

## **AAUW Branch Meeting**

**Saturday, February 9, 2013**

**Heritage House**

**Ave. A and 10<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Lake Oswego**

**Business Meeting: 9:30 AM**

**Program: 10:00 AM**

## **Lake Oswego Reads**

**“Running the Rife”**

**Speaker - Tyler Russ**

Russ is a young man from Canby, Oregon, and is a graduate of Portland State University. He has spearheaded the Rwanda Guitar Workshop in partnership with the Peace Corps to introduce music into the lives of Rwandan children and adolescents. The project promotes collaboration and bonds through creativity and musical outlet. He has received a warm welcome in Rwanda. Hear him speak on his experience and the future of this wonderful program.

The program at the Heritage House is open to the public.

See page 10 for a brief history of Rwanda.

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See the announcement about the “Bring and Buy” book sales

after the February 9<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup>

Branch Meetings on page 4.



## The President's BUZZ



**Penny Hansen**

Welcome to the New Year of 2013. It is on with the New Year and out with the old. That suits me just fine. Personally, for me, the 2012 year ended with some challenges, daunting at first, but with solutions and visions of long term improvements. That sounds like life, doesn't it? We live hopefully, trustingly and give it our full attention. We give life its full measure and move on, moving with the ebb and flow of reality and time.

Our local branch of AAUW is still bringing interesting programs to you at our second Saturday branch meetings. Today we were made aware of the non-profit REACH program in Portland. It provides apartments and houses or duplexes for the homeless. Their newest building is in the South Waterfront development and is open for tours. What a blessing this is for so many families. It is the perfect example of what can be accomplished when we, the community, work together. It makes one

want to run right out and volunteer in some capacity.

At this time we are looking to the future. Jane Taft, Judy Hale and Carol Cooper make up the nominating committee to select our new officers. The positions that are open are President, Program Vice President and Secretary. If you would like to help lead our branch in one of these positions or would like to suggest someone for a position, please contact one of the nominating committee members. Being on the board is truly a great team-building experience.

Later in this newsletter you will find some upcoming events highlighted with detailed information regarding them. The first of our **Lunch and Learn** workshops will be on Sunday, February 3 from 1:00 – 3:30 PM. Judy Hale will help you create a wonderful scarf.

Our February 9 branch meeting is a chance for you to bring books to donate to our book sale. Bring them to the meeting early so you can browse and buy, too. The community is invited to this meeting. Our speaker is a former Peace Corps worker and he will relate his experiences from Africa with a musical insight. Jewelry will also be available to buy. Think **FUND RAISER** and bring many books to donate.

Other fund raising ideas will be revealed as they are confirmed. We have a long ways to go to meet our budget goals for this year. We will keep you posted. Please give us a helping hand whenever possible

Penny Hansen  
Co-President

**Join the fun to make a sweetheart  
of a scarf!**



Do you have anyone in your world who would like a pretty Valentine scarf? Judy Hale's granddaughter, Victoria, loves hers.

AAUW will be holding a "Scarf making workshop" on Sunday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00-3:30 PM at Penny's house: 1491 Skye Parkway, West Linn.

Judy Hale will be instructing participants how to make a frilly, lacey scarf (very easy to do) that you can probably complete by the end of the workshop).

You will need to bring 1 skein of Red Heart "Sashay" yarn or similar (you can find yarn at Michaels or JoAnn Fabrics), and a pair of #9 straight knitting needles. There will be some yarn available for purchase at \$4.00, but you should try to purchase your yarn at the store to be able to select the color.

It should be a fun, productive afternoon, and the money will go to our scholarship fund. What could be better than fun, food, friends and leaving with a beautiful present you made for someone special!

The workshop cost will be \$20.00 and it will include dessert. To sign up: Call Judy at 503-850-4433 or e-mail her at [hale2362@comcast.net](mailto:hale2362@comcast.net).

**THE PORTLAND METRO  
INTERBRANCH COUNCIL**

Were you aware that our AAUW State Conference is at the Oregon coast at Garibaldi In April? How about that AAUW is joining with The League of Women Voters for a "Legislative Day" in Salem on January 17<sup>th</sup> for lunch and a tour of the State Capital? Would it interest you to know what kinds of intriguing speakers and programs other branches are offering at their Branch Meetings? All of this and much more are topics for discussion when the Interbranch Council meets on alternate months to bring news of their respective branches, to track news pertinent to members like you, from National AAUW and to exchange ideas on topics such as membership recruitment/retention and fund raising. The IBC representative then brings this information to their own AAUW Board Meetings.

