



Lake Oswego

# NEWSLETTER

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## Lake Oswego Branch Officers 2011-2012

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## Tea & Accessory Trunk Sale

Saturday, April 14, 2012

12:00-2:00 p.m.

Oswego Heritage House

“A” Ave and 10th St, Lake Oswego



### **AAUW'S MISSION**

ADVANCING EQUITY FOR  
WOMEN AND GIRLS THROUGH  
ADVOCACY, EDUCATION, AND  
RESEARCH.

### **AAUW'S VALUE PROMISE**

BY JOINING AAUW, YOU  
BELONG TO A COMMUNITY THAT  
BREAKS THROUGH EDUCATIONAL AND  
ECONOMIC BARRIERS SO THAT ALL  
WOMEN HAVE A FAIR CHANCE.

In place of our regular monthly meeting, a special Lake Oswego April Branch gathering is planned for all members and their guests. There will be a 50's theme for the tea/luncheon, and it promises to be a tasty, and fun afternoon in support of a worthy cause.

If the parking lot at Heritage House is full, additional parking is available across the street at the church.

***Reminder: Membership Dues form for 2012-2013  
attached***



## **BRANCH BUZZ**

### **Stephanie Carter, Co-President**

As I write this column, the winds that have blown in bursts throughout the day are throwing rain against windows. I'm snug in my bed with my little dog dozing beside me. Penny has just called to check up on me (I'm recovering from pneumonia). In the past few days I've received emails from Jane, Sue, Terry, Peggy, Bettirae and others expressing get well wishes and offering assistance. These contacts were very much appreciated.

I also received an email informing me about the passing of a long-time member, Rita Stubbs. Her presence in our community will be missed. I am aware of other members who are dealing with their own health issues or those of a loved one, financial crisis, and stressful situations. They could use our support.

Our local AAUW branch is an intergenerational community of women that can support each other in bad times and celebrate good times. Our participation in interest groups, attendance at monthly meetings and events, and service on committees helps us to form the friendships that allow us to know when the good and bad times are occurring.

A community of women can be a powerful force on many levels of life. I was reading recently about the settlement house movement in the United States and the impact the women who founded the movement had on forming social policy at the turn of the century. In 1889, Jane Addams and Ellen Gates Starr founded Chicago's Hull House, one of our nation's first social settlements. It was conceived as "a community of university women" whose main purpose was to provide social and educational

opportunities for working class people (many of them recent European immigrants) in the surrounding neighborhood. The residents (or volunteers) of Hull House held classes in literature, history, art, domestic activities (such as sewing), and many other subjects. Hull House also held concerts that were free to everyone, offered free lectures on current issues, and operated clubs for both children and adults. The residents also met very personal needs -- they acted as midwives, saved babies from neglect, prepared the dead for burial, nursed the sick, and sheltered domestic violence victims.

Hull House conducted careful studies of the Hull House neighborhood and used these studies to confront the municipal government, eventually partnering with the government and other social groups in the design and implementation of programs intended to enhance and improve the opportunities available to this immigrant population.

Hull House was drawn into advocating for legislative reforms at the municipal, state and federal levels, addressing issues such as child labor, women's suffrage, healthcare reform and immigration policy. At the municipal level, the residents' pursuit of legal reforms led to the first juvenile court in the United States. At the state level, Hull House influenced legislation on child labor laws, occupational safety and health provisions, compulsory education, immigrant rights, and pension laws. At the federal level, Hull House worked with the settlement house network to champion national child labor laws, women's suffrage, a children's bureau, unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, and other elements of the Progressive agenda during the early years of the twentieth century.

As you can imagine, Hull House attracted many female residents who later became prominent and influential social reformers. The residents could draw on mutual support at the same time that they were encouraged to pursue their own distinct goals.

AAUW still works to improve the social and economic life of women and children at the local, state and national levels. Enclosed with this newsletter is a membership renewal form. I hope that you will use this form to renew your own membership. Also, please take an opportunity to pass the form along to at least one other woman whom you believe would benefit from joining our community of women.

## WHO'S WHO?

### Molly Divine, Newsletter Editor



*Molly Divine in Bhutan*

Molly Divine has been a member of LO AAUW since she “married in” to Oregon in 2008, and she has served as the newsletter editor for the past three years. She previously was an AAUW member in the Benicia, CA branch. She is proud to be a member of AAUW, having thoroughly enjoyed the activities of several of the interest groups, and most importantly the friendships she has developed from her participation.

