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ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Saturday, May 14 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Oswego Lake Country Club 20 Iron Mountain Blvd, Lake Oswego



Our guest speaker is Sandra Stapleton from the Family History Center in Portland. Details for the day and participation form are included later in the newsletter.

> Reminder: Membership Dues form for 2011-1012 enclosed!!



BRANCH BUZZ MaryJo Radosevich, Co-President Jane Taft, Immediate Past President, Guest Columnist

Over the past two years, Kathy Kaiser and I, as Co-Presidents, have alternated writing the monthly Branch Buzz column. But this month, I have asked Jane Taft to share her recent experience as one of our branch delegates when she attended our April AAUW State Convention in Ashland. Her story will inspire you to attend next year! MaryJo Radosevich

Jane writes: Whenever I attend a State Convention, I am reminded of the great pleasure of spending a weekend with intelligent, highly-motivated and capable women who share many of my ideals and interests. This year's State Convention, held in Ashland, was no exception. Susan Hornung, Penny Hansen and I represented our branch this year.

Convention offers updates on current state and national activities. Dave Kirkwood, a national board member from Minnesota provided a clear and entertaining overview of what has happened over the past few years and where the organization is headed in the next few. Some organizational items at State level provoked heated debate over by-laws during the business session. The public policy chairs and our lobbyist worked hard to summarize the goings on in the current legislature and to discuss the ramifications – and the specific processes – of redistricting. Workshops were fewer in number than other years, but more in depth. There was an interactive session on the IT factor in leadership that drew high praises. I very much enjoyed a look at the 40 years of effort that went into gaining suffrage for women of Oregon in 1912, some eight years before it was adopted nationally. I'd not realized that the call for women's suffrage started on the west coast. The Oregon AAUW is a partner in the consortium planning a centennial celebration of this achievement. Some outstanding young members, one of whom co-chaired the local arrangements committee for the convention, kicked off a discussion of why they were in AAUW and how we could attract more of their contemporaries to active, sustained involvement. Other workshops focused more specifically on practical matters regarding programming, evaluation, and ways to bring our mission to the community.

Lake Oswego ranked very high among the branches in both total and per capita giving to AAUW funds in 2010. In addition, nearly \$5,000 was raised in contributions during the convention; this included revenue from the silent auction. And Oregon, as a state, ranked sixth or seventh in the nation in both overall and per capital giving categories!

Wisely, the organizers recognized that Ashland itself was an attraction. Those who arrived early enough were able to participate in hikes, gallery tours and other such activities. There was time built into the schedule for groups to dine in interesting local restaurants, opportunities to attend plays, and even do a bit of shopping in the attractive shops in downtown Ashland, all of which gave this year's convention a more relaxed feel, as did ample time to chat with other delegates.

The Ashland Springs Hotel was a pleasant setting, offering attractive meeting rooms and good food. Unfortunately the keynote speaker was unable to attend because of a back injury, but some creative rearrangement of the program, moving the installation of new officers, meant that every meal had an effective conclusion. Entertainment by an improv group capped Saturday's Funds dinner and one of the first woman orchestra conductors spoke rousingly at the Sunday luncheon.



ANNUAL LUNCHEON & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Annual Luncheon and Installation of Officers will be held on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at the Oswego Lake Country Club, from 11 -2 PM. Tickets to attend this event are \$21.00 with advanced reservations strongly suggested and appreciated.

We will enjoy a Northwest salad plate and a rustic pear desert topped with warm vanilla ice cream, with a no host bar.

Our speaker is Sandra Stapleton from the Family History Center in Portland. She will be speaking about Genealogy, and give us information to help all who are interested in beginning their family history search.

Below are the details for securing reservations.

