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Dealing With Climate Change Anxiety

Saturday, February 8, 2020

9:30 Social Time

10:00 Program

Oswego Heritage House

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



Dr. David Pollack, Psychiatrist and Emeritus Professor for
Public Policy at OHSU

In cooperation with the Lake Oswego Reads programing for the book *Rising: Dispatches from the New American Shore*, by Elizabeth Rush, Dr. Pollack will describe how mental health is directly associated with the climate crisis. He suggests that climate change threatens public health, economic sustainability and socio-cultural stability, causing persistent anxiety and trauma. Dr. Pollack is a nationally known community-focused psychiatrist and has published a series of reports on climate change and mental health.

On My Mind

Mary Pat Silveira

Two months past the winter solstice, on February 14 we will observe the Roman festival of Lupercalia, which celebrated the coming of spring, including fertility rites and the pairing off of women with men by lottery. Like many pagan feasts, this was refashioned at the end of the 5th century by the Christian church and named after one or both of two martyrs named Valentine. Regardless, the day has continued to symbolize love and be commonly depicted by the Roman god of love, Cupid. Whatever its origins, it is a day to rejoice in the love that we both give and receive. I wish you all a Happy Valentine's Day!

In the meantime, I would like to draw your attention to the following:

In past years, our Branch has awarded our **Named Gift Honorees** in May, at our annual meeting. However, the names of the persons to be honored are always included in the April Convention programs, so we lose the element of surprise in May. This year, therefore, we will announce our Named Gift Honorees in March, at the Tea. Prepare to be surprised and come help us celebrate our amazing women.

At our February Branch meeting, we will begin selling raffle tickets for the **quilt** that has been designed and is being pieced and quilted by members of our Branch to commemorate the passage of the 19th Amendment. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20. Proceeds from the raffle will go to our Education and Scholarship Fund. Please come prepared to buy your tickets.

Registration for this year's **Lobby Day, February 24**, is now open. Lobby Day 2020 has chosen as its theme, "Women Legislators in Salem: Getting There and staying There." Look for the agenda and registration form in the February Issue of "Oregon News." You may also register now on line, at: <https://aauw-or.aauw.net/lobby-day-2020/>.

For those of you who would like to carpool, please contact Teresa Schader, at 503-367-0231.

[Early-bird registration](#) is open through February 16 for **The National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)**, at the University of Maryland, May 27-30. If you know someone who might be eligible, please encourage them to apply. This is the nation's premier leadership event for college women.

In celebration of the anniversary of the 19th Amendment, the **Gresham Area Branch** has planned a march through Gresham on February 22, beginning and ending at the Gresham Library. They hope to be joined by members of Soroptimists and faculty from Mt. Hood Community College. The march will be followed by a play on the suffrage movement. All AAUW members are invited to attend.

Suffrage Note of the Month



Ida B. Wells-Barnett 1913 Suffrage Parade, Washington D.C.

<https://www.pinterest.com.au/pin/618752436280580937/>

This summer, Americans will celebrate the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, which stated: “The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.”

Unfortunately, while the Amendment recognized that women had the right to vote, in practice the law was largely applied to white women only. Women of color were, and continue to be, marginalized by sexism and classism compounded by institutionalized racism.

For decades following ratification, millions of women, American Indians and “particularly African Americans in the Jim Crow South – remained shut out of the polls.” Black suffrage activists, such as Ida B. Wells and Mary Church Terrell, received little help from their white “sisters”, because their disenfranchisement was “not a gender problem – and beyond the movement’s writ.”

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/02/02/opinion/sunday/women-voting-19th-amendment-white-supremacy.html>

Black women fought for the right to vote but have been marginalized or omitted altogether from the suffrage narrative. Both Ida B. Wells and Mary Church Terrell were daughters of slaves. Both became well-educated. Both were outspoken fighters for civil rights. Wells-Barnett, a journalist, began the anti-lynching campaign and was one of the three founders of the NAACP. Wells travelled from Illinois to participate in the 1913 Suffrage Parade expecting to march with the Illinois delegation but was told to join other Black women at the back of the parade. Instead, she waited on Pennsylvania Avenue, and, as the delegation approached, Wells and two white allies stepped in front of the Illinois group and joined the parade.

Terrell, an educator joined Wells in her anti-lynching campaign, was a founding member of the NAACP, worked for “racial uplift, and in 1948, “became the first black member of the American Association of University Women, after winning an anti-discrimination lawsuit. <https://www.womenshistory.org/education-resources/biographies/mary-church-terrell> Terrell marched in the 1913 parade with six graduates of universities as well twenty-five members from the Howard University chapter Delta Sigma Theta.

