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#### Award Winning Author Diana Abu-Jaber to Discuss Women Characters

Saturday, November 9

9:30 a.m. — Business Meeting 10:00 a.m. — Program

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

Noted author Diana Abu-Jaber will discuss her process of writing about women and family relationships. Ms. Abu-Jaber is a New York born American with a Jordanian father and an American mother of Irish-German heritage. She won the 2004 PEN Center USA Award for Literary Fiction, the American Book Award, and the Oregon Book Award, and was a finalist for the PEN/Hemingway Award. Her many books reflect her Jordanian-American heritage. She focuses on family relationships, especially the relationships among women. Birds of Paradise, her latest book, revolves around a girl who ran away from home at age thirteen and the impact she has on her mother, father and brother. Ms. Abu-Jaber left home at age fifteen to move away from her father's strict discipline. Her descriptions of the family relationships among her characters are infused with a deep understanding that arises from her own experiences. Ms. Abu-Jaber is a Writer in Residence at Portland State University. She teaches writing as well as other subjects.



Judy Hale with dog, Ruby

#### Hale & Hearty

by Judy Hale, President

Do you have some extra time in the mornings now that *The Oregonian*'s publication and delivery has changed? If you are searching for news on your computer, please visit the AAUW website. There are numerous articles about issues that are important to women. When you are visiting the AAUW website, consider signing up for the "2-minute activist." I did and just sent Rep. Kurt Schrader a comment about the wage gap in Oregon. AAUW provides the address and the comment. It is a fast, easy way to stay current with issues that matter to women and to make a difference.

The Lake Oswego AAUW branch received a grant from our State AAUW that covered the rental of Heritage House and the printing costs for our Town Hall meeting. The total received was \$105. There are 26 branches in Oregon and the State AAUW had a total budget of \$1,000.

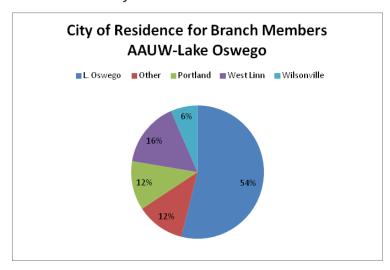
Remember our funds donation form that is attached to the newsletter has a section to donate locally to our scholarship fund and a section to donate to National AAUW funds. If you are not planning on attending the December fundraiser, the

Holiday Gala, please consider donating the ticket amount to the scholarship fund.

My daughter is taking statistics at SOU this term. She was looking for graphing material when she was visiting and I asked her to put together two charts that might interest you. The first chart shows where our membership lives and the second chart shows when our members joined.

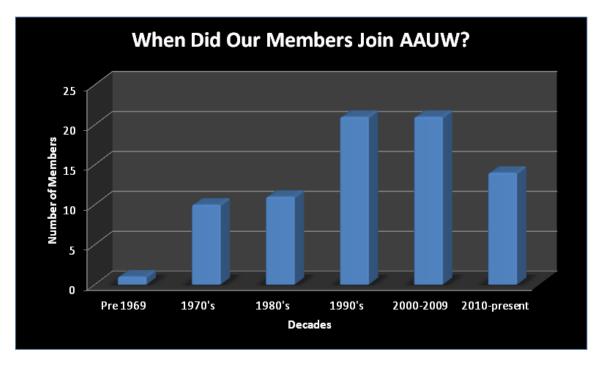
If you were at the meeting in October, you saw that our nametags have changed. Some of our members' nametags now have extra sparkle on them to indicate how long they have been members.

Something to think about: What is required for the university statistics class? Of course there is tuition, but consider the other costs. For the class, my daughter paid \$170 for the textbook, \$121.50 for the lab book, and \$100 for the calculator. That totals \$391.50 for materials for this one class. Often the cost of the books adds up to more than the tuition. We can be proud of ourselves for helping, but wouldn't it be great if we could help even more this year?



We Care

If you know a branch member who would appreciate receiving congratulations, condolences, or just a get-well card, please let Carol Ficht know at carolficht@comcast.net or (503) 655-6527. She sends such remembrances for the branch.



# Re-Cap of October 12 Branch Meeting

by Karen Rottink

Michael Huntsberger, Therese Bottomly, and Morgan Holm presented a panel discussion on "Where will we get our news in 2014 and why." They discussed the directions and trends for news definitions, news source proliferation, difficulties with news verification, news delivery methods, the implications of less critical thinking and reading skills among the public, and polarization of citizens due, at least in part, to separate news media focusing on either far left or far right audiences.

Unfortunately, there were not many answers to the difficulties all these trends present. One suggestion was to donate more money to Oregon Public Broadcasting so they can continue to do more in-depth reporting which they do well.

The positive aspects of Internet news distribution include the ease and ability to research everything instantly and to read international newspapers which have different points of view. It is up to the individual to seek out news sources which are varied and contribute to a larger understanding of issues and events.

