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September 2013

Senator Richard Devlin

Representative Chris Garrett

# AAUW Town Hall

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Saturday, September 14

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

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

Members of the branch and the general public are invited to attend the AAUW Town Hall with Senator Richard Devlin and Representative Chris Garrett.

Senator Devlin is the Senate Co-Chair of the Joint Ways and Means Committee. He represents District 19 which includes Lake Oswego, Tualatin, SW Portland, West Linn and additional communities.

Representative Garrett is the House Judiciary Vice Chair and was elected as Speaker Pro-Tempore of the House in 2013. He represents House District 38 which includes Lake Oswego and a portion of SW Portland.

Please bring your questions regarding legislative and policy issues to the AAUW Town Hall. Pat Squire will act as moderator. All questions are welcome.



2013-14 Board Members -- Well, some of them anyway.

Left to right: Karen Rottink, JoAnn Siebe, Jane Taft, Judy Hale, Pat Squire, Anne Redman, Lynn Rothert, Penny Hansen

# Hale & Hearty

Judy Hale, President

Dear AAUW Members,

This is my first column as your new president. I have changed the name of the column both because my last name is Hale and because it honors the condition of our Lake Oswego Branch; it is indeed "hale and hearty." Our immediate past presidents, Penny and Stephanie worked hard updating bylaws, getting our directory on-line and making our Lake Oswego branch part of the National website.

We are a healthy active branch with over 75 members and we should celebrate this. Let's recognize that we belong to a wonderful group of women who accomplish important things and have lots of fun doing it.

Wouldn't it be great if we greeted the approaching monthly meeting with the same anticipation as we do our book group or bridge group? Wait until you see the programs that our new program chair, Pat Squire, has planned — you will not want to miss any of them. Each year we give \$1,000 to AAUW National to support programs and a \$1,000 scholarship to a Marylhurst student. We have planned events throughout the year to support these two important programs. This year our national leaders (and the IRS) have reminded us that we need to separate these fund donations.

There will be a donation form included in the newsletter each month that our members can use to donate to local scholarship and to AAUW funds.

When we have an event, like the holiday gala, or collectible show or tea, and you are not able to attend, think about still donating to one of these funds because that is the purpose of the event.

So three things:

- 1. Celebrate our AAUW branch;
- 2. Come to the monthly meetings; and
- 3. Support our scholarships.

Those are the things I want to emphasize this year. There are going to be some exciting things happening: we have a Washington/Oregon convention coming in the spring, some great events planned, fantastic programs. I am so glad that you are going to be a part of it.

# Great News! You Can Still Give the Perfect Gift for College Grads

JoAnn Siebe, Membership VP

If you're still wondering what to give the college grad in your life, AAUW has you covered. As a benefit of your AAUW membership, you can give recent college graduates a free, one-year AAUW membership within two years of graduation at no cost to you or to them.

Here are three reasons why this would make a great graduation present for your family member, student, or mentee:

### First: It's good for your grad.

An AAUW membership can be pricey for a recent graduate — especially since research shows that so many of these students are graduating to a pay gap. But this is the moment in life when graduates need the type of support and networking opportunities that an AAUW membership can afford them. Your grad will have access to career development opportunities, community action projects, and AAUW publications.

### Second: It's good for you.

The Give a Grad a Gift program is completely free, available to you year-round, and there's no limit to how many memberships you can give. Also, you get the satisfaction of giving your grad all of the benefits of being connected to the AAUW community.

### Third: It's good for AAUW.

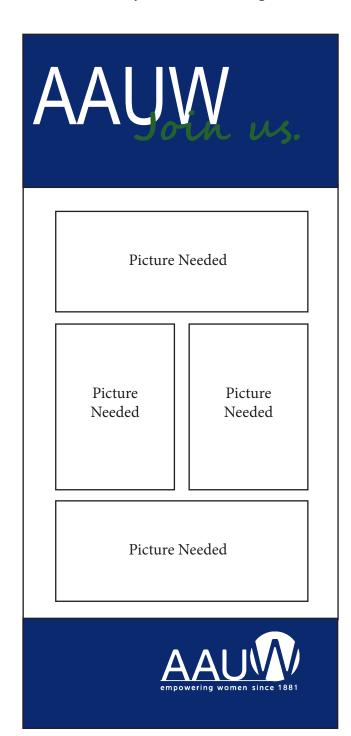
AAUW benefits from your gift as much as your graduate does — our current members get the opportunity to learn from recent graduates' experiences, expertise, and insight. Also, these new members help advance AAUW's work for education and equity for women and girls.

Give the graduate in your life the gift of AAUW membership today.

Just complete the online form at: https://svc. aauw.org/join/gradgift\_wp.cfml.

# New Membership Brochure

We are revising the AAUW Lake Oswego marketing brochure. The front cover is reproduced below. Do you see what is missing? Photos of our branch in action. If you have photos that may be suitable for the cover (e.g., teas, meetings, galas, group activities), please email them to Stephanie Carter, secarter1@gmail.com or, if they are not yet in digital format, send a copy to Stephanie at 11895 SW 95th Ave., Tigard, OR 97223. The photo will be returned to you after scanning.