Fortunately, historians such as Glenda Gilmore, Nell Irvin Painter, and Rosalyn Terborg-Penn are revising the “whitewashed depiction” of the suffrage campaign to create a more inclusive and accurate account that shows black women were “at the forefront of a struggle for universal rights that was far from over when white suffragists declared victory in 1920.”

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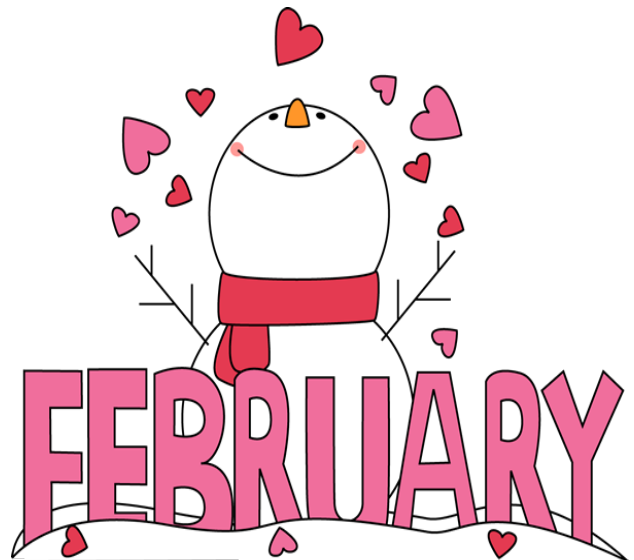
“AAUW commemorates and reflects on the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment and the 55th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act. AAUW, in keeping with its mission and vision to advance equity, is committed to recognizing the efforts and progression of voting rights for women over the past century – including the fact that when the 19th Amendment came to life in the USA, not all women earned the right to vote. It took another 45 years, until the Voting Rights Act of 1965, for women of color to have voting rights. Today, there are still challenges with voter access and voting suppression which is why AAUW is focused on ensuring every vote is recognized.”

Kim Churches, AAUW CEO

ATTENTION

April Newsletter Submission Date Change

Your editors will be traveling at the end of March. To get the newsletter out before we leave, would you kindly submit all articles for the April edition no later than **March 5, 2020**.



Interest Group Activities



Tuesday Books

4th Tuesday at 11:00am

Date: February 25

Book: *Circe* by Madeline Miller

Presenter: Donna Needham

Meeting Place: Szechuan Kitchen

Restaurant, 15450 Boones Ferry Rd.
Lake Oswego

To RSVP contact Lynda Bigler, (503)
522-6709, libigler@icloud.com

Murder by the Book

2nd Wednesday at 12:00pm

Date: February 12

Book: *Murder on Astor Place* by Victoria
Thompson

Leader: Teresa Schader

Location: Home of Stephanie Carter

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 10:00

Date: February 20

Book: *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird
Lane* by Lisa See

Leader: Sue Kingzett

Hostess: Bonnie Nord

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

Thursday Evening Books

4th Thursday at 7:00pm

Date: February 27

Book: *Before We Were Yours* by
Lisa Wingate

Hostess: Jane Taft

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

Friday Books

4th Friday at 10:00am

Date: February 28

Book: *Leadership: In Turbulent Times*
by Doris Kearns Goodwin

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

Non-Fiction Books

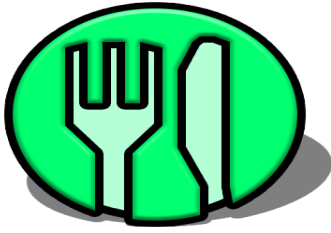
2nd Monday at 11:00am

Date: February 10

Book: *Amateur: A True Story About
What Makes a Man: A Reckoning with
Gender, Identity and Masculinity* by
Thomas Page McBee

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



Lunch Bunch
3rd Tuesday at 11:30am

Date: February 18
 Location: Nicoletta's Table
 333 S. State St Suite M
 Lake Oswego

Reservations are required. Please
 RSVP to Terry Hyland
 at tw20eagle@comcast.net or Marge
 Ransom at wrandmr68@yahoo.com
 (503) 941-9591



Save the Date
"Together Women Make History"
A Suffrage Celebration

Combined Oregon/Washington
 AAUW Convention April 17-19,
 2020
 Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, WA



Advocacy Interest Group

Date: February 21
 Location: West Linn Library
 Time: 1:00pm

This group is currently working on a
 program to share information about
 Oregon's Equal Pay Law, Title IX and
 AAUW's WorkSmart.
 For more information, contact Jeanne
 Lemieux at (503) 816-7488 or
Jeanne.e.lemieux@gmail.com

Sunshine Cards

Do you know a Lake Oswego branch
 member who is ill, is having surgery,
 has recently lost a close family member,
 or is celebrating a special occasion such
 as a major anniversary or milestone
 AAUW membership?

