



Desert Doings

The Newsletter of West Mesa Branch, AAUW

February 2010

February Joint Luncheon Meeting with Albuquerque Branch

Saturday, February 13th at 12:00 pm

Place: Chef Jim White's Cafe at the "Design Center", 4801 Alameda NE (NW corner of Alameda and Jefferson, (easy parking is available, both in front and back of the center). This is the lovely room where we had our November meeting last year.

Menu: Caesar salad, pasta primavera with chicken in creamy parmesan sauce, chocolate or carrot cake. We will be served buffet style.

Cost: \$15.00, includes tax, tip, and beverage of coffee, tea, or soda. We made an effort to make this joint meeting affordable. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

RSVP: We need your RSVP by Tuesday, February 9. Please call Marj Wyckoff at 349-3121. Cheryl needs to call the restaurant with the final numbers on Wednesday.

Program: **"Historic Courthouses of New Mexico"**

Presented by Carleen Lazell, PhD.

Carleen has been a member of AAUW for over 30 years. An architectural and cultural historian, she received her PhD from UNM. She was formerly the associate editor of "New Mexico Architecture Magazine" and currently serves as editor of "La Cronica", official publication of the Historical Society of New Mexico. Her doctoral dissertation about the nineteenth century courthouses in New Mexico and her master's thesis about the early buildings at UNM reflect her interest in public architecture. She has taught graduate classes on the history of Southwestern architecture at UNM.

Calendar

- Feb. 1** **A Day at the Legislature - Santa Fe, NM**
- Feb.10 Deadline: nominations for Grace Barker Wilson Award, submit to Pam Daves
Deadline for Spring Roadrunner
- Feb. 13 Joint branch meeting with Albuquerque. See p. 1.
- Feb. 14 *Valentine's Day!*

Keep up-to-date on state and other branch activities by visiting www.aauw-nm.org

Interest Groups

BRIDGE:

BRIDGE TIPS: Learn to play bridge or improve your skills. We welcome all.

February 4 - Bob Long

PARTY BRIDGE: Meets the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 1 p.m. at the host's home. Please call the host if you would like to play.

February 11 - Marianne Gardner--892-5971

February 25 - Marj Wyckoff—349-3121

March 11 - Mimi Salinger--897-7906

March 25 - Jane Komatz--896-6765

NOBLE READERS will meet at the Barnes and Noble coffee shop at 9:30 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month. Books for the upcoming meetings are:

Feb. 24 Death Song by Michael McGarrity
The Last Child by John Hurt

Mar. 24 The Shaman's Game by James D. Doss
The Abstinence Teacher by Thomas Perotta



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