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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.

Catholic Charities of Oregon

Laura Moog, Counselor

Saturday, November 12 9:30 a.m. Oswego Heritage House "A" Ave and 10th St, Lake Oswego



Catholic Charities of oregon is a non-profit agency serving approximately 40,000 people each year. The agency offers social services such as financial wellness, housing transition programs and education assistance, as well as other services.

Catholic Charities of Oregon partners with public and private partners to provide social services which facilitate self sufficiency and positive changes in the lives of the people it serves.

Light refreshments will be served at the meeting. If the parking lot at Heritage House is full, additional parking is available across the street at the church.



BRANCH BUZZ Stephanie Carter, Co-President

Excellent October Program!

If you didn't attend the October branch meeting, you missed a treat! Our speaker was Andrea Brown, a science teacher in the McMinnville School District and project director for the STEM summer camp for middle school girls.

In case you are not familiar with AAUW's STEM project, the acronym stands for science, technology, engineering and mathematics. STEM projects are intended to encourage girls to become engaged in these fields of study.

Thanks to an AAUW Community Action Grant and a collaboration with the Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum located in McMinnville, the School District was able to offer a four-day, hands-on summer camp.

The girls who participated in project-based classes in robotics, forest mapping, photoshop (processing the images they took during the botany/forest mapping experience), solar energy, and electronics. The second summer the camp was offered, they were able to add new classes in DNA analysis and fingerprinting which accommodated some of the girls who attended the camp both years.

Girls who attended the camp were invited to participate in a couple of follow-up field trips during the following school year. Andrea also described the EASA, the Engineering and Space Academy, that the museum sponsors in collaboration with the high school. Students selected for the EASA program must already possess excellent math skills, and the number of participants is limited and only a small fraction of the seats available in the program have been girls.

Students in the EASA program are instructed by engineers and technicians who lecture, serve as resources for student research, and work with students on a variety of real and simulated technical problems and projects.

My response: May I attend? Please, please ...

Two Fundraising Activities Selected

The Board has voted to undertake two fundraising activities this year.

First, we will hold our own version of the Antiques Roadshow. Fred Squires, the owner of Frederick E. Squires III Antiques located in Lake Oswego, has agreed to donate his time for an evening event. Two types of event tickets will be sold. The basic ticket will allow participants to learn more about antiques by attending the event. A limited number of enhanced tickets will be available to those participants who wish to bring an antique item for Fred to examine, discuss and provide an unofficial appraisal. Fred has extensive experience in the world of antiques, including at least one appearance on the PBS program Antiques Roadshow. The historical information Fred provides about the antiques he examines is fascinating! The date and time are still to be determined.

Our second fundraiser will be a Tea and Jewelry Trunk Show. Over the next few months, members will be encouraged to donate costume jewelry they no longer wear. The donated jewelry will be available for sale at the annual tea. Out with the old and in with the new! Hmmm, perhaps we should expand the trunk show to include scarves and handbags as well – I have a few of those that have been sitting, ignored, in a drawer.

We are looking for volunteers to help with these fundraisers.

WHO'S WHO? Terry Hyland, Co-Chairwoman Membership



Terry W. Hyland and Amy Pie

After many trips to the Northwest and with few ties left in New Jersey, Terry and husband Gerard decided that Oregon might be the right place to settle. Joining the Lake Oswego branch of AAUW has helped in the transition to this new territory. Terry was very active in the Madison, NJ, AAUW Branch and earned Life membership as she participated in the branch's many activities. She has a BA in Biology and Psychology from Caldwell College and MEd in Rehabilitation Counseling from Pennsylvania State University. She worked as a guidance counselor in the Chatham School System at the middle school and high school levels. Her special interests include travel, arts and crafts, hiking and camping. Terry and Gerard like to say, that the high point in their marriage was climbing to the summit of Mt Rainer.

Terry met Amy Pie, pictured above, eleven years ago through a mentoring project co-sponsored by the AAUW Madison Branch and St. Elizabeth's College, Madison, N.J. The purpose of the activity was to offer foreign students every-day life experiences with American families and provide practice speaking English. The friendship has grown over the years, even though Amy has returned to Guangzhou, China. Amy is now married and works for a Brazilian corporation exporting Chinese trucks and automobiles to South America. She travels internationally and visited Portland twice this year. Amy is a good example of a foreign student making the most of a U.S. Liberal Arts education.

Lynn Brown, Co-Chairwoman Membership



Lynn Brown was born in Scottbluff, Nebraska and grew up in Colorado Springs. She is the daughter of a university dean and a kindergarten teacher. She came to Oregon to attend Willamette University and has adjusted to the climate (almost) but requires frequent trips to Colorado to recharge her solar cells.

Lynn's most exciting project to date is raising three children. The youngest Alex, is a senior at the University of Denver. Her daughter Sara is a teacher here in Portland and her son Nathan has returned to Portland to work as a financial analyst. Both Sara and Nathan are married but have produced only "grand-pups". Lynn is frequently in the company of her large golden retriever, Berkeley. She and her husband, Doug plan most of their recreational activities to include great off-leash venues for Berkeley.

Lynn started her career as a high school counselor in Salem with a Master's Degree in Psychology, Education and Counseling. She eventually opened Northwest Human Resources in 1986 and ran this small consulting/counseling firm until 2003. In 2004, Lynn accepted a position at Maryhurst University as Director of Career Services and enjoys the process of assisting both students and alumni "connect the dots" between their academic programs and jobs. She is certified to administer and interpret career assessments and is available for coaching sessions. She teaches a number of career development courses and has taught counseling courses at PSU and career classes at Clackamas Community College.



