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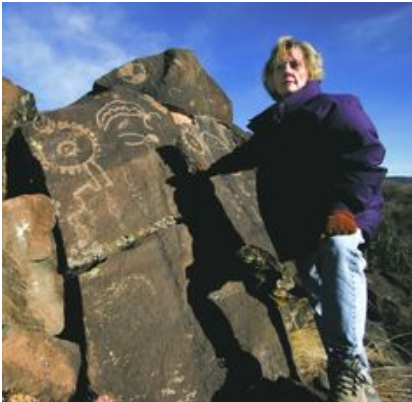
## **Life on the Rocks: One Woman's Adventures in Petroglyph Preservation**

Spring Tea

Friday, May 15, 4:00 -- 6:00 p.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Gathering Space

Our speaker is Katherine Wells, a mixed-media artist and founder of the Vecinos del Rio Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project. Ms. Wells and Lloyd Dennis, her partner, purchased almost two hundred acres of Mesa Prieta near Española in northern New Mexico. The large boulders on the property contained many examples of rock art from previous Native and Spanish inhabitants and the lure was overwhelming.



Up to 70,000 petroglyphs may exist on this remote and ancient land. Come and hear Ms. Wells tell us about her love of petroglyphs and how she became involved in their preservation. Ms. Wells is the Author of Life on the Rocks: One Woman's Adventures in Petroglyph Preservation (2009).

Awards will be presented and we will elect next year's council members. Finger food, punch and tea will be served. Please bring a friend to this fun annual event.

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## **Human Trafficking Program**

Thursday, April 30, 7-8 pm

Mesa Library upstairs conference rooms

Human trafficking is a serious global challenge, affecting millions of women and men. However, it is estimated that women account for nearly 60% of all human trafficking victims, with women and girls together representing 75% of known victims. What is the impact of human trafficking in our state--and what is being done to assist its victims? How can we raise awareness of this widespread human rights issue?



Maria Sanchez-Gagne and Lynn Sanchez will address these and related issues in their talk on human trafficking. Sanchez-Gagne is Director of the New Mexico Border Violence Division, which represents the State Attorney General in cases involving the investigation and prosecution of human trafficking. She helped draft New Mexico's human trafficking law. Sanchez founded and directs the state's human trafficking hotline, 505-GET-FREE, works with Life Link's Aftercare program for victims, and directs Sojourners Advocacy Cafe, an outreach center for homeless and disenfranchised women and their children. Join us this Thursday to learn more about how our state is tackling the challenge of human trafficking.

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## Voting Party—AAUW Election: Pizza's on us, voting's on you!

**When:** Wednesday, May 6, 5-7 pm

**Where:** Time Out Pizzeria (next to Bradbury Science Museum)



Come cast your AAUW ballot in the meeting room at Time Out Pizzeria. We'll have laptops for voting and copies of *AAUW Outlook* for reviewing candidates and ballot measures. All you need to bring is your member ID and voting PIN. Your member ID and voting PIN are on the back cover of

the spring/summer *Outlook* magazine.

There is one important Bylaw change proposed; it would eliminate the degree requirement for membership; vote to express your opinion.

You can vote for 10 people to serve as directors; all are qualified, but their experience and interests vary; help select directors whose interests match yours.

Enjoy pizza and salad while exercising your voting right.

**RSVP by Monday, May 4**— Judy Prono (662-2691, [djprono@msn.com](mailto:djprono@msn.com))

There are three other options for voting:

**1.** Go to the e-mail notice sent from AAUW Membership on April 16: "Here's your AAUW ballot. Vote now." Click on the **red button** "Just click here to vote," review the ballot, and vote.

**2.** Go to [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) and click on the VOTE button:

- enter your member ID, click on Search
- enter your voter PIN
- review the ballot and vote
- **Online voting ends June 19.**

**3.** Request a paper ballot by either e-mailing [connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org) or calling 1-800-326-2289. **Paper ballots must be requested by May 8 and postmarked by May 26.**

The ballot also includes voting on

- proposed changes to the Public Policy Program,
- proposed Bylaw amendments,
- AAUW President and Vice President (both running unopposed), and
- 10 Board members (from 15 candidates).

The Spring/Summer issue *AAUW Outlook* has a section on all ballot measures, including short bios/statements from all Board candidates. Even if you vote only for AAUW President and Vice President, your ballot will count toward the required election quorum (5% of members voting).

**Pick an option and VOTE! Make your voice heard.**

## Branch News

Congratulations to Judy Prono who was elected as New Mexico state program co-chair. Carol Ann Council is her co-chair.

## Great Decisions

The morning Great Decisions group will meet on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in the Mesa Public Library upstairs conference room; the topic will be "Brazil in Metamorphosis." Carroll Thomas will be the presenter ([ctgb@earthlink.net](mailto:ctgb@earthlink.net), 672-1937).

The evening group will meet on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 to discuss the same topic. The meeting will be at Marilyn Minshall's, 536 Brighton (672-3499). Please call her if you would like to attend.

## Book Group

The April book, The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd, will be reviewed by Angela Coop on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm at Angela's, 332 Aragon. Let Angela know if you are coming (672-1073, [acwalkercoop@yahoo.com](mailto:acwalkercoop@yahoo.com)). The Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm meeting will be at Helena Whyte's, 100 El Morro. Let Helena know if you are coming (672-9153, [mozden08@aol.com](mailto:mozden08@aol.com)). Sue Watts will review.

