

Volume 39, Number 9

Lake Oswego, Oregon

May 2016

*Lake Oswego Branch Officers*

*2016-17  
Elected Officers*

President

Pat Squire  
(503) 675-9002

Program Vice President

Donna Needham  
(971) 330-2741

Membership Vice President

Dixie Kroupa  
(503) 697-8028

Secretary

Jane Taft  
(503) 742-1653

Finance Vice President

Margaret Bowman Ricks  
(503) 744-0977

Immediate Past President

Judy Hale  
(503) 850-4433

*Appointed Officers*

AAUW Funds

Lynn Rothert

Hospitality

Penny Hansen

Inter-Branch Council

Judy Hale

Interest Group Coordinator

Susan Hornung

Newsletter Editor

Website Coordinator

Stephanie Carter

Public Information

Karen Rottink

Public Policy Coordinator

Robi Ingram-Rich

University Liaison

Carol Cooper

Website: [lakeoswego-or.aauw.net](http://lakeoswego-or.aauw.net)

Email: [loaauw@gmail.com](mailto:loaauw@gmail.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/aauwlakeoswegobranch/](https://www.facebook.com/aauwlakeoswegobranch/)



*Annual Tea Fundraiser*

Saturday, May 21 at 11:30 a.m.

Oswego Heritage House

"A" Avenue and 10th St., Lake Oswego

Cost: \$18.00 (RSVP and pre-pay)

Make checks payable to AAUW Lake Oswego

Send to Anne Redman, P.O. Box 416, Marylhurst, OR  
97036, Tel. (503) 684-1210

It's time to send in your reservations for our branch's biggest fundraiser -- our annual tea. Please **RSVP by May 18**. Attendees will enjoy the many different salads, scones, sweet treats, and our signature brew of tea.

Penny Hansen is coordinating the Tea again this year. This fundraising event can't happen without your able assistance. Penny is still soliciting help from members to prepare food, set up and serve. Please contact Penny to volunteer by calling (503) 636-7255 or emailing her at [pennyhansen@comcast.net](mailto:pennyhansen@comcast.net).

If you aren't able to assist with cooking or actions that require physical effort, then please help by inviting friends and family. Members and visitors always enjoy this event that feeds the soul as well as the body.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Photo from left: Pat in park above Lisbon.

## *Squire's Scribblings*

by Pat Squire, President

Congratulations to everyone in our branch for hosting a welcoming brunch and celebration in honor of new members, new officers, and named gift honorees! The April brunch was a huge success, and it is a true representation of our branch: inclusive, generous, participatory, honoring, and interesting!

Thanks to everyone who made this event such a success: To Jane and Stephanie for the brunch idea in the first place; to those two and Karen, Lynn, Margaret and Penny for providing food; for Penny, Karen (and whoever else helped!) for set-up and organization; to Carol Cooper and Marty Marharg for invitations and welcoming new members and introducing them; to Susan for the book sale and for the interest group

presentations; to all interest group representatives for your words of welcome; to everyone who, as usual, pitches in and helps out in any way you can; and to all our wonderful new members for joining and attending!

Congratulations to our new officers Dixie Kroupa, Donna Needham, and Margaret Ricks! Welcome to the board, and we are all looking forward to working with you.

And lastly, congratulations to our two highly deserving recipients of the very special "Named Gift Honoree" award, JoAnn Siebe and Susan Hornung (read about them elsewhere in this newsletter). You both set a great example for all of our members.

A number of us went to the AAUW State Convention in Medford at the end of April, so we will have some reports to share with you in the June issue.

And now on to our final event of the year, the Tea/Luncheon on Saturday, May 21. This is a special occasion for us, and one that we all treasure. Under the wonderful leadership of Penny Hansen, this event is a treat to all of us, so I hope to see you there. Get your reservations in early.

The tea will mark our final event of this year, and it's hard for me to believe the year has gone by so quickly. Our board will have our planning session on June 1, while things are still fresh in our minds. We would very much like to hear from you with your thoughts about this year, how things went, what you liked/disliked, and especially your suggestions and ideas for the future. Please feel free to call or email me with any information you want to share or simply respond to the online survey that you will receive a link to in your email. Thanks again for your great participation. See you soon!