Penny Hansen, our Hospitality
 Chairperson, invites you to inform her of
 a member who might appreciate a
 celebratory or supportive card from our
 branch. Please contact
pennyhansen@comcast.net.
 Thank you.



“The “Silver & Gold” Friendship Tea

Saturday, March 14, 2020, 11:30 am
Oswego Heritage House, A Ave. & 10th St., Lake Oswego

Spread the word. Invite family and friends. Reserve your place at this year's Tea.

Make sure you don't miss one of our biggest events of the year. The Tea is always a lovely, well-attended event, as well as a major fundraiser for our branch's Education & Scholarship Fund. Once again, you can look forward to a traditional Tea shared with friends old and new, while supporting our mission.

As in past years, the cost of the Tea is \$20. Please make your reservation and pay online at <https://lakeoswego-or.aauw.net/branch-special-activities-fund/> or by check. Checks should be payable to LO AAUW E&S FUND and mailed to LO AAUW Friendship Tea, P.O. 416, Marylhurst, OR 97036. You may also pay at our monthly meeting on February 8. Please provide the name(s) of your guest(s). When paying online, list names in the “special instructions” box. Paid reservations are due no later than March 6. A reminder: donations over \$20 are tax-deductible.

Remember, the Tea will be an opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for a unique quilt created by a trio of talented quilters from our very own branch. The theme and original design of this quilt, as well as its craftsmanship, will surely set it apart as an extraordinary piece of fabric art. The quilt will be raffled later this summer, but tickets may be purchased for \$5 at the Tea and at future meetings.

As the primary fundraiser for the E&S Fund, the Tea depends on donations from generous members. To donate food for the Tea, please contact Jane Taft at taft.jane@gmail.com or 503-709-3185. To volunteer to help plate, serve, or clean up, please contact Marge Ransom at wrandmr68@yahoo.com or 503-941-9591.

February 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 | 3 | 4 Board Meeting | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 Branch Meeting |
| 9 | 10 Non-Fiction Books | 11 | 12 Murder by the Book | 13 | 14  | 15 |
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March 2020

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| 1  | 2 | 3 Board Meeting | 4 | 5 April Newsletter submission deadline | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Daylight Saving Time Begins | 9 Non-Fiction Books | 10 | 11 Murder by the Book | 12 | 13 | 14 Friendship Tea <u>11:30</u> |
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LO AAUW FUNDS DONATION FORM

National AAUW has 5 fund choices which support the pillars of the Strategic Plan

DONATING BY CREDIT CARD

1. Go to AAUW.org and sign-in
2. Click on "DONATE" square on top of the Home Page
3. Complete the Donation Page on the website – For gifts \$25 or higher to be a memorial or tribute, please send that information to Susan Shea

DONATING BY CHECK

NAME _____

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

\$_____ Donation Amount – Write check to AAUW FUNDS

Giving unrestricted gifts to AAUW Greatest Needs Fund (#9110) allows the most flexibility to respond to new challenges.

- ☐ #9110 AAUW Greatest Needs Fund – Allocated where most needed
- ☐ #4449 Economic Security Fund – support pay equity, retirement security, training in salary negotiation and quality of life
- ☐ #4450 Education and Training Fund – addresses equal access to education and ensuring education is free from sex discrimination
- ☐ #4552 Leadership Fund-Supports effort to close gender gap in leadership opportunities
- ☐ #4451 Governance and Sustainability Fund – Ensures viability of AAUW into the future by implementing best practices in organization functioning and inclusion
- ☐ _____ Insert Fund Number _____ Fund Name

Gifts of \$100-\$174 confer membership in the Oregon Century Club

Gifts of \$175 and above confer membership in the Oregon Century Club Plus

Gifts of \$25 or more may be designated to honor a friend or loved one.

This gift is a memorial (deceased) to _____

This gift is a tribute (living) to _____

Acknowledgement should be sent to:

Name _____

Address _____

Please send this form and check to LO AAUW, PO Box 416, Marylhurst, Oregon 97036