

Lake Oswego

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2013 Annual AAUW Lake Oswego Branch Luncheon Held May 18, 2013, at Allium Restaurant, West Linn, Oregon



Installation of 2013-2014 Branch Officers by Claudia Gray, Oregon State AAUW Funds Chair. (left to right) Anne Redman, JoAnn Siebe, Judy Hale, Jane Taft, Pat Squire and Claudia Gray.





Penny Hansen, 2011-2013 Co-president, presents AAUW citations to Judy Hale, Funds Chair, for LO AAUW Branch donations to National AAUW Funds and Advocacy Funds totaling \$3546.

Stephanie's President's Buzz

I must admit that, after two years of serving as co-President, it is a relief to change my title to Past President. I was blessed to serve with Penny Hansen, a positive, generous, caring, and capable person. I couldn't have done the job alone. If one of us missed something, the other caught it.

One of the greatest responsibilities of the President is working with the Board to develop a fundraising plan. This responsibility is becoming harder and harder to fulfill. The Presidents of other branches have expressed this same concern. I would, once again, like to encourage all of our members to take an active role in helping the branch to achieve its fundraising goals: as a volunteer, as a presenter, as an attendee, by inviting others to attend fundraising events, by hosting events, etc. It often felt like the Board and a handful of the same members were the only people active in fundraising.

The reality is that our branch cannot continue to provide a \$1,000 to AAUW Funds and \$1,000 to the Marylhurst scholarship unless we find more effective ways to raise funds. Enough said.

The best part of serving as co-President was the opportunity it gave me to become better acquainted with the Board and other members. Yes, I was already actively involved in several interest groups, but attending a monthly interest group is different from working together to achieve a common goal – identifying annual goals, developing a plan to meet those goals, working through problems, planning to grow our branch membership, and event planning.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve the Lake Oswego Branch.

Stephanie Carter

Penny's President's Buzz

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 along to 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. This beautiful sunny spring has filled the garden with beautiful flowers and bright

Spring greens. However, there is a certain amount of tyranny involved in maintaining a yard. Sometimes the work outweighs the pleasure, but there is a visual payoff. It is worth the effort!

At this same time, my role as one of your Lake Oswego Branch co-presidents is coming to a close. How grateful I am to have been a part of the board. There are so many bright, articulate, considerate, hard-

Penny's Buzz (continued)

working and fun women with whom I have enjoyed planning our activities. How pleased I am to have gotten to know some of you so much better. There is nothing better than problem solving together to develop friendships. Stephanie and I found it rewarding to split and share the tasks. Along with everyone around me, Stephanie has been my "ears" at times. Thank you all for having the patience to be my interpreter. It is a blessing to have Jane Taft's minutes to refer to in order to pick up the gaps in my hearing.

As we transition to a new year with new officers Judy Hale as our President, Pat Squire as our Program VP and Joann Siebe as our Membership VP and along with many other returning officers, it is exciting to be a part of the continuation of our Lake Oswego Branch of AAUW. It is the interest groups

that tend to hold our attention the most, but through our branch meetings, we can continue to learn more about the resources around us. Through our fund raising efforts, we have fun and provide a scholarship for a woman attending Marylhurst University. We also support our AAUW Funds and Legal Advocacy Fund. It is vital that we be active and supportive of women in education and the business world.

I want to thank each of you for your good wishes and support during these last two years. Please consider volunteering for a position in the future. My mother used to tell me, "You get out of life what you put into it." Let's carry that idea into helping our branch be more vibrant. Give us your ideas and pitch in. You will like it.

Penny Hansen

May 22, 2013

Dear LO AAUW Friends,

It is with great happiness that I received the silver, past president's pin/pendant from all of you. Thank you very much. I have admired the pin and what it represents whenever I have seen it worn by others, particularly Jane Taft. It is an artistic reminder of my role for the past two years as a co-president with Stephonie Carter. It has been a rewarding experience and I am thankful for it.