Since Pat's picture shows her in Portugal, here are some interesting statistics:

1. The literacy rate among females age 15-24 is 99.8%.
2. Women represent 51.5% of Portugal's population.
3. Portugal's population has decreased for the last 4 years. As of January 1, 2016, the population was down 46,589 from the prior year.

## *Named Gift Honorees*

by Jane Taft

At the April brunch, the Branch recognized the services of two members by designating them as Named Gift Honorees. They were presented with Certificates from Oregon State AAUW and with flowers.



Photo: Board members surprised JoAnn with her nomination at her home.

JoAnn Siebe was unable to attend the brunch due to recovery from surgery. She was honored for her services as Vice President for Membership for the past three years. Under her leadership, branch membership has increased steadily, with between 15 and 20 joining since March of last year. She instituted a membership committee, revived the assignment of volunteers to mentor new members, and focused on retention.

JoAnn applied her professional expertise in marketing and in coaching groups undergoing changes to the board, facilitating a strategic planning session. In addition, she arranged for the branch to staff a booth at the Lake Oswego Farmer's Market, providing an opportunity to increase the public presence of AAUW. Several new members were recruited from this event.

JoAnn is newly retired from both her consulting practice and her service on the marketing faculty at Portland State. Karen Rottink presented the award in absentia, since Donna was unable to be present for health reasons. The Awards committee went to her home to deliver her certificate and flowers.



Photo: Lynn Rothert presents Susan Hornung with her certificate and bouquet while Jane Taft and Karen Rottink look on.

Susan Hornung was honored with the first "lifetime achievement award." Susan joined the branch soon after moving to Lake Oswego in the early 1981. Over the years, she has served ably as membership VP, newsletter editor, and president. She has hosted galas and opened her house for many other activities.

As an enthusiastic supporter of AAUW's services to women and girls, she has run the book sale for many years, raising a great deal of money for scholarships and AAUW Funds. She has served on the State Board as librarian and as North Central District Director. Susan has been involved in book, bridge and eating groups. She chaired the movie group for 10 years and Eat Ethnic for 15, and is now on board as interest group chair.

In addition to her AAUW involvement, Susan had a successful career in purchasing at TechTronics while raising two sons. She now enjoys being a grandmother of three preschoolers who live in California and New Mexico.

Since retiring, she has been a volunteer at OPB and the Lake Oswego Library, serves as a tour guide and speaker for the Japanese Garden, and volunteers to prepare taxes through the AARP. She is on the board of the Senior Studies Institute at Portland Community College.

The travel bug bit her when she spent her Junior year in Beirut. She then served with USO during the Vietnam War. The list of countries she and Ken have visited is rapidly approaching triple digits.



## *Marlene Orchard - Science Teacher and Animal Lover*

By Karen Rottink

New member Marlene Orchard is enthusiastic about riding her mule Cricket. She has horses too. Marlene is an avid supporter of the use of public lands for horse riding. For many years, she and her husband Del (a retired veterinarian) have performed wilderness trail maintenance using manual cross cut saws. Marlene served on the Board of Back Country Horsemen of Oregon for six years.

Oregon State University awarded Marlene a B.S. degree. She earned an additional fifth year certificate. During her career as a science teacher, she taught at Markham Middle School, George Middle School, and Roosevelt High School. For four years, she also taught science in Canada.

Early in her career, Marlene did oceanographic research on the Oregon coast. Her research on beach organisms helped to show that a proposed coal fired plant would instead. She also did tissue culture research at Colorado State University on the sudden death of cattle in feedlots.

Marlene has two daughters and four granddaughters. Kim Ann, her husband and daughters live in Wilsonville. Tracy, her husband and four dogs are in Wisconsin.

Being an adventurous woman, Marlene rafted the Colorado River extensively after retiring.

AAUW is attractive to Marlene because we offer member education and the opportunity to meet new people. She enjoyed the Edward Curtis presentation by Dawn Boone so much that she attended both the 10:00 a.m. session and noon repeat session. Introduce yourself to Marlene and enjoy her friendly enthusiasm!

## *Win Free National Membership*

AAUW national dues represents \$49 of your membership fee. Our branch is eligible to receive 5 free national memberships. Send in the renewal of your membership no later than June 15 to be entered into a drawing for one of the free national memberships. If you win, the national part of your payment will be refunded.

AAUW Lake Oswego Branch  
Membership Application and Dues Statement 2016-17

Please print. Highlight any additions, changes or corrections.

