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# Lake Oswego Branch Officers 2015-16

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### Advocacy Work on Behalf of Women's Health in Oregon

Saturday, September 12

9:00 a.m. — Social Time 9:30 a.m. — Recognition and Installation of Officers, Awards 10:15 a.m. — Program

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

Alicia Temple, Policy Director of Planned Parenthood Advocates of Oregon ("PPAO"), will be the featured speaker at our first meeting of the year. Ms. Temple's presentation will start at 10:15, after the installation of this year's new branch officers, which starts at 9:30. State officers Penny Hoodenpyle, Joyce Zook, and Claudia Gray will be attending the meeting.

Ms. Temple will talk about the electoral and legislative advocacy work being done on behalf of women's health in Oregon and will address national efforts to eliminate women's reproductive freedoms and health care rights and how to combat those efforts.

PPAO is an independent, non-partisan, not-for-profit organization formed as the statewide political voice for Planned Parenthood's two affiliates in Oregon and for women's health care. PPAO defends the Planned Parenthood mission by advocating for public policy that will enhance and protect women's health; by building support and accountability among our elected officials in Oregon; and by engaging and motivating the public. Con't. on page 2.



Pat Squire embraces Scandinavia on one of her trips abroad.

### President's Message

by Pat Squire, President

What is the most important thing to you about AAUW? Is it the friendships? The interest groups? The mission? Knowing that we're helping women and girls achieve their greatest potential? All of the above? These were questions that a group of us discussed at a summer planning session in June (see photo at right).

Whatever your response is to that question, we are working on things for this year that we think you'll enjoy. We plan to continue many of the things that we all love: our active book and other varied interest groups; opportunities for making new friends; supporting scholarships, fellowships and funds for AAUW programs; and fun events like our Tea and Book Sale. Along the way, we will need your help, so we hope you'll respond when we ask for volunteers. As with most organizations, a few people do much of the work, and we would like to spread that around so that more of you can be engaged where you want to be.

Our September 12 program will feature a dynamic young woman, Alicia Temple, who is the public policy director for Planned Parenthood Advocates of Oregon. She will talk with us about advocacy actions that make a difference for women's health, and some upcoming issues that will be affecting women! Our program will also include something we postponed from last spring, the induction of our new officers by our State AAUW co-presidents,

Penny Hoodenpyle and Joyce Zook. They are excited to be visiting our branch and to meet or get reacquainted with many of you. We will have another important state guest: Claudia Gray, representing the Legacy Circle, who will make a surprise award! So we hope you'll join us S eptember 12 for our first meeting of the year.

I hope your summer has been relaxing and replenishing. It was a busy summer for our board members. We look forward to communicating more with you about upcoming activities.



Thank you for your confidence in electing me as president, and I am looking forward to getting to know you better in the next few years. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at pfsquire@gmail.com.

September Program, continued from page 1.

Ms. Temple, a native of the Pacific Northwest, grew up in Portland and studied Sociology and Women's Studies at Seattle Pacific University. After graduating she moved to Vietnam to serve as the Communications Officer for a non-profit organization focused on improving rural school attendance and disaster mitigation. When she returned to Oregon, she campaigned for a local school bond before joining the PPAO team as a Field Organizer in 2011. She is especially proud of her role in defeating a "personhood" amendment in Mississippi, helping to close a 31-point gap in just 10 days, and her role as a Global Youth Ambassador with Planned Parenthood Global to further connect her interests in global health and community advocacy.

### Meet Margaret Bowman Ricks

by Karen Rottink

Margaret Bowman Ricks has devoted her life to her family and education of children. She is married to Ted and they have a son in Indianapolis, a son in Dublin, Ireland, and a daughter in California. The family has moved many times over the years, so

Margaret has learned to get involved quickly in a new community.

True to form, Margaret jumped into our branch's activities feet first when she volunteered to be the new Program Vice President. She is busily planning the programs for upcoming year.

