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2015-16

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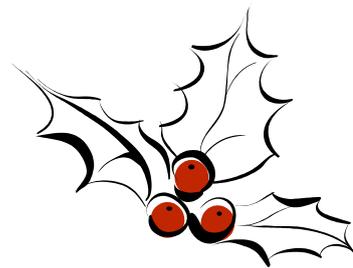
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Winter Fundraiser
AAUW Holiday Gala

Sunday, December 13, 2015

3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

At the home of
Karen and Bruce Rottink, 14 Touchstone, Lake Oswego



Please join us for a festive holiday party with
food, drinks, and great company.
Start your holiday season out right!
Remember: Spouses and friends are welcome.

Cost: \$17 per person

Donations of food will be gratefully accepted.
Please let Karen know if you wish to bring appetizers, dessert
or beverages to share: rottinkbk@comcast.net or (503) 636-9755.

Reservations and checks to:

Attn: Penny Hansen
1491 Skye Parkway
West Linn, OR 97068

Email: pennyhansen@comcast.net

PLEASE: Reservations are due by Friday, December 5
Note: If you make a reservation, but do not come, you will be expected to pay.



Photo: Guest speaker Will Fuller chats with members Judy Hale (right) and Jan Evans.

Squire's Scribblings

by Pat Squire, President

At our November meeting, Will Fuller described ways to protect yourself from scams and identity theft.

Will Fuller, a volunteer board member and advocate from Elders in Action, outlined simple ways to protect yourself and recognize scams. A number of members shared experiences and what steps they took to protect themselves and to warn others. Several new members attended this popular meeting, including Jan Evans (pictured), a transfer from the Medford Branch; Donna Needham; and Lynn Hingston.

I hope to see you at our winter fundraiser, the Holiday Gala! You may have an opportunity to meet these and other new members.

More About Our November Meeting

by Margaret Bowman Ricks

Branch members really enjoyed November's presentation. It was both educational and

entertaining. Our speaker, Will Fuller, represented Elders in Action whose mission is "to assure a vibrant community through the active involvement of older adults." Will began by sharing the many activities and successes of Elders in Action. These activities included working with businesses to ensure that they are not just elder-friendly, but people-friendly; personal advocacy, with volunteers assisting older adults in a variety of areas (e.g., to obtain restraining orders, deal with landlord/tenant issues; connect with community services); and working with the legislature, city governments and police departments.

Will reminded us that as college-educated women, we have much to share with others. We should remind ourselves of our special position and carry ourselves with confidence.

Those thoughts led into protecting ourselves from fraud. Everyone listened carefully to the six signs of fraud: receiving a contact "out of the blue", claims of emergency, requests for personal information, asking for money to be wired, being told to keep things "secret", and promises that sound too good to be true.

After taking questions, Will ended with a recommendation that we read *Composing a Further Life: The Age of Active Wisdom* by Mary Catherine Bateson. Bateson redefines old age (Adulthood II) as an opportunity to reinvent ourselves and challenges us to use it to pursue new sources of meaning and ways to contribute to society.

Editor's Note: I became acquainted with Will through my own service with him on the Elders in Action board. I hope that you will take some time to review the organization's website (<http://eldersinaction.org/>). If you are looking for volunteer activities, you may make an excellent personal advocate.

New Member Profile: Lynn Hingson

by Karen Rottink

To call Lynn Hingson a new member is a misnomer. She is actually a returning Lake Oswego branch member. Many years have passed and she is very interested in once again becoming an active participant in our branch. Lynn contacted me after seeing a press release about our activities in the *Lake Oswego Review*.

I visited Lynn in her home. The aroma of incense permeated the room as she introduced me to her 100% pixie bob cat Jonti Joseph Hayden Hingson. Jonti is two and quite active. I was needlessly alarmed when I heard "bob cat". He cuddled up to me twice during my visit. Lynn's home reflects her interest in Asian art and thought.

Lynn spent part of her childhood in Germany during the Berlin airlift days. Her father was a U.S. Air Force chaplain. Later, her family settled in Eugene, Oregon. She attended the University of Oregon and graduated from Portland State University. She received a Master's Degree from Willamette University in education with an emphasis on literature and theology.

While her then husband studied in Texas, she became an administrator at the Texas State Hospital where she planned and led innovative, intensive treatment programs for the patients. Social Services has been her career focus and passion. Later Lynn worked for Cook County, Oregon, helping homeless adults. She led research into the reasons for homelessness.

When Oregon's Dammasch State Hospital underwent deinstitutionalization, Lynn matched inpatients with community resources so they would have continued support (such as a doctor and case manager) once they were released and the hospital shut down. She observed that many of the former patients either lived on the streets or were in jail.

During the latter part of her career, Lynn worked for Multnomah County and has tremendous respect for the Crisis Intervention Team with which she worked. After retiring Lynn became



heavily involved in volunteer work. She has served on boards and commissions, The Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, Reruns at Lakewood Center for the Arts, Booktique, and The Episcopal Church Commission on Ministry. She also organized her community's disaster preparedness prior to the millennium change. This resulted in neighbors meeting and developing friendships as well as disaster planning. PEO, an organization which gives scholarships to young women, is also dear to her.

Say "Hello!" and introduce yourself to Lynn Hingson at the Saturday meetings and the Mystery Book group.

Exploring the Northwest Annual Trip to Pittock Mansion

Members interested in the December 4 trip to the Pittock Mansion are invited to meet at Sue Kingzett's house at 10:30am. The group will head first to Meriwether's Restaurant for the 11:15am lunch reservation (3229 NW Vaughn Street, Portland; phone: (503) 228-1250). There is a free parking lot next door.

