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2016-17
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Winter Fundraiser Holiday Gala

Sunday, December 4, 2016
3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Co-hosted by Karen Rottink and Pat Squire at the home of
Karen and Bruce Rottink,
14 Touchstone, 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.

Donations of appetizers, desserts or beverages gratefully accepted.
Please let Karen know if you plan on bringing food
and beverages to share: rottinkbk@comcast.net or (503) 636-9755.

Even if you can't attend, you can always made a donation to
LO AAUW Scholarship Fund.
Donations to the Scholarship Fund are not tax-deductible.



Your LO AAUW Board, from bottom to top: Pat Squire, Lynn Rothert, Penny Hansen, Jane Taft, Marty Maharg, Judy Hale, Karen Rottink, Dixie Kroupa, Donna Needham. Not pictured: Stephanie Carter, Carol Cooper, Esther Halvorson-Hill, Robi Ingram-Rich, Margaret Bowman Ricks.

Squire's Scribblings

by Pat Squire, President

It is such a pleasure getting to know all of our newer members as they join us. Many of you have jumped right in and become involved and it's clear you have much to offer. You are finding that there are many ways you can meet interesting people and engage in enriching activities -- from book groups to dining groups to bridge groups -- and others that you may invent to satisfy your interests. It is also great to see you at our Saturday branch meetings!

We have started two new groups in the last year and if you have suggestions, Marty Maharg is our Interest Group Coordinator. You may contact her at martymaharg@hotmail.com.

Our branch has other ways you can get involved. Our State AAUW set three priorities for action this year: public policy legislative priorities, enhancing leadership skills for members, and providing campus programs.

Our active participation can come in many ways. For example, recently many of you participated in our voter registration/get out the vote drive at Marylhurst University. I'd like to suggest that you also consider joining us in Salem for Lobby Day on Wednesday, February 15. This is our opportunity to hear from legislators about the current session, to hear from partners about their efforts, and to learn how to effectively "lobby."

We will then meet with our legislators to discuss issues of concern to us. Oregon is a special state where citizens have wonderful access to our capitol and our government leaders. This is an exciting experience and one that is particularly important now as we emphasize women's issues. In January we will talk about car-pooling and registration for this great event.

I also encourage you to support AAUW Funds in any way you can this season; a donation form is in this newsletter. AAUW's work is important, now more than ever, and our national organization is at the forefront with women's issues.

I hope to see you all at our holiday gala fundraiser on Sunday, December 3, at the home of Karen and Bruce Rottink. This is strictly a social get-together and is lots of fun.

Happy holidays to all and may you enjoy this season with your friends and family!

Save Your Hardcover Books and "Trade" Paperbacks

We will have our annual book sale in February along with Lake Oswego Reads. We are looking for quality and recent hard cover books and trade paperbacks. Keep your books and we will collect them in January! Thanks in advance for helping with this annual fundraiser.

Meet Nancy Dunis

by Karen Rottink

I love Nancy Dunis' spirit of helpfulness; she jumps in where she sees a need! I first met her when she offered to help before the September AAUW LO meeting without being asked. She passed out documents to facilitate the discussion. Then she offered to take some pictures at the meeting. I handed her my camera and away she went.

A native Lake Oswegan, Nancy moved to the Bay Area for ten years and then moved back to Lake Oswego. Nancy has a B.A. in French from the University of Oregon and an M.A. in Education. Her minor was in psychology. She taught sixth grade for awhile and later started an event planning business which included in-store sampling. After selling the business, she retired in 1996.

Nancy's special talent is distilling large amounts of information into understandable explanations. This talent comes into play when she writes publications for many organizations such as the Lake Oswego Heritage Council. In fact, our LO AAUW presentation by Stephanie Wagner with Lucille Beck about the creation of Tryon Creek park inspired Nancy to write an article about this topic for the Heritage Council that was later printed in the Lake Oswego Review.

In 2008 Nancy became the curator for the Oswego Heritage House historic rose garden and is currently writing a brochure for self-guided tours of the original heritage roses and some replacements she has planted there.