Friendships have grown and I have enjoyed our many projects, which have helped in getting to know many of you better. Now that I am a past president, it does not mean that I will fade from the picture. It is important to me that we all work to continue to support our Marylhurst University scholarship and the AAUW Funds and Legal Advocacy with our donations.

Judy Hale will be a wonderful president. I look forward to supporting her and adding to the collegiality of our branch. It will be another opportunity to volunteer and add to the resources of our branch.

It goes without saying, "I'll be seeing you." And thank you for your support and encouragement during the last two years.

Warmly,

Penny Hansen

Congratulations to LO AAUW Branch 2013 Award Honorees

Stephanie Carter Branch Named Gift Honoree



Stephanie Carter

We are pleased to announce that this year the funds raised for our national scholarships and research projects are given in honor of Stephanie Carter. Besides being our copresident for the past two years and chairing our movie group for many more, Stephanie launched our newest group, Murder by the

Book. She has been untiring in her support of all the branch activities making IPod docking stations and launching our book sales.

Stephanie enjoys travel and has taken students on trips overseas (brave woman) as well as lived in France herself when the exchange rate was more favorable for buying good chocolates. She is fearless in taking on any remodeling project in the house including plumbing, tile work, painting, hanging doors and cabinets. Her yard also benefits from her high energy and future plans. However, these activities sometimes are waylaid by her intense love of reading.

Always learning, Stephanie has four degrees and several prior careers including library director. Her latest degree is a J.D. from Willamette University and she currently works for a local firm specializing in elder law. They keep her too busy to do much traveling, but she returns to her

family in Washington every month. Stephanie's religion is important to her



Susan Hornung presented Stephanie with her award.

and you can see manifested in her unfailing kindness to others. Congratulations to Stephanie as our Named Gift Honoree.

Daeh Christensen-Carney National & Branch Scholarship Winner

Daeh Christensen-Carney, currently a graduate student at Marylhurst University, is one of the 2013 National Education Fund award recipients, receiving a Career Development Grant, which offers "encouragement" funding to AAUW members seeking to renew or resume academic work for credit toward career or employment advancement. Funds are available for tuition, fees, books, supplies, local transportation, and dependent care. Grants provide support for course work beyond a bachelor's degree, including a Master's degree, second bachelor's degree, certification program, or special-



Daeh with Carol Cooper

ized training in technical or professional fields. Daeh will be using this award to help her complete a Masters in Teaching in the field of Elementary Education.

Daeh spoke to the luncheon guests about her experiences growing up in a rural-agricultural region of Oregon as a girl and young woman in the maledominated dairy cattle industry. She also described her community work experiences in the area of addiction rehabilitation.

Her career goal is to provide positive opportunities for younger girls to acquire greater self-confidence, to pursue goals that will enable them to achieve greater self-esteem and to provide them with more opportunities for success. She explained that while there are some emerging programs for junior and senior high school girls there aren't any for elementary school children.

Daeh is an articulate, caring, and motivated scholar who was also awarded this year's LOAAUW annual Marylhurst University scholarship to assist her in her educational and professional pursuit. She was very grateful for our support and encouragement.

What is your favorite part of AAUW? Why are you a member of AAUW?

- Is it the fact that we are part of a national association and as a member; we are supporting projects that help women throughout the country?
- Is it the fact that we give a local scholarship to a returning student at Marylhurst University each year?
- Is it our informative monthly meetings at the Heritage House?

I would guess that even though all of these things are important, your favorite part might be the great variety of interest groups that our Branch offers: Dining groups, Book groups, Bridge groups, Symphony/Theater group, traveling the Northwest group, Movie going group.

These are many of the ways to be involved.



We have been lucky to have Sue Kingzett as our Interest Group Coordinator: She makes sure everyone who participates in a Branch interest group is a member of AAUW, she keeps an accurate list of members participating in each group. She assists the Interest Group leaders as needed and she welcomes new members by facilitating getting them in touch with the Interest Group of their choice.

But, Sue is retiring from this position. We thank her for the great job she has done and now we are looking for a new Interest Group Coordinator. If this position sounds interesting to you and/or you have questions about the position, please contact Judy Hale (503-80-4433) or Sue Kingzett 503-656-5970.

