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What Happens When Women Leave Prison?

<u>Thursday, Mar. 15th</u> - 9 am; come early for coffee and visiting Sun City West Foundation Room, 14465 RH Johnson Blvd.,

Sue Ellen Allen, former inmate turned activist, author and speaker, will speak at our general meeting on March 15th.



During her seven years in prison, Sue Ellen Allen battled advanced breast cancer and watched her young cellmate die of medical neglect. She later founded Reinventing Reentry, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and reshaping our society's perception of former inmates, that they may successfully reintegrate and be given a fair chance for employment, housing, education and volunteer opportunities. The problem is not going away: in three decades, women's prison occupancy has risen.

In 2016, Sue Ellen was a representative for criminal justice as a guest of the First Lady in her box at President Obama's final State of the Union address. This February she met with officials at the White House to again discuss the challenges of reentry, especially for women. <u>The Slumber Party from Hell</u> is her award-winning memoir about prison life.



GCC Student Selected for AAUW Student Advisory Council

Every academic year, AAUW selects 10 inspiring college students to serve on the prestigious National Student Advisory Council (SAC). This unique feminist team builds leadership skills through campus activism projects, monthly conference calls, and serving as peer leaders during the annual AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).

Congratulations to Andrea Lucio (shown left), a student at Glendale Community

College, the only SAC member representing community colleges. Andrea was the young woman who led the GCC pay equity event in which our College Connection Team was involved. She is a full-time student at GCC pursuing an associate in arts degree, majoring in secondary education with a focus in English Providing her with support were Gina Ruiz and Connie Greenwell of Women Rising at Glendale Community College. She also attended NCCWSL last June 2017 and has been chosen as the President of the GCC Student Governing Board. For further information about the SAC, see page 4.

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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

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President's Message

March is my favorite month! The Arizona weather is perfect, the citrus trees are blooming, and Spring Training baseball is on. Also, our NWV-AAUW programs are in full swing. Our winter visitors are fully integrated by now, our year-round members are enjoying the year, and everyone is busy and active, not yet dreading the hot summer to come. It has been a busy year so far. So many Special Interest Groups, great programs, and lots of energy going into addressing the pressing issues of the



day—Arizona education deficiencies, women's sexual harassment, and passing the ERA. I hope you have been involved in some, if not all, of these activities.

No matter how wonderful and full the schedule, there will always be the thing that doesn't go perfectly. I regret that my pledge to have a STEM project for our Branch this year hasn't come to fruition yet. Our STEM committee still needs a Chairperson to pull it all together. Also, some of our SIG groups have filled up so fast, that members have been turned away. We are working on ways to address this problem.

Our NWV-AAUW Branch is one of the largest and busiest AAUW Branches in Arizona! And it's you, our members, who, like me, Love March, and are busy and active during the month, that benefit from it all.

Judy Neigoff, President NWV-AAUW

Coming Events for March-April Clip & Post OR Mark your calendar!



<u>Saturday, Mar. 10 - Scottsdale Branch General Meeting: ABC's of Advocacy</u> 10 am, Scottsdale Community College. All Branches invited to attend.

Monday, Mar. 12th - Branch Board meeting - 9 am, Birt's Bistro.

Thursday, Mar. 15th - General Meeting: What Happens When Women Leave Prisons.

Time: 9 am, Location: Sun City West Foundation Room, 14465 RH Johnson Blvd., Sun City West. Come early to visit and enjoy coffee. Be present to vote for 2018-19 officers.

<u>Friday, March 25th - 5pm - February Newsletter Deadline</u> for all digital copy and photos. Earlier submissions are always appreciated. Send digital copy to Joye Kohl.

<u>Saturday, April 7th - State Spring Conference, Tucson</u>. Watch for additional information in the AZ Sun (state AAUW newsletter) to be published March 1.

<u>April 12th - New Member Coffee - 9:30 am.</u> By invitation. Please RSVP to Sharon Phelps or Ellen Erickson

Monday, April 16th - Branch Board meeting - 9 am, Birt's Bistro.

