

Lake Oswego

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AAUW Mission Statement

The American Association of University Women advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

In principal and in practice AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization or on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national, origin or disability.



September **Branch Meeting** Saturday

September 8, 2012

10:00AM

Oswego Heritage House "A" Ave and 10th Street Lake Oswego

Featured Speaker Joseph Alfonso, Certified Financial Planner for Aegis Financial Advisory

Founder and principal financial planner for Aegis Financial Advisory Joseph Alfonso received a B.A. in Philosophy from Cornell University. Joseph has appeared in publications such as The Wall Street Journal, The Chicago Tribune, Smart Money and US News and World Report. His firm's approaches to investing were featured in The Wall Street Journal Online.

Joseph applies a comprehensive and client-centered approach in crafting solutions that are technically sophisticated and reflect a firm understanding of client's key life concerns. Joe strives to develop client relationships that are long-term and extend beyond the development of the initial plan. His goal is to become your "personal CFO" and to be there through all of life's transitions, both expected and not, thereby making you truly a "client for life."

October Branch Meeting-October 13, 2012



September President's Buzz

From Penny Hansen

Gardening: the act of planning, weeding, planting and pruning. Yes, I have been caught up in the pleasure and chores of being a gardener. It is amazing how time slips away and the mind drifts onto many topics. And gardening is a series of tasks in which I can see instant results. With our rainy, sunny weather the results can be spectacular and quite satisfying. Color me green.

Amidst my ruminations, I have felt myself sliding into our new AAUW year 2012 – 2013 as this summer slips away. There is always a gathering surge of energy at this time. Your board and appointees have met and the wheels of creativity are turning. A varied and interesting program schedule has been planned by our two Program Vice Presidents, Rosario Cabral and a new member, Ginny McNees. We all work to create a wide variety of

activities to interest all women who have varied interests and talents. There is certainly a place, probably several places, in which you will feel comfortable and welcome. I encourage you to check out two or three different items. Try something new this year. Do you want to start a new interest group? It is possible.

Let's add to our Lake Oswego Branch membership. Let's encourage friends, daughters, friends of friends—anyone whom you think would enjoy and benefit from our activities, to JOIN. Please make it a priority of yours to invite at least one other person to become a member. Our first branch meeting is on the second Saturday of the month, September 8. It would be a pleasure to see you. Bring some new faces so that we can welcome and encourage them to become members. For us to remain vibrant as an organization and to continue our scholarship support along with addressing concerns that relate to women, we need an active group of women who have fun and are willing to give back to the community.

If we work together at increasing and developing our branch membership, it will be possible to see growth and instant results in enthusiasm and ingenuity. Expanding our role in the local community would be possible. There are many ideas. We would like to harness your energy, your support and your involvement. Let us see your smiling faces. REMEMBER: Bring a friend – or two! Your encouragement will be appreciated.

Let's have a wonderful year.

Thank you for joining us.

Editor's Note: The Branch is looking for fundraising ideas. Should we chip in a few dollars and send Penny to Vegas?

Mildred Bennett

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Members of the Branch were sadden to learn of the unexpected death of Mildred "Milly" Bennett on June 15, 2012. Milly transferred her AAUW membership to the Lake Oswego Branch in 1992, having been a member of AAUW for many years. Milly was born on January 16, 1921, in Tientsin, China on an US Army Compound where her father was stationed as an Army physician. Growing up she resided in China, New York, Washington, D.C.; Atlanta, Honolulu and El Paso. She earned an undergraduate degree from Oberlin College, Ohio and a master's degree from the University of Michigan.

At Oberlin College, she met H. Stanley Bennett, MD and they married in 1943 in Pennsylvania. They resided in Germany post WWII, Rochester, MN, and Cleveland prior to settling in Grosse Ile MI, where they lived from 1953 to 1986. During this time, Stanley was a founder of the Associated Physicians in Taylor, MI, and they raised three children, James, David, and Barbara. Upon Stan's retirement, he became a Peace Corps staff doctor for Togo, Benin, and Ghana. They lived in Africa for three years, returned to the States, and settled in Lake Oswego, OR in 1988. For the last eleven years, Milly resided at Mary's Woods. Stanley predeceased her in 2008.

Milly enjoyed a rich life that involved raising her children, international travel, and the pursuit of intellectual activities such as art, music, and world politics. She was an avid reader who enjoyed reading books and several newspapers daily. She especially appreciated the intellectual stimulation of our Branch's Book and Bridge groups and valued the friends she made through these activities.

During the week of her death, Milly was out and about going on errands in her 'Ultimate Driving Machine'. She was an independent lady. She attended her treasured Book Group. Milly's daughter shared that over the years there many 'long distant' discussions about the books, plots and characters from the books the group was reading. Stanley Bennett was a founding member of the Health Care Committee at Mary's Woods. After his death, Milly continued on the committee and attended the meeting the day before she died. Those of us who knew Milly respected her quiet dignified manner, recognized her many talents and intellectual capability. As a friend, Villa Girl, bridge player, Branch member, book group participant and neighbor she will be remember and missed.



