



A Message from Your Co-Presidents



On my walk today I noticed a few daffodils bravely blooming. Spring is surely just around the corner especially with the much warmer weather we are having. It was truly a cold winter. But not as cold as it was in Washington D.C. in January and February of 1912. The Great Cold Wave of 1912 was one of the worst in D.C. history. Even the Chesapeake Bay froze. But the cold did not keep the congressmen home. They all showed up to admit New Mexico as the 47th state! The Farmer's Almanac predicts that we will have another storm before March is finished. Let's hope it is a nice, long, soaking rain!

The March Branch meeting was one not to miss. We had such a good time. Marguerite Kearns regaled us with tales of her grandmother who was a very active suffragist in New York State. She also had a slide show of artifacts from her grandmother's life. Gerri Gribi taught us a suffragist song and she also sang several women folk songs for us. Talk about steel-willed women!! Those Victorian ladies were a force to behold. And we are all beholden to them.

Thanks to all of you for your contributions to our campaign to raise money for our very own UNM Scholarship Fund. It is such a worthwhile activity of our Branch. The women who receive the scholarships are truly amazing and our \$2000 often makes a big difference in their ability to get their degree. Be sure and come to the April 6 meeting at the Hilton Hotel to meet Brittany Branch our recipient this year. She is sure to blow us all away. The scholarship committee is already working to select our next years' recipient.

A big thank you goes to the Nominations Committee, Enid Tidwell, Connie Coates and Nickola Rubow. They have been working all month to recruit people to help guide AAUW-SF in the next years.

We are looking forward to a busy May. Lina Germann has scheduled a Career and Curiosity day at Agua Fria Elementary School on May 13. We will also participate in Exploring Your Horizons on May 23. This program introduces junior high and high school girls to careers in Math and Science. We hope you will have time to help out at one or both of the events. They are so worthwhile and fun.

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