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If this sounds like something you might have an interest in, please let one of our co-presidents know. It is an appointed position and one that gives back tremendously for the effort invested.

Suzanne Kaveckis  
AAUW Lake Oswego IBC Representative

**Announcing the "Bring and Buy"  
Book Sales after the  
February 9<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup>,  
Branch Meetings at the  
Heritage House**

Hold onto those books you were thinking of giving away! One of our fundraisers this year is a "Bring and Buy" book sale. Please bring your extra books (and any you may gather from family and friends) to the February 9<sup>th</sup> and March 9<sup>th</sup> branch meeting at the Heritage House. During the meeting, my helpers and I will set up a book sale in the second room. After the meeting, you are invited to browse the selections and make purchases. Invite your friends to the meeting! The proceeds from the sale will go to fund the scholarship.

One of the past difficulties with holding a book sale was the necessity of storing and hauling the books to and from the sale site. These book sales events do not have those complications. Each member brings books to donate. Members and friends buy many books. The few books that are not sold will be hauled away and donated by volunteers.

Stephanie Carter  
Co-President



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Suzanne Kaveckis  
AAUW LO-IBC Representative

## **MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER**

Dear Fellow AAUW Members,

The board would like to present to you our 2012-2013 Budget. Please take some time to review the income and expense numbers. One notable thing you will see is that projected income is expected to fall far short of expenses.

Over the last few years we have seen a significant fall off in our fund raising activities. This year the Holiday Gala was only sparsely attended. The proceeds dropped from \$365.00 to \$190.00. In past years this has been as much as \$600.00 to \$800.00. Our expenses have increased as they have everywhere. For example at the last Annual Luncheon we were charged \$100.00 more in additional room fees over what it had been two years previously. We do recognize that these have been bad economic years for many people and that it is inevitable that this will impact our fund raising efforts.

We would like to maintain our two biggest commitments of a \$1,000.00 scholarship and a \$1,000.00 donation to the AAUW funds but these will have to be reduced if we cannot do better.

Your board has been working hard to come up with new ideas for fund raising such as the Collectibles show and the Accessories and Jewelry Trunk Shows that we had last year. A great deal of the work and volunteer efforts have been falling on the same people again and again.

We can only appeal to you our members. We need your full participation. We need your ideas for additional fund raising activities that will bring in more outside people so the fund raising burden can be spread outside our membership. We need your enthusiasm and your effort. We need you to remember the primary goals of AAUW to help women everywhere to achieve their educational goals and secure their full social and economic rights.

Sincerely,

Anne Redman  
Financial VP

# LO AAUW Budget 2012-2013

Reference Actual  
Amount 2011-2012  
Last Year

Proposed Budget 2012-2013

## Estimated Operational Income:

### Membership Dues

Branch Dues : Est. 70 @ \$17 & \$17 Student

Subtotal Estimated Dues

1190

### Special Events

Annual luncheon: \$22 x 31 members (32 last year)

441

450

Holiday Gala (30 @ \$15) (29 last year)

380

400

Tea & Talent: Tea @ \$15 ea. & Talent

1383.5

1300

Collectables Show

450

450

Other Fundraising Events

### Other Income

Misc. Contributions

0

CD & Checking Interest (left out CD = 4004.05)

23.42

5

## Total Estimated Income

3795

## Estimated Operational Expenses:

### State/Nat'l Convention & Training

638.4

650

### Rent and facilities use

Heritage House: \$65 x 7

455

455

### Awards and Grants

Speaker's \$ Gifts: \$25 each (6 meetings)

100

150

AAUW Funds (EF, LAF, etc.)

