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THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

THE AAUW EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION provides funds to advance education, research, and self-development for women, and to foster equity and positive societal change.

THE AAUW LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability.



Holiday Party

Sunday, December 16 from 3–6 p.m.

Heritage House

10th and A Street, Lake Oswego

\$15 per person

Wine, heavy appetizers*, desserts*, fun, beautiful decor, holiday esprit!

Guests are welcome!

Reservations Required –

Contact Sandra Hoover at

(503) 635-0952 or sandraleehoover@comcast.net

by Monday, December 10

*Can you bring a food dish?

Please call Ricky Appleman, (503) 636-5976

January Program

Saturday, January 12, 2008

9:30 a.m. at Heritage House

Catch Up on the Latest Children's Books

AAUW members and retired elementary school principals

Kathy Kaiser and Annie Arkebauer

will share the latest in children's books from their own collections.



Jottings from Jane



Two things that most of us take for granted are having the opportunity to spend time with our peers and being able to support causes that are important to us, such as the Educational Foundation.

Juliana Mbuthia, who spoke at our EF meeting in November, was an impressive example of where our EF dollars go. All of us felt proud to have contributed, in a small way, to enabling this Kenyan woman to pursue a master's at Oregon State. Fighting her way past the obstacles of poverty and cultural bias against educating women, Juliana is well on her way to achieving her dream of earning a PhD in Mathematics and returning home to teach at a university. She has demonstrated the drive and determination that will enable her to put these credentials to good use and to help shape the development of her country in the 21st century.

Dorothy Martin and I drove Juliana back to Corvallis, taking the opportunity to talk further with her. She enjoyed meeting with our branch. And she was envious of our belonging to an educated community where we could exchange ideas and work together to assure that others can have the opportunities we did. In all of Kenya, there are only five women who have doctorates in mathematics. Spending time with other educated women is a commonplace thing for us, whether we do it in AAUW, at work, through other women's groups, or just having coffee with friends. We know that we have people who share our background, have similar values, and have the time and interest to work together on expanding the roles of women in our society. We have the bonds that allow us to debate issues and argue positions without being misunderstood or being laughed off because of our gender.

I would not have been surprised to learn that, coming from a poor country, Juliana yearned for the material goods we take for granted — cars, comfortable homes with modern plumbing and appliances, the usual consumer goods. Instead, when she goes home, she hopes to start a Kenyan version of AAUW, a group in which she can associate with her peers and band them together to help other women in their country set goals for themselves, pursue education, and be fully contributing members of their society.

During this Thanksgiving period, let us be thankful for what we have and for what AAUW brings to us.

Membership Matters

At the last general meeting, while standing near the door as members entered, I turned and faced the wall behind me and just took a moment to close my eyes and listen. The sound was wonderful. It was the sound of friends greeting each other and enjoying their time together. We had a memorable speaker to be sure, but mostly that day what I came away with was a very warm feeling about membership in AAUW and the opportunity it gives us to connect with each other as we also support the association's broad mission of education and equity.

We have great interest groups, meetings, and other social events that enable us to develop friendships that last into the years. At Thanksgiving time, I think about these things and want to share them.

I invite you to tell a friend who may not already be a member of our branch to consider joining. What better time to get acquainted and enjoy this season. Please call me if you have any questions or need brochures. Dorothy Martin and I are also happy to contact anyone on your behalf.

Warmly,
Carol Cooper

E.F. — A Great Success

Dorothy Martin

Good friends, good food and an outstanding speaker! What more could we ask?

