



# Lake Oswego NEWSLETTER

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## 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.

## Annual Luncheon and Installation of Officers

**Saturday, May 9, 2009**

**11:00 am - 2:00 pm at Oswego Lake Country Club**

**Lunch served at 12:00**

*Presentation by*

**Jane Kirkpatrick, Award-winning author and speaker**

Jane Kirkpatrick is a Wisconsin native and winner of the Wrangler Award (1996) from the Western Heritage and National Cowboy Museum and the WILLA Literary Award from Women Writing the West. Her latest novel is *A Flickering Light* based on her grandmother's life as a turn-of-the-century photographer in Minnesota. Her fourteen other bestselling historical novels were short-listed for the Oregon Book Award, Western Writers of American Spur Award, Reader's Choice, the WILLA Literary Award and the National Christy Award for the best in Christian Fiction. Crossings International, Doubleday, Literary Guild and Book of the Month Book clubs have featured her works. Her memoir *Homestead* chronicles her family's journey to a remote ranch on Starvation Lane in Eastern Oregon. *A Sweetness to the Soul*, her first novel, was named to Oregon's Literary 100 as one of the best books about Oregon published in the



past 200 years and Oregon's 150 Books celebrating that state's 150th anniversary of statehood.

Jane is a licensed Clinical Social worker who for seventeen years worked with families of children with disabilities on an Indian Reservation

in Oregon. Jane believes our lives are the stories others read first. She speaks internationally to varied audiences about the power of story to offer healing and hope. In 2005 she was named the Distinguished Northwest Writer from Oregon's largest writing organization, Willamette Writers. Her sixteenth novel and nineteenth book, *An Absence so Great* will be released by WaterBrook Multnomah Publishing Group/Random House in April 2010. Her latest nonfiction book, called *Aurora: An American Experience in Quilt, Community, and Craft* was released in December, 2008. You can visit her at [www.jkbooks.com](http://www.jkbooks.com) and [www.janekirkpatrick.blogspot.com](http://www.janekirkpatrick.blogspot.com).

**\$20.00 for lunch (entrée, dessert, coffee or tea)**

**RSVP and checks to Sandra Hoover, (503) 635-0952,  
2715 Holy Names Court, Lake Oswego, OR 97034**

## Jottings from Jane



I didn't make it to last month's board meeting. I've not missed many during my presidency, but this one took second place to the arrival of my new granddaughter that evening. And this got me thinking about how so many of us juggle our AAUW commitments with the demands of work, family, health concerns, civic commitments, travel plans.

This spring, the fund-raising committee discovered that many people were willing to take on a brief assignment. They reached out and found a whole different group of members who were more than willing to work for a day, or to contribute their individual creations, made on their own schedules. The Tea & Talent event, as reported elsewhere in this newsletter, was a huge success on many levels.

These things make me wonder if perhaps we need to take a different approach to getting the job of AAUW done. Those who have served on recent nominating committees know what it is to persuade members to take on continuing responsibilities. We may need to be taking a fresh look at what needs to be done, thinking more in terms of projects, less in terms of organizational structures and responsibilities.

If you are one of the people who always says no to an on-going commitment, looking with regret at your other standing obligations, what would you like to do? Could you be the backup person, stepping in when the usual organizer of an interest group is unavailable? (We've done Eat Ethnic this way for years,

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with Susan Hornung having the primary responsibility but my covering those months when Susan is out-of-town or busy.) Perhaps you wouldn't want to be program chair, but you have a great idea for a speaker and you'd be willing to secure that person's services, provide background information to the people who publicize the events, and even introduce your chosen speaker. Could you go early to Heritage House, make sure the room is set up properly, start the coffee and tea? One member has mailed out the hard copies of the newsletter for several years. Could you give her a break? Is there a special project that you'd like to see the branch take on? How about clearing it with the board and getting a committee together to organize it?

As we move to a new branch year and as new officers take over, think about how you can help them, what you'd like to see the branch doing, and what kind of participation fits best within the constraints imposed by other aspects of your life. And share your thoughts and your willingness to take part with Kathy and MaryJo.

