

# Swego-WSLETTER

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Lake Oswego Branch Officers 2018-2019 Elected Officers

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## "Title IX - Bridging Compliance and Best Practice" Jackie Sandmeyer, TIX Education Specialists



Saturday, April 6 2019
9:45 Annual Meeting
10:00 Program
Oswego Heritage House
"A" Avenue and 10th St., Lake Oswego

Jackie Sandmeyer founded Portland-based TIX Education Specialists, the nation's first statewide Title IX training, investigation, and consultant firm for schools from Kindergarten through College. Jackie successfully helps to reduce the national need for training and consultation related to sexual harassment and interpersonal violence. TIX works with schools, law enforcement, prosecutors, and community-based service providers to identify and create some of the nation's leading models in Title IX and student victim services.

Sandmeyer has a BS degree in Sociology with a minor in Women's Studies from University of Idaho, and is a Juris Doctor candidate at Willamette University of Law. Additionally, Jackie has a certificate in Diversity and Stratification, has received the Voice of Justice Award, was a Pride Foundation Scholar as well as a Bill and Ann Shepard Legal Scholar.

#### Squire's Scribblings



Pat Squire, Carol Cooper, and AAUW State President Georgia Applegate

Thanks to everyone who participated in our wonderful *friendship tea*. The room was abuzz with conversation, friendship and enjoyment. Our state President, Georgia Applegate and her friend and assistant Susanne Harmony, enjoyed it immensely and posted great photos on Facebook. Again, thank you to everyone who donated, prepared lovely food, attended, served, set up, took down, and cleaned up for a truly special event. It was obviously a group effort! (Aren't I always talking about our terrific volunteers?!)

## More events to come:

Besides our usual interest group activities, there are several upcoming events to watch for:

Saturday, April 6, 9:45 a.m. –
 AAUW Lake Oswego Annual
 Meeting – Just prior to our regular
 branch meeting, this important brief
 meeting is to elect new officers, learn
 about our financial status, hear an

- update about our activities and our scholarship at Clackamas Community College.
- Saturday, April 6, 10:00 a.m. We will hear an enlightening talk by Jackie Sandmeyer, the state's acknowledged expert on Title IX. As we heard from a speaker last year, our state has one ½ time person to handle and train for Title IX in K-12 and higher education around Oregon. This year we are promoting a bill in the legislature to create two full-time positions to handle this critical issue. Jackie is a leader in this field.
- Thursday, April 11, Lobby Day in the State Capitol, 12:30-5:30 – This year Lobby Day is a day before the State Convention, which is also being held in Salem. This significant activity on behalf of the State AAUW is an opportunity to meet like-minded women, hear from legislators and other entities about our priorities, and meet personally with your legislators. We are fortunate in our state that we can interact in such a personal way with our elected officials. This is a great chance to speak your mind! To register go to <a href="http://aauw-or.aauw.net">http://aauw-or.aauw.net</a>
- Friday, April 12-Sunday, April 14 –
   Our State Convention will be close-by
   in Salem, and I encourage you to
   attend one day or all weekend. The
   Keynote Speaker will be Val Hoyle.
   the Commissioner of the Oregon
   Bureau of Labor and Industry (BOLI the agency that is setting the rules for
   the Equal Pay Act and that also filed
   the briefs on behalf of the women that
   are suing for sexual harassment in
   the Legislature).

Other features include the election of state officers (Nancy Dunis is nominated for North Central Director and I am nominated for Program V.P.); workshops sessions on age discrimination, strategic planning, and leadership styles, among others; a public policy update from Trish Garner and Shilpi Banerjee; and a Sunday morning session with AAUW CEO Kim Churches. This is sure to be a great convention! To register go to http://aauw-or.aauw.net

Saturday, May 18, 9:30-11:30 –
 Year-end Member Brunch, hosted by
 your Board of Directors. It includes
 delicious food, awards, introduction of
 new members and installation of new
 officers. This meeting is always fun,
 with a delicious brunch provided by
 the Board and a lovely way to honor
 our board and volunteers.

Looking forward to seeing you soon! Happy Spring!

