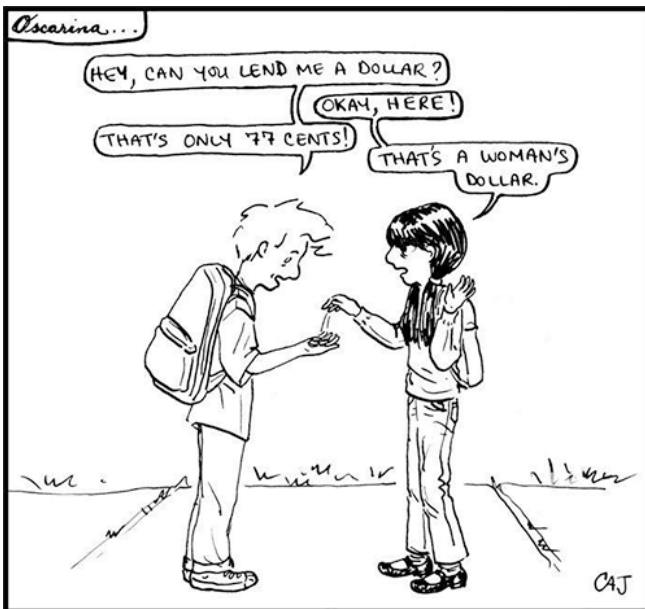


COUNTDOWN TO EQUAL PAY DAY, April 10, 2018

Sometimes we find ourselves wishing for more than 24 hours in a day or more than seven days in a week, but time is not always better. It takes women about 15 months to earn what men earn in 12, thanks to the gender pay gap. This has lifelong consequences and affects every aspect in a woman's career and retirement. We take note of this gap every April on a day known as Equal Pay Day, which is the symbolic day when women's earnings (77 cents to men's dollar) finally catch up to men's earnings from the previous year. Equal Pay Day is a powerful occasion to raise awareness of the gender pay gap in our communities.



What can we do:

Wear Red on Equal Pay Day, April 10 2018 to symbolize how far women "are in the red" with their pay.

Donate to AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund

Encourage our daughters and friends in the workplace to negotiate for fair pay.



2018 Santa Fe World Affairs Forum Symposium

Values, Myths and Interests: Debating American Foreign Policy in an Unstable World

The Santa Fe World Affairs Forum's 2018 annual symposium will take place at Santa Fe Community College on April 9-10. Lunches and a Meet the Speakers Reception Monday afternoon are included in the registration fee.

AAUW–Santa Fe is a co-sponsor of this event and Los Alamos AAUW members are also invited to attend at the discounted rate of \$95 for the two days; one-day registration is also available. Speakers listed below; more information available at: www.sfwaf.org.

1. **Michael Battle**, US Ambassador (ret.) to the African Union, academic, university provost, military chaplain and most recently Executive Vice President/Provost at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center;
2. **Daniel Baer**, US Ambassador(rtd) to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, 2013-17;
3. **Ralph Begleiter**, founding Director of the Center for Political Communication, University of Delaware and former CNN world affairs correspondent;
4. **Beatrice Camp**, Senior Foreign Service Officer (rtd) and former US Consul General Shanghai;
5. **Laura S H Holgate**, US Ambassador (rtd) to the Vienna Office of the UN and IAEA 2016-17, now Senior Fellow (non-resident) Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University;
6. **Dr Elizabeth Manak**, South Asia and nonproliferation specialist, CIA officer, Deputy National Intelligence Officer for the Near East and South Asia at the National Intelligence Council;
7. **Dr. James West**, Russian specialist and Professor of History and Humanities, Middlebury College 1995-2011, taught at the European University in St. Petersburg, Russia 2015-17.

To register, send a check payable to SFWAF to the Santa Fe World Affairs Forum, P.O. Box 31965, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87594, or pay online via Paypal. Please note you are a member of SAR to receive the discounted price. SFWAF also strongly recommends that registrants immediately email them at sfwaforum@outlook.com to ensure inclusion on the registration list. Space is limited, registration is on a first-come, first-served basis



**U.S. Children
Now Draw
Female
Scientists
More Than
Ever**

Researchers at
Northwestern

University have analyzed five decades of "Draw-a-Scientist" studies conducted since the 1960s, and found U.S. children now depict scientists as female more than ever. They say this trend suggests children's stereotypes connecting science only with men have weakened over time, which is consistent with more women becoming scientists and children's media depicting more female scientists on TV shows, magazines, and elsewhere. The Northwestern study is the first systematic, quantitative review of the "Draw-a-Scientist" literature and combined results from 78 U.S. studies, including more than 20,000 children in kindergarten through 12th grades. The researchers also analyzed how children form stereotypes about scientists across childhood development, with the results suggesting children do not associate science with men until about age five. The researchers also found during elementary and middle school, the tendency to draw scientists as male rose strongly with age. For the full story click on this link:

<http://www.sesp.northwestern.edu/news-center/news/2018/03/u.s.-children-now-draw-female-scientists-more-than-ever.html>

Spring Tea

Mark your calendars now for our annual Spring Tea on May 4, 4:00pm, Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Our speaker will be Andrea Fellows Walters from the Santa Fe Opera. Not to be missed!

