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*Members Tour Marylhurst*



From left: Sister Carol, Barbara McDonald, Sue Kingzett, Karen Rottink, Melody Rose, Irene Romero and Rod Johnson.

On May 13, our Exploring the Northwest group went on an hour-long historic tour of Marylhurst, guided by Sister Carol and accompanied by President Melody Rose and her chief of staff Rod Johnson.

Marylhurst officially started as a college in 1893, but its beginnings go back to the first brave nuns who traveled from the east and started a school for girls in the 1850s. As the need for higher education for girls grew, the sisters expanded to grow a college, and the first class graduated in 1896. As the college grew, the nuns became smart businesswomen and bought much of the current property in 1929.

Marylhurst celebrated 40 years as a national leader in assessing experiential learning for college credit April 21, 2016. It will celebrate its 125th anniversary as an educational institution in 2018.

Marylhurst renewed its status as a college/university partner with our branch in 2015.



From left: Barbara Buckley, Penny Hansen, Pat Squire

### *Squire's Scribblings*

by Pat Squire, President

Getting to know you . . .

The Friendship Tea and Luncheon was a perfect ending to a wonderful year for AAUW Lake Oswego. I'm sure many of you remember the old Brownie song . . . "Make new friends, but keep the old. One is silver and the other gold."?

Friendship is always a top-rated attribute of our AAUW branch, and I can see that this year is no different. As we chatted with each other at the tea, we saw many new and old connections. Two women sat together who had been to the same high school and college at about the same time, and hadn't made the connection before. Others bonded over things in common (I won't mention all of them), but it is always great to see that connection sink in and become a way to get to know someone better. I've made so many new friends in our branch over the past few years, I can't imagine my life without them now.

Last year I went to a major high school reunion (all right, yes, it was the 50th). With some people it seemed like we weren't separated by all those

years, but we had just seen each other in Spanish class a few years ago. Yet others I didn't recognize at all. Once I knew who they were, there was the old connection. And quite a few I'm still in pretty good contact with, so I know what they're doing today. It's interesting that the conversations are different now - not at all about what you've been doing for a career or your accomplishments, but more about families, thinking, and yes, the inevitable health issues. That's OK too, it's about your life.

Welcome all you new members, and I hope you "golds" get to meet the new "silvers" soon. So many opportunities for friendships! I'll enjoy seeing many of you over the summer at various groups, and then again in the fall for our September branch meeting. Enjoy the summer!

-- Pat



Getting to know you (from left): Barbara McDonald with new members Gerri Gorney and Mary Pat Silveira, and Donna Needham.

### *Win Free National Membership*

AAUW national dues represents \$49 of your membership fee. Our branch is eligible to receive 5 free national memberships. Send in the renewal of your membership no later than June 15 to be entered into a drawing for one of the free national memberships. If you win, the national part of your payment will be refunded.

## *Memories from May Tea & "Thank You" from Penny*

Once again our branch's major fundraiser, the Tea/Luncheon held on May 21, was a wonderful success. As I observed the smiles, the hum of multiple conversations, introductions to several new members and the consumption of delicious appetizers, breads, salads, desserts and tea, it appeared to me that a good time was had by all.

The ambiance and food did not happen in a vacuum. The weeks of planning and final presentation of our Tea were due to the efforts and support of many of our members. By their setting the scene, providing such tasty food and attending the event, our scholarship fund grew by \$650. Several women also supported our goal by donating to the scholarship fund.

At this time I would like to thank each of the following members for their contributions to the Tea: Annie Arkebauer, Barbara Buckley, Stephanie Carter, Carol Cooper, Pat Filip, Judy Hale, Penny Hansen, Betty Hittle, Susan Hornung, Suzanne Kaveckis, Ann Keddie, Marty Maharg, Barbara McDonald, Donna Needham, Anne Redman, Lynn



Carol Cooper serves as our liaison with Marylhurst University and has been assisting with branch membership duties.

Rothert, Karen Rottink, Pat Squire, Jane Taft and Joan Waldron. We were so fortunate to have had your energy and support on this major undertaking. THANK YOU!



From left: Nancy Niland, Colleen Gekler, Annie Arkebauer, and Deanna Tonks enjoy the tea and lunch.



From left: Robi Ingram-Rich, Martha Schraeder, Esther Halvorson-Hill, Barbara Buckley and Lynn Rothert.