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

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Please put additional degrees on back of page or add note.

New     Renewing     Life     Honorary Life     Dual     Student

Please make checks payable to: AAUW Lake Oswego Branch

[Send checks to: Anne Redman, LOAAUW, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, OR 97036](#)

\$49 National Association Dues

\$16 State Dues

\$17 Branch Dues

-----  
\$82 Total Dues\*

\$25 Student Affiliate Dues\*\*

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

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

\*\$46 of your annual dues is tax deductible.  
\$3 supports our lobby efforts and \$1 is for  
the Oregon Newsletter. Your dues may be  
deductible as a business expense.

\*\*Student dues (undergraduate only) \$16 is  
tax deductible.

## Participate! Share your skills and talents.

### SKILLS

- Design/Graphics
- Computer
- Database Management
- Website Maintenance
- Desktop Publishing
- Newsletter Editor
- Photography
- Writing/Editing
- Table Decoration
- Food Preparation
- Fund Raising
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### BRANCH SUPPORT

- Monthly programs & Events
- Set up/Take Down
- Greeter at Events
- Program Ideas
- Newsletter Distribution
- Publicity Distribution
- Directory Management
- Food Preparation
- Holiday Gala
- New Member Friend
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### INTEREST GROUPS

- Book Groups**
  - 2nd Wednesday - Mystery - noon
  - 4th Tuesday - morning
  - 4th Thursday - evening
  - 4th Friday - morning
- Bridge Groups**
  - Laffalot, 2nd, 4th Monday
  - 3rd Wednesday
- Other**
  - Delightful Dining
  - Explore Northwest
  - Lunch Bunch - 3rd Tuesday
  - Portland Center Stage

*2016 LO AAUW Donation Form*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP DONATION:**

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

**NATIONAL AAUW FUNDS DONATION:**

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

ALL NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE FULLY TAX DEDUCTIBLE

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: May 24

Book: *Water's Edge* by Sarah Gruen

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: May 11

Book: *The Rest is Silence* by James R. BennLocation: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400, Lake  
Oswego

Leader: Cackie Kyle

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: May 19

Book: *Facing West from California Shores* by Walt  
Whitman; *The Golden West* by Daniel Fuchs

Leader: Bettirae Willis

Hostess: Connie Irwin

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: May 26

Book: *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle  
Zevin

Introduction &amp; Hostess: Barbara McDonald

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: May 27

Book: *Redeployment* by Phil Klay

Location: West Linn Public Library (Bamboo Room)

Leader: Ann Meyer

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: May 9 &amp; 23

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: May 18

If you would like to be added to the substitute list,  
or for more information, contact Penny Hansen,  
(503) 636-7255, pennyhansen@comcast.net**Lunch Bunch**  
**3rd Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.**

Date: May 17

Location: Broder Söder is a delightful Scandinavian  
café located at 8800 Southwest Oleson Road,  
Portland, OR 97223All are welcome to this new lunch group. To be  
added to the email list or to RSVP please send an  
email to Terry Hyland at twh20eagle@comcast.net.  
For other questions contact Connie Irwin at (503)  
459-3070.**Delightful Dining**  
**Date Varies**

Date: June 4 at 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy Lebanese cuisine at the home of Stephanie  
Carter.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

# May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Board Meeting	5	6	7
8	9 Laffalot Bridge	10	11 Murder by the Book	12	13	14
15	16	17 Lunch Bunch	18 Third Wednesday Bridge	19 Interpretive Books	20 Friday Books	21 Annual Tea
22	23 Laffalot Bridge	24 Fourth Tuesday Books	25	26 Thursday Evening Books	27	28
29	30	31				

*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.

*Memories from April Brunch*

Photo: New member Sharon Callen and longtime member Annie Arkebauer explore brunch options.



Photo, from left: Betty Hittle, Ann Koegen, Carol Cooper, Sharon Callen, and Janice Evans.



Photo, from left: Irene Romero, Marlene Orchard, Karen Rottink, Betty Barber, Nancy Niland and Barbara McDonald.



Photo, from left: Marty Bankhead, Vicki vonTagen,  
Lynn Rothert and Susan Hornung.



**AAUW Lake Oswego  
P.O. Box 416  
Marylhurst, OR 97036**

May 2016  
Newsletter