1000

1000

Scholarship

1000

1000

Recognition Gifts

0

100

### Printing:

Newsletter: \$5 x 9 months

55

55

Directory: To type & Print (100 copies)

120.12

65

AAUW Brochure (500 copies)

0

65

Other Printing

0

0

### Postage & Handling

84.32

130

Other rents and fees - PO Box

86

### Events Expenses

Annual Luncheon

583

590

Holiday Gala

65

100

Tea & Talent: Tea

0

50

Collectables Show

67

75

Other Fundraising Events

New Members' Event

0

### Supplies- Office

50

### Supplies - Hospitality

21.45

60

### Insurance

150

160

Annual Projects

0

0

Helping Hands

50

Interbranch Council

7

7

Interest Groups

0

Public Policy

0

Publicity

25

## Total Estimated Expenses




4346

4923

Income - Expenses (estimated balance)

-1128.00

# February 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 
3 Make a Scarf	4	5	6 Board Meeting Marylhurst Library 7pm	7	8	9 Branch Meeting 9:30am
10	11 Laffalot Bridge	12 Movies	13 Murder by The Book	14 	15	16
17	18 	19 Eat Ethnic	20	21 Book Group	22 Book Group	23
24	25 Laffalot Bridge	26 Book Group	27	28 Book Group		

# Special Interest Groups February 2013

## **Murder by the Book**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays at Noon.**

**February 13<sup>th</sup>**

Bring your own lunch

S. Carter's Office, Suite 400,

4949 Meadows Road, LO

Introduction: Stephanie Carter

Book: *Site Unseen* by Dana Cameron

RSVP Jane Taft. [Taft.jane@gmail.com](mailto:Taft.jane@gmail.com)

## **Tuesday Morning Books**

**4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.**

**February 26<sup>th</sup>,**

Szechuan Kitchen,

15450 Boones Ferry, LO

Leader: Pat Squire

Book: *Lake Dreams* by Kim Edwards

For more information about this group,  
contact Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

## **Interpretive Books**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday.**

**February 21<sup>th</sup>**

Hostess Linda Hall

Leader: Candace Newland-Holly

Book: *Land of Invisible Women*

Contact Carol Zinsli - 593-674-6181

## **Thursday Evening Books**

**4<sup>th</sup> Thursday**

**February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**

Hostess & introduction: Judy Hale

Book: *If You Lived Here I'd Know Your Name*, by Heather Lende

For more information, contact co-chairs  
Sandra Hoover, 503-635-0952, or  
Suzanne Kaveckis, 503-678-1641.

## **Delightful Dining**

**a Mardi Gras Celebration**

For details, contact Jane Taft.

[taft.jane@gmail.com](mailto:taft.jane@gmail.com) – 503-742-1653.

Participants share cooking and costs

## **Friday Books**

**4<sup>th</sup> Friday - at 10:00 a.m.**

**February 22<sup>th</sup>**

Book - *The Warmth of Other Suns: Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson. Call Irene Romero, 503-657-6159, for information.

## **Movie Group**

**Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday.**

**February 12<sup>th</sup> - Times vary**

Call Jane Taft for details. 503-742-1653

Contact: S. Carter at 971-285-5882.

## **Portland Center Stage**

For more information, call Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or [barberbc@yahoo.com](mailto:barberbc@yahoo.com)

## **Laffalot Bridge**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays**

**February 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

**This two table group meets twice a month.** Contact: S. Hornung, 503-635-4893, [susanhornung@hotmail.com](mailto:susanhornung@hotmail.com).

## **Fourth Wednesday Bridge**

**4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.**

**February 27<sup>th</sup>**

Call Betty Hittle, 503-636-7034 for information. This bridge group meets at 1:00 p.m., on 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.

## **Eat Ethnic**

**Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month**

**February 19 at 6:30 pm**

El Jefe at 16360 Boones Ferry, LO

For details, directions and reservations  
call Susan Hornung 503-635-4893

This is a casual dinner group.

Spouses and friends are welcome!

# Lake Oswego Branch Words

## **L O Branch Officers** 2012-2013

### **Co-Presidents:**

Stephanie Carter:

971-285-5882

Penny Hansen:

503-636-7255

### **Vice-Pres. - Program:**

Rosario Cabral:

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### **Vice-Pres. - Membership:**

Judy Hale: 503-850-4433

### **Secretary:**

Jane Taft: 503-742-1653

### **Vice-Pres. - Treasurer:**

Anne Redman:

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Immediate Past Pres.:

MaryJo Radosevich

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## **L O Appointed Officers**

### **AAUW Funds:**

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### **Web-Site Coordinator:** TBA

### **Historian:** TBA

## **The Next Branch Meeting will be on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

In cooperation with the month long series of presentations of the **Lake Oswego Reads** program, our February speaker, Tyler Russ, will speak about his Peace Corps experiences in Rwanda.