Judy Hale







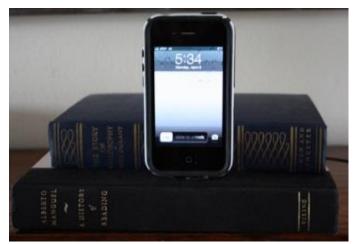






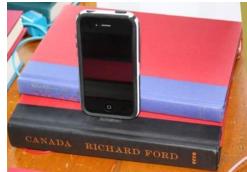
Docking Stations for iPhones - iPod's

Stephanie Carter is making innovative docking stations that will help you simplify your gadget-filled life. The docking charging stand, created from books, will be the go to location for charging the phone. You will not have to ever wonder where the charging connection cord is ever again. Best of all, the docking station will be an eye-catching decorative item. Not only will the station be convenient to use it will be a reminder of that favorite book that you want to remember. Stephanie is donating her talent and time and the funds generated from this project will be applied to the LOAAUW Branch scholarship fund.



Stephanie's first attempt at a docking station. It went more smoothly than she expected, although she needed to get a new blade for the box cutter knife.

A docking station using the 4th Friday Group May book selection *Canada*. Stephanie's next project will be a docking station with an iPhone connector and one for her Google Tablet.



You too, can have your own unique docking station. Contact Stephanie, secarter1@gmail.com or (971) 285-5882 to place your special order. Several options are available:

Option 1: The books and connectors are supplied. A station with 2-3 books with one iPhone or iPad connector costs \$20.

Option 2: Purchaser supplies the books, the one iPhone or iPad connector is supplied, costs \$15.00.

Option 3: Purchaser supplies both the books and one connector costs \$12.00.

Option 4: Purchaser supplies both the books and two connectors for a cost of \$16.00.

Lake Oswego AAUW Branch Words

LO Branch Officers 2013-2014

President:

Judy Hale: 503-850-4433

Vice-Pres. - Program:

Pat Squire: 503-636-5910

Vice-Pres. - Membership:

JoAnn Siebe: 503-635-5910 cc: 503-608-2444

Secretary:

Iane Taft: 503-742-1653

Vice-Pres. - Treasurer:

Anne Redman: 503-684-1210

Immediate Past Presidents:

Stephanie Carter: 971-285-5882 Penny Hansen: 503-636-7255

LO Branch Appointed Officers - 2013-2014

AAUW Funds: TBA

Hospitality:

Sandra Hoover: 503-635-0952

Interbranch Council:

Suzanne Kaveckis: 503-678-1641

Interest Groups Coordinator
TBA

Newsletter Editor:

Stephanie Carter: 971-285-5882

Public Policy Coordinator

Robi Ingram-Rich: 503-699-9425

University Liaison:

Carol Cooper: 503-336-0503

Web-Site Coordinator:

Stephanie Carter: 971-285-5882

Editor's Notes

I can't think of better words to use to describe my position as this year's editor of the Branch newsletter as the AAUW phrase "empowering women...." With each completed newsletter, I felt empowered; I had resolved the newsletter issues for that month. When I accepted the year's assignment, little did realize what I would need to know, to execute, format and produce each page. I have learned many new skills and the experience has been a good one.

No newsletter is the work of one person. Over the months, many of you have submitted announcements, pictures, and text that have filled the pages and your contributions have been the pillars of each edition. Special notes of appreciation are for my ghost technical support advisor and proofreaders.

I value the opportunity of having been on the Board, whether with membership or newsletter duties. I appreciate the welcome and admire the talent and dedication of the women who work to support and further the Branch's activities. It was my good fortune to plan and work with these Board members.

Terry Hyland

Attention: Members of the 2012-2013

and 2013-2014 LO AAUW Branch Boards

<u>Save the date: June 12, 2013</u> at 5PM, for the joint Boards planning session at Summerlinn, 400 Springtree Lane, West Linn. Dinner will be catered by Baja Fresh.

Details and information will be sent via email and phone.