<u>Thursday, April 19th - Annual Spring Luncheon - 11:30 am.</u> Grandview Terrace (14515 W. Granite Valley Dr., Sun City West. Reservations required. Watch for details next month.

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Hospitality Committee

The Hospitality Committee will have its annual meeting on Thursday, April 12th. We'll meet at the home of Betty Merwin, 15151 W. Carbine, SCW at 10am. At this meeting we will introduce the new Hospitality Chairs; Susan Rourke, Susan Reeb and Eileen Soltis. Some topics to be discussed are the Summer Survival Lunches, September & December breakfasts, meeting greeters, meeting treats, & meeting decorations.

If you will be able to attend, please contact Betty Merwin at bamerwin@yahoo.com or 623-986-0165. If you cannot attend but would like to be on the committee, contact Sheryl Saddoris at sherylsemail@aol.com or 623-251-5122 and let her know how you would like to help.

This is an open invitation for anyone who would like to help with this committee. We will be scheduling the Summer Survival Lunches and asking for hostesses and suggestions for locations. Hope to see you at this meeting.

Bringing Water to the Desert via Humane Borders

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It was a full house again at the Feb. 15th meeting when more than 80

members listened to Anne Lowe of Tucson talk about her experience volunteering with the nonprofit organization Humane Borders. assured the attendees that the organization works within legal parameters. having permission from private and government property owners as they service 48 water stations along the border states. Border crossers include desperate men, women and children from Honduras and Guatemala, not iust Mexico. Anne showed a short video and related stories about the people she has helped and befriended in her volunteer work. explained that the organization also assists migrants in contacting people in the states who have offered help, but who often live hundreds or even thousands of miles from the border. Many of her stories were truly heart wrenching. Anne currently resides in Marana. northwestern suburb of Tucson. She is an artist, author, and previous NW Division Director for the Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona. She has three children and eight grandchildren.

....Sue Rourke

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Celebrating 100 Years of Changing Lives

3,600 scholars

145

nations

From harboring women academics persecuted by totalitarian regimes during World War II to developing leaders in <u>business</u>, <u>higher education</u>, <u>science</u>, and <u>technology</u>, AAUW International Fellowships have supported some <u>outstanding players</u> in the global struggle for equality for all women and girls.

Since 1917, the International Fellowships program has funded more than 3,600 women representing 145 countries. The program was expanded in 1999 to include <u>International Project Grants</u>, which are awarded to International Fellowship alumnae to launch <u>community-based projects</u> in their home countries. For the 2017–18 academic year, more than \$1 million will be awarded in International Fellowships.

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GCC Student, Andrea Lucio, Tapped for AAUW National Student Advisory Committee....... continued from page 1.

The SAC program is a part of AAUW's robust leadership programs and campus initiatives, which provide thousands of college women with the tools they need to join the next generation of leaders. Participants have the opportunity to represent the diverse voices of students at a national level in the fight for gender equity. Through campus activism projects and community outreach to AAUW student organizations, SAC members develop leadership skills and gain valuable résumé-building experiences. Participants also serve as mentors for other aspiring student leaders during AAUW's annual National Conference for College Women Student Leaders.

"As a member of the Student Advisory Council, I hope to gain leadership skills and extend my knowledge so that I can go back and share it with the minorities within my community. I am proud to be a voice for women, the low-income class, Hispanics, and students from community colleges. I can be proof that we too, can make an impact and true change at a national level," Andreas stated.

"AAUW has a long history of supporting tomorrow's trailblazers, leaders, and innovators, and this year's Student Advisory Council is no different," said Kimberly Churches, the chief executive officer at AAUW. "We are proud to provide these outstanding students with the resources and skills necessary to break down their own barriers while creating positive change in their communities."

