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GENERAL MEETING

The next general meeting of the membership will be Feb. 19, 10 a.m. to noon, to discuss fundraising, programs, activities, and other issues relating to the Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village branch.

Please plan to participate in this important brainstorming session—all ideas are welcome!

If you need a ride, please inform someone on the board (see list below), and it can be arranged.

The meeting location will be determined after the board gets a feel for how many members will be attending. Stay tuned!

OFFICERS 2019-2020

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SAVE THE DATE

Feb. 19, 10 a.m.—Member meeting location TBD

April 24-25—state convention

June 18-20—regional convention

NIGHT OF ANGELS

Many thanks to the Magnifico neighborhood, led by Stephanie Hicklin, as it once again carried the day! Our Night of Angels luminary event raised \$1,028, which will be used to fund a candidate to attend AAUW's 2020 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).

A total of 48 luminary kits were sold this year, with 23 of the kits illuminating the Magnifico neighborhood on December 6. The Brilliante neighborhood, right around the corner from Magnifico, had 11 kits on display – quite a glow from those side streets if you were traveling up Ponce!

Thanks to everyone who purchased kits, and also to those who decided to donate cash. The scholarship committee, led by Carol Freeland, will be reviewing scholarship participants to identify a candidate for 2020 NCCWSL.





Karen Vinyard presented a \$5,000 check to Cody Parish, general manager of longtime AAUW supporter Cavenaugh Hyundai, as winner of the fundraising raffle. The winner had the option of accepting a \$10,000 credit (plus \$1,000 cash) toward a Tauck tour or taking a check for \$5,000. Parish opted for the cash, so an additional \$6,000 was retained in the coffers of the scholarship fund.

GREAT DECISIONS

The Great Decisions discussion group, based on books published every year by the Foreign Policy Association, is gearing up for another year of interesting, in-depth discussions of foreign policy issues facing the United States. 2020 topics are:

- Climate Change and the Global Order
- India and Pakistan
- Red Sea Security
- Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking
- U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle
- China's Road into Latin America
- The Philippines and the U.S.
- Artificial Intelligence and Data

For more information on Great Decisions, visit the website at https://www.fpa.org/great_decisions. PBS also runs Great Decisions documentaries throughout the year.

For more information about the group, contact Meg Koziar at 922-0047 or

kozimeg@sbcglobal.net. The meetings will begin Jan. 21 at 9:30 in Meg's home.

If you'd like to join the group, please contact Meg by Jan. 7 so she can order the books.

Remember: The Boys & Girls Day Care center on Carmona at DeSoto is happy to have your plastic shopping bags. They use them for sending home dirty clothes and toting projects. Drop them off anytime during hours or, if more convenient, drop them with Carol Freeland at 50 Atrayente Way and she'll get them there!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Novels: "Unsheltered" by Barbara Kingsolver—Jan. 7

Nonfiction: "Spying on the South" by Tony Horwitz—Jan. 16

Contemporary Lit: "For One More Day" by Mitch Albom—Jan, 28

For information about group leaders, meeting times and places, visit the website at hshsv-ar.aauw.net.

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