

Hilltopics

# Equal Pay Day Event UnQuarked, Central Park Square April 12, 5-7 pm

The Los Alamos Branch of AAUW will sponsor a meeting to commemorate "Equal Pay Day," which is April 12, 2016. This is how far into the year that women must work to make the same amount of money that men earned in 2015. This points out the discrepancy between the salaries of men and women in our country. Information will be available about pay equity and what AAUW is doing to bring this information to the people. Helena Whyte will give a short talk about the significance of this day, and we will learn what we can do to help. Please bring a friend; the convo is open to the public. We will be meeting at UnQuarked which is the premier wine tasting room in Los Alamos, New Mexico. Located in Central Park Square, it serves a wine menu that features three local New Mexico wineries: Anasazi Fields, Black's Smuggler, and Vivác. Please join us.

## **Upcoming Programs**

Spring Tea, May 13 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

## **Needed: Council Volunteers**

We are still looking for members to serve on our branch's Coordinating Council for 2016-18. We need **three more volunteers** to fill a slate of candidates, which will be elected at our Spring Tea on May 13. Please consider stepping up to help plan and carry out branch activities for the next two years. A full Council (nine members) will mean more new ideas and broader representation. We need your help to keep our branch running. Contact our Nominations Chair, Harriet Dodder (662-7473, harrietdodder@comcast.net), to volunteer today.

## **Book Group**

The April book is <u>All the Light We Cannot See</u> by Anthony Doerr; Mary Jane Giesler will lead the discussions. On Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm, readers will gather at Nina Thayer's, 1707 Solana. Please let Nina know if you are coming (662-6835, <u>gnthayer@cybermesa.com</u>). On Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm, Gaye Talley, 606 Rim Rd. will host. Please let Gaye know if you are coming (<u>thurman.gaye@gmail.com</u>, 662-6762).

## **Non-fiction Book Group**

The next meeting will be on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm. We will discuss <u>In the Kingdom of Ice</u> by Hampton Sides. Carol Neal will host, 3452 Urban; let Carol know if you will be there (662-7256, the neals@prodigy.net).

# Out 'n About

#### PUYE CLIFFS, Thursday, April 21

We will meet at the United Church parking lot at 9am (9:15 at the White Rock "Y"), drive to Puye Cliffs on the Santa Clara Pueblo and arrive at10am for a two-hour tour of the Cliffside dwellings, the mesa-top ruins, and the Harvey House. Yes, Fred Harvey built a bed & breakfast in Santa Clara Canyon! Puye Cliffs was home to more than a thousand Pueblo Indians who lived, farmed and hunted there from the 900's to 1580 A.D. and were the ancestors of today's Santa Clara people. For more about Puye Cliffs visit: <u>http://www.puyecliffs.com/</u>

The tour cost is \$35 for adults (\$33 for Seniors). For those interested we will meet at a local restaurant for lunch, about 12:45 pm probably in Espanola, suggestions welcome.

Be sure to include sunscreen, hat and walking stick and pray for a gorgeous not-too-windy spring day on the Pajarito Plateau.

Contact Nina Thayer to reserve a place, 662-6835, <u>gnthayer@cybermesa.com</u>. If plans need to change she can communicate them to all attending.

#### Title IX

Join Helena Whyte (672-9153, mozden08@aol.com) to cheer on our girls at the Los Alamos High School Girls Softball game Wednesday, April 27 at 4:00 pm at Overlook Minors B Field in White Rock. It's Free!

## **Great Decisions**

The Morning Great Decisions group meets on the second and fourth Mondays at Mesa Public library at 10:00am. Carroll Thomas (672-1937, ctgb@earthlink.net) is the group coordinator.

Date		Leader	Topic
Apr	11	Carroll Thomas	The rise of ISIS
Apr	25	Jill Forman	Cuba and the U.S.
May	9		Climate Geopolitics

Evening Great Decision 2016 Schedule

Date/Time	Topic	Hostess	Leader			
4/7/16	The Future	Marilyn Doolen	Marilyn			
7 p.m.	of Kurdistan	713 Meadow Lane	Doolen			
		672-3571				
4/28/16	International	Marilyn Minshall	Marilyn			
7 p.m.	Migration	536 Brighton	Minshall			
		672-3499				
5/19/16	Korean	Natalie Markin	Natalie			
7 p.m.	Choices	505 Oppenheimer				
		# 419				
		662-9399				
6/9/16	Climate					
	Geopolitics:					
	The Road to					
	Paris and					
	Beyond					

Helena Whyte (672-9153, <u>mozden08@aol.com</u>) leads the evening group. All discussions begin at 7pm and end at 9pm.

#### **International Fellowships**

Our branch contributed significantly to endow the Corrine Wolfe International Fellowship. Here is this 2015-16 recipient of that fellowship.



Name: Deepali Sharma Award: International Fellowship Institution: Ohio University Citizenship: India Location: Athens, Ohio Degree and Specialization: M.A., Communication and development

Deepali Sharma is committed to improving health-seeking behavior and increasing the effectiveness and reach of health and family welfare programs. As a communication and development graduate she will provide technical support to develop strategic health prevention and promotional tools to minimize the threat of communicable disease transmission within and between countries. Sharma has a passion of giving back and fighting injustice in the world.

Sponsors: 1754 - Michigan State/Bette Willson 4226 - Corrine Wolfe 1649 - Sarah Harder

# **Branch Calendar**

April	4,5	Book Group
April	7	Evening Great Decisions
April	11	Morning Great Decisions
April	12	General Meeting at UnQuarked
April	23	Non-fiction Book Group
April	25	Morning Great Decisions
April	27	Title IX
April	28	Evening Great Decisions

# **Coordinating Council for 2015-16**

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