Her columns for the Adult Community Center's "Jottings from 5th and G" are published in the Lake Oswego Review.

A member of the Board of Lakewood Center Associates, Nancy co-directs the luncheon arrangements for 65 to 70 member lunches on a regular basis.

The Brewster Rogerson Clematis Collection is a passion for Nancy. Mr. Rogerson collected the various species of clematis all his life. The collection is located in the botanic garden at Luscher Farm and is open to the public. When Mr.

Rogerson was no longer able to drive, Nancy drove him to Luscher Farm weekly to tend his precious clematis plants. The two became very dear friends.



In her fifties, Nancy became an ice skating Master Precision Team member. The team traveled frequently and won U.S. Gold medals. Later she became a ballroom dancer.

We are fortunate to have Nancy Dunis, such an accomplished, helpful and interesting woman, as a member of our branch. Please greet her and make her feel welcome!

Meet Josie Seymour

by Marty Maharg

Josie Seymour is new to our branch but she is not new to Lake Oswego. She and her two older brothers grew up in Lake Oswego. Josie received her B.S. in science from Oregon State University and then left Oregon for California, where she received her post-graduate degree in physical therapy (PT) from Stanford University.

While she was attending OSU, the AAUW branch offered her a scholarship for graduate work. That scholarship, along with others, were used to attend Stanford University.

Her first PT position was with the rehabilitation program at the University of Washington.
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AAUW Lake Oswego Branch
Membership Application and Dues Statement 2016-17

Please print. Renewing members need only indicate 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/Yr ____
 College/University _____ Major _____ State ____ Degree/Yr ____
 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: [Margaret Bowman Ricks, LOAAUW, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, OR 97036](#)

\$49 National Association Dues
 \$16 State Dues
\$17 Branch Dues
 \$82 Total Dues*

*\$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.

***\$25 Student Affiliate Dues

Amount enclosed _____
 Check # _____ Date _____

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 Wed. - Mystery - noon
 ____ 4th Tuesday - morning
 ____ 4th Thursday - evening
 ____ 4th Friday - morning
 ____ 2nd Monday - morning

Bridge Groups

____ Laffalot, 2nd, 4th Monday
 ____ 3rd Wednesday

Other Groups

____ Lunch Bunch-3rd Tuesday
 ____ Delightful Dining
 ____ Explore Northwest
 ____ 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

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While there, she received a grant to study and work at Children's Orthopedic Hospital in Seattle. Boeing was a matching grantor and because of a recession, withdrew its support.



Josie returned to Portland, working at Good Samaritan Hospital as Assistant Chief PT, and then eventually split her time between Good Samaritan and the Child Neurology Clinic. Later she worked as a PT at Portland Public School's Holladay Center, a school for physically impaired children, from 3-14 years.

Following time spent at home when her children were young, Josie then returned to work with the Early Intervention Program at the NW Regional Center where she worked with infants for 23 years until her retirement in June, 2015.

Josie lives in Lake Oswego and has two grown daughters. Since her retirement Josie has joined a writing group at the Lake Oswego Community Center and is in a study group at her church. She enjoys reading, walking, swimming/water aerobics, resuming her acquaintance with golf, and especially spending time with her dog, Max.

Josie told me that she has wanted to join AAUW for many years but just didn't feel she had the time until recently. She is looking forward to making new friends and participating in our branch activities.

Josie is warm, energetic and friendly. I am sure you will enjoy getting to know her as much as I have. Welcome, Josie!

Fourth Tuesday Book Group



Photo: front row left to right - Karen Rottink, JoAnn Siebe, Colleen Gekler, Cheryl Smith, Carol Ficht; back row left to right - Pat Squire, JoAnn Frost, Jeanne Lemieux, Pat Filip, Rebecca Hein

The Fourth Tuesday Book Group invites you to attend its next meeting on January 24 at 11:00 a.m. The introduction to the book, *The Cellist of Sarajevo*, will be provided by Mary Pat Silveira who was a United Nations Peacekeeper in The Balkans, among other positions during her thirty year career with the United Nations. Contact Dixie Kroupa for details: Dixie.kroupa@comcast.net.