After being granted a Bachelor of Science from Purdue University, Margaret began her career in education. She headed a school in Boston before moving to Palo Alto, California, where she became a substitute Head of School for private schools.

Subsequently, she started a for-profit private school there. Parents of children enrolled in the for-profit private school urged her to start a non-profit private school. The parents made loans and donations to the new Children's International School to fund its startup costs. Attendance was twelve students. Now the Kindergarten through grade eight school has 240 students, most of them from international families residing in Silicon Valley.

To accommodate the families' schedules, the school is open every day of the year except legal holidays and weekends. The learning model is individualized and each year the curriculum focuses on two continents. For example, all educational activities are focused on the Americas for a year in a three year cycle. Cultural learning is emphasized. Japanese and Spanish are taught beginning in Kindergarten. Mandarin Chinese is in the process of being added to the curriculum.

In 2003 the school, now called the Bowman International School, was renamed in Margaret's honor after she secured property and a new school

building in the very limited real estate market in Palo Alto. This was a huge achievement!

Over the years, Margaret has served on fifteen boards of non-profit organizations, often as president. This year she was heavily involved with raising \$1.2 million for a non-profit. That was \$200,000 more than the original \$1 million goal!



Margaret with Pat Squire and Judy Hale at the Convention.

Margaret and Ted divide their time between their home in Lake Oswego and a river-side cabin near Ethel, Washington.

Please introduce yourselves to Margaret when you see her at our September meeting. Welcome her and offer to assist her in any aspect of program planning with which you might like to be involved such as planning a specific program for one of our regular meetings. She has a big responsibility and we are fortunate to have her on our Board.



Margaret, Anne Redman, Barbara McDonald and Pat Squire meet as small group at June strategic planning meeting.

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#### September 2015

#### Interest Group Activities

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

Date: September 22

Book: The Wright Brothers by David McCullough

Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego

Leader: Deanna Tonks

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 9

Books: *Evidence of Murder* by Lisa Black Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 200, Lake

Oswego

Leader: Lynn Rothert

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 17

Book: Angle of Repose by Wallace Stegner

Leader: Diana Gough Hostess: Laura Eyer

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: September 24

Book: The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George

Introductio: Robi Ingram-Rich Hostess: Susan Hornung

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: September 25

Book: Astoria by Peter Stark

Location: West Linn Public Library (Bamboo Room)

Leader: Annie Arkebauer

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: September 14 & 28

If you would like to join or be added to the substitute listor for more information, contact Bettirae Willis, (503) 891-6232 (cell), bewillis@ easystreet.net

# Second Thursday Bridge 2nd Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Date: September 16

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

### Delightful Dining Date Varies

Date: October 31 at 6:00 p.m.

Loction: Home of Susan and Ken Hornung Join us for festive fall feast. 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

### Exploring the Northwest Date Varies

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

# September 2015

| Sunday | Monday                   | Tuesday                    | Wednesday                     | Thursday                           | Friday                | Saturday                |  |  |
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#### 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.

### Book Group Lists

As editor, I get to pick and choose what goes into the newsletter. I thought all of you might share my curiosity to see what the book groups you do not attend are reading.

#### Murder By the Book

- In a Dry Season by Peter Robinson
- Junkyard Dogs by Craig Johnson
- Evidence of Murder by Lisa Black
- Dreaming of the Bones by Deborah Crombie
- Suspect by Robert Crais
- Slow Dollar by Margaret Maron
- The Gyrth Chalice Mystery apa Look to the Lady by Margery Allingham
- The Ritual Bath by Faith Kellerman
- Faithful Place by Tana French
- ◆ The Rope by Nevada Barr
- The Rest is Silence by James R. Benn
- Critical Mass by Sarah Paretsky



Pat Squire, Lynn Rothert and Barbara McDonald narrow down their mystery selections.