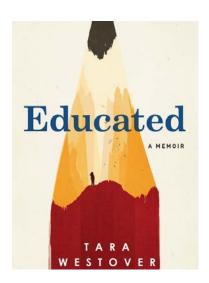
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#### **Congratulations Suzanne and Stan**

On March 22, Suzanne and Stan Kaveckis celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The high school sweethearts married while students at University of Washington, in Seattle. Suzanne says they have been "blessed with two sons and four grandchildren."

We extend our best wishes for many more years of happiness.

#### **Book Blurb**



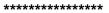
Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover

Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head-for-the-hills bag." In the summer she stewed herbs for her mother, a midwife and healer, and in the winter, she salvaged in her father's junkyard.

Her father forbade hospitals, so Tara never saw a doctor or nurse. Gashes and concussions, even burns from explosions, were all treated at home with herbalism. The family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when Tara's older brother became violent.

Lacking any formal education, Tara began to educate herself. She taught herself enough mathematics and grammar to be admitted to Brigham Young University, where she studied history, learning for the first time about important world events like the Holocaust and the civil rights movement. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge. Only then did she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home.

https://tarawestover.com/





### **Exploring the Northwest Update:**

Co-chairs Nancy Dunis and Sue Kingzett have revitalized this interest group which will include a number of historical and diverse sites.

They have made arrangements with LO Branch member and docent, Lynn Bliss, who will lead the group on a tour of **Oregon Jewish Museum and Holocaust Center**, 724 SW Davis, Portland.

Core exhibits will include:

- Discrimination and Resistance, An Oregon Primer: History of discrimination In Oregon
- Oregon Jewish Stories: Oregon's Jewish community from its

- beginnings during the Gold Rush through today.
- The Holocaust, An Oregon Perspective: stories of Holocaust survivors.

Admission is \$5.00

Carpools will leave at 10:00AM and lunch will follow the tour.

The **date** has yet to be determined but will be either Tuesday June 11th or Thursday June 20th. Please email your date preference and RSVP to Nancy Dunis n.dunis65@gmail.com. Please, no phone calls.

#### **Branch Challenge**

#### By Diana Ricks

To further the AAUW commitment to foster women's economic security, they secured the largest corporate grant in recent history form the Coca-Cola foundation to build a Work Smart online platform to train women in salary negotiation. For AAUW to fulfill the terms of the grant they need to have 100,000 persons complete the online session by August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

In pursuit of this goal we are asking the Lake Oswego branch to help. The participants are not limited to AAUW members. You can ask your daughters, daughters-in-law, or granddaughters to take the online class. The class takes just over an hour. You can register and take the class by going to salary.aauw.org online.

If someone you know takes the class and uses any of the skills learned, we would love to hear about it. They do not need to give

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their full names, just a first name or initials will do. Any testimonials can be dropped off when you sign-in at the May brunch or emailed to <a href="mailto:dmricks472@gmail.com">dmricks472@gmail.com</a>.

## **Branch Elections April 6**



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The AAUW Lake Oswego, Oregon Affiliate Annual Meeting will be held concurrently with the Branch meeting on April 6 to conduct the business of the Affiliate. The Annual Meeting will, corresponding to the bylaws, include the election of officers, and the receiving of reports of officers.

The nominating committee will present the following slate:

President, 2019-2021, Mary Pat Silveira Vice President of Program, 2019-2021, Diana Ricks

Secretary, 2019-2021, *Donna Needham* Co-Vice President of Finance, 2019-2020, *Susan Hornung*, to fill a one-year vacancy.

The proposed group of delegates to the 2019 State Convention will be announced at the meeting.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Written consent is required from any floor nominees.

#### **Interest Group Activities**

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

Date: April 23

Book: The Garden of Evening Mists

by Tan Twan Eng

Presenter: Mary Pat Silviera

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

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

Date: April 10

Book: Sulfur Springs by William K Kreuger

Leader: Laura Eyer

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: April 18

Book: The Curious Incident of the Dog in

the Nighttime by Mark Haddon

Leader: Diana Gough Hostesses: TBD

For more information, contact Ann Keddie, rlkavk50@centurytel.net or Linda Watkins, (503) 694-2334,

I.and.m.watkins@gmail.com.