From left: Sandra Hoover and Suzanne Kaveckis



Karen Rottink with her nieces Raquel and Kira Pihlstrom who accompanied Karen for a third year.



From left: Marty Maharg and Julie McDevitt, a new member.



Judy Hale found some time to socialize while serving tea.

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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 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

#### *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

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

Date: June 28  
 Book: *Dead Wake* by Erik Larsen  
 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: June 8  
 Book: *Critical Mass* by Sarah Paretsky  
 Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400, Lake Oswego  
 Leader: Penny Hansen  
 Book Selection: June 18 at 9:30 a.m.  
 Location: Home of Cackie Kyle  
 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: June 16  
 Book: *Euphoria* by Lily King  
 Leader: Connie Irwin  
 Hostess: Anne Keddie  
 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 7:30 p.m.**

Date: June 23  
 Book: *An Unnecessary Woman* by Rabih Alameddine  
 Introduction & Hostess: Stephanie Carter  
 For more information, contact Sandra Hoover, (503) 707-2984, sandraleehoover@comcast.net or Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641, smkaveckis@icloud.com

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

Book: *A Fighting Chance* by Elizabeth Warren  
 Date: June 24  
 Location: West Linn Public Library (Bamboo Room)  
 Leader: Ann Meyer  
 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: June 13  
 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: June 15  
 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: June 21  
 Location: Riccardo's on 16035 Boones Ferry Rd., Lake Oswego  
 All are welcome to this new lunch group. A bright sunny day is guaranteed for us to enjoy lunch on the patio. Separate checks will be available. Car pooling is strongly suggested as the parking lot can be crowded. Parking is also available in the adjacent Wells Fargo bank lot.

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.

# June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Board Meeting	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Murder by the Book	9	10	11 Delightful Dining
12	13 Laffalot Bridge	14	15 Third Wednesday Bridge	16 Interpretive Books	17	18
19	20	21 Lunch Bunch	22	23 Thursday Evening Books	24 Friday Books	25
26	27	28 Fourth Tuesday Books	29	30		

***AAUW'S Mission***

Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, 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.



### Delightful Dining Date Varies

Date: June 11 at 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy Lebanese cuisine at the home of Stephanie Carter.

Delightful Dining is the group where members share the cooking and the costs. For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com.

### *Member Profile*

by Barbara McDonald

Welcome back, Victoria vonTagen!

Viki was a member a few years ago. Her friends in the Interpretive Book Group missed her and urged her to rejoin.



She married and, like many women, put her husband through college, raised three children, and moved around the United States -- North Carolina, Texas, California, etc. -- due to her husband's career in the Marines.

She and her husband finally settled on five acres in Wilsonville, where she has created the most beautiful garden imaginable.

Viki worked as a school librarian where she, "made the children's work fun." Later, she found time to realize one of her dreams: She attended Marylhurst University, where she earned a five year Bachelor of Fine Arts in their Interior Design Program. She then worked as an interior design consultant and taught classes. Then came work with her true love -- flowers. She specialized in weddings, a job that came with a lot of pressure. No more. She has retired.

She now maintains her beautiful gardens, is a Master Gardener, belongs to the Hardy Plant Society Study Group and Garden Club, and Wilsonville Garden Club. As I can attest, as part of the Wilsonville Garden Club, Viki has created breathtaking flower arrangements.

### *LO Historic Home Tour*

Nancy Niland, new branch member and new Executive Director of Oswego Heritage Council asked for volunteers for the Lake Oswego Historic House Tour. Members Donna Needham, Pat Squire, and Jane Taft responded and spent the afternoon of Saturday, May 14, working as docents at the Strong-Channing and Bowdoin homes, helping to guide visitors.

Each May the Oswego Heritage Council showcases historic homes in the Lake Oswego area that have been preserved and minimally modified from the intention with which they were built. Homes chosen are over 50 years old.

The home tour is one of the Council's primary fundraisers.



From left: Nancy Niland with Jane Taft, Donna Needham and Pat Squire.

## *Donation Provides Fundraising Opportunity*

At the tea, we earned \$59 from the sale of jewelry donated to our branch by Ruby Nagelkerke, a chemistry professor at Centralia College in Washington.

There is a large quantity of this costume jewelry that is of the type that teens might wear. If you have an idea about how we might best sell the jewelry, please speak with Stephanie Carter at (971) 285-5882 or email her at [secarter1@gmail.com](mailto:secarter1@gmail.com).



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