Mystery group members: Stephanie Carter, Barbara McDonald, Cackie Kyle, Pat Squire, Penny Hansen, Anne Redman, Jane Taft and Karen Rottink

#### **Interpretive Books**

- Angle of Repose by Wallace Stegner
- Being Mortal by Atul Gawande
- The Anthologist by Nicholas Baker
- The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion
- Great Books Selections from Counterparts "The Little Mermaid" by Hans Christian Andersen
   and "Pangs of Love" by Jane Gardam
- Italian Shoes by Henning Mankell
- Longbourne by Jo Baker
- Our Souls at Night by Kent Haruf
- Great Books Selections from Counterparts "Facing West from California's Shores" by Walt
   Whitman and "Golden West" by Daniel Fuchs
- Euphoria by Lily King
- Someone by Alice McDermott

#### **Fourth Tuesday Books**

- The Wright Brothers by David McCullough
- Being Mortal by Atul Gawande
- Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler
- The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
- The Secret Keeper by Kate Atkinson
- The Road to Character by David Brooks
- On Gold Mountain by Lisa See
- Water's Edge by Sara Gruen
- Dead Wake by Erik Larsen

#### Friday Books

- Astoria by Peter Stark
- The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
- Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin
- The Quartet by Joseph J. Ellis
- The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
- Dead Wake by Erik Larsen
- Hard Choices by Hilary Rodham Clinton
- Redeployment by Phil Klay
- Longbourne by Jo Baker

#### **Thursday Evening Books**

- The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George
- A Backpack, A Bear and Eight Crates of Vodka by Lev Golinkin
- Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline
- Oregon Trail: A New American Journey by Rinker Buck
- Flower Net by Lisa See
- The Pearl That Broke Its Shell by Nadia Hashimi
- Life From Scratch by Sasha Martin
- Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin
- Unnecessary Woman by Rabih Alameddine
- The Paying Guests by Sarah Waters



Suzanne Kaveckis, Sandra Hoover and Judy Hale enjoy lunch at the Thursday Evening Books luncheon.



Vicki Clark, Robi Ingram-Rich, and Barbara McDonald eat beside the beautiful pond created by Barbara's husband.

#### Lake Oswego Farmera' Market Booth

by JoAnn Siebe, Membership VP

On August 22 our branch staffed a booth at the Lake Oswego Farmers' Market. We offered information about AAUW and invitations to our September meeting to the 46 women who stopped at our booth. Thanks to the knowledge and skill of our volunteers, six women were so interested in learning more about AAUW that they plan to join us at our September meeting. They also requested we follow up with them about membership. Watch for new visitors at our September meeting and be sure to offer them a warm welcome.

Many thanks to our members who volunteered their time to make this a successful, fun event. The energetic, welcoming members who staffed our booth from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m made our success possible.

Many thanks to Annie Arkebauer, Carol Cooper, Robi Ingram-Rich, Sue Kingzett, Barbara McDonald, Anne Redman, Margaret Bowman Ricks and Karen Rottink for their efforts. Penny Hansen and her husband Dave volunteered their time and their truck to drop our materials off and pick them up. We couldn't have done this without you!

Based on our success this year, we plan to apply for a booth next August, too!



Barbara McDonald and Carol Cooper staffing the booth.

### Exploring the Northwest Enjoys Tryon Creek Park and Art Show

by Karen Rottink

On August 21, 2015, members of the Exploring the Northwest interest group met for an interpretive nature walk guided by Bruce Rottink, Ph.D. Dr. Rottink is an interpretive guide at the park. His wit, wisdom and depth of knowledge about the forest was very entertaining and informative.

After the walk, the group went to the Lake Oswego library to view exhibition of paintings selected as winners at the Watercolor Society of Oregon spring exhibition of members' paintings held at its Spring Convention. Branch member Sue Kingzett's Zydeco painting was one of the displayed winners. It is very whimsical and uses water color and ink to convey the festive feeling. Sue is a wonderful artist!

Later, the group met for lunch and social time at Manzana Restaurant. It was a lovely day full of fun, learning and socializing. If you would like to



join Adventures Northwest in future outings, please contact Sue Kingzett at sezett@msn.com.



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