The twenty-eight **Lake Oswego Reads** special programs and festivities, offered throughout the month of February, are related to this year's book selection "**Running the Rift**" Attend an event even if you have not read the book.

The February meeting would be a good opportunity for you to introduce friends to the Branch and its activities. The program is open to the public and a large turn-out is expected.

### **The Flag of Rwanda**



## **Editor's Notes:**

*The 2012 AAUW Member Survey was sent out from Washington a while ago. Take a few minutes to fill it out as; this is your opportunity to have your views and opinions heard. Surveys are due April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Surveys can be submitted by mail or on-line at [www.aauw.org/member/survey2012](http://www.aauw.org/member/survey2012).*

*Penny in her "Buzz" message mentioned that "Being on the board is truly a great team-building experience". I would like to add that serving on the Board, one comes to appreciate the effort needed to make the Branch function effectively. Contributing to that effort is rewarding and sometimes a challenging activity. Consider what talents you have and how they may be put to use to further the aims and goals of the Branch. Terry Hyland, Editor*

## Brief History of Rwanda

Geographically dominated by mountain ranges, the Republic of Rwanda is predominantly rural, and its population relatively young; additionally, its population density is one of the highest in Africa. Humans began inhabiting the region between 8000 BC - 3000BC, and had structured themselves into various clans (Hutu, Tutsi, and Twa) by the 15th century.

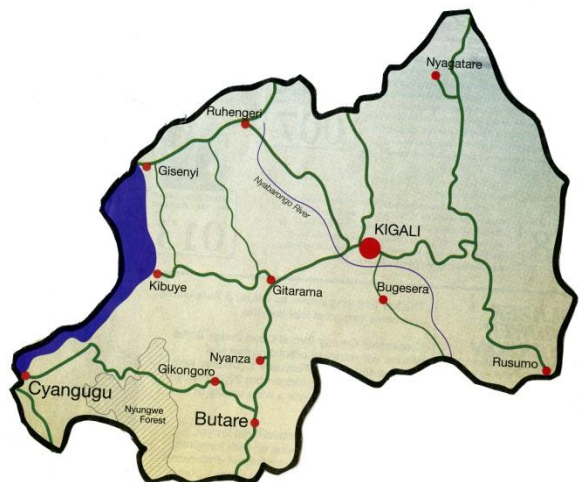
The Tutsi Nyiginya clan grew to be the more dominant, and during the 19th century, under the reign of King Kigeli Rwabugiri, reached its greatest expansion. The territory of Rwanda was assigned to Germany as part of German East Africa in 1884. Under German ruling, the existing hierarchy remained intact, and power was delegated to the local chiefs. A more direct form of ruling came during World War I when Belgian forces introduced a more centralized power structure. During this time frame Belgium also improved educational, health, and agricultural endeavors.

In 1959, three years before independence from Belgium, the majority ethnic group, the Hutus, overthrew the ruling Tutsi king. Over the next several years, thousands of Tutsis were killed, and some 150,000 driven into exile in neighboring countries. The children of these exiles later formed a rebel group known as the Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF), and began a civil war in 1990. The war, along with numerous other political upheavals, exacerbated ethnic tensions, culminating in April 1994 in the

genocide of roughly 800,000 Tutsis and moderate Hutus. The Tutsi rebels defeated the Hutu regime and ended the killing in July 1994, but approximately 2 million Hutu refugees - many fearing Tutsi retribution - fled to neighboring Burundi, Tanzania, Uganda, and the former Zaire.

Since then, most of the refugees have returned to Rwanda, but several thousand remain in neighboring Democratic Republic of the Congo. Paul Kagame became President of Rwanda in March 2000. In August of 2003, he won a landslide victory in the first national elections since his government took power in 1994.

The country has made a remarkable recovery under the leadership of Kagame, and is now considered to be a model for developing countries. Rwanda has achieved stability, international integration and economic growth. The average income over the past ten years has tripled. The current government is one of the most efficient and honest in Africa. It is also regarded as the safest country in East and Central Africa.



Republic of Rwanda

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of University Women*

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