The Slate of Officers for 2018-19

President: Rosemary Dougherty

President Elect: nomination open. TBA

Co-Vice presidents of Program: Fran Cohen and

Karen Bunting

Co-vice presidents of Membership: Pat Telford and

Sandy Van Meulebrouck

Co-Finance VP: Jean Bramucci* and Lu Marchese*

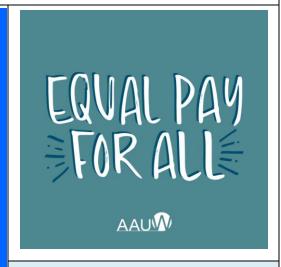
Recording Secretary: Melva Hull

Corresponding Secretary: Pamela Zull *

Voting will take place at the March general meeting.

* Continuing to serve

Members of the nominating committee are: Sharon Phelps, Rosemary Dougherty, Dawn Human, Nancy Wilson, and Stephanie Rogall.



AAUW

Since its first meeting in 1881, AAUW has been a catalyst for change. We have worked through the years as a national grassroots organization to improve the lives of millions of women and their families.

Way to Go! Congratulations to All Involved in Making the Fashion Show Luncheon a

AAUW - NWV FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON

January 29, 2018

Our premier fundraising event which helps support our local scholarship program.

Deposits & Expenses

Nov. 1, 2017 - Feb. 28, 2018

Total income \$15284.00 Total expenses \$7755.60 **Proceeds \$7528.40**

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2017-18 **NWV-AAUW LEADERSHIP ROSTER**

Elected Positions:

PresidentJudy Neigoff President-Elect......Rosemary Dougherty Program Co-Vice-Presidents:....Susan Reeb, Sue Rourke & Fran Cohen Membership Vice-Presidents....Sharon Phelps & Ellen Erickson Finance Vice-Presidents....... Jean Bramucci & Lu Marchese Recording Secretary.....Shirley Swinney Corresponding Secretary......Pamela Zull

Appointed Positions:

Special Interest Group Chair.....Susan Spinosa Event Coordinator......Stephanie Rogall Directory/Records Chair.....Nancy Wilson Newsletter Chair......Joye Kohl E-Blast Chair.....Lorie Lux Publicity Chair.....Fran Menzel Hospitality Chair.....Betty Merwin & Sheryl **Saddoris** Sharing and Caring......Mary Jo Blum Historian......Kathleen Padula Red Envelop Campaign Chair.....Karen Olson Smith Dysart School Liaison Chair......Harriett Grau Public Policy Chair......Sharon Astle & Bonnie Boyce-Wilson STEM..... College Connection Chair...... Ann Mitchell & Jo Ellen Fuller Scholarship Chair.....Pat Sweetland Committee members:......Mary Jo Blum, Jo Beth Stevens, **Sharon Willy**

> Since AAUW's founding our members and supporters have spoken out about policies important to women and airls.



Welcome to our recent new members:

Sherrie Douglas Brenda Giman Susan Mayer Joyce Ratner Fran West

Renewal Member: Marti Rickard

Please take time to introduce yourself and remember, when you see a "Red Heart" on a name badge, it signifies a new member.

Arizona Adventures Friday, Mar 16

Capitol Building



Our March AAUW AZ Adventures will be on March 16 to our state capitol. We have an 11 am tour and then we're going to a fantastic restaurant which was featured on PBS "Check Please". The owner told me it took 12 hours to film the segment at the restaurant! WOW!

We will leave at 9:15 AM from Sun City West Library parking lot. The Capitol Building is completely handicapped accessible. The state even provides free parking!

Please email me if you are coming. Andi Alpert

Useful Links

www.aauwarizona.org (State website) www.aauw.org (National website)

https://www.facebook.com/groups/612025398992133 http://www.northwestvalley-az.aauw.net AAUW-Arizona-NWV Branch (closed facebook group) (Branch website - in process of updating)

www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/aauw-issues/ Become a Two-Minute Issue Activist: Receive urgent e-mail notices to contact the Arizona Congressional delegation via your inbox. Join the AAUW Action Network! You can sign up by going to the link shown above.

Be sure to like the organization on Facebook ---- https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.National

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REVIEWING ARIZONA WOMEN LEADERS - compliments of Sheryl Saddoris (This information was presented on tables at our general meeting in February as a part of a mixer. Thanks Sheryl for compiling this interesting info.