Born and raised in Colorado, she lived in northern California before relocating to Oregon. Molly and her husband, Gary Baker, have a blended family which includes; seven children, eleven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She loves to spend time with her family and friends.

During her working years she was gainfully employed as a traveling sales woman, selling books to her accounts in the Western part of the US. She works on a part time basis with Faherty & Associates where she has been employed for 20 years. She also recently became a water fitness instructor and is employed by Portland Parks & Recreation.

Molly has a true zest for life and is willing to try a wide variety of activities. Her passions include: reading, travel, aqua aerobics, soaking in hot water and napping. She and Gary recently purchased a home in Surprise, AZ and they look forward to splitting their time between Oregon and Arizona.

## Exploring the Northwest

In March, 6 of us went to The Pendleton Woolen Mills and Outlet Store in Washougal, WA after making the decision that the roads would be safe since we all had a couple inches of snow in our yards. The day turned out to be quite beautiful with quite a bit of sun.

We were given an hour long tour in the noisy mill using headphones so that we could hear our leader. We came away with a greater appreciation of the final products and their prices. Learning the prices of the equipment, the numerous steps that had to be taken such as transporting, designing, preparation of the different wools, the dyeing, the daily cleaning of the machines, and the quality control and repairing of mistakes were all of interest. Some of the rooms had to have high humidity so that the yarn wouldn't get too dry and break. The mill also processes cotton materials and make materials for 24 other companies; some of which do not use the Pendleton name at all.

Our meal at Skamania Lodge was especially enjoyed since it was comped. The restaurant had made quite a mistake in our booking and the manager made up for it! The two shared desserts were the highlight of the day. Yes, we left a nice tip.

Get on the Exploring the Northwest list by contacting Sue Kingzett at [sezett@msn.com](mailto:sezett@msn.com) and join us when it's convenient for you.

**Next Board Meeting  
Wednesday, April 4, 7 p.m.  
Marylhurst Schoen Library**

### WANTED

AAUW NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Please say “**YES**” and become our new editor beginning the 2012-2013 term. You will have training and help in getting started. Call or email Penny Hansen or Stephanie Carter to accept or find out further information

# PLANNING AHEAD, UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS

TEA & LUNCHEON: \$15 RESERVATION (PREPAID)

TRUNK SHOW: FREE

Put the Tea and Accessory Trunk Sale on your calendar for April 14. It is at the Heritage House from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Invite friends and family. This is our big fund raiser for the year. It is not too late to donate jewelry, scarves, hats, purses, belts for the Trunk Show. We thank those of you who have already donated, but we can still use more merchandise. Contact Penny Hansen 503-636-7255 or Anne Redman 503-684-1210 to make arrangement to donate items.

Make sure to get your payment sent in by April 6. Send luncheon checks, payable to AAUW Lake Oswego, to Sandra Hoover, 17440 Holy Names Dr. #318, Lake Oswego 97034. Telephone 503-635-0952.

## PARTICIPATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help with: Tea portion \_\_\_\_\_ (yes) Please check if you can help.

Trunk Show \_\_\_\_\_ (yes) Please check if you can help.

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## Annual Luncheon and Installation of Officers

Saturday, May 19, 2012, 11:00 to 2:00 p.m.

## Oswego Lake Country Club

Tickets to this event are \$21.00 with advance reservations and payments greatly appreciated. We will enjoy a Northwest Chicken Salad plate and a rustic pear dessert topped with warm vanilla ice cream, with a no host bar.

Our speaker is Allison Hicks, CEO/Founder of the Chelsea Hicks Foundation in Portland. She will be speaking about CHF's creative programs that provide hope, support and opportunities for children with serious illnesses.

Below are the details for securing reservations.

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

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

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$21 X attendees):

AAUW Annual Luncheon  
Sandra Hoover  
17440 Holy Names Drive, #318  
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

## Membership

Lynn Brown & Terry Hyland

Congratulations to **Carol Cooper** for being the first LO Branch member to submit her membership renewal form and payment for 2012-2013 year. Maybe with her good example and the model set by those who have already completed the process, there will be no names to appear on the July 2012 list of members who have yet to renew their memberships.

The membership form is included in this April newsletter. Please highlight any changes in member information. Payment and forms may be sent to Lynn Brown at Marylhurst; or if you are planning to attend the Tea and Accessory Trunk Show on April 14 you can submit your form that Saturday.