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

Date: April 25

Book: A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor

**Towles** 

Leader: Judy Hale Hostess: Judy Hale

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

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

Date: April 26

Book: The President is Missing by Bill

Clinton and James Patterson

Presenter: Marie Ryan

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

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

Date: April 8

Book: Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and

Redemption by Bryan Stevenson Leader: Jeanne-Marie Pierrelouis

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: April 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

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

Date: April 16

Location: Hero Sushi

4835 Meadows Rd, Lake Oswego in Kruse

Village

The ladies of the Lunch Bunch warrmly invite you to join them, however, reservations are required. Please RSVP to Terry Hyland at <a href="mailto:twh20eagle@comcast.net">twh20eagle@comcast.net</a> or call Diana Ricks at (503) 858-7481

## Portland Center Stage 2019-20 season

If you are interested in joining the Thursday noon theatre group at Portland Center Stage for the 2019-20 season, please contact Betty Barber at <a href="mailto:barberbc@yahoo.com">barberbc@yahoo.com</a> for package pricing Also, visit <a href="mailto:pcs.org">pcs.org</a> for descriptions of the shows.

#### **Advocacy Interest Group**

Date: No meeting in April Attend Lobby Day April 11

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

#### **Exploring Our Northwest**

Event: Docent tour by AAUW member Lynn

Bliss

Location: Jewish History Museum and

Center for Holocaust Education

If interested, please contact Nancy Dunis at

n.dunis65@gmail.com

Is there a special interest group that you do not see among the ones listed but would like to suggest, contact Mary Maharg at martymaharg@hotmail.com

# **April 2019**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
	1 April	2 Board Meeting	3	4	5	6 Branch Meeting				
7	8 Non- Fiction Books Laffalot Bridge	9	10 Murder by the Book	11 Lobby Day	12 State Convention	13 State Convention				
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## **Photo Album**

Friendship Tea March 9, 2019



Stephanie Carter, winner Quilt Raffle



Terry Hyland, Anne Redman, Sharon Hawley



Georgia Applegate, AAUW State President



Penny Hansen and guests Sue Neuharth (L) and Diane Smith (R)



Jeanne Marie Pierrelouis, Ann Keddie, Carol Cooper



Donna Needham, Melody Hoener, JoAnn Frost, Bettirae Willis



Stephanie Carter and guests Mary Dirkse (L), Debbie Roos (R)



Cathy Croghan Alzner, Susan Shea, Kris Schultz, Vicki Clark, Sharon Hawley



Georgia Applegate, Marty Maharg, Suzanne Harmony, Mary Pat Silveira



Jackie Magner, Catharine Hojem



Anne Redman, Marge Ransom



Cheryl Smith, Victoria VonTagen





## Donate to the Education and Scholarship Fund

#### **Tax Deductible Donations**

Lake Oswego AAUW recently has established a tax-deductible fund through AAUW Oregon Special Projects, the 501(c)(3) arm of the state organization. The name of our fund is the LOAAUW Education and Scholarship Fund. Donations to this fund support scholarships for Clackamas Community College students and educational projects promoting equality for women. Currently the branch is supporting education toward understanding Oregon's new equal pay statute and Title IX implementation in K-12 education.

To learn more about our scholarship, go to

https://lakeoswego-or.aauw.net/scholarship/.

Contributions to this fund are tax deductible under current federal and state law.

#### To make a contribution by check:

Make checks payable to LOAAUW E&S Fund. Mail checks to PO Box 416, Marylhurst, OR 97036.

#### To make a contribution online: Click Here

Click the Donate Button at the bottom of the page. This will take you to our PayPal site. Fill in the amount you wish to contribute and how you want to pay. On the line that says Add special instructions to the seller: write E&S Fund. Fill in the rest of the required information and press the submit button.

Please email Stephanie Wagner at <a href="mailto:stephanie@natureed.org">stephanie@natureed.org</a> or call 503-803-7708 if you have questions.

Thank you for considering a contribution to our local Education and Scholarship Fund.