ANGELA HUTCHINSON HAMMER

Hammer was born in 1870 in Nevada. In 1883 she and 3 sisters traveled to AZ to join their family in Picket Post, a small mining town. At the age of 19 she became a teacher, teaching in Wickenburg. But she quit that to be a typesetter & proofreader for The Phoenix Gazette & The Arizona Republic. After a divorce she bought the Wickenburg Miner & by 1914 owned four newspapers in mining towns & the Casa Grande Dispatch. She & her sons operated Arizona Printers Inc. She is in two Halls of Fame in Arizona. She is in the Women's Hall of Fame and was named to the Arizona Newspaper Hall of Fame in 1965. She died in 1952.



ELIZABETH RUFFNER

Ruffner was inducted into the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame in 2015. She moved to Prescott in 1940 from Ohio and dedicated much of her life to preserving historical buildings in AZ. She was instrumental in the building of a new Prescott Library & the restoration of the 1903 Carnegie Library. She co-founded the Prescott Area Arts and Humanities Council and the Yavapai Heritage Foundation. She helped create the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame as a way to recognize and honor the women who helped build the state. She has gotten hundreds of buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



GABRIELLE "GABBY" GIFFORDS

Giffords was born in Tucson in 1970. After college graduation she worked for Price Waterhouse & as CEO of El Campo Tire Warehouses. She served in the AZ House of Representatives from 2001-2003 and the AZ State Senate from 2003-2005. She represented AZ in the U.S. House of Representatives beginning January 3, 2007 until an assassination attempt forced her resignation on January 25, 2012. Her focus is on health care, illegal immigration & stricter gun regulations.



JAN BREWER

Brewer was born in California in 1944. She became governor in 2009 after Gov. Napolitano resigned. She was elected in November 2010 and served until 2015. She has lived in AZ for 40 years & has spent the past 29 years serving the people. Prior to becoming governor, she served as AZ Secretary of State, as a Maricopa County Supervisor and as a member of both houses of the AZ Legislature where she rose to a leadership position in the State Senate.



JANE DEE HULL

Hull was born in 1935 in Missouri, has a degree in elementary education & did post graduate work at ASU. In 1979 she was elected to the AZ House of Representatives. She was the first woman speaker from 1989-1992. In 1993 she was the second woman to become secretary of state. She was governor from 1997-2003 and she made education, health care, the economy & preserving AZ's natural beauty her top priorities. Her Students FIRST school facilities funding program ensures equity for every student in AZ and implemented the KidsCare program.



SHARLOT MABRIDTH HALL

Hall was born in 1870 in Kansas & in 1882 her family moved to Lynx Creek near today's Prescott Valley. She was self-educated, wrote about hardships of ranch life especially for women. She became active in the crusade against the congressional measure which would have brought New Mexico and Arizona into the Union as one state. This measure was defeated. She served as AZ's territorial historian from 9/29-2/12. She had an extensive collection of artifacts & documents which were moved into the Old Governor's Mansion in 1927 and became known as the Sharlot Hall Museum. In 1981 she was elected to the AZ Women's Hall of Fame.



JANET NAPOLITANO

Napolitano was born in 1957. She served as the 21st Governor of Arizona from 2003-2009 and U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security from 2009-2013. She has been president of the University of California since 2013. She was Attorney General of AZ from 1999 to 2003. She has been the first woman to serve as Attorney General of AZ, Secretary of Homeland Security and president of the University of California. She is the 1977 Truman Scholar from New Mexico



LORNA ELIZABETH LOCKWOOD

Lockwood was born in what was then the Arizona Territory. She attended the University of Arizona and was one of two women to attend and graduate from the University of AZ College of Law. After private practice, she served several terms in the AZ House of Representatives. She was the first woman to serve on the AZ Superior Court of Maricopa County & the AZ Supreme Court. She was the first female justice of a state supreme court. She retired in 1975.