Interest Group Activities

Delightful Dining Date Varies

Date: January 8 at 6:00 p.m.
Location: Home of Martha Schrader
Joint us for a meal based upon the recipes of great Chef Edna Lewis, best know for her Southern cuisine. Please RSVP to Jane Taft.
Delightful Dining is the group where members share the cooking and the costs. For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 709-3185, taft.jane@gmail.com

December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Thursday Evening Books	2	3
4 Holiday Gala	5	6	7 Board Meeting	8	9	10
11	12 Non-Fiction Books Laffalot Bridge	13	14 Murder by the Book	15 Interpretive Books	16 Exploring the Northwest	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Christmas	26	27	28	29	30	31

Exploring the Northwest Date Varies

The Exploring the Northwest group will once again visit the Pittock Mansion on December 16. Members may meet at meet at Sue's home at 10:30am, located at 1811 Barnes Circle, West Linn, OR 97068. From there, they will head to Meriwether's Restaurant for an 11:15am lunch reservation. You may drive directly to the restaurant. Please let Sue know what you are doing. Meriwether's is located at 2601 NW Vaughn Street, Portland, OR 97210, and the phone

number is (503) 228-1250. There is a free parking lot next door. We will receive one check with a 20% gratuity already added to the bill. We can use four credit cards at our table. Sue suggests that you bring cash with you, and pay attention to the price when you order. Don't forget your drink order and tip.

Several times each year this group explores an Oregon site and enjoys a meal together. For more information, contact Sue Kingzett, (503) 706-8184, (cell), sezett@msn.com

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

Date: January 24
Book: *The Cellist of Sarajevo* by Steven Galloway
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: December 14
Book: *Girl in the Ice* by Lotte and Soren Hammer
Leader: Cackie Kyle
Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400, Lake Oswego
Bring your lunch, refreshments provided.
For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 709-3185, taft.jane@gmail.com or Stephanie Carter, (971) 285-5882, secarter1@gmail.com

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

Date: December 15
Book: *The Summer Book* by Tove Jansson
Leader: Carol Zinsli and Viki VonTagen
Hostess: Viki VonTagen/Carol Zinsli
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 7:00 p.m.

Date: December 1 (NOTE SPECIAL DATE)
Book: *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante
Leader: Jane Taft
Hostess: Susan Hornung
For more information, contact Suzanne Kaveckis,
(503) 678-1641, smkaveckis@icloud.com

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

Date: January 27
Book: *Alexander Hamilton* by Ron Chernow
Leader: Betty Hittle

This group meets at the West Linn Public Library (Bamboo Room).

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

Non-Fiction Books
2nd Monday at 10:00 a.m.

Date: December 12
Book: *The Spiral Staircase: My Climb Out of Depression* by K. Armstrong, or any book in holiday spirit
Leader: Jackie Magner
Location: Cortona Room at Nicoletta's Table
For more information, contact Eleanor Kurtus at Eleanor@livingbluesky.com or (503) 699-4139

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.

Dates: December 12
Location: Home of Betty Barber
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: [NO DECEMBER MEETING]
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: January 17
Location: Five Spice (315 First Street, Suite 201, Lake Oswego, OR 97035). Menu viewable online. 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.

Thank You!

by Karen Rottink

Thank you to all LO AAUW members who contributed time and money to make the Flower Bulb Scholarship Fundraiser a success! Your efforts resulted in a donation of \$807 to the branch scholarship fund. There were also some additional direct donations to the scholarship fund. This is wonderful!

A special thanks to Pat Squire for being supportive of the fundraiser as well as helping sort and package bulb orders, to Marty Maharg and the interest group leaders for their help in distributing bulb brochures, to Dixie Kroupa for collecting orders and monies, to Cackie Kyle for creating a spreadsheet and tracking all orders and monies, and to Margaret Bowman Ricks for reviewing the financial data and depositing the monies at the bank.

“If you want to touch the past, touch a rock.
If you want to touch the present, touch a flower.
If you want to touch the future, touch a life.”



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