



## *Hospitality Help Needed*



*Our branch is looking for 2 people to serve on the council as co-hospitality chairs. The council proposes simplifying the work involved by reducing the variety of refreshments at our meetings. The hospitality chairs would not be responsible for providing any food for our meetings; their efforts would be administrative. The duties include:*

- \* Keeping a supply of plates, cups, tableware, beverage supplies, etc., and bringing the items to our meetings*
  - \* Keeping a list of volunteers who will bring refreshments and help set up and clean up at our meetings; this list will be created at our fall meeting and all members will be encouraged to sign-up for a meeting.*
  - \* Arrange for catering for our special events such as the Spring Tea and Fall Luncheon.*
- This is an important position; please consider pitching in. If you have any questions, please ask any council member.*

**Convention Report**

On April 23-25, our Los Alamos branch hosted the AAUW state convention. The speakers, the banquet at Los Alamos golf course restaurant, the planetarium show at PEEC, the Consortium tour, the administrative efforts and meetings – were all excellent, informative and fun! Attendees rated us at 4.7 out of 5. The committee has earned our thanks for a job well done. The very best part was how much we enjoyed each others' company while we worked to put on the convention. Check out the photos on our web site <http://losalamos-nm.aauw.net>.

**Book Group**

The book group planning meeting will be on Monday, August 14, at 7:00pm at the Patio Room of the Oppenheimer Condos, 1001 Oppenheimer Dr.

**Nonfiction Book Group**

The next meeting will be on July 17, at 7:30 pm. We will discuss The Emerald Mile by Kevin Fedarko. Denise George, 411 Cheryl, will host and lead the discussion. Let Denise know if you are coming (672-9688, [denisegeorge@icould.com](mailto:denisegeorge@icould.com)).

**Fall Luncheon**

Mark your calendars with the date for our fall luncheon, September 23, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

**Bylaws**

The 2017 revised branch bylaws are now posted on the 'members only' section of the branch web site. This final version uses green type for provisions required by the NM State Corporations Act. The san serif font used on the first 3 pages denote mandated text from national (see note on page 3.)

**Officers**

The council members elected at the spring tea have chosen their positions, and the chart below lists their positions and contact information.



Incoming council members + 3 past members

**Coordinating Council for 2017-18**

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Harriet Dodder	Nominating Chair	662-7473	<a href="mailto:harrietdodder@comcast.net">harrietdodder@comcast.net</a>

**2017-2018 Dues:** Membership dues for the coming year are due to national by July 1, 2017

Please make your treasurer’s day by sending a check now or by paying online.

Of the \$49.00 National Dues, \$46.00 is tax deductible.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	NATIONAL DUES	STATE DUES	BRANCH DUES
Regular Member	<b>\$77.00</b>	\$49.00	\$18.00	\$10.00
Paid Life Member	<b>\$28.00</b>	\$0.00	\$18.00	\$10.00
Dual Member not NM	\$28.00	\$0.00	\$18.00	\$10.00
Dual Member NM	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Honorary Life Member	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

You may pay online at <http://www.aauw.org/membership/join-renew/>

Or fill out the Payment Coupon and mail to:

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

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Enclosed please find my check in the amount of \$	
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AAUW’s new research report *Deeper In Debt* has shown that women bear a disproportionate amount of student debt.

Here is the intro with scary facts.

“Right now about 44 million borrowers in the United States hold about \$1.3 trillion in outstanding student loans. The scale of outstanding student loans and an increasing share of borrowers who fail to repay have made many Americans aware that student debt is a challenge for society and for individual borrowers. Yet despite the fact that women represented 56 percent of those enrolled in American colleges and universities in fall 2016, many people do not think of student debt as a women’s issue. This report reveals that women also take on larger student loans than do men. And because of the gender pay gap, they have less disposable income with which to repay their loans after graduation, requiring more time to pay back their student debt than do men. As a result, women hold nearly two-thirds of the outstanding student debt in the United States — more than \$800 billion.”

**Branch Calendar**

July	1	Renew dues by this date
July	17	Nonfiction Book Group
Aug	14	Book Group Planning Meeting