Prior to the November meeting, Juliana Mbuthia, our speaker, told me that she hasn't had much experience speaking to groups, but that she has her story to tell. And what a story we heard! In Kenya the people are extremely poor or very rich. Juliana's family was among the impoverished and uneducated. After she was orphaned at age six, her grandmother took her and her siblings to raise. In Kenya, although the boys in poor families often can get some education, girls have little hope of ever going to school. However this grandmother had a vision and was determined to find the money to send Juliana to school. Through Grandmother's efforts and encouragement and Juliana's own outstanding abilities she was even able to go on to the university, an opportunity that only girls from wealthy families could hope for. All through school Juliana excelled in math, often receiving higher grades than the boys. At one time she received the highest grade ever recorded for a particular math exam at the university. Juliana is now a math teacher and after being chosen to receive an AAUW International Fellowship, is here to gain

her Masters degree. She hopes to be able to continue to stay to receive her PhD. Only five other women in Kenya, all from wealthy families, have their PhDs and only two women hold national positions in their government; one of them is the Director of Education. Juliana's goal is to go back to share her skills and to work for the advancement of women and girls in her country.

For the forty-five minutes of Juliana's story none of us moved for we were so focused on what she was saying. When she finished there was an immediate standing ovation. Many times as I listened I was reminded of our own founders of AAUW. They opened the way in this country toward the equalization of women and girls in our society. Saturday we were sitting in the presence of a future leader for the equalization of women and girls in Kenya. We will have had a small, and maybe important, part in those efforts.

AAUW provided the Fellowship for Juliana's first year here. She and her family had hoped that they could all come, but that wasn't possible. Her husband had to stay home and care for their two children, a gender role very much against the customs of their country. Now Juliana has been notified of a scholarship from another organization for next year and will have enough financial security to enable the whole family to join her in the US.

New Member Profiles

Rosemary Corrie moved to Lake Oswego from the San Francisco Bay Area three years ago to be near her daughter's family. She has a grandson who is two years old and a granddaughter who is six. Rosemary is a retired attorney who enjoys, in addition to her grandchildren and family, reading, painting, walking and fiber arts (quilting, sewing, knitting, crochet, embroidery and needlepoint, etc.). She is also affiliated with the Newcomers Welcome Club, formerly known as the Welcome Wagon Club of Lake Oswego, where she chaired the Needlework Group.

Anne Smith moved to Wilsonville from Greenville, SC in July. She is a graphic designer and editor who has run her own business from home for fourteen years. Anne is originally from Baltimore, MD (where she worked for The Johns Hopkins University and Hospital) and has also lived in upstate New York near Syracuse (where she worked for Syracuse University), and in Hendersonville, NC. Even before all the boxes had been unpacked, she volunteered for CAT (Cat Adoption Team) as a foster home for abandoned cats and kittens. Her husband, Kerry, is a trainer for Biotronik, a pacemaker company in Lake Oswego.

Directory additions and changes

Please notify Dorothy Martin of any corrections to the Directory.

New members

Rosemary Corrie
14211 Dolph Ct.
Lake Oswego, OR 97034
(503) 720-0498
Golden State University, JD-Law

Changes

Shirley Bass — #62 (not #62C)
(503) 241-9455 is Office (not fax).
Peggy Lineweaver — correct email
is hughandpeg@verizon.net

Take advantage of your
**INTEREST
GROUPS**

Please be sure to look at the list of Interest Groups that our AAUW Chapter offers to you. Many of you are already members of one or more groups and you realize how you get to know our members and bond with so many of them.

If you are new and/or if you haven't joined a group, please consider doing so. I believe that you will find your AAUW experience much more rewarding.

Remember that we have two groups that have very fluid attendance: **Eat Ethnic** and **Movies**. You can attend whenever you want or are able to come and you can bring your spouse if you want to do so.

We are hoping to revitalize the **Gourmet** group in 2008. Keep your eyes on the newsletter for information!

Sadly to say, Laura Eyer is stepping down as chair of the **Theater** group, which attends the Thursday matinee performances at the Gerding Theater in The Pearl. Laura has done a superb job for us for 5 years and *we need a replacement by March* to organize the 2008-2009 season. (Laura will finish out the spring 2008 theater season.) Contact Laura to find out the job description and I know that she'd be a great mentor. Her contact information is 503-982-3522 or eyerfamily@wbcaable.net. Please contact Sue Kingzett at 503-656-5970 or at sezett@msn.com to become the new chair.