MAIA BARTLETT HEARD

Heard was born in Chicago in 1868. Her father was president of True Value Hardware. She and her husband moved to Phoenix in 1895 where they invested in land & bought the Arizona Republic newspaper. They enjoyed collecting Native American artifacts & in 1929 opened the Heard Museum. While her love of Native American artifacts was her passion, she was also a philanthropist. She was instrumental in opening the Mother's Health Clinic of Phoenix in 1937 that later became known as the Planned Parenthood of Central & Northern AZ.



NELLIE MAY TRENT BUSH

Trent Bush was born in Missouri in 1888 and moved to AZ when she was 5. She was educated in Mesa schools & was awarded a life teacher's diploma from Tempe Normal School (now ASU). She taught in Mesa & Glendale until she married in 1912. They bought a ferry business on the Colorado River. In her lifetime she was a teacher, principal, business woman, mother, ferryboat pilot, justice of the peace, coroner, legislator, lawyer, airplane pilot, state official and leader in woman's club activities. She was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention when FDR was nominated. She died in 1963.



ROSE MOFFORD

Mofford was born in Globe, AZ in 1922. She was involved in state government for 50 years. She worked in the AZ Treasurer's Office & the Tax Commission & served as business manager of AZ Highways magazine before becoming assistant secretary of state in 1953. By 1977 she was secretary of state. She was elected to 3 terms. In 1988 she became the first female governor after the impeachment of Governor Mecham. She formed the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs, established the Youth Commission against Drugs & established the first statewide Drug Prevention Resource Center.



SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR

Born in El Paso, TX on March 26, 1930, Sandra Day O'Connor was elected to two terms in the Arizona state senate. In 1981, Ronald Reagan nominated her to the U.S. Supreme Court. She received unanimous Senate approval, and made history as the first woman justice to serve on the nation's highest court. O'Connor was a key swing vote in many important cases, including the upholding of Roe v. Wade. She retired in 2006 after serving for 24 years.

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The REST of the STORY: Arizona K-12 Public Education: The Skewed PR Campaign -VS- the Complete Picture

"What if I told you there is a state which has added nearly \$1.5 billion to the general fund in support of education in the past three years?"

What else should you know:

- → The Governor's FY2019 budget proposal still leaves AZ public schools short by nearly \$1 billion (\$952 million) compared to the level of funding in 2008 (We were also ranked in the bottom 20% of states for public education funding in 2008.).¹
- →Over the three year period (FY 2014-2016), more than \$420 million of taxable revenue was diverted from the general fund to subsidize private education.²
- → The \$1.5 billion added in the past three years was achieved partially from accelerating the withdrawal from the education trust fund established in the state's early history and designated as a trust fund for long-term support of public education. Proposition 123, passed by the voters in May 2016, is a temporary measure to divert about \$300 million each year to education from state land trust revenues and will expire in 2015.
- → Due to loopholes and special-interest tax cuts, "it is not surprising that 74 percent of AZ corporations are able to reduce their income tax liability to \$50 or less." ⁴
- →AZ tax credits are growing far faster than the state budget or economy.⁵
- →"...the Arizona Legislature since fiscal year 1992 has made numerous changes to the tax code that have eliminated certain taxes, reduced the tax rates of other taxes, and introduced numerous tax exemptions and credits. The estimated effect of these changes is a reduction in revenue to the state government's general fund of \$4.41 billion in FY2017. Thus, substantial amounts of additional revenue could be realized simply by rolling back a portion of the tax cuts that have been put into effect over the last 25 years." ⁶
- → "Apart from 2003, the Arizona legislature and governors have reduced tax rates and/or increased exemptions and credits in every year since 1990. In total, the tax changes cost the state over \$4 billion each year. Some of the largest tax cuts were implemented in the last six years when state lawmakers cut over \$1.5 billion in annual state general fund revenues." ⁷

"What if I told you Arizona leads the nation in gains in 4th and 8th grade math and reading proficiency?"

