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2018-2019

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League of Women Voters State-Wide Ballot Measures

Saturday, October 13, 2018

9:30 a.m. — Social Time

10:00 a.m. — Program

Oswego Heritage House

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



Two representatives from the League of Women Voters will discuss the significance of voter education and present for discussion five state-wide measures that will be on the November 6th ballot:

- Measure 102) Allows cities and counties to use bonds to fund privately owned affordable housing.
- Measure 103) bans taxes on the sale of groceries.
- Measure 104) would extend the requirement for a 3/5 majority in house and senate to enact tax exemptions, credits, and deductions.
- Measure 105) repeals law forbidding state resources from being used to apprehend persons violating Federal immigration laws.
- Measure 106) prohibits public funds from being spent on abortions.

"The League of Women Voters® of Oregon (LWVOR) is a grassroots, nonpartisan political non-profit organization that encourages informed and active participation in government in order to build better communities statewide. LWVOR's purposes are to influence public policy through education and advocacy and to provide support for League members and the League organization." <http://lwvor.org>

Squire's Scribblings

Pat Squire, President

What makes authors want to write? How do they choose what to write about? And how do they proceed? The mystery book group had the privilege, thanks to Laura Eyer, for a wonderful visit with author Jeanne Burrows-Johnson, who writes the Natalie Seachrist mysteries set in Hawaii. Jeanne gave us good insight to her writing process (she starts with a prologue and fleshes it out from there), and her editor, Viki Gillespie, Laura's friend, talked about the editing process. Jeanne was an engaging guest with a fascinating back story.



Editor, Viki Gillespie (left) and author, Jeanne Burrows-Johnson (right).

Our Lake Oswego Reads author this year, Cristina Henriquez, explores the views of the outsider. Her novel ***The Book of Unknown Americans***, will be featured during the February reading extravaganza, and our branch will offer a program on February 9 related to the book. This selection was a New York Times Notable Book in 2014, and an Amazon Top 10 of the year. It is about several families of immigrants to the U.S. from Central and Latin America all living

in an apartment building in Delaware. While it is fiction, some of the stories (which all tie together) are based on true stories. It is a book about choices and the unanticipated affects they can have. It's a very timely and important read. The free book distribution to library card holders will be in early January. I urge you all to read it!

All this reading is so great for us. While many books are not related at all to our organization's mission, they are stimulating, good for discussion and examining various viewpoints, and keep us on our toes. Thanks to all six book group leaders!

Barbara Spencer was a great speaker for our first meeting of the year on September 8. She gave us some startling statistics about how women fare in our state, and described what the Oregon Commission for Women is doing to help advance women and girls.

<https://statusofwomendata.org>



Our next few meetings will be equally compelling and I hope to see you on October 13 for a discussion of Oregon's ballot measures and what they mean. AND OF COURSE THAT IS A HUGE REMINDER TO VOTE. I am so thankful we have vote by mail.

Keep reading and discussing! See you soon.

Pat

Beyond Aspirations AAUW's Strategic Plan Unveiled

Pat Squire

AAUW's new strategic plan is available online at AAUW.org. Here are the highlights:

Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision: Equity for all.

Values: Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Integrity. Inclusion and Intersectionality.

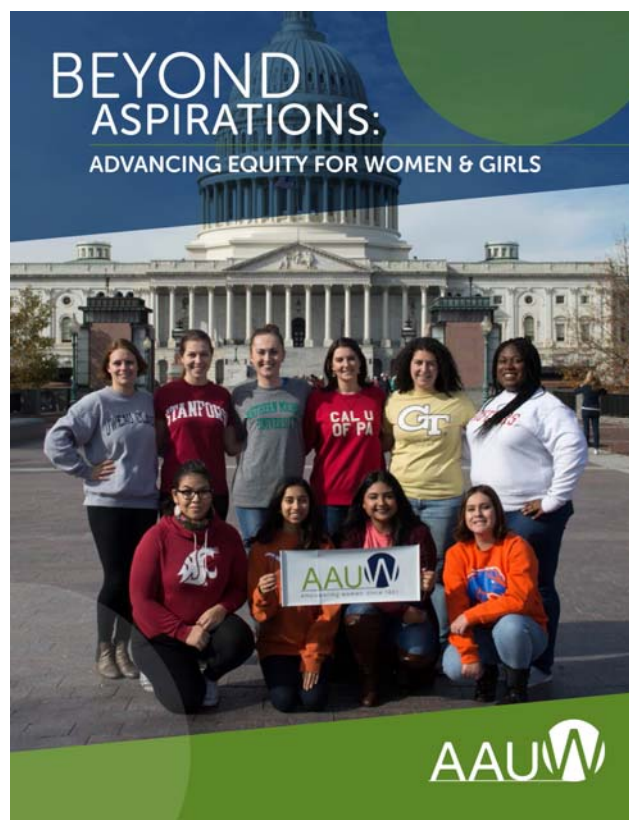
Strategic Areas of Focus (mission based):

Education and Training: Champion equal access to all levels and fields of education and ensure education is free from sex discrimination (Title IX).

Economic Security: Achieve equal pay by 2030 (legislation passed in Oregon); create inclusive career pathways for women, free of systemic barriers and biases, to attain economic security; deepen women's retirement security and quality of life.