## TEA and TALENT EVENT A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!

The Tea and Talent Event held on April 11 at the Heritage House in Lake Oswego was very successful in meeting the goal of funding our local scholarship.

The springtime festive atmosphere of the event was enjoyed by all who attended. With pink flowers adorning the tables, approximately fifty guests enjoyed the wonderful tastes of gourmet spring salads, freshly baked scones, dessert bars and cookies, tea and conversations with new and old friends. Those who attended the event were able to view and buy the hand-made items contributed by eighteen branch members and two branch interest groups. From freshly made jams to finely quilted items, guests commented on the fine quality and variety of items that were displayed.

The Branch Board sends a special thank you to all who gave their time, talent, and support so the event could be a success!!

Kathy Kaiser, Event Chair

What wonderful news to share with you! **Our Tea Party earned \$765.** We owe a huge thank you to Ann Keddie for donating her time and salads for the tea/luncheon. She plans and produces a wonderful tea/luncheon for us. We are also thankful to those of you who contributed desserts.

**The Talent Show earned \$1,156.** For those of you who donated and showed your many talents we are grateful for your contributions. It could not have happened without all of you. It was invigorating to see the results of so many participants, from kitchen help and cooks to benefit planners, from donators and buyers to luncheon attendees. The Saturday luncheon/talent show was an unqualified success, earning a total of \$1,921. This will certainly fund our Marylhurst scholarship and some of our other budgeted items.

I want to personally thank Kathy Kaiser, Chairwoman, MaryJo Radosevich and Jo Ann Frost for a fun and productive time in planning for the Talent Display. It is wonderful to see what can be accomplished when we all work together.

Thank you one and all.

Warmly, Penny Hansen, Treasurer

### Membership Information

#### Directory Changes

- **Barbara Buckley's** new email is buckley7581@comcast.net
- **Rhonda Chew's** email is chewfmly@comcast.net
- **Jacquelyn Gatewood's** new address is 210 State St. #8
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## Interest Groups

### **Interpretive Books**

*3rd Thursday at 9:30 a.m.*

**May 21, 9:30 a.m.**

Hostess: Peggy Lineweaver

Leader: Bettirae Willis

Book: *Mary Postgate* by Rudyard Kipling (Great Books)

### **Tuesday Morning Books**

*4th Tuesday*

**May 26, 9:45 a.m.**

Location: Szechaun Kitchen

Leader: Judith Kenny

Book: *On a Silver Dollar* by Ernest Haycox, Jr.

### **Thursday Evening Books**

*4th Thursday at 7:30 p.m.*

**May 28, 7:30 p.m.**

Hostess: Sandra, Rita & Dorothy

Intro: Connie Tyson

Book: *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks

### **Friday Books**

*4th Friday at 10:00 a.m.*

**May 22, 10:00 a.m.**

Hostess: Annie Arkebauer

Presenter: Ann Meyer

Book: *The Post-American World* by Fareed Zakaria

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

### **Fourth Wednesday Bridge**

*4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.* Call

Betty Hittle at 503-636-7034 for more information about this bridge group.

### **Laff-a-lot Bridge**

*2nd and 4th Mondays, 1–4 p.m.*

Interested? Call Jo Ann Frost at 503-624-0871.

### **Movie Group**

*JoAnn & Larry Frost and Ann Pritchard, Planners*

**May 12**

Second Tuesday of each month for a 7:00 or 5:30 p.m. movie of interest. Ladies and couples are welcome. The Frosts have a van to furnish a ride from their house. If a coffeeshop is open afterward, the group may like to discuss the movie over a beverage. To be on the e-mail notification list, just contact Ann Pritchard at 503-670-7934 or [AnnPritchard@comcast.net](mailto:AnnPritchard@comcast.net).

### **Portland Center Stage**

**May 7 at noon**

**Frost/Nixon** – This play centers around a series of televised interviews that former president Richard Nixon granted British journalist David Frost in 1977 that ended with a tacit admission of guilt regarding his role in the Watergate scandal. The New York Times described the play as “proceeding with the momentum of a ticking-bomb thriller and the zing of a boulevard comedy.”