EXPLORING THE NORTHWEST

Pittock Mansion on December 5

We will be visiting **The Pittock Mansion** again due to popular request!

We will meet at Shirley Ward's home at 14410 Uplands Drive in Lake Oswego at 10:15am on **Wednesday, December 5, 2007** to carpool to Pappa Hadyns Restaurant for lunch at 11:30am. After that, we will drive to The Pittock Mansion and view the "Fairytale Christmas" decorations in the house. We know that we'll have a wonderful lunch and that the mansion will be beautiful.

The fee for the mansion is \$7 for adults and \$6 for seniors (65+). The

luncheon price is up to you. Any of our AAUW members are invited to attend. Please feel free to encourage them to join us.

We will need a head count for who's riding from Shirley's house and for the restaurant. Please contact Shirley Ward at 503-636-4437 or at wardsp@comcast.net. You may also contact Sue Kingzett at 503-656-5970. Please don't e-mail her because she will be out of town until November 26th and she gets numerous e-mails during her absences.



The Pittock Mansion was home to Portland pioneers Henry and Georgiana Pittock from 1914 to 1919. During the late 1800s and the early 1900s, their lives and work paralleled the growth of Portland from a small Northwest town site to a thriving city with a quarter million population. With its eclectic architectural design and richly decorated interior, including family artifacts,

the Pittock Mansion stands today as a living memorial of this family's contributions to the blossoming of Portland and its people. A house of historical significance and visual magnificence, the Pittock Mansion offers us a uniquely personal opportunity to peek into the past, and study our world as it was — from the viewpoint of one Portland family.

Interest Groups

Tuesday Morning Books

4th Tuesday at 9:45 a.m.

No Meeting in December

January 22, 2008, 9:45 a.m.

Hostess: Ricky Appleman

Leader: Ann Pritchard

Book: *The Road* by

Cormac McCarthy

Interpretive Books

3rd Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

December 20, 2008, 9:30 a.m.

Hostess: Ann Keddie

Leader: Vicki vonTagen

Book: *Wind in the Willows*

by Kenneth Grahame

January 17, 2008, 9:30 a.m.

Hostess: Bettirae Willis

Leader: Sue Kingzett

Book: *The Memory Keeper's*

Daughter by Kim Edwards

Thursday Evening Books

4th Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

December 6, 7:30 p.m.

Hostess: Jane Taft

Intro: Rita Studd

Book: *First Ladies* by

Margaret Truman

January 24, 2008, 7:30 p.m.

Hostess: Robi Ingram Rich

Intro: None (book tells all)

Book: *Three Cups of Tea* by

Greg Mortenson & David Relin

Friday Books

4th Friday at 10:00 a.m.

New members are most welcome to join this book group — Call Martha Dean at 503-697-0561 if you would like more information.

No Meeting in December.

January 25, 2008, 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Jeanne Keevil

Presenter: Betty Barber

Book: *The Madonnas of Leningrad*

by Debra Dean

Movie Group

2nd Tuesday of each month. Call

Jo Ann Frost for more information:

(503) 624-0871 or ldfrost@spiritone.com

Portland Center Stage

Dec. 20, 2007 at 12 noon

A Christmas Carol

At the Gerding Theater (Mainstage Theater) at the Armory in the Pearl District (128 NW 11th Avenue, Portland, (503) 445-3700).

Please call Laura Eyer for more information: 503-982-3522, eyerfamily@wbcable.net.

Laffalot Bridge

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1:00 p.m.

This casual two-table group needs substitutes. If you would like to be added to our list or would just like more information, please contact susanhornung@hotmail.com or telephone (503) 635-4893.

Fourth Wednesday Bridge

4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. (no meeting in December). Call Betty Hittle at 503-636-7034 for more information about this bridge group.

Eat Ethnic

3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (usually)

December 4, 6:30 p.m. meet at Dang's Thai Kitchen (State Street & D Avenue, Lake Oswego). RSVP to Jane Taft by Dec. 3.

