

Lake Oswego Branch Officers

2014-15

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Photo: Meg Langford

African American Women in Oregon History

Saturday, January 10

9:30 a.m. — Business Meeting

10:00 a.m. — Program

Oswego Heritage House

“A” Avenue and 10th St., Lake Oswego

Our January meeting will feature a presentation by Meg Langford entitled, “‘To Labor is a Pleasure:’ African American Women as Historians, Activists, and Community Keepers in the Verdell A. Burdine and Otto G. Rutherford Collection.” Meg is a summa cum laude history graduate of Portland State University. She has experience with archives as a researcher and library professional. In 2012, as part of a team working with Dr. Patricia Schechter of Portland State University, she co-curated the exhibit, “Say We Are Here: Selections from the Verdell A. Burdine and Otto G. Rutherford Family Collection.” Subsequently, in her work as a staff member at PSU Library’s Special Collections & University Archives, Meg has worked extensively with community collections such as the Rutherford Collection, with a special focus on the role of women in political and community organizations in Oregon.

In January Meg will be taking on a new role as the first Public Services Coordinator for Oregon Health Sciences University Library’s Historical Collections & Archives Department. At the meeting, she will share historical materials relating to African American women in Oregon history and community life from Portland State University’s Rutherford Collection.



Hale & Hearty

by Judy Hale, President

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year! This year, the Lake Oswego AAUW branch is celebrating 40 years! Our branch started in 1975 and we are still going strong. We have added several new members this year, our fundraisers have helped us continue to donate \$1,000 to National AAUW and to give a Marylhurst student a \$1000 scholarship. We continue to have informative, mission-based programs throughout the year. Here's to another 40 years!

We had a great party (the Holiday Gala) in December. It was our first fundraiser of the year and it went well. Penny Hansen opened her beautiful home to us. The Christmas spirit was evident in the decorations and the beautiful tables set for the guests. There were more people attending this year than last -- our total was 30 guests. We enjoyed appetizers, a great ham dinner with salads, potatoes and more, plus desserts. We are very lucky to have a member like Penny. We thank her and all of the people who contributed food for the event. In addition, we had six people who generously donated to this fundraiser, but who were not able to attend. The event raised more than \$600.

We have two more fundraisers planned: a book sale and our big event -- the friendship tea. Watch for

information about our future events and begin to gather your books for the book sale.

This month, at the board meeting, we will put together a nominating committee to choose our new officers for next year. If you have input or suggestions please talk convey them to a board member.

Photos from the Holiday Gala



Around table starting on left: Terry Hyland, Margaret and Ted Ricks, Shirley Ward, Georgina Fox, Betty Hittle, Betty Barber.



"Men of AAUW" - husbands of members from left: Dave Hansen, Larry Hittle, Howard Willis, Ken Hornung.

It's Wednesday and I Get to Go to School!

by Annie Arkebauer

[Each newsletter contains an article about a member's volunteer experience. If you would like to share your own experience, please write it up and send it to the editor.]

I started school at four and a half years old in England. I stopped going to school in 2007. That's because when I wasn't a student, I was a teacher, reading specialist, counselor coordinator, instructor and supervisor of student teachers, and an elementary school principal for 20 years in the Evergreen School District.

Going to school was my life!! In 2007 I gave up school to take care of my granddaughters and visited and read stories to them when they were in pre-school. But that was not enough!

For the past three years I have been volunteering at their elementary school in Tualatin. Sara is now in second grade and Carlie, at five, has started kindergarten. I go every Wednesday and read stories, work with children on their reading skills, and do whatever else the teachers want me to do. Then I have lunch with both girls. The children all call me "Nana."

I wake up every Wednesday ready to go! I love going to school as a volunteer and am glad I don't have to be in charge. I get to watch my granddaughters thrive and grow. I love being a part of a school again.

When I am not at school, I work at Reruns, help at the Saturday Market, help with the Lake Run, walk with friends, and belong to book clubs and other organizations like AAUW that help raise money for students. It's all about education -- the most important thing to help students get ahead and be successful. I'm blessed.

Branch-Marylhurst University Partnership Renewed

Marylhurst University has renewed its university partnership with our branch through AAUW

National. Carol Cooper is the branch member who coordinates this partnership.

Letter from Scholarship Recipient

[This letter, dated July 22, 2014, was delayed in reaching our branch.]

