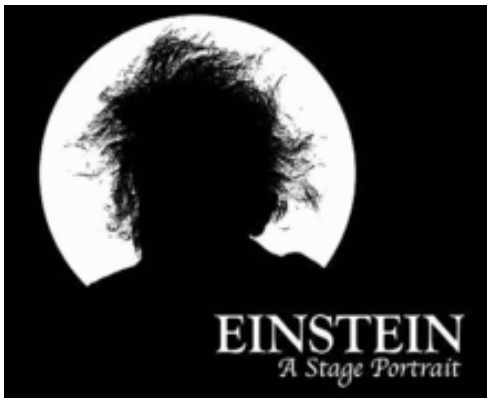

Legislative Preview
Thursday, January 7, 7-9 pm
Fuller Lodge

Partnering with the League of Women Voters, we will again co-sponsor this community program. Our three district legislators--Rep. Stephanie Garcia Richard, Sen. Carlos Cisneros, and Sen. Richard Martinez--will discuss their priorities and expectations for the upcoming legislative session. Following their presentations, Kristina Fisher will explain Think New Mexico's initiative to fix the state's "Christmas Tree Bill": our dysfunctional system of funding public infrastructure. And Dede Feldman, former senator from Albuquerque's north valley, will share her ideas for improving state government. All speakers will also respond to questions from the audience. Branch co-Facilitator Judy Prono will be the moderator. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 pm.



Einstein: A Stage Portrait
Branch Fundraiser for Tech Trek
Saturday, Feb. 13, 7:30 pm
Sunday, Feb. 14, 2 pm
Los Alamos Little Theater

Tom Schuch from Albuquerque will present a one-man interpretation of the brilliant theoretical physicist written by Willard Simms. Mr. Schuch has presented it to wide acclaim all over the country, including Broadway, and most recently in India. Alan Arkin said, "Tom, your performance of Einstein is filled with wisdom and warmth and wonderful nuance. Thank you for what is a very special, very moving evening."

Tickets are \$20/person. Mr. Schuch has graciously asked only for expenses so that more can be given toward the next Tech Trek, a 6-day STEM camp for 8th grade girls to be held June 19-25, 2016 on the campus of NM Tech in Socorro.

Branch News

Caring for Los Alamos with LA Cares was a grand success. We collected enough money to fill about 100 bags with pears, apples, and naval oranges. Recipients were thrilled to have **fresh** fruit and we filled enough bags to serve all who came. Plus we have enough money to buy a few boxes of fruit for a January distribution. Thanks to all who contributed, to the fruit buyers, packers and deliverers.



Science Fair 2016

Saturday, January 23rd is the date of the Los Alamos Science Fair. We continue our decades old tradition of recognizing worthy elementary students with a small cash award and a personal note from our team. The judges have \$150.00 to distribute to either individual or class projects at their discretion. Judges will meet at 9:00am and will finish by noon.

If you have had a career in the sciences or have taught elementary students, please consider joining our 2016 judging team. To join the team, contact Marilyn Doolen at 672-3571, mtdoolen@aol.com.

Long-time Los Alamos Branch member and then dual member, Marilyn Treiman, has moved from Corvallis, OR to Albuquerque. She would be delighted to receive calls and visits from Los Alamos friends. Contact info:
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Book Group

There are no January book group meetings.

Non-fiction Book Group

The January 11th non-fiction book group meeting will be at 7:30 pm at Betsy Comly's, 235 Kimberly. The book to be discussed is Timothy Egan's, *Short Nights of the Shadow Catcher* about the photographer Edward Curtis. Please let Betsy know if you are coming (672-1574, jack_comly@msn.com).

Out 'n About

Tuesday, January 5 -- An Artful Day

The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum and the New Mexico Museum of Art have joined forces to explore American Modernism, which is defined as art created at the beginning of the 20th century, the most creative and exciting seen up to that time. Before these exhibits leave, let's go see them! We'll begin at 10:30 am on Tuesday, January 5, at the O'Keeffe with a docent's remarks about the remarkable collection of paintings owned by the Vilcek Foundation, works by some of America's most original abstract painters. After a lunch break at Terra Cotta, we'll continue with our Santa Fe AAUW friend Kay Dorko as our docent at the Museum of Art's exhibit, highlighting photographs, watercolors, oils, and prints that attempt to establish a recognizable "American style" as well as with highlights of "O'Keeffe in Process." Admission to

both exhibits is \$12, but will be less if anyone is a member of either museum.

If interested, please contact Ginny White at ginny@atomicski.org.

Title IX

Contact Helena Whyte (672-9153, mozden08@aol.com) if you would like to support local female athletes at either of these basketball games:

Los Alamos High School Girls, Tues. Jan. 5 at 7:00 pm, Griffith Gym,

Northern New Mexico College Lady Eagles, Jan. 23 at 5:00 pm, Eagles Gym, Espanola.

Of course weather could cause a cancellation. If schools are closed, the game will be cancelled and rescheduled.

Great Decisions

The Morning Great Decisions group will meet on the second and fourth Mondays beginning in January at Mesa Public library at 10:00 am. Carroll Thomas (672-1937, ctgb@earthlink.net) will be leading the group. Topics will be assigned at the first meeting on January 11.

The Evening Great Decision group will have organizational meeting Jan. 28 at 7:30 pm at Beverly Cooper's house, 521 Ridgecrest in White Rock. Helena Whyte (672-9153, mozden08@aol.com) will be leading the group.

State News

Winter Leadership Team Meeting and

Legislative Day 2016: Keeping with tradition, Santa Fe Branch will host the LTM. Come to be informed about AAUW legislative issues. Use what you learn to educate our legislators on AAUW Legislative day. Leadership Team Meeting details follow:

Where: The Santa Fe Skies RV Park is at 14 Brown Castle Ranch. Directions:

<http://santafeskiesrvpark.com/directions>

When: LTM is Sunday January 31, 2016.

Lunch at Noon followed by the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Speaker: Pamela Herndon, Southwest

Women's Law Center. Ms. Herndon is deeply committed to the goals and mission of the Southwest Women's Law Center of eliminating gender bias, discrimination and harassment; lifting women and their families out of poverty; and ensuring that all women have full control over their reproductive lives through access to comprehensive reproductive health services and information.

What: Lunch will be Quiche and salad, water, tea and coffee and dessert. Contact Riette Mugleston at 505-983-1268 if you have a special dietary need (cholesterol, gluten- or lactose-intolerant)

How: \$20 for registration and lunch. Please make your check payable to AAUW Santa Fe, and mail before Jan. 15 to:

Santa Fe- AAUW

Attn: Kris Rodgers

P.O. Box 31584

Santa Fe, NM 87594

AAUW Legislative Day is Monday, February 1 at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe. Meet at 8 am in Room 326.

Branch Calendar

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Jan	14	Coordinating Council Meeting, 7:00 United Church
Jan	23	Science Fair
Jan	25	Great Decisions – Morning group
Jan	28	Great Decisions – Evening group
Jan	31	Leadership Team Meeting

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