## Non-fiction Book Group

On May 18, 7:30 pm the group will meet to discuss Genghis Khan and the Making of the Modern World by Jack Weatherford at Nina Thayer's, 1707 Solana. Betsy Comly will lead the discussion. Please let Nina know if you plan to attend, (662-6835, [gnthayer@cybermesa.com](mailto:gnthayer@cybermesa.com)).

**Title IX support Group** will watch the Los Alamos High School girls' softball game Wed., April 29, 4 pm at Minors B Field at the Overlook Sports Complex in White Rock.

## Out 'n About

### Albuquerque Museum, Sculpture Garden Tour & Lunch, Wednesday, April 29, 2015

The Albuquerque Museum has just opened their newly remodeled history and culture wing titled "Only in Albuquerque" to rave reviews. We will visit this wing as well as take a tour of the sculpture garden, full of sculpture by New Mexico artists. Santa Fe members are welcome to join in the fun and create their own car pools. Admission cost is \$3 per adult, \$2 for seniors (65+).

Tentative schedule:

- 9:00 Depart Los Alamos (from Catholic Church parking lot)
- 10:45 Arrive and visit "Only in Albuquerque"
- 12:00 Lunch at Museum Cafe
- 1:00 Sculpture Garden Tour
- 2:30 Depart Albuquerque
- 4:00-4:30 Arrive Los Alamos

Please make reservations: Nina Thayer, 662-6835, [gnthayer@cybermesa.com](mailto:gnthayer@cybermesa.com)

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

The Santa Fe Botanical Gardens is located on Museum Hill, 715 Camino Lejo. By the end of May the gardens will be spectacular. Cost is \$7 for an adult, \$6 for seniors (65+) and includes the tour. Please join us for this joint Santa Fe - Los Alamos branch activity.

Tentative schedule:

- 9:50 Depart Los Alamos
- 11:00 Tour
- 12:30 Lunch at Museum Restaurant
- Each car may depart when it chooses.

Please make reservations with Nancy Scheer, ([nscheer1226@msn.com](mailto:nscheer1226@msn.com)) or Nina Thayer, ([gnthayer@cybermesa.com](mailto:gnthayer@cybermesa.com)), so if weather interferes we can change plans quickly as this is an outside activity.

## MANA del Norte Scholarship Fund



This past Christmas, Andrea Tuero, our MANA scholarship recipient, sent us this charming photo of herself and her three children, Jesus, Joshua, and Audriana.

Andrea will be returning this fall to Northern New Mexico College to continue her studies in Applied Science and Nursing. She has again qualified for a \$1,000 MANA del Norte scholarship, and we have promised her our continual support as long as she meets scholarship qualifications.

This past year Andrea has changed from full-time to half-time employment so that she can spend more time on her studies. She and her children are now living with Andrea's mother to help with expenses, and her mother watches the children after school until Andrea returns home. She is determined to make her education a success and to serve as a good example for her children.

Our branch currently has 70 members, and if each member contributes only \$15, we can easily reach our \$1,000 goal and support Andrea for another year. However, in the past, only a third of our members have contributed towards our MANA scholarship fund. I hope we can get better participation this year, for Andrea is a very special person in need of our assistance.

Please send your contributions to Mona Wecksung, AAUW treasurer, PO Box 272, Los Alamos. Make your check out to MANA del Norte. MANA is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

### Branch Calendar

May	4,5	Book Group
May	6	Voting Party
May	7	Evening Great Decisions
May	11	Morning Great Decisions
May	15	Spring Tea
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May	28	Out 'n About

### Coordinating Council for 2014-15

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## MEMBERSHIP RERENEWAL DATE IS APPROACHING

This is a friendly reminder that membership dues for the 2015-2016 year are due to national by July 1, 2015. You may pay these dues at the Spring Tea. For your convenience you will find a list of the membership categories, and dues for each category listed on the next page. Please use the payment coupon and **make your check payable to AAUW, Los Alamos Branch**. Then mail the coupon and your check to:

**AAUW, Los Alamos Branch Treasurer**  
**PO Box 272**  
**Los Alamos, NM 87544**

Alternatively, to renew your membership online go to the AAUW homepage then click on the login link at <http://www.aauw.org/membership/> and follow the instructions.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	NATIONAL DUES	STATE DUES	LOCAL DUES
Regular Member	<b>\$71.00</b>	\$49.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Paid Life Member	<b>\$22.00</b>	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Dual Member not NM	\$22.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$10.00
Dual Member NM	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Honorary Life Member	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

If you would like to purchase **a life membership, the cost is \$980.00**. Each year you will then only have to pay the assessment for state and local dues. Since dues have a tendency to increase, this is an option that is worth considering. Also please note that of the \$49.00 National Dues, \$46.00 is tax deductible. The other \$3.00 is used to support the AAUW Action Fund's Section 501(c) (4) activities, (Lobby Corps and election related activities), so it is not tax deductible.

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Enclosed please find my check in the amount of \$	
My membership category is Regular/ Life /Dual NM/Dual not NM (Please circle one category)	
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