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## 2014 LO AAUW Donation Form

Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP DONATION:	
\$ Donation Amount – Write check to Lake Oswego AAUW THIS DONATION IS NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE	
NATIONAL AAUW FUNDS DONATION:	
\$ Donation Amount – Write check to <i>AAUW Funds</i> ALL NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE FULLY TAX DEDUCTIBLE	
Gifts of \$25 or more 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	
Giving unrestricted gifts to AAUW FUNDS (#9110) provides support where need can choose a specific fund:	ded mo

- [] #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

### Send this form and check to: LO AAUW, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, Oregon 97036

## 2-Minute Activist

Jane Taft, Secretary

Do you support many of AAUW's policy positions? Do you often think you should write to your senators or representative to express your views on these topics? And then, when you need to gather thoughts, paper, envelopes and stamps, do you decide you are just too busy and put it off until later?

If that is the case, then you are just the person for whom the 2-Minute Activist was designed.

When you subscribe to AAUW's 2-Minute Activist, you will receive an email reminder whenever Congress is considering legislation that relates to AAUW's public policy topics.

A click on the link brings you to a form for sending an email. On first use, you enter your name and address, and the program selects your senators and representative. The screen displays a topic and some suggested text for the body of an email. The main part of the text can be edited as you wish, and you are encouraged to do so, since it's been found that personalized messages have more clout.

Once you click the send button, your work is done. Copies of the sent emails will soon appear in your in-box.

As a 2-minute activist, you not only have an easy way to voice your concerns with your congressmen but also help to achieve AAUW of Oregon's goal to have 15% of members be activists by the end of this year.

### 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.

# Oregon Women's Suffrage History

AAUW is part of the Oregon Women's History Consortium that has created the Century of Action website (http://centuryofaction.org/) to celebrate 100 years of suffrage in Oregon.

In 1912, women's suffrage was put on the Oregon ballot for the sixth time and it finally passed. The vote was 61,265 (52%) for and 57,104 against.

This represented a major shift from two years earlier when only 37% (of the male voters) voted to grant women suffrage.

However, it was not until 1914 that the first woman, Marian B. Towne, was elected to the Oregon House of Representatives. Towne was a Democrat representing Jackson County.

On January 12, 1920, both houses of the Oregon legislature adopted House Joint Resolution 1, introduced by Representative Sylvia Thompson, making Oregon the twenty-fifth state to ratify the Nineteenth Amendment.

# Movie Group on Hiatus

Stephanie Carter, Movie Group Chair

Due to the demands of my job, it has become increasingly difficult for me to consistently be available on the second Tuesday of the month to facilitate the movie group.

Last spring I put out a call for a member to step forward and either co-chair the movie group with me or take over as chair.

Having received no response, and in consideration of the decreased attendance, the decision has been made to put the movie group on haitus for this year.

# Walking Group?

If you are interested in participating in a walking group, contact Penny Hansen, (503) 636-7255, pennyhansen@comcast.net.

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# Upcoming Branch Meetings

You will not want to miss the tremendous speakers Pat Squire has scheduled for our branch meetings. Please come and invite your friends and neighbors to hear:

October 12: "Where you will get your daily news in 2014 and why." A panel with Therese Bottomly, *The Oregonian*; Morgan Holm, OPB; Michael Huntsberger, Linfield College.

November 9: Presentation by Diana Abu-Jaber, author *Crescent*.

Here is a list of the books Diana Abu-Jaber has written if you would like to get a head start reading her memoir or one of her other awardwinning books:

Birds of Paradise, 2011 Origin, 2007 Language of Baklava, a Memoir, 2005 Crescent, 2003 Arabian Jazz, 2003

# Interest Group Activities

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

Date: September 24 Book: *Round House* by Louise Erdrich Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego Leader: Pat Filip 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: September 11

Book: *Maisie Dobbs* by Jacqueline Winspear Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 400 Conf Rm, 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: September 19 Book: *Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Strout Hostess: Connie Irwin Leader: Ann Keddie 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 4th Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Date: September 26 Book: An Unquenchable Thirst by Mary Johnson Hostess: Vicki Clark 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: September 27 Book: *My Beloved World* by Sonia Sotomayor Location: Market of Choice, Conf Rm, West Linn Leader: Annie Arkebauer 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. There are six shows on the Main Stage and three in the Studio. Main Stage performances will begin with the musical "Fiddler on the Roof". Others will be Shakespeare's "Othello," a comedy called, "Chinglish," and a twist on the Christmas Carol titled "Twist Your Dickens." For more information, contact Betty Barber,

(503) 675-0594, barberbc@yahoo.com

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Board Meeting	5	6	7
8	9 Laffalot Bridge	10	11 Murder by the Book	12	13	14 General Meeting
15	16	17 Eat Ethnic	18	19 Interpretive Books	20	21 Delightful Dining
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### Exploring the Northwest Date and Time Vary

For more information, contact Susan Kingzett, (503) 706-8184, sezett@msn.com

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

Date: September 9 & 23

Two table bridge group using Chicago scoring. Substitutes are always needed due to the love of travel and family visits of the regular players. If you would like to be added to the substitute list, contact: Susan Hornung, (503) 635-4893, susanhornung@hotmail.com

# Fourth Wednesday Bridge 4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Date: September 25 For more information, contact Betty Hittle, (503) 636-7034, blhittle@comcast.net

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

Date: September 17 Location: To be announced Hostess: Jane Taft Spouses and guests are welcome. For more information, contact Susan Hornung, (503) 635-4893, susanhornung@hotmail.com

### Delightful Dining Date and Time Vary

Date: September 21, 6:00 p.m. We will gather at the home of Betty and Larry Hittle to enjoy a Swiss meal. Spouses and guests are welcome. Please make a reservation with Judy Hale, (503) 850-4433, hale2362@comcast.net. For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 742-1653, taft.jane@gmail.com



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