## New Member

Ginny McNees  
18930 Watts St  
Gladstone, OR 97027-0577  
503-655-4560  
971-645-3949 - cell  
[gmcnees@yahoo.com](mailto:gmcnees@yahoo.com)

## Meet Our New Member

### Ginny McNees

Upon marriage, I relocated from the Midwest to Oregon though I am a longtime native of the East Coast where my roots run deep.

I am committed to community service. Extensive volunteer history involvement at public schools, working with special needs adults and children, teaching religious education to children (grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>), as well as involvement in ministry commitments. Raising public awareness on Human Trafficking with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Department is important to me.

On the other hand, I am a lifelong movie buff as well as a devoted pet owner. I am a former thespian, an avid reader with a love for travel. I am proud to support through membership The Bronte Society, the Portland Singing Christmas Tree, and the Red Hat Society.

I am honored to be a member of AAUW.

## Member Corrections and Updates

Sandra Hoover, 503-635-0952

## News of the Board of Directors

### New Officers Elected

We are very happy to announce our newly elected Lake Oswego AAUW Branch officers. They will begin their term of duty on July 1, 2012. We are grateful to each of them for volunteering their time and providing their insights. Thank you very much!

Membership Vice President: Annie Arkebauer,  
(Two year term)  
Finance Vice President: Anne Redman,  
(Two year term)  
Secretary: Jane Taft, (One year term)

**Deadline for May, 2012  
Newsletter  
April 15  
[mdivine@aol.com](mailto:mdivine@aol.com)**

## Notices and Announcements

For the May membership meeting presentation, about Chelsea's Closet, The LO AAUW Branch will issue a \$25.00 honorarium check as a donation to the foundation. In speaking with Alison Hicks, CEO, & Co-Founder of the Chelsea Hicks Foundation, she indicated the teen group at Doernbecher and Emmanuel Hospitals would enjoy age appropriate educational tools to keep them engaged and less focused on their illness.

In addition to the \$25.00 donation, we are inviting each member of the LO AAUW Branch to consider making an additional donation of any one of the following items: Crossword Puzzles (book format), Sudoku Puzzles, dice, drawing pads and watercolor pencils.

Donated items collected will be presented to Allison Hicks at the May event.

## Remembering Rita

*Suzanne Kaveckis*

It's time to say a sad good-bye to our dear friend and mentor, Rita Studd: a 35 years-plus member of LOAAUW and an active member of Thursday Evening Book Group for most of those years. She and her husband, Howard were also a part of the now defunct "Ashland Group" that for over 10 years read, discussed and enjoyed many productions performed at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

Anyone who knew Rita is well aware of her great capacity for life-long learning. One never met with her without coming away enlightened by her knowledge ...one learned something new whether the subject be politics, religion, social commentary, the latest novel or a work of literature. She was one of the most well-read people you could ever expect to know and she managed this even with the vision challenges of recent years.

In Evening Books, members were never really through discussing our book selection for the month until Rita had her say. She had the most refreshing ability to go straight to the heart of the book's essence and often with some humor thrown in for good measure. Her analytical mind tempered with her love of humanity made her commentary always memorable.

Rita was blessed with a long life, fully lived. Thank you Rita for touching the many lives of those who knew you. In your final days you seem to find music comforting and even asked some friends to sing for you, which with some trepidation we attempted to do.

Rita, dear Rita, you will be sorely missed. But after your recent months of suffering, I know that other members join me in wishing for you a deep enduring peace. And with credit to the Bard.....Good night, sweet Rita "and flights of angels sing thee to thy rest." \*

\*Shakespeare's Hamlet



## Portland Center Stage Special Seasonal Announcement

If anybody is interested in joining the Thursday noon theater group for the 2012-13 season at the Gerding Theater at the Armory, please contact Betty Barber at: 503-675-0594 or [barberbc@yahoo.com](mailto:barberbc@yahoo.com). There are six performances on the Main Stage, "Sweeney Todd" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream" are but two examples. There are also three shows in the smaller studio downstairs.

You may purchase just the six shows on the Main Stage for around \$240 or all nine for about \$342. We have excellent seats in the B & C sections of the orchestra. If you have any questions or would like to join us, please let me know as soon as possible so I can arrange for more seats in our section. I need to send in our order by the end of April.

