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## Please Join NNWLA on July 23rd for Our Annual Hiking Social and Happy Hour

Please join us on Thursday, July 23, 2015, for our annual hiking social and happy hour. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Mayberry Landing parking lot. We will take a short hike through the Caughlin Ranch Neighborhood and then return to Mayberry Landing (3886 Mayberry Drive) for a social at Whispering Vine. If you cannot attend the hike and want to join us for the social, we plan to arrive back at Whispering Vine around 6:30 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy fresh air and catch up with other members. We hope to see you for the hike and/or social!

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## Upcoming Community Events

### Second Annual Benefit Dinner for Victims of Human Trafficking

In May, Carla B. Higginbotham spoke to NNWLA about commercially sexually exploited children and the sex trafficking industry in Reno. Our June newsletter included information on ways to help the victims. August brings another important event on the subject.

If you are still interested in learning more about human trafficking or supporting the organizations that provide resources to the victims, we encourage you to attend the Second Annual Benefit Dinner for Victims of Human Trafficking on August 27, 2015 at 6 p.m. at The Grove at Southcreek, 95 Foothill Road. More information about the event is included in the attached flyer.

### 2015 Heart and Stroke Walk/5K Run

Last year was the inaugural year for the American Heart Association's Lawyers with Heart Campaign in Northern Nevada. Local lawyers from firms and other legal organizations raised over \$5,000.00 to support our community and the fight against heart disease and stroke. This year the Annual Walk/5K Run event will be held at Wingfield Park on Sunday, September 20, 2015, at 9 a.m. (Run) and 10 a.m. (Walk). Please see the attached flyer and contact Danielle Hammons or Marilee Breternitz for more information about starting or joining a team!

### Happy 4th of July!

The NNWLA Board wishes everyone a safe and happy Independence Day!



### Event Highlights:

**July 23:** Annual hiking social and happy hour beginning at Mayberry Landing and ending at Whispering Vine. The hike will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the social to follow.

**August:** No scheduled event.

**September 15th:** Kim Surratt will provide a luncheon presentation on parenting/surrogacy law, as well as LGBT issues, at noon. The location is TBD.





## A Word From Our President



By Kimberly L.  
Goodnight

As we enter the summer months, I'm reminded that it has been a long while since I've had a "summer vacation" filled with exotic travels and leisurely excursions. Fortunately for us, Theresa Ristenpart's presentation on international law reminded us that we can still travel to exotic locales while furthering our legal careers. As we learned from Ms. Ristenpart, there are both volunteer and grant programs out there for attorneys to work in foreign countries for varying lengths of time. If you want to learn more about these types of programs, please contact Ms. Ristenpart.

Additionally, to help fill your summer with outdoor excursions, NNWLA is hosting a happy hour hike on Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. We'll be

meeting at Mayberry Landing at 5:30 p.m. in front of Whispering Vine for a leisurely hike through Caughlin Ranch and end at Whispering Vines at 6:30 p.m. for a happy hour. If you are unable to make the hike, we hope you join us for the happy hour!

In August, NNWLA will be taking a break, but we'll start up strong in September with Kim Surratt's lunchtime presentation on parenting/surrogacy law and lesbian, bisexual, gay, and transgender ("LBGT") issues.

In October, NNWLA will be hosting a panel discussion with the judges of the Nevada Court of Appeals in Carson City. In the meantime, enjoy the rest of your summer and we hope to see you in July or September!

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## Stay Connected with NNWLA

Please stay connected with NNWLA through our website ([www.nnwla.com](http://www.nnwla.com)) and our Facebook page. As we continue to update our website, we will have more information about future events so you can plan in advance. You can also find past issues of The Scoop on the website if you missed an issue.

## Thank You

It is hard to believe the year is halfway over. We have had extraordinary CLE presenters this year on a wide variety of legal topics, as well as an inspiring Outstanding Woman Lawyer Banquet. As we look back over the year thus far, we are very thankful to everyone who has contributed to making our events successful and look forward to the many great events to come.

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## Membership Dues

Please remember to pay your dues and update your membership forms if your contact information changes so you continue to receive our newsletters and e-mail updates. This year dues range from \$50.00 to \$125.00. You can find a membership form attached to this newsletter or by visiting our website ([www.nnwla.com](http://www.nnwla.com)) and clicking on the "membership" tab and the "join now" link.

Many of these great events began with suggestions from our membership. We love having our members reach out to us with presentation ideas. If you or someone you know would like to give a presentation to NNWLA in the future, please reach out to any board member.

We hope you have a wonderful summer and hope to see you at one of our upcoming events!