New members are always welcome to join this group, which dines at a variety of ethnic restaurants during the year. Members are welcome to bring spouses and friends. To be added to the email notification list or be called each month, contact Susan Hornung at susanhornung@hotmail.com or call (503) 635-4893.

Exploring the Northwest

For more information on this group, contact Susan Kingzett, 503-656-5970 or sezett@msn.com, or Shirley Ward, 503-636-4437 or wardsp@comcast.net. See Page 4 for details on our December 5 visit to Pittock Mansion.

NEW MEMBER DESSERT

**Weds. January 9, 2008
7-9 p.m.**

at the home of Sue Kingzett,
1811 Barnes Circle, West Linn.

Sponsored by the Board,
all members welcome to attend
(please RSVP to Sue Kingzett)

NEXT BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22
7:15 P.M.**

MARYLHURST LIBRARY

Lake Oswego Branch

December 2007 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 Eat Ethnic at Dang's Thai Kitchen	5 Pittock Mansion Tour	6 Thursday Evening Books	7	8
9	10 Laffalot Bridge	11 Movie Group	12	13	14	15
16 HOLIDAY PARTY	17	18 Eat Ethnic	19	20 Interpretive Books Theater Group	21	22
23	24 Laffalot Bridge	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26	27	28	29
30	31					

January 2008 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Movie Group	9 New Member Dessert	10	11	12 Branch Meeting
13	14 Laffalot Bridge	15 Eat Ethnic	16	17 Interpretive Books	18	19
20	21	22 Tues. AM Books Board Meeting	23 Wednesday Bridge	24 Thursday Evening Books	25 Friday Books	26
27	28 Laffalot Bridge	29	30	31		

E.F. Contributions Invited

Many thanks to those who made their contributions to E.F. at our November meeting. This is a reminder that the **Educational Foundation** is based on a calendar year. If you have not contributed this year, you are invited to take an active part in providing support for other women and girls who want to improve their skills. In order to take your '07 tax credit, I need to have your check by December 10. Please include the Dues form (below) with your check. *Dorothy Martin*

With the holidays coming, a contribution to EF or LAF honoring a friend or family member, or a remembrance of someone who is deceased, will be appreciated by loved ones.

Legal Advocacy Fund

Send this form and check payable to **AAUW Legal Advocacy Foundation**, Pia Welch, Chair, P.O. Box 116, Lake Oswego, OR 97034. (503) 697-3825.

Name _____

Gift Amount \$ _____

Branch to be credited _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

In Honor Of/In Memory of: _____

(For donations of \$25 and above)

Contributions are tax-deductible as charitable contributions for federal and state tax purposes.

THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION - THE HEART OF AAUW

Name _____ Branch credited _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Gift Amount \$ _____ Gifts of \$100 – \$174 confer membership in the *Oregon Century Club*; gifts of \$175 or more, in the *Oregon Century Club Plus*.

Gifts of \$25 or more may be designated to honor a friend or a loved one.

This gift is a memorial (deceased) to _____

This gift is a tribute (living) to _____

Acknowledgment should be sent to: Name _____

Address _____

Credit my gift to:

- #9110 Unrestricted Foundation Support
- #9170 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund for Women and Girls
- The following Oregon funds need help to be endowed.***
- #4307 Margaret Drummond Research & Project Fund
- #4249 Grants Pass Branch Research & Project Fund
- #1758 Pendleton Branch Research & Project Fund

Make checks payable to AAUW Educational Foundation

Send to your branch EF Chair *Dorothy Martin* • 17480 Holy Names Drive #414, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

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What Kind of Member Are You?

Are you an active member – the kind that would be missed;
Or are you just content to say your name is on the list?
Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the crowd;
Or would you rather stay at home, complaining long and loud?
Do you give up a little time and help to make things click;
Or leave the work to just a few, and talk about the “clique?”
There’s quite a program schedule that means success is done,
And it can be accomplished, with the help of everyone.
So come to the meetings and help with hand and heart;
Don’t be just another member, but take an active part.
Think it over, member, are you right or wrong?
Are you an active member, or do you just belong?



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