### Members in Action



*Sandra Hoover, Ann Keddie, Carol Cooper  
frequent hospitality hostesses*

# AAUW Lake Oswego Branch

Dues Statement July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

Please mail your **check payable to AAUW Lake Oswego** and this form to:  
Lynn Brown, Marylhurst University Career Services Office, PO Box 261, Marylhurst, Oregon 97036  
[Lbrown@marylhurst.edu](mailto:Lbrown@marylhurst.edu), 503-699-6271

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

\$49 Association Dues	Please note that \$46 of your annual due is tax deductible. \$3 supports our lobby corps, and \$1 is for the Oregon Newsletter. Your dues may be deductible as a business expense.
\$11 State Dues	
<u>\$17 Branch Dues</u>	
\$77 Total	

\$25 Student Affiliate Dues (undergraduate only) \$16 is tax deductible

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_ New \_\_\_ Renewing \_\_\_ Life \_\_\_ Honorary Life \_\_\_ Dual \_\_\_ Student

***Please print, and highlight any additions, changes or corrections. Thanks!***

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Active participation in the branch is an important part of membership. Interest groups provide opportunities for personal growth and stimulating conversations.

Volunteer opportunities let you share your gifts and talents with others. Please indicate the ways you can participate.

## SKILLS

Computer  
 Design/graphics  
 Database management  
 Web site maintenance  
 Desktop publishing  
 Newsletter Editor  
 Photography  
 Writing/editing  
 Table decorating  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## BRANCH SUPPORT

Monthly programs:  
 Set up/take down  
 Greeter at events  
 Newsletter Distribution  
 email  PO mail  
 Directory management  
 Tea and Talent Event  
 Holiday Gala  
 New member friend

## INTEREST GROUPS

Books  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday am  
 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday eve  
 4<sup>th</sup> Friday  
Bridge  
 Laffalot, 2nd & 4th Mon  
 4th Wednesday  
  
 Eat Ethnic  
 Delightful Dining  
 Movie Group  
 Explore Northwest  
 Portland Center Stage

## Interest Groups April 2012

### Tuesday Morning Books 4th Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.

April 24: 11:30 a.m.  
Szechaun Kitchen, 15450 Boones Ferry, LO  
Leader: Judy Hale  
Book: *Art of Racing in the Rain*, by Garth Stein  
For more information about this group, contact Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

### Interpretive Books 3rd Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

April 19: 9:30 a.m.  
Hostess: Carol Zinsli  
Leader: TBA  
Book: *The Other Wes Moore*, by Wes Moore

### Thursday Evening Books 4th Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

April 26: 7:30 p.m.  
Hostess: Jane Taft  
Introduction: Robi Ingram-Rich  
Book: *Nothing Daunted*, by Dorothy Wickenden  
For more information, contact co-chairs Sandra Hoover, 503-635-0952, or Suzanne Kaveckis, 503-678-1641.

### Friday Books 4th Friday at 10:00 a.m.

April 27: 10:00 a.m.  
Hostess: Marie Ryan  
Presenter: Irene Romero  
Book: *A Visit From the Goon Squad*, by Jennifer Egan  
New members are most welcome to join this book group that meets on the fourth Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Call Irene Romero, 503-657-6159, if you would like more information.

### Movie Group 2nd Tuesday, times vary

Meets second Tuesdays of the month. Contact Stephanie Carter, 971-285-5882, or [secarter1@gmail.com](mailto:secarter1@gmail.com) for more information.

### Portland Center Stage

For more information, please call Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or [barberbc@yahoo.com](mailto:barberbc@yahoo.com).

### Laffalot Bridge 2nd & 4th Mondays 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

For more information, or if you'd like to be added to our email list, please contact Susan Hornung, 503-635-4893, [susanhornung@hotmail.com](mailto:susanhornung@hotmail.com).

### Fourth Wednesday Bridge 4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Call Betty Hittle, 503-636-7034 for more information about this bridge group which meets at 1:00 p.m. on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

### Eat Ethnic 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

We will be meeting on Tuesday, April 17, at 6:30pm. at The Thirsty Lion, an English pub. This is a casual dinner. Spouses and friends are welcome to join us each month for a variety of ethnic foods. Please contact Susan Hornung, at [susanhornung@hotmail.com](mailto:susanhornung@hotmail.com), or 503-635-4893 if you would like to be put on our email list.

### Delightful Dining Dates & times vary

The next Delightful Dining event will be an Italian Feast on Saturday, May 5, at the home of Penny Hansen.

For more information about this group, or to be placed on its email list, contact Jane Taft, 503-742-1653, or [janetaft@aol.com](mailto:janetaft@aol.com).

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2	3	4	5	6	7
			Board Meeting			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Laffalot Bridge	Movie Group				Tea & Trunk Show
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Eat Ethnic		Interpretive Books		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Laffalot Bridge	Tuesday Morning Books	Wednesday Bridge	Thursday Evening Books	Friday Books	
29	30					



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