Dear Ladies of the Lake Oswego AAUW Branch, I would like to thank you for the grant that you have awarded to me for the 2014/2015 school year. Your support, generosity, and words of wisdom have been uplifting and encouraging to me over the past school year. Thank you for including me in every luncheon, AAUW meeting, and fundraiser that you had this past year. It meant a lot for me to be included and to get to know each of you ladies better.

I am excited to report that I have finished my courses at Marylhurst University and have one year of school left to finish my student teaching. When I graduate, I will not only have my elementary education teaching license (grades 3-5), but will also have my Master's in Education, Reading Endorsement, and Middle School authorization. I am excited to have all of these tools and skills to bring back to the children and their families in my home town of Tillamook, Oregon. Teaching is truly a rewarding and fulfilling career, and I thank you for helping me to fulfill my dream of becoming an elementary school teacher.

Please continue to include me in all of your events and meetings this upcoming year. I would love to stay active with the Lake Oswego branch and to give you updates on my journey toward becoming a teacher.

Sincerely,
Deah Christensen-Carney

Books, Books, Got Any Books?

At our February branch meeting, we will hold a book sale. Please bring your book donations to the January meeting or contact Susan Hornung, susanhornung@hotmail.com, or Stephanie Carter, secarter1@gmail.com about donating books.

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

*Interest Group Activities***Tuesday Morning Books
4th Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.**

Date: January 27

Book: *44 Scotland St.* by Alexander McCall Smith

Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego

Leader: Colleen Gekler

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: January 14

Books: *In the Bleak Midwinter* by Julia Spencer-Fleming

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

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

Date: January 15

Book: *Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner

Leader: Carol Cooper

Hostess: Bettirae Willis

For more information, contact Laura Eyer, (503) 982-3522, eyerfamily@wbcable.net or Linda Watkins, (503) 694-2334, l.and.m.watkins@gmail.com

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

Date: January 22

Book: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr

Hostess: Stephanie Carter

For more information, contact Sandra Hoover,
(503) 635-0952, sandraleehoover@comcast.net or Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641, smkaveckis@centurytel.net**Friday Books
4th Friday at 10:00 a.m.**

Date: January 23

Book: *The Divide* by Matt Taibbi

Location: West Linn Public Library, Bamboo Room

Leader: Garlene Logan

For more information, contact Irene Romero,
(503) 657-6159, ireneromero@mac.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**Laffalot Bridge
2nd & 4th Mondays at 1:00 p.m.**

Date: January 12 & 26

If you would like to be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact Bettirae Willis,
(503) 891-6232 (cell), bewillis@easystreet.net**Second Thursday Bridge
2nd Thursday at 1:00 p.m.**

Date: January 9

If you would like to be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact Penny Hansen,
(971) 221-7765 (cell), pennyhansen@comcast.net**Eat Ethnic
3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.**

Date: No meeting in January

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

**Delightful Dining
Date Varies**

Date: February 21 at 6:00 p.m.

Location: Home of Penny Hansen

Join us for a marvelous Moroccan meal. Delightful Dining is the group where members share the cooking and the costs. For reservations or more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com

**Exploring the Northwest
Date Varies**

Date: Next event will be in February, date and place to be determined. For more information, contact Sue Kingzett, (503) 706-8184 (cell), sezett@msn.com

January 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7 Board Meeting	8 Second Thursday Bridge (former Third Wednesday)	9	10 Branch Meeting
11	12 Laffalot Bridge	13	14 Murder by the Book	15 Interpretive Books	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Thursday Evening Books	23 Fourth Friday Books	24
25	26 Laffalot Bridge	27 Tuesday Morning Books	28	29	30	31

Laffalot Needs Bridge Players

The Laffalot Bridge group meets on the second and fourth Mondays. The group needs a to add one regular member and identify willing substitutes. Please contact Bettirae Willis, (503) 891-6232 (cell), bewillis@easystreet.net, if you are interested.

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.

Photos from Downton Abbey Delightful Dining Experience

On December 6, members of the Delightful Dining interest group enjoyed a Downton Abbey themed multi course meal at the home of Martha Schrader.



Left to right: Jane Taft, Diana Gough, Joan Waldron, Betty Hittle (in background), Susan Hornung.



Left to right: Martha Schrader, Betty Barber, Anne Redman.



Left to right: Penny Hansen and Diana Gough.



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