AAUW FUNDS

Each year, AAUW Lake Oswego branch tries to dedicate one meeting to giving members information about AAUW funds, it is usually the October meeting. AAUW is honoring women suffrage this year and Lake Oswego branch has a women suffrage program planned for November, that is the month we will also provide information about AAUW funds. It makes sense to combine those two events. Our members donate to AAUW to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. The right for women to vote is the very core of that equity. If you have any questions about donating to AAUW funds please call or email me: Judy Hale, 503-850-4433, hale2362@comcast.net.

2012 AAUW Funds Donation Form

"The Heart of AAUW"

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do. (Edward Everett Hale)

Name
Address
City, State Zip
Gift Amount \$
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 needed most. But you car choose a specific fund:
[] #9110 General Foundation Support-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 that are 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

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE FULLY TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Gifts of \$175 confer membership in the Oregon Century Club Plus

Send this form and check payable to **AAUW Funds** to:

Judy Hale

1608 6th Avenue

West Linn, OR, 97068

Branch Interest Groups September 2012

Tuesday Morning Books 4th Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.

September 25 at 11:30 a.m.

Szechuan Kitchen, 15450 Boones Ferry, LO

Leader: Dixie Kroupa

Book: Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks For more information about this group, contact

Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

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

September 20 -: 9:30 a.m. Hostess: -Ann Keddie Leader: Donna Saffer Book: Caleb's Crossing

Information contact Carol Zinsli - 593-674-6181

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

September 27: 7:30 p.m. Hostess: Susan Hornung Introduction: janetaft@aol.com

Book: The Marriage Bureau for Rich People

by Farahad Zama

For more information, contact co-chairs Sandra Hoover, 503-635-0952, or Suzanne Kaveckis,

503-678-1641.

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

September 28th

Book Drift: The Unmooring of American Military Power by Rachel Maddow

Hostess TBA

New members are most welcome to join this book group that meets on the fourth Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Call Irene Romero, 503-657-6159, if you would like more information.

Movie Group

Meets the 2nd Tuesday. Times vary
On September 11th the movie group will meet to see a movie. At the September Branch Meeting the location and For directions and/or information contact: Stephanie movie information will be announced. Contact Stephanie Carter at 971-285-5882 or secarter1@gmail.com for infor- janetaft@aol.com mation.

Portland Center Stage

For more information, please call Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or barberbc@yahoo.com

Laffalot Bridge 2nd & 4th Mondays

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

For more information, or if you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Susan Hornung, 503-635-4893, susanhornung@hotmail.com.

Fourth Wednesday Bridge

4th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

Call Betty Hittle, 503-636-7034 for more information about this bridge group which meets at 1:00 p.m. on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

Eat Ethnic

3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

September 18 - We will be meeting for an Italian dinner at Bastas Trattoria, 21st & Gilsen, Portland. Spouses and friends are welcome to join us each month for a variety of ethnic foods adventures. Please contact Susan Hornung, with RSVP, for more information or to be put on the email list at 503-635-4893 or susanhornung@hotmail.com.

Delightful Dining

Dates & times vary

A Thai dinner will be on October 20th, at the home of Penny and Dave Hanson. To be added to the mailing list for this group, where participants share the cooking and the costs, please contact Jane Taft, ianetaft@aol.com.

"Murder By the Book" Group ... New

Are you a mystery lover? Do you chill out with dark Scandinavian thrillers or curl up with cozies? Enjoy discussions of mysteries with other AAUW members at the new mystery book interest group. The group will meet monthly for BYOL lunch and conversation at Stephanie Carter's Office, at 4004 Kruse Way Place, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, across Daniel Way from the West End building. The first session will be Wednesday, September 12th at noon. The book selected, with introduction by Sue Kingzett, is "Murder at La Fenice" by Donna Leon. Carter —secarter1@gmail.com. or Jane Taft:

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L O Branch Activities

Book Groups::

4th Thursday 7:30PM -S.Hoover, S. Kave 4th Friday 10:00AM - I. Romano, M, Ryan 3rd Thursday 9:30AM-C. Zinsli, L. Wathi 2nd Wednesday Noon S.Carter, J. Taft 4th Tuesday 11am - D. Kroupa

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Bridge Groups

10:00am Meeting Branch

Meeting 7:00 PM

Board

4th Wednesday 1:00 PM - B. Hittle 2nd & 4th Mon. 1PM - S. Hornung

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Contact -S. Kingzett, S. Ward **Exploring the Northwest**

Portland Center Stage

Contact- B. Barber

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Lake Oswego Branch Words



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Public Information: Joan Waldron

503-344-4679

<u> Alerts:</u>

<u>September Board Meeting</u> is scheduled for 7 PM, Wednesday, September 5th at Penny Hansen's home.

Branch Directories will be distributed at the September 8th Branch Meeting.

Special Interest Group leaders are asked to pick up those directories for members of their group who did not attend the September meeting.



Notes from the Editor:

As editor I want to thank all who met the deadline for the September Newsletter. You made my job much easier. Please send items for the October Newsletter to: twh2oeagle@comcast.net by the September 10th deadline.

As I began my job of editor, I re-read past issues of the Newsletter. I was impressed by the talent and creativity of those who worked on the publications. There are many talented Branch members. Maybe I can encourage you to use the Newsletter to voice opinions, and/or share creative writing pieces.

The Branch members may not know that Molly Divine received recognition from the State AAUW Leadership Group for her editorial expertise. Such recognition is also a credit to the effort of the Branch officers. We should be proud of the accomplishments of all who work to make our Branch what it is.



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