Hospitality Chair

Mary Ann Lindahl will be taking on the branch hospitality chair. The council thanks her and asks branch members to cheerfully offer assistance when asked to help.

U.N. Commission on the Status of Women

For our March branch program, Nancy Scheer and Lynn Heffron gave the branch a most informative talk on the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women. Both attended this meeting in past years. There were many parallel sessions, some open only to official delegates and others offered by NGOs open to the public. Choosing which sessions to attend was a daunting task as the locations required long walks through New York City streets. Much of the value of attending the conference came from networking with other women with similar goals. In 2018, 45 countries were members of this commission, including 13 from Africa, 11 from the Asia-Pacific region, 4 from Eastern European states, 9 from Latin American & Caribbean states, and 8 from Western Europe and Other States. The United States was not a member in 2018, as membership rotates. 2018 was the sixty-second session of the commission. The Commission has 17 sustainable development goals for 2015-2030, including no poverty, no hunger, good health, quality education, gender equality, clean water and sanitation, clean energy, good jobs and economic growth, reduced inequalities, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption, protect the planet, life below water, life on land, peace and justice, and partnerships for the goals. Nations report on progress made and programs to address these goals within their nations.

Book Group

The April book is The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See. Marilyn Minshall will review at both meetings. **Note change of location;** on Monday, April 2, 7:00 pm, the group will meet at Karin Roberts, 415 Cheryl (672-9625 Karinroberts875@icloud.com).

On Tuesday, April 3, 1:00 pm, the group will meet at Mona Wecksung's, 161 El Corto 9662-7084, wecksung2005@msn.com). Let the host know if you will be coming.

Non-fiction Book Group

The next meeting will be on May 21 at 7:00pm. (Note earlier time). If you would like to host the meeting, please call or e-mail Denise to volunteer (672-9688, denisegeorge@icloud.com). The book is *The Home That Was Our Country*, by Alia Malek. Betsy Comly will lead the discussion.

Great Decisions

The **Morning Great Decisions** group meets at Mesa Public Library at 10:00 am. The remaining meeting dates are:

Apr 9: Turkey: a partner in crisis: Nancy Nunnelley

Apr 23: U.S. global engagement and the military:

The **Evening Great Decision** group is led by Helena Whyte (672-9153, mozden08@aol.com); The remaining meetings beginning at 7:15 pm are:

Apr 5: Turkey: Partner in Crisis: Judy Prono, 670 Totavi, 662-2691

Apr 26: China's Geopolitics: Betsy Comly, 255 Kimberly, 672-1574

May 10: South Africa's fragile democracy: Marilyn Minshall, 536 Brighton, 672-3499

Out 'n About

The group enjoyed an informative and enjoyable tour of Espanola Valley Fiber Arts Center on March 15th presented by Olimpia Newman, Director of Development of the Center. We learned about the Navaho-Churro sheep, a breed that originated in Spain. These sheep have a long, protective top coat and soft undercoat that are well suited to our New Mexico climate. We learned about spinning, dying, felting, weaving, and many different types of looms.

Branch Needs

Our branch needs the contribution of time and energy of its members to continue to function. We need several council members to replace members who will be leaving the council. If you are called to participate, consider how you might contribute.

Nina Thayer is not letting a little knee replacement slow her down!



Nina and friends at Santa Fe's *March for Our Lives*

MANA del Norte Resurrected

Each year, preceding the MANA del Norte Scholarship Banquet, MANA hosts its biggest fundraiser of the year, a member reception and silent auction. The auction typically brings in thousands of dollars for its scholarship program. This past year, MANA's scholarship banquet and silent auction fell on Friday, October 13, 2017. Perhaps you remember the serious accident that occurred on that evening on highway 285, just south of Pojoaque. Both lanes were blocked, the southbound lane not opening until 10 o'clock that night. My friend and I never made it to the banquet. Neither did all persons living north of Pojoaque, including the banquet keynote speaker. Half of the tables at the banquet remained empty that evening, and the proceeds from the silent auction were very disappointing.

I'm not certain how much this misfortune influenced what happened next. A number of persons quit their MANA board positions, until there were only two board members left, a number according to its bylaws was not sufficient to maintain the organization. MANA needed to do something fast. So this past Saturday, on March 24, MANA invited its entire 40 person membership to a brunch and general

meeting. I attended the meeting and am happy to report some 20 persons were there, each with a desire to support the organization. From the meeting, MANA acquired 2 new board members, 2 new scholarship committee members, and a very enthusiastic young person who wants to plan events designed to increase membership and scholarship donations. It was a very satisfying morning. So MANA has been resurrected and I am therefore, once again, seeking donations for our AAUW

sponsored \$1,000 MANA scholarship. You can send your check, made out to MANA del Norte, to AAUW, PO Box 272, Los Alamos, or, if you prefer, bring it to me at our annual tea in May. Bless you all for all the support you have given to MANA scholarship recipients throughout the years.
Mona Wecksung

Branch Calendar

Apr	2	Book group, evening
Apr	3	Book group, afternoon
Apr	5	Great Decisions – Evening group
Apr	9	Great Decisions – Morning group
Apr	23	Great Decisions – Morning group
Apr	26	Great Decisions – Evening group

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