What else should you know:

- → Arizona schools have increased reading, math and science instruction time by frequently cutting instruction time for other subject areas and recess time. "Across the nation, the testing obsession has nudged aside visual arts, music, physical education, social studies, and science, not to mention world languages, financial literacy, and that old standby, penmanship. In a 2011 national survey, two-thirds of teachers said many academic subjects had been crowded out by an increased focus on math and language arts. About half said art and music were being marginalized, while 40 percent said the same for foreign languages; 36 percent for social studies; and 27 percent for science. The results were particularly striking at the elementary level, where 81 percent of teachers reported that extra time devoted to math or language arts meant less time for other subjects. Over 60 percent of middle school teachers and 54 percent of high school teachers reported the same in their schools." 8
- → Arizona's schoolchildren have consistently scored below the national average on the best measure of statewide student performance, the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) test. Arizona is the only state that showed statistically significant increases in grade 4

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and grade 8 scores in the three content areas of math, reading and science between 2009 and 2015. With the exception of 8th grade math, the scores are still below the national average, but they have been increasing despite the state's low funding for education. Arizona's teachers have been doing an admirable job while being in a tough situation.

- → Arizona has a high rate of childhood poverty. Nearly 24 percent (23.6) youth under the age of 18 were living in poverty in 2016. In 2014, nearly 1 in 8 children lived in extreme poverty at less than half the poverty level. Children of color in Arizona are disproportionately poor. More than 1 in 3 Black children, more than 1 in 3 Hispanic children, and nearly 1 in 2 American Indian/Native Alaskan children were poor in 2014, compared to more than 1 in 8 White children. Nearly 31,000 Arizona public school students were homeless in the 2012-2013 school year. School year.
- → Special needs students account for 12 percent of Arizona's school children. The Arizona Legislature has not adjusted for these students for a decade. 12

"What if I told you Arizona has created a Teacher's Academy to help prepare teachers for the state?"

What else should you know:

- → "The Arizona Teachers Academy, is to provide \$1 million of funding in scholarships for free tuition for 200 teachers at one of the state's three public universities for each year they teach in Arizona. According to Gov. Doug Ducey's office, the three state universities, Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona, are paying for the program through existing scholarship funds and Pell grants." 13
- → "Median pay for Arizona's elementary school teachers has dropped by 11 percent since 2001. For high school teachers, the decline has been 10 percent. When adjusted for statewide cost-of-living, elementary school teacher pay is the lowest in the nation. High school teacher pay ranks 49th of the 50 states."¹⁴
- →"Increasing Workload Demands for accountability, coupled with budget cuts that have increased class sizes while curtailing support personnel, have markedly increased the workload for Arizona's teachers. Teachers say they expect to work hard, but dislike being asked to work harder for less pay."¹⁵
- → Teachers in AZ public schools are fleeing the profession or state with a diminishing pipeline into the profession. "Twenty-two percent of the teachers hired between 2013 and 2015 were not teaching in Arizona after one year. Over one-third of Arizona teachers have been in the class-room for four years or less. Forty-two percent of Arizona teachers hired in 2013 were no longer teaching in an Arizona public school by 2016. Fifty-two percent of Arizona charter school teachers hired in 2013 left within three years." ¹⁶
- → "More than one-quarter of the 8,344 openings for teaching jobs in Arizona for the 2016-17 school year were vacant as of Nov. 28, 2016. These vacancies were often filled by long-term substitutes or by having existing teachers teach extra classes. Another 27 percent of the openings were filled by those who did not meet the standard teacher requirements. This includes teachers whose certification is pending, and those with interim or emergency certificates." ¹⁷
- → "These problems combine to create a continuing shortage of teachers, leaving schools to scramble to find and keep teachers while denying students the benefits of having a welltrained, consistent presence in the classroom. If unaddressed, the problem could spill out of the classroom and into the economy as Arizona as a whole suffers the long-term consequences of a poorly educated workforce."¹⁸

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Links to additional resources for reexamining the total AZ K-12 public education 2018 status.

★★What if we told you the truth about education funding in Arizona? Save Our Schools. A 30 second YouTube video. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oPqvFg-ks48

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"The Rest of the Story: AZ K-12 Education"
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