

Boise Area Branch Newsletter

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President's Corner

February is the month of **LOVE**.

I love my new home state of Idaho.

I love the cultural, social, and sports opportunities here.

I love the beauty of the mountains.

I love my new challenges.

I love the small town atmosphere in the big city of Boise.

I love the emphasis on healthy, renewable choices.

I love my AAUW friendships.



I know you'll LOVE the Feb 16 program - See you there!

Special points of interest:

- Please make note of Sylvia Campbell's new phone number: 629-0490
- Jenny McBride's information: 794-7417 and jennymcb@gmail.com
- Mark your calendars. "Dali Lama Renaissance" will be at the flicks March 21
- Congrats to Helen Rambo - she is now an Honorary Life Member!

Making Membership Progress

By Sylvia Campbell

Our January Meeting, the tour of the newly renovated State Capitol, turned out to be a grand recruitment event. Three of our members each brought along a guest, all of whom are going to join our Branch!

Ingrid brought a young woman, Jenny McBride who is a Graduate Student at BSU, Kathy Haley brought a friend,

Deb Bahr, and Noreen Pusey brought a friend, Jeanie Badgley. Each of the three will be a wonderful addition to our Branch and three cheers to Ingrid, Kathy and Noreen.

This month we're featuring Jenny; her bio is below.

Be sure to introduce yourself to our new members at our next meeting.

New Member: Jenny McBride

Jennifer Catherine McBride was born and raised in Idaho and recently graduated from Boise State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English; emphasis in Technical Communication. She is currently a grant writer for various non-profit organizations and is enrolled part-time in the Graduate College at Boise

State, but has not yet chosen a program of study. Animals are her passion and she has built a large clientele for whom she house- and petsits year round.

Jenny's interest in the mission of AAUW is somewhat influenced by her having grown up with a mother who was a working

professional and a younger sister with developmental disabilities. She also has an older sister attending medical school as an officer in the U.S. Army, who is currently serving in Iraq. Jenny is proud to be part of an organization that is dedicated to women's equity in all areas of life.

Board Member Opportunity At Dunia Marketplace

Leonise Yates, Assistant Director / Volunteer Coordinator, Dunia Marketplace

Ten Thousand Villages, now the Dunia marketplace has been the site of an annual fund raiser for AAUW for the past two



years raising almost \$400.

We are looking for new board members at Dunia Marketplace. What we are looking for in a board member/s are people that have a passion for what we stand for, would be on a working board that is expected to help out at the store, work at some off sites, such as Green Expo, share their areas of expertise: point of sales knowledge, retail sales, advertising, marketing skills, etc....If you know of any such person/s that might be interested in talking to the board, I would appreciate hearing back

from you as soon as possible. Thanks so much for your interest in Dunia Marketplace as well. I really enjoy your group of wonderful women.

We are planning a 13th on 13th of February shopping event with a portion of the sales to go to help support Haiti. We have many beautiful Haitian pieces and want to help our artisans during this disaster. Other stores in Hyde Park will be participating as well.

Again, we would love your help in filling our board position as well as you visiting the site.

Women for Women International

By Vicki Morrison

**EDUCATION
PROGRAM
THAT
INCLUDES
WOMEN'S
RIGHTS
TRAINING**

For a total of \$354 a year (\$27 a month plus a one-time \$30 registration fee), we can help a victim of rape and violence rebuild her life and family. A woman can restore her support network, receive trauma counseling and gain skills to help her get back on her feet.

We can develop a one-to-one relationship, sharing our lives through letters and pictures. I would like to get 9 people to provide \$3 a month to sponsor a woman through this organization.

Their Sponsorship program is a unique experience that builds a one-to-one relationship between us and our "sister" in the field. As a sponsor we will provide our sister with a comprehensive **education** program that includes **women's rights training**, educa-

tion, **trauma counseling**, and **job skills** to earn an income. All of which give her the tools to feed her family, send her daughters to school and create lasting change in her community.

To learn more go to the web site: <http://www.womenforwomen.org/oprah-sponsor-congo-woman.php>. Please contact me at (208) 424-8740 if you are interested in donating.

Winter Board Is Coming Soon

It's Saturday and Sunday, February 20 and 21 here in Boise. We hope you read the details in the GEM State Newsletter and sent in your registration form.

If you need info, call or email Lee at 406-788-5954 or hootlee@imt.net

Did You Miss the Silver Tea?

Did you miss the Silver Tea? Do you still want to donate to the International Rescue Committee? Your AAUW Board of Directors designated the IRC as our 2009 donation recipient. Just send your gift to 7188 W. Potomac Dr. Boise 83704.

Thank you for your generosity, and put AAUW in the memo line at the bottom left.

Money, Money, Money

Bells For Books

Those contributing to our December Silver Tea fundraiser, held at Jacquie Cooney's home, contributed \$268 to the International Rescue Committee and \$140 to Bells for Books. Thanks to all of you who came and contributed and to those who send contributions by mail.

Branch Money

Checking: 4,453.10

Savings: 1,009.74

CD's: 1,107.94
1,108.59

*We were able to renew the CD in January at 1.3%.



Movie Group

We will be starting a movie group in February. We will meet the last Sunday of each month to see a movie and discuss it afterwards. An email will be sent out the Friday before to provide information on the movie, the location and the time. If you can't

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make the last Sunday and have already seen the movie feel free to join us for the discussion group. Note: This is not limited to just AAUW members.

**MOVIE
AND
DISCUSS
—JOIN**

If you would like to participate please send me an email at Vicki.morrison7@hotmail.com or call me at (208) 424-8740 so I can provide the monthly movie information.

A New Activity Group

By Sylvia Campbell

When you read a piece of news, see a bit of video, or hear a piece on the radio that absolutely stirs you, doesn't it cry out to be discussed and shared with others?? Well, it certainly is true for me. So, I'm going to boldly step into the breach and start a new discussion group and I'm going to call it **HOT TOPICS**. This will be a rather casual affair, a chance for us to share ideas, bounce opinions around, propose new fixes for problems, etc!

We will have our first meeting February 18th, meeting at my house at 6 PM. It will be a *Brown Bag* affair....BYOB (for *bring-your-own-bread*: sandwich, salad, whatever you can grab from your

fridge or deli). I will supply drinks and some desert. That way we can get an early start on **discussing** as well as **eating**. Your only assignment will be to bring a **hot topic**, a news paper clipping; something you jotted down that you heard on the radio, etc.....just something that you **need** to talk about with others.

I've done this in two other AAUW Branches and have found it wonderfully instructive, empowering and delightful. The big PLUS is that we get to know each other better.

SO....hope to see you on **Thursday evening Feb 18 at 6 PM**.

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Directions: Take Five Mile Rd., going South (I'm about as far south as you can get without hitting Nevada...so some say!). Turn Rt on Lake Hazel Rd (you all probably know Overland Rd., Victory, Amity and *then* Lake Hazel). Turn Rt. on Almira, entrance to the Hazelwood Development, about 1/2 mi from Five Mile, turn Lt on Moonfire, and Lt on Goldenspire Dr. 11251 (my house) is 5 houses down on your Lt.