Bonnie Boyce-

by Thrity Umrigar

Wilson and Bea Edwards

Contact: Alice Craig

Creative Writing

Feb 23rd 9:30 AM

Foreign Flicks

Evening Book Group

Home of Greta Bryan
The assignment is: You are allowed 50 words to be enclosed in a time capsule that will be opened in the year 2076. What will you write?
Contact: Greta Bryan

Feb 22nd 1 PM

Feb 15th 7 PM

If you would like to be put on the mailing list for **Foreign Flicks** e mail Sylvia Brown

Home of Sylvia Brown

Little Bee by Chris Cleave

Contact: Deborah Channell

Memories to Memoirs

Feb 7th 9:30 AM

Home of Elaine Seivers
Suggested topic – What do you want your legacy to be?

Contact: Anne Levig



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Book Review Luncheon

11 am Thurs, March 10, 2011 At Corte Bella

\$16.00 per person, checks should be made out to AAUW-NWV

and mailed by March 5th to Janet MacDowell, 15613 W Ballad Dr, Sun
City West, AZ 85375

Name _____

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