*Please contact Betty Barber for more information: [barberbc@yahoo.com](mailto:barberbc@yahoo.com) or 503-675-0594.*

### **Exploring the Northwest**

For more information on this group, contact Susan Kingzett, 503-656-5970 or [sezett@msn.com](mailto:sezett@msn.com), or Shirley Ward, 503-636-4437 or [wardsp@comcast.net](mailto:wardsp@comcast.net).

### **Eat Ethnic**

*3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.*

**May 19 at 6:30 p.m.**

We have recently enjoyed Chinese, Mexican, Thai, Italian, and Spanish/Cajun food. Join us on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30pm for another pleasant evening of dining with friends and spouses. Contact Susan Hornung at [susan-hornung@hotmail.com](mailto:susan-hornung@hotmail.com) or (503) 635-4893.

### **Great Eats!**

This group meets every 2–3 months for a themed dinner where the hosts send out recipes to those who have made “reservations,” and then the cost of the food is divided evenly among the participants. Diners will also bring the beverage of their choice.

Our last dinner of this year is scheduled for **June 6**.

If you would like to be on the email list for Great Eats!, contact Barbara Buckley at 503-635-4649 or [buckley7581@comcast.net](mailto:buckley7581@comcast.net).

**NEXT  
BOARD MEETING**

**TUESDAY,  
MAY 26**

**7:00 P.M. AT  
MARYLHURST LIBRARY**

## Spring Time Is DUES Time

**T**hank you, thank you to all who have sent your '09-'10 dues to me. Each day when I open the mailbox I wonder whose dues will arrive in the mail that day. Will yours?

To those who have yet to write that check, please cut out the Dues Statement form below, then fill it in to send with your check. Please also check the listing of your information in your directory. If any corrections or additions are needed, please highlight that information on your Dues Statement. That will help us immensely when we prepare copy for next year's directory.

Remember to note in your tax information records that now \$46 of your National dues are tax deductible.

Enjoy the beauty of spring in Oregon!

## 2009-2010 AAUW Local Scholarship Recipient

**M**arylhurst University student, Heidi Christensen, has been selected for the second year to receive the AAUW Lake Oswego Branch scholarship for the 2009-2010 academic year. The Board was unanimous in its decision to renew the scholarship for Heidi who has continued to maintain her 4.0 GPA. She is a working single mother of an 8 year old daughter. She majors in Psychology and will be pursuing a Masters degree in Counseling Psychology. Her goal continues to be to establish a private practice in counseling and also to teach at the college level. Heidi is an energetic, goal oriented student. We offer sincere congratulations to Heidi and hope that she will join us during the year at one or more of our Branch activities.

### 2009-2010 AAUW Dues Statement Lake Oswego Branch

Dues for 2009-2010 are **\$77.00**. Please send this form and check payable to  
**AAUW, Lake Oswego Branch**  
to Dorothy Martin, 17480 Holy Names Drive #414, Lake Oswego, OR 97034

**Please highlight any changes**

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

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Year you joined L.O. branch \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

College Degree(s) and college update \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

New\_\_\_ Renewing\_\_\_ Life \_\_\_ Honorary Life\_\_\_ Dual\_\_\_ Student\_\_\_

*Occasionally AAUW's membership lists are made available to carefully screened companies and organizations.*

\_\_\_ Check here if you do not want your name included on the list.

\$49.00 Assoc Dues \*

\$11.00 State Dues

\$17.00 Branch Dues

**\$77.00 Total Dues**

\$23.00 Student Dues \*\*  
Undergraduates only

\* National Dues – \$46 is tax deductible; \$3 supports your AAUW lobby corps.

\*\* For student affiliates, \$16 of the National Dues is tax deductible. \$1 supports your lobby corps.

Dues payments may be deducted as ordinary and necessary business expenses, if appropriate.

Our fiscal year is July 1 through June 30. State dues include \$1.00 for the Oregon News.

## Lake Oswego Branch • MAY 2009 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7 Theater Group	8	9 Annual Luncheon
10	11 Laffalot Bridge	12 Movie Group	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Eat Ethnic	20	21 Interpretive Books	22 Friday Books	23
23	25 Laffalot Bridge	26 Tuesday Books Board Meeting	27 Wednesday Bridge	28 Thursday Evening Books	29	



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