Leadership: Bolster the participation of girls and women in leadership roles throughout their lives; advance the number of women in leadership, particularly in education and nonprofit organizations.

Governance and Sustainability (Foundational to the organization): Implement best practices in governance, inclusion and organizational functioning; enhance financial sustainability by increasing and diversifying revenue.



Interest Group Activities

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

Date: October 23
Book: *Grace and Grit* by Lilly Ledbetter
Leader: Karen Rottink
Location: Szechuan Kitchen, Lake Oswego

For more information, contact Lynda Bigler,
(503) 522-6709, libigler@icloud.com.

Murder by the Book **2nd Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.**

Date: October 10
Book: *The Unquiet Dead* by Ausma Zehanat Khan
Leader: Pat Squire
Location: 4949 Meadows Rd., Suite 200, Lake Oswego

For more information, contact Jane Taft, (503) 709-3185, taft.jane@gmail.com or Stephanie Carter, (971) 285-5882, secarter1@gmail.com.

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

Date: October 18
Book: *Vinegar Girl* by Anne Tyler
Leader: Donna Saffir
Hostesses: Viki Von Tagen

For more information, contact Ann Keddle, rlkavk50@centurytel.net or Linda Watkins, (503) 694-2334, l.and.m.watkins@gmail.com.

Thursday Evening Books **4th Thursday at 7:00 p.m.**

Date: October 25
Book: *Where Memories Lie* by Deborah Crombie
Leader: Jane Taft
Hostess: Suzanne Kaveckis

For more information, contact Suzanne Kaveckis, (503) 678-1641, smkaveckis@icloud.com.

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

Date: October 26
Book: *The Patriarch* by Martin Walker
Leader: Joan Waldron

For more information, contact Joan Waldron,
(503) 746-3995, spirit.waldron@gmail.com.

Non-Fiction Books **2nd Monday at 10:00 a.m.**

Date: October 8
Book: *Soul of the Octopus: A surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* by Sy Montgomery
Leader: Jackie Magner

Location: Cortona Room at Nicoletta's Table.
For more information, contact Mary Pat Silveira at mpsilveira@usa.net or (503) 344-4947.

Laffalot Bridge **2nd Monday at 1:00 p.m.**

Date: October 8
Location: Home of Bettirae Willis

A fellowship group who play for fun and score using the Chicago method. This group is accepting new members. If you would like to join, be added to the substitute list, or for more information, contact Bettirae Willis, (503) 891-6232 (cell), bewillis@easystreet.net.

Delightful Dining **Date Varies**

Date: October 20
Location: Home of Penny and Dave Hansen

Join us for a delightful Thai dinner to kick off the new year! Please RSVP to Jane Taft. If you are interested in this group, please contact Jane Taft, (503) 709-3185, taft.jane@gmail.com

Lunch Bunch
3rd Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.

Date: October 16
Place: TBD

The Lunch Bunch is an informal gathering of LOAAUW branch members to chat and experience local and enjoyable restaurants in the area. Reservations are required. If you are interested in joining us, contact Terry Hyland via email at tw20eagle@comcast.net or (503) 636-1222. For more information contact Diana Ricks at dmricks472@gmail.com or (503) 858-7481

Is there a special interest group that you don't see among the ones listed but would like to suggest? If so, please contact Marty Maharg at martymaharg@hotmail.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 at (503) 675-0594 or barberbc@yahoo.com.

Advocacy Interest Group
Date Varies

Newly formed in 2018, this group is currently working on a program to share information about Oregon's Equal Pay Law. For more information, contact Jeanne Lemieux at jeanne.e.lemieux@gmail.com or (503) 816.7488



HOLIDAY GALA!!
SAVE THE DATE

Our Holiday Gala Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, December 16 from 3:30 to 6:30PM at the home of Stephanie Wagner.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME

OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2 Board Meeting	3	4	5	6
7	8 Non-Fiction Books Laffalot Bridge	9	10 Murder by the Book	11	12	13 Branch Meeting
14	15	16 Lunch Bunch	17	18 Interpretive Books	19	20 Delightful Dining
21	22	23 Fourth Tuesday books	24	25 Thursday evening books	26 Friday books	27
28	29	30	31 			

NOVEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6 Board Meeting Vote – Ballots due today!	7	8	9	10 Branch Meeting
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25	26	27 Fourth Tuesday books	28	29 Thursday Evening Books	30	December 1 Delightful Dining

Greetings Friends,

We are your new Newsletter co-editors. We joined the Lake Oswego branch last Fall; Kris was a newbie to AAUW and Cathy transferred from the Tigard Branch. Both of us have joined book groups, the newly formed Advocacy group, and, most importantly, we are making wonderful new friends.

Since neither of us has edited a newsletter, you may see some funky formatting or some changes from “the usual” as we move through the learning curve. We really want to make this your newsletter so we encourage you send us your comments, questions, and suggestions, as well as articles and photos relevant to AAUW Lake Oswego branch.

Please send all email to both:

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Kris Schultz krisschultz07@gmail.com

We ask that you include “AAUW Newsletter and the appropriate month/year” in the Subject Heading. All submissions for upcoming newsletter must be made by the 15th of the month prior to the month to be published, e.g., November 15 for the December newsletter.

Kris and Cathy



Cathy



Kris



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