After lunch the group will tour the Pittock Mansion (3229 NW Pittock Drive, Portland; phone: (503) 823-3623. The prices are \$10.00 for adults and \$9.00 for seniors. Your AAA card may get you a discount. The theme this year is "The Message of Christmas".

2015 LO AAUW Donation Form

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Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP DONATION:

\$_____ Donation Amount – Write check to *Lake Oswego AAUW*
 PLEASE NOTE: THIS DONATION IS NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE

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\$_____ Donation Amount – Write check to *AAUW Funds*

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Giving unrestricted gifts to AAUW FUNDS (#9110) provides support where needed most, but you can choose a specific fund:

- #9110 General Foundation Support – Allocated where most needed**
- #9170 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund – Supports AAUW research studies
- #4337 Public Policy Fund – Supports advocacy for laws fair to women
- #3999 Legal Advocacy Fund – Supports legal rights for those facing discrimination
- #4339 Leadership Programs Fund – Supports programs like NCCWSL
- AAUW National Tech Trek Program

Gifts of \$100-\$174 confer membership in the Oregon Century Club

Gifts of \$175 or above confer membership in the Oregon Century Club Plus

Gifts of \$25 or more to either local scholarship or AAUW Funds may be designated to honor a friend or loved one.

This gift is a memorial (deceased) to _____

This gift is a tribute (living) to _____

Acknowledgement should be sent to:

Name _____

Address _____

Send this form and check to: LO AAUW, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, Oregon 97036

*Interest Group Activities***Fourth Tuesday Books**
4th Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

Date: *No December Meeting*
 Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego
 For more information, contact Dixie Kroupa,
 (503) 697-8028, dixie.kroupa@comcast.net

Murder by the Book
2nd Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.

Date: December 9
 Books: *Slow Dollar* by Margaret Maron
 Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400, Lake Oswego
 Leader: Suzanne Kaveckis
 Bring your lunch, refreshments provided.
 For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com or Stephanie Carter, (971) 285-5882, secarter1@gmail.com

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

Date: December 17 (note
 Book: *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion
 Leader: Louise Weiss
 Hostess: Carol Zinsli
 For more information, contact Laura Eyer, (503) 982-3522, eyerlaura@gmail.com or Linda Watkins, (503) 694-2334, l.and.m.watkins@gmail.com

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

Date: December 3
 Book: *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline
 Introduction: Judy Hale
 Hostess: Jackie Magner
 For more information, contact Sandra Hoover,
 (503) 707-2984, sandraleehoover@comcast.net or
 Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641,
 smkaveckis@icloud.com

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

Date: *No December Meeting*
 Location: West Linn Public Library (Bamboo Room)
 Leader: Irene Romero
 For more information, contact Irene Romero,
 (503) 657-6159, ireneromero@mac.com

Portland Center Stage
Date and Time Vary

Season ticket holders for the Portland Center Stage's Thursday matinees will enjoy a year of musicals, dramas and comedies. For more information, contact Betty Barber, (503) 675-0594, barberbc@yahoo.com

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

Date: December 7 & 21
 If you would like to join or be added to the substitute list or for more information, contact Bettirae Willis, (503) 891-6232 (cell), bewillis@easystreet.net

Third Wednesday Bridge
3rd Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Date: December 16
 If you would like to be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact Penny Hansen, (503) 636-7255, pennyhansen@comcast.net

Delightful Dining
Date Varies

Date: *None in December*
 Delightful Dining is the group where members share the cooking and the costs. For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com

Exploring the Northwest
Date Varies

Several times each year this group explores an Oregon site and enjoys a meal together. For more information, contact Sue Kinzett, (503) 706-8184 (cell), sezett@msn.com

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Books, Books, Got Any Books?

At our February branch meeting, we will hold a book sale. Please contact Susan Hornung, susanhornung@hotmail.com, or Stephanie Carter, secarter1@gmail.com about donating books.

AAUW'S Mission

Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, 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.

Branch Turns 40 in 2016

by Stephanie Carter

The Lake Oswego branch of AAUW was organized in 1976, so our branch turns 40 in 2016. What was happening 40 years ago? It was a year of major earthquakes and tidal waves and nuclear testing by the world's most developed countries, but here are events of interest to women:

- ♦ Sarah Caldwell became the first woman to conduct at the NYC Metropolitan Opera House.
- ♦ The first female cadets were accepted to West Point Military Academy.
- ♦ Argentine President Isabel Person was deposed by the country's military.
- ♦ A New Jersey Court ruled Karen Anne Quinlan could be disconnected from the respirator.
- ♦ Barbara Walters became the first female nightly news anchor.

- ♦ The first female was admitted to the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.
- ♦ The American Episcopal Church approved ordination of women as priests and bishops.
- ♦ Patricia Harris was named Secretary of HUD.
- ♦ Winnie Mandela was banished in South Africa.
- ♦ Nebraska enacted the first marital rape law.
- ♦ In *Planned Parenthood v. Danforth*, the Supreme Court struck down a requirement for written spousal consent before a woman could obtain an abortion.
- ♦ In a backlash against the reproductive freedom of *Roe v. Wade*, the Hyde Amendment passed Congress, prohibiting the use of federal Medicaid funds for abortions.
- ♦ Barbara Jordan became the first African-American woman to be the keynote speaker at the Democratic National Convention.



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