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Number Attending:

Amount Enclosed (\$21 X attendees):

AAUW Annual Luncheon Sandra Hoover 17440 Holy Names Drive #A318 Lake Oswego, Oregon 97034

AAUW Lake Oswego Branch

Dues Statement July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Please mail your check payable to AAUW and this form to:

Lynn Brown, Marylhurst University Career Services Office, PO Box 261, Marylhurst, Oregon 97036 Lbrown@marylhurst.edu, 503-699-6271

Check #_____

| \$49 Association Dues \$11 State Dues <u>\$17 Branch Dues</u> \$77 Total | 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. |
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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

- ____3rd Thursday am
- ___4th Tuesday
- ____4th Thursday eve
- ____4th Friday

Bridge

- ____Laffalot, 2nd & 4th Mon
- ____4th Wednesday
 - __Eat Ethnic
- Delightful Dining
- ____Movie Group
- ___Explore Northwest

____Portland Center Stage

Membership Updates

By Terry Hyland and Lynn Brown

One Member, One Vote

Delegates at the 2009 AAUW National Convention approved changes to the AAUW Bylaws that enabled all AAUW members (whether or not they attend the convention) to elect candidates for the AAUW Board of Directors and vote on other items of business such as bylaws amendments, resolutions, and the Public Policy Program. One Member, One Vote represents a "first" for AAUW and an important breakthrough in providing every-member participation in association governance and transparency. Information about issues and the candidates seeking office will be reviewed in the Spring/Summer **AAUW Outlook** that is to be mailed at the end of April 2011. There are some membership changes of which you need to be aware. You should receive your voting information at the end of April. Remember you may either vote electronically (deadline June 17, 2011) or by mail (deadline May 31, 2011.). Remember to vote!

> Next Board Meeting Wednesday, May 4, 7 p.m. Marylhurst Schoen Library

June Board Meeting Announcement

The June Board meeting will be the planning meeting for the 2011-2012 year. It will be held at the home of Kathy Kaiser on Wednesday, June 1, 5:30-9:00 pm. Participants should bring a salad or entree and Kathy will supply the drinks and dessert. Deadline for Summer Newsletter May 18 <u>mdivine@aol.com</u>



Tea/Talent Review

While Portland struggles for the warm sunny days of spring, Lake Oswego Branch members and their quests enjoyed a bit of spring with fresh cut flowers on each table during the April 9th Tea and Talent Event held at the Heritage House. For those attending all enjoyed a wonderful selection of salads with breads, jams, and dessert bars along with the great flavors of tea. With wonderful food, great conversation, and numerous items donated by members in the Talent Room, the event was successful in meeting our goals for supporting educational funds which includes our local \$1000 scholarship at Marylhurst University. Thank you all for your time, support, donations, and talent that allowed 41 guests to view the talents of more than 18 members which included more than 60 different items. Celebrate the success that is possible because so many of our members supported the event in so many different ways.

Interest Groups May 2011

Tuesday Morning Books 5th Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. - this month only

May 31: 11:30 a.m.

Szechuan Kitchen, 15450 Boones Ferry, LO Leader: Jo Ann Frost Olive Kitteridge, by Elizabeth Strout Book: For more information about this group, contact Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

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

May 19: 9:30 a.m. Hostess: Cackie Kyle Leader: Linda Watkins Book: *Reveries of the Solitary Walker*, Jean Jacques Rousseau (Great Books) For more information, please contact Ann Keddie at 503-694-2245 or Rlkavk50@centurytel.net.

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

May 26: 7:30 p.m. Hostess: Barbara McDonald Introduction: Stephanie Carter Book: The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake, by Aimee Bender 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.

May 27: 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Jeanne Keevil Presenter: Jeanne Keevil Book: The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake, by Aimee Bender 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, 360-520-7711 or secarter@gmail.com. for more information.

Portland Center Stage

For more information, please contact Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or 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 JoAnn Frost, 503-624-0871, or ldfrost@spiritone.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. This month we will be gathering on Tuesday, May 17 at 6:30 at Ernesto's Italian Restaurant in Beaverton. If you are interested in joining this casual group to eat interesting cuisine once a month, please contact Susan Hornung at susanhornung@hotmail.com.

Delightful Dining Dates & times vary

This year has seen our new cook-and-dine group off to a good start, with increasing numbers of participants enjoying festive evenings. In early June, there will be a planning session for events in the next branch year. Watch for details in the next newsletter, or contact Jane Taft, janetaft@aol.com or 503-742-1653, to be added to the e-mail list.

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|----------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| | | | Board Meeting | | | | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 13 | 14 | |
| | Laffalot Bridge | Movie Group | | | | Annual Luncheon | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | |
| | | Eat Ethnic | Wednesday Bridge | Interpretive Books | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | |
| | Laffalot Bridge | | | Thursday Evening Books | Friday Books | | |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | | |
| | | Tuesday Morning Books | | | | | |



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