OPEN BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITIONS

If you would like to become more involved in your AAUW Branch, please consider volunteering for one of these open positions:

Public Policy Chair

Keeps the branch appraised of the policy positions adopted by AAUW at the state and national levels. During legislative sessions she keeps us updated on proposed legislation that relates to the policies. This can be done by newsletter articles or reports at branch meetings or some combination.

Public Information Chair

Arranges for publicity by providing details of our branch meetings, including photos of speakers where possible, to the local newspapers (*Lake Oswego Review* and *West Linn Tidings*) and to the *Oregonian*. Also handles publicity for any special events, works with Marylhurst University to spotlight scholarship recipients, etc.

Historian

Maintains records about the branch. May get photos of meetings, speakers, etc. Basically keeps a scrapbook of activities. Deadline for December 2011-January, 2012 Newsletter November 15 <u>mdivine@aol.com</u>

Membership Report Harvest Connections

The Harvest Connections took place at Marylhurst University on September 21, 2011. The event was planned and sponsored by Terry Hyland and Lynn Brown. The purpose of the gathering was to share with current, new and prospective members what the interest groups were up to. Each interest group leader or a representative gave a lively description of the interest group's current activities and plans for the coming year. It was inspiring and fun! From the membership co-chair's perspective, the interest groups form the true lifeblood of the branch and there are great connections and friendships that develop from these shared interests.

AAUW Funds

Please note the inclusion of the AAUW Funds donation form on the following page. If you have not yet made a donation this year please consider sending it in soon.

> Next Board Meeting Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m. Marylhurst Schoen Library

2011 AAUW Funds Donation Form

"The Heart of AAUW"

"I could not, at any age, be content to take my place in a corner by the fireside and simply look on." Eleanor Roosevelt

Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Gift Amount \$
Gifts of \$25 or more 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

Giving unrestricted gifts to AAUW FUNDS (#9110) is the best way to provide support where needed most. But it is possible to restrict your gift if you choose:

[] #9110 General Foundation Support-where most needed

- [] #4336 Educational Opportunities Fund-supports fellowships and grants
- [] #9170 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund-supports AAUW research studies
- [] #4337 Public Policy Fund-supports advocacy for laws that are fair to women
- [] #3999 Legal Advocacy Fund-supports legal rights for those facing discrimination
- [] #4339 Leadership Programs Fund-supports programs like NCCWSL

Gifts of \$100– \$174 confer membership in the Oregon Century Club Gifts of \$175 confer membership in the Oregon Century Club Plus

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE FULLY TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Send this form and check payable to AAUW Funds to Judy Hale, 1608 6th Avenue, West Linn, OR, 97068

AAUW Holiday Party

Sunday, December 11, 2011

3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

At the home of

Dave and Penny Hansen at 1491 Skye Parkway, West Linn



Please join us for a festive holiday party With food, drinks, friends, frivolity And music, too. Start the holiday season with laughter and good company. Get into the spirit! Remember: Spouses & friends are welcome to join you. Cost: \$15 per person

Donations of food & drink will be gratefully accepted, please let Penny know if you plan on bringing food or beverages to share.

Reservations and checks to:

Penny Hansen 1491 Skye Parkway West Linn, OR 97068 Call: 503-636-7255 or email: pennyhansen@comcast.net PLEASE: Reservations due by Wednesday, December 7

Interest Groups November 2011

Tuesday Morning Books 4th Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.

November 22: 11:30 a.m. Szechaun Kitchen, 15450 Boones Ferry, LO Leader: Pat Filip Book: *Unbroken*, by Laura Hilenbrand For more information about this group, contact Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

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

November 17: 9:30 a.m. Hostess: Linda Watkins/Dorothy Martin Leader: Donna Saffir Book: *Great Gatsby*, F. Scott Fitzgerald

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

December 1: 7:30 p.m. (this month only) Hostess: Rob Ingram-RIch Introduction: TBA Book: *The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris*, by David McCullough 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.

November 18: 10:00 a.m. (this month only) Hostess: Betty Hittle Presenter: Betty Hittle Book: *State of Wonder,* by Ann Patchett 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 Martha Dean, 503-697-0561, if you would like more information.

Movie Group 2nd Tuesday, times vary

Meets second Tuesdays of the month. Contact Stephanie Carter, 503-657-6159, or <u>secarter1@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Portland Center Stage

For more information, please call Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or <u>barberbc@yahoo.com</u>.

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 <u>ldfrost@spiritone.com</u>.

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.

We will be meeting on Tuesday, November 15, at 6:30pm, at a location TBD. 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

Oktoberfest? No, this year we are celebrating Novemberfest with a delicious German meal at the home of Susan and Ken Hornung, at 6:p.m. on Saturday, November 19. Let Susan <u>susanhornung@hotmail.com</u> or 503-635-4893) know if you plan to attend by November 10 so that she can let you know what to cook. It is sure to be to an enjoyable gemütlich evening!

For more information about this group, or to be placed on its email list, contact Jane Taft, 503-742-1653, or janetaft@aol.com.

Lake Oswego

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Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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			Board Meeting			
6	7	8	9	10	11	1:
		Movie Group				Branch Meeting
13	14	15	16	17	18	1
	Laffalot Bridge	Eat Ethnic		Interpretive Books	Friday Books	Delightful Dining
20	21	22	23	24	25	2
		Tuesday Morning Books	Wednesday Bridge			
27	28	29	30			
	Laffalot Bridge					



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