## June 2, 2015 NNWLA Board Minutes

1. Present: Kimberly Goodnight, Laury Macauley, Marilee Breternitz, Diana Zuccarini, Sally Bassett, Anjali Webster, Katie Brady, Katie Hoffman.
2. Bank Balance: \$5,064.09.
3. Discussion of Upcoming Events: June 16<sup>th</sup> lunch event (Theresa Ristenpart to discuss international law and practicing in foreign countries); July 23<sup>rd</sup> Hike and Social; August Board meeting; September 15<sup>th</sup> lunch event (Kim Surratt to discuss parent/surrogate law?); October 20<sup>th</sup> evening Intermediate Appeals Court event in Carson City.
5. Update on potential 2016 Event Sponsorship of Lily Ledbetter Speaking Engagement Through AAUW.
6. Next Newsletter Deadline: 06/26/15.
7. Next Board Meeting: 07/07/15 (Lauren Berkich possible to chair meeting in light of Kim Goodnight's upcoming maternity leave).

# 2015 Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association Membership Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (work): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Personal information will not be published or provided to third parties)

State(s) and Years (s) admitted to practice:

\_\_\_\_\_ Nevada \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Others: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type/Annual Dues:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fewer than two years of practice in Nevada - \$50.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Government attorneys (regardless of years of practice) - \$50.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Retired attorneys (regardless of years of practice) - \$50.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ More than two years of practice in Nevada - \$75.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sustaining member - \$125.00

Please make checks payable to "Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association" or NNWLA and remit to:

**Anjali Webster**  
**100 W. Liberty St., Ste. 940**  
**Reno, NV 89501**

More information about you (check all that apply):

My practice areas include:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Solo practitioner
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fewer than 5 attorneys in firm
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5- 10 attorneys in firm
- \_\_\_\_\_ More than 10 attorneys in firm
- \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Attorney
- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed by Government
- \_\_\_\_\_ Agency/Court
- \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial Law Clerk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Not currently practicing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Seeking employment

What subjects/activities would you like to see as topics for the monthly lunch meetings?

- \_\_\_\_\_ political/legislative issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ family law issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ career options
- \_\_\_\_\_ local legal community issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ mentoring
- \_\_\_\_\_ stress management
- \_\_\_\_\_ CLE credit
- \_\_\_\_\_ issues particular to women practicing law

Do you have any suggestions as to activities and/or events that you would like NNWLA to sponsor or participate in during 2015? \_\_\_\_\_

Other comments: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association**

**Please Join Us for Our July Social Event**

### ***A Hike Through Caughlin Ranch & Social at Whispering Vine Wine Co.***

**Thursday, July 23, 2015  
Mayberry Landing, 3886 Mayberry Drive**

We will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Mayberry Landing parking lot for a short hike through the Caughlin Ranch Neighborhood.

Following the hike will be a social at Whispering Vine.

Please RSVP to [nnwla.rsvp@gmail.com](mailto:nnwla.rsvp@gmail.com) and join us for some fresh air and refreshments!

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The Office of the Attorney General,  
Soroptimist International of Reno and  
the Nevada Trucking Association present:



# Refuge for the Rescued

## Second Annual Benefit Dinner for Victims of Human Trafficking

**AUGUST 27 2015** at 6 in the evening  
The Grove at Southcreek  
95 Foothill Road, Reno  
\$75/plate; \$700/table for 10

•Dinner •Silent auction •Speakers

Of the 27 million people worldwide victimized by human trafficking, 1 million are children. This illegal trade of human beings happens everywhere, even here in northern Nevada. New legislation and the Contingency Account for Victims of Human Trafficking provide protection and resources for victims. Unfortunately, the existence of such laws are not enough: We need your support to provide refuge for the rescued, to give *Rest* to victims.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY:

- Awaken, Communities to end sex trafficking, Reno
- Thelma B. and Thomas P. Hart Foundation



Attorney General  
Adam Laxalt



Assemblyman  
Mike Sprinkle



Mike Alger  
KTVN Reno

To buy tickets or to donate online,  
visit [www.nevadatrucking.com](http://www.nevadatrucking.com).





Sunday, September 20, 2015

Run 9:00am/ Walk 10:00am

Wingfield Park, Downtown Reno

[www.NevadaHeartWalk.com](http://www.NevadaHeartWalk.com)

*Join us as we celebrate the advancements of the American Heart Association and American Stroke Association while honoring our survivors!*

For more information on joining the **Lawyers with Heart Campaign**, please contact:

Danielle Hammons: (775) 322-7065 or [Danielle.Hammons@heart.org](mailto:Danielle.Hammons@heart.org); or

Marilee Breternitz: (775) 329-5600 or [marilee@nvlawyers.com](mailto:marilee@nvlawyers.com)



Heart Walk.