#### Interest Group Activities

Tuesday Morning Books 4th Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

Date: November 26

Book: *The House of Rivertson* by Kate Morton Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego

Leader: Carol Ficht

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: November 13

Books: *The Bone is Pointed* by Arthur Upfield Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400, Lake

Oswego

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: November 21

Book: Childhood's End by Arthur C. Clarke

Hostess: Bettirae Willis Leader: Diana Gough

For more information, contact Carol Zinsli, (503) 694-6181, czinsli@comcast.net or Linda

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Watkins, (503) 694-2334, l.and.m.watkins@gmail.com

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

Date: December 5

Book: War Brides by Helen Bryan

Hostess & Introduction: Stephanie Carter For more information, contact Sandra Hoover, (503) 635-0952, sandraleehoover@comcast.net or Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641,

ctn75492@centurytel.net

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

Date: November 22

Book: *The Art Forger: A Novel* by B.A. Shapiro Location: Market of Choice, Conf Rm, West Linn

Leader: Joan Waldron

For more information, contact Irene Romero, (503) 657-6159, ireneromero@mac.com or Marie

Ryan, (503) 274-7917, mpresq@q.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

### Exploring the Northwest Date and Time Vary

Date: December 2, 10:45 a.m.

Event: Lunch at Meriwether's Restaurant & Tour of

Pittock Mansion

Details: The Pittock Mansion holiday theme this year is "A Locally Crafted Christmas." The group will meet at Sue Kingzett's house (1811 Barnes Cir., West Linn) at 10:45 a.m., and will drive to Meriwether's Restaurant for an 11:30 a.m. lunch. The restaurant is located at 2001 NW Vaughn St., Portland, and the phone number is (503) 228-1250. There is parking right next door. Sue suggests that attendees bring change or credit cards. The group will receive one check with 20% gratuity. After lunch the group will drive to The Pittock Mansion

at 3229 NW Pittock Dr., Portland. The number is (503) 823-3624. The site has parking too. Prices are Adults: \$8.50, and Seniors: \$7.50. Your AAA membership may allow added discount. Please RSVP to Sue Kingzett to tell her if you are meeting at her house or at the restaurant. (503) 656-5970, (503) 706-8184 cell, sezett@msn.com

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

Date: November 11 & 25

If you would like to be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact: Susan Hornung, susanhornung@hotmail.comst.net

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

Date: November 20

For more information, contact Betty Hittle, (503) 636-7034, blhittle@comcast.net

# Eat Ethnic 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Date: November 19

Location: Thai Basil Restaurant

Hostess: Susan Hornung

Spouses and guests are welcome.

For more information or to be added to the email list, contact Susan Hornung, susanhornung@

hotmail.com

### Delightful Dining Date and Time Vary

November cancelled. Please mark your calendars for January 18, when we will enjoy a Mexican Fiesta. For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com

#### 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.

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#### 2014 LO AAUW Donation Form

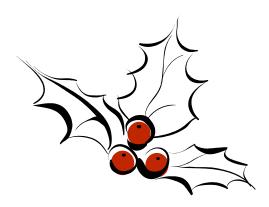
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Gifts of \$25 or friend or loved	more to either local scholarship or AAUW Funds may be designated to honor a one.					
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Acknowledgem	ent should be sent to:					
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### Winter Scholarship Fundraiser

# **AAUW Holiday Gala**

Sunday, December 8, 2013 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

At the home of Ken and Susan Hornung at 27 Tanglewood Dr., 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: \$15 per person

Donations of food will be gratefully accepted, please let Susan know if you plan on bringing food and beverages to share: susanhornung@hotmail.com or (503) 635-4893.

#### Reservations and checks to:

Attn: Anne Redman AAUW of Lake Oswego P.O. Box 416 Marylhurst, OR 97036

Phone: (503) 684-1210 Email: aredman@montrose.net

PLEASE: Reservations are due by Monday, December 2

Note: If you make a reservation, but do not come, you will be expected to pay.

# November/December 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	Board Meeting	7	8	General Meeting
10	11 Laffalot Bridge	12	Murder by the Book	14	15	16
17	18	Eat Ethnic	20 Third Wednesday Bridge	21 Interpretive Books	Friday Books	23
24	25 Laffalot Bridge	26 Tuesday Morning Books	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30
1	Exploring the Northwest	3	4 Board Meeting	5 Thursday Evening Books	6	7
8 Holiday Gala	9 Laffalot Bridge	10	11 Murder by the Book	12	13	14

### History of the AAUW Foundation

The AAUW Foundation continues a long and distinguished tradition of advancing educational and career opportunities for women. The Foundation was established in 1958 as a 501(c)(3) corporation and raises and distributes philanthropic resources in support of its mission.

Public education for women first became a reality near the end of the first quarter of the 19th century. The following dateline highlights some key events in women's educational opportunities.

- **1824** First public high school opens for girls.
- **1837** Oberlin College becomes first college to accept women.
- **1838** Georgia Female College, the first women's college, is founded.
- 1865 Vassar College opens, the first women's college with resources equal to those of men's colleges.

- **1870** Eight state universities admit women to higher education.
- 1881 Seventeen college women, united by their determination to advance women's higher education, meet at MIT to form the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (ACA), AAUW's chief predecessor.
- 1883 Women in the Chicago area form the related but independent Western Association of Collegiate Alumnae (WACA).
- 1888 The practice of awarding educational fellowships for women is initiated when the WACA awards the first graduate fellowship to Ida Street.
- **1921** AAUW is formed by the merger of the ACA with the Southern Association of College Women.
- 1958 The AAUW Educational Foundation is established to increase AAUW's philanthropic activies and to promote educational equity for women.



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