Renew your AAUW memberships NOW! Fill out the accompanying form, found on the next page. Mail it soon!

JULY I, 2013 is the deadline for all Branch membership rosters and checks to be submitted to State and National. The LO AAUW directory goes to press early in August.

AAUW Lake Oswego Branch

Membership Application and Dues Statement 2013-2014 Mail to: AAUW of Lake Oswego, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, OR 97036

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June 2013



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September Branch Board Meeting....Date and location TBA
September Branch Meeting....September 14, 2013...Heritage House....9:30AM

Special Interest Group Activities for June, July and August 2013

Murder by the Book

2nd Wednesday at Noon.

June 12th

Book: *The Drop* by Michael Connelly Introduction: Barbara McDonald.

Bring your own lunch. Meet at noon. Stephanie Carter's Office, Suite 400 4949 Meadows Road, L.O.

June 22nd Saturday, at 10:00, Cackie Kyle has invited us to her home, 109 Garibaldi Street, LO, for a book selection session and potluck lunch. RSVP to cvkyle@comcast.net or (503) 387-3940.

July 10th. Details TBA

For more information Contact Jane Taft taft.jane@gmail.com

Interpretive Book Group

3rd Thursday

June 20th Book: *The Sisters Brothers*

Leader: Diana Gough

August14th Details TBA

Hostesses: Candace Newlland-Holly

and Louise Weiss

July 18th, Book: *This House of Sky*

Leader: Mary Holderness

Hostess: Laura Eyer

August 15th, Time 10:00AM

Annual Book Selection and Lunch

Hostess: Donna Saffir

Contact: Linda Watkins 503-694-2334

for information and details.

4th Thursday Book Group

June 27th at 7:30 p.m.

Book: A Partial History of Lost Causes

By Jennifer Dubois

Introduction: Robi Ingram-Rich

For information, contact Sandra Hoover,

503-635-0952, or

Suzanne Kaveckis, 503-678-1641

Delightful Dining

June 15th, A Night of Mediterranean hors d'oeuvres.

Contact Jane Taft, taft.jane@gmail.com/ 503-742-1653, for details and location. Participants share cooking and costs. In July a planning meeting will be held to decide on 2013-2014 events, dates, locations and times - TBA.

Friday Books

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

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Book - Life is a Verb: 37 Days to Wake Up, Be Mindful and Live Intentionally

By - Patti Digh

July 26th Voting for 2013-2014 books

Call Irene Romero, 503-657-6159, for information and details.

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

June 25th

July 23rd. Potluck/ Planning

Location and time of Potluck TBA. For more information about this group, contact Dixie Kroupa, 503-697-8028

Laffalot Bridge

Monday, June 10th, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Laffalot players will play Bridge. Location

TBA. Contact Susan Hornung at 503-635-4893, for location. Substitute players are needed regularly, if you would like to play bridge, contact Susan to add your name to the substitute list.

Laffalot bridge players will take a vacation in July and August. They will resume playing in the fall.

Special Interest Group Activities for June, July and August 2013 (continued)

Eat Ethnic

Meets the 3rd Tuesdays in June, July and August..... On June 18th, July 16th, and August 20th the group will meet for an adventure in dinning, contact Susan Hornung, 503-635-4893 to receive details about restaurant locations, times and to make reservations. This is a casual dinner group, friends and spouses are always welcome!

Third Wednesday Bridge 3th Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. June 18th, Call Betty Hittle, 503-636-7034 for information **Movie Group**

Meets the 2nd Tuesday.

June 12th -Dates-times and location TBA

July 10th Dates-times and location TBA

August 14th - Dates-times and location TBA A co-leader is needed to work with Stephanie to coordinate activities of the Movie Group. If interested please call Stephanie at 971-285-5882.

Exploring the Northwest will resume travel adventures in the Fall.

Portland Center Stage

For more information, call Betty Barber, 503-675-0594, or barberbc@yahoo.com Members secure their own tickets and usually meet to eat before/or after the theater.

American Association of University Women

AAUW Lake Oswego P. O. Box 416 Marylhurst, OR 97036

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