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2014-15*

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End of the Oregon Trail

by Judy Hale

Editor's Note: Each month, the newsletter will feature an article on member service to the community. AAUW is about more than socializing, it's about working in our communities to improve the socioeconomic life of women and girls. If you are involved with a community group, please volunteer to write one of these features.

I have been volunteering at the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center for the past three years. End of the Oregon Trail had to close about six years ago when they ran out of money, but new funding allowed it to reopen in 2012.

I started out by organizing all their materials- books, photographs, posters and prepared materials on different subjects. It took months to put things in order. Branch member Jane Taft also became a volunteer. Together, we designed a computer data base to input the information about the artifacts. Jane was a computer programmer and software developer and I am a librarian.

We processed all of the artifacts so there are photos and information about their source. Then the director received a grant that allowed Oregon Trail to purchase the same program that is used at other historical sites in Clackamas County - Past Perfect. Now, I will be able to process the books and the information can match the other historical sites. We are still working on getting that program up and running.

During the school year, I helped with school groups that visit the interpretive center. I helped the children dip candles, make butter or write letters about life on the trail. When school closed in June, I went back to processing books with the new software program.

I usually work at the End of the Oregon Trail one day each week. I love to organize, history and children, so it is a perfect volunteer job for me. I feel like I am making a valuable contribution to saving our history.





Judy Hale with dog, Ruby

Hale & Hearty

by Judy Hale, President

the six meetings a year and reporting on what is happening in our branch, please call me.

I hope all of you are able to get out and enjoy our summer weather. Below is a picture of the rafting trip on the Deschutes I went on to expand my horizons.



I hope all of you are having a great summer. While summer is a quiet time for our branch members, it's an active time for your Board. August 6th will be the first board meeting of our AAUW year. We will be finalizing programs based on what we heard from members who responded to the questions we asked on Survey Monkey.

If you have specific ideas that you haven't shared yet, please share them with a Board member. We are continuing to focus on mission-based programs; however, a wide span of ideas fit under the umbrella of "empowering women and breaking through barriers."

We still have many people who have not paid membership dues. If you are one of them please send in your check today. We all like the directory to include as many members as possible. We can only include renewals received before August 15 in our directory.

We are still missing one board member -- our representative to the Inter-Branch Council. The position was previously held by Suzanne Kaveckis. If you are interested in attending



New Member Profile: Eleanor Kurtus

Eleanor Kurtus and her husband of 25 years, Ron, moved to Oregon eight years ago. She was raised on the East Coast and received her undergraduate degree in physics from New York University.

She continued her education in California, first obtaining an MBA at Pepperdine and then a PhD from Capella.

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AAUW Lake Oswego Branch
Membership Application and Dues Statement 2014-15

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 _____ State _____ Degree(s) _____

Major _____

College/University _____ State _____ Degree(s) _____

Major _____ 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

\$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

____ Computer
 ____ Design/Graphics
 ____ Database Management
 ____ Web site 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
 ____ Newsletter Distribution
 ____ Publicity Distribution
 ____ Directory Management
 ____ Food Preparation
 ____ Holiday Gala
 ____ New member friend

INTEREST GROUPS

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

2014-15 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**
- #4336 Educational Opportunities Fund – Supports fellowships and grants
- #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
- #4363 Oregon's Betsy McDowell Research & Projects Fund

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

New member profile continued.

Eleanor is currently employed by US Bank where she is a VP in charge of technology. She designs computer systems. Think mainframe! Before working for US Bank, she was employed as a manager for technology at Pepperdine.

Eleanor enjoys hiking and reading. But her favorite activity is spending time with her grandchildren. She likes Oregon scenery and the friendliness she has encountered here.

Interest Group Activities

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

Tuesday Morning Books

Date: August 5 at 11:00 a.m.
Potluck and planning meeting.
Hostess: Nancy White, Carman Oaks
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: August 13
Books: *The Field of Blood* by Denise Mina
Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Lake Oswego (Room TBA)
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

Date: August 21 at 10:00 a.m.
Luncheon and planning meeting.
Hostess: Susan Hornung
For more information, contact Carol Zinsli, (503) 694-6181, czinsli@comcast.net or Linda Watkins, (503) 694-2334, l.and.m.watkins@gmail.com

Thursday Evening Books

Date: August 9 at 9:30 a.m.
Potluck and planning meeting.
Hostess: Susan Hornung
For more information, contact Sandra Hoover, (503) 635-0952, sandraleehoover@comcast.net or Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641, ctn75492@centurytel.net

Friday Books

Date: On hiatus until September.
For more information, contact Irene Romero, (503) 657-6159, ireneromero@mac.com or Marie Ryan, (503) 274-7917, mpresq@q.com

Laffalot Bridge

Date: On hiatus until September
If you would like to be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact Susan Hornung, susanhornung@hotmail.com

Third Wednesday Bridge

Date: On hiatus until September
For more information, contact Betty Hittle, (503) 636-7034, blhittle@comcast.net

Eat Ethnic

Date: August 19 at 6:30pm
Location: TBD
Spouses of members are welcome.
For more information, contact Susan Hornung, susanhornung@hotmail.com

Delightful Dining

Date: August 24 at 4:30 p.m.
Location: Home of Jane Taft
Planning meeting. Bring an appetizer and ideas.
Please contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653 or taft.jane@gmail.com, if you plan to attend.

Inter-Branch Council Representative Needed

For many years Suzanne Kaveckis has served as our branch's Inter-Branch Council representative. She has asked for a well-earned break. Please contact Judy Hale if you are interested in this position.

August 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 Tuesday Morning Books Planning Meeting	6 Board Meeting	7	8	9 Thursday Evening Books Planning Meeting
10	11	12	13 Murder by the Book	14	15	16
17	18	19 Eat Ethnic	20	21 Interpretive Books Planning Meeting	22	23
24 Delightful Dining Planning Meeting	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Coordinator Needed: Eat Ethnic

After many years of serving as the coordinator for the Eat Ethnic dinner group, Susan Hornung wants to step down.

If you are interested in serving as coordinator, please contact Susan, susanhornung@hotmail.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.

*Fourth Tuesday AAUW Book Group
Invites You to Joint in the Fun and
Friendship*

by Karen Rottink

The Fourth Tuesday Book Group has lunch together at Schezwan Kitchen in Lake Grove at 11:00 a.m. and then discusses the book chosen for the month.

The criterion for book recommendations are simple: 1. It must be a book you have read and 2. The book must be easily available to members. The book can be fiction or nonfiction. It can be entertaining and/or educational. The members get to know each other socially over lunch. Friendships are formed around common interests. Sometimes members of the group attend movies together,

especially if the movie is based on a book. For example, the group attended the movie *The Book Thief*.

Each month one member introduces the chosen book, presents information about it and its author, and leads the discussion. The group respectfully shares many interesting opinions and stimulating discussions.

You are invited to attend a couple of meetings to see if you would like to join. The only requirement for joining this book group is that you are a member of AAUW or will be joining.

If you would like to attend this special meeting or any of the regular meetings, please call Dixie Kroupa at (503) 697-8028 for further information. She would be happy to answer your questions and welcome you to the group.



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