

Community Policing

Saturday, January 9, 2021

9:30 Social Time

10:00 Program

Zoom

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Chief Jeff Groth, Sherwood Police Department

Chief Groth, who began his law enforcement career in 1987 as an Oregon Police Cadet, working the summers in various State Parks in Western Oregon, will describe Sherwood's significant and value-based Community Policing Plan.

Since 2008 when he was appointed Police Chief for the Sherwood Police Department, Chief Groth has focused on establishing a strong agency culture, building strong support within the community through relational policing and establishing and maintaining a thriving agency that adheres to a community policing model. Chief Groth also has served as President for the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police and believes serving in the OACP Executive Committee was one of the most enjoyable experiences in his career.

On My Mind

Mary Pat Silveira



In 2020, the first casualty of our branch from Covid19 was our annual Tea. Marge Ransom, who had offered to organize the Tea, had put into place so many wonderful plans. Fortunately, these have not been cancelled; they are only on hold. As I was thinking about this today, in the middle of December, I recalled that the theme Marge had suggested for the Tea was, "Make new friends, but keep the old." I expect that we all remember this song that we likely learned in a Brownie troop or perhaps at school. The lyrics are brief, simple and profound: "Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver, the other gold."

Looking back, I think that Marge was prescient. Never have I been so aware of the wealth my friends bring as during this pandemic.

We all agree that we would prefer to be meeting in person, but my day is brightened nonetheless when I join Lunch Bunch, or a book club, or Story-telling, or a party and see the faces of my friends, listen to their ideas and hear their laughter. Just as we will place a soft hand on a baby's cheek as she lays sleeping, I want to linger in these Zoom moments and hold each one of the members dear.

My gratitude goes out to each of the interest group chairs for making this possible and to our members who are participating. I wish that it could be all of you, but I know that lack of the necessary technology is a deterrent for some. We miss you terribly and cannot wait to claim your presence once again. The time is nigh!

I feel certain that we will all celebrate the passing of this year. It has been daunting. I say, with a nod to Alfred, Lord Tennyson: "Ring out, wild bells" and have a joyous, peaceful and healthy New Year.

**Ring out, wild bells, to the wild
sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty
light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him
die.**

**Ring out the old, ring in the
new,
Ring, happy bells, across the
snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the
true.**

**Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party
strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of
life,
With sweeter manners, purer
laws.**

**Ring out false pride in place
and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and
right,
Ring in the common love of
good.**

**Ring out old shapes of foul
disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of
gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of
old,
Ring in the thousand years of
peace.**

Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1850) (abridged;
this includes stanzas 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 of
a longer poem.)

Holiday Party Thank You

Mary Pat Silveira

As it turns out, partying on Zoom can be fun. Those who participated shared some wonderful stories of holidays past, unusual ornaments and those with special meaning, and great recipes. Thanks to Sharon Brabenac, Penny Hansen, Jeanne Lemieux, Marge Ransom, Karen Rottink, Pat Squire, Jane Taft and Charlene Vojtilla, we can now all add to our culinary repertoire a

range of delicious foods, from appetizers to the main course to desserts. The holiday quiz yielded three winners of our beautiful AAUW scarves: Annie Arkebauer, Emma Leigh Burke and Penny Hansen.



New Email Address for Newsletter Submissions

Cathy Croghan-Alzner and Kris Schultz

loaauwnewsletter@gmail.com

Happy 2021 everyone! Please note the above address change. Jane Taft has established a new email address to be used for any and all newsletter submissions. One central location for all submissions will streamline our efforts making it easier for both of us.

Occasionally it has been confusing because only one of us gets the email leaving the other one out of the loop. This new address will ensure we both receive and have access to the same information. Mary Pat and Jane also will be able to access the email if needed.

Going forward we will not be checking our respective emails for any newsletter related information so please be aware that if sent to either one, it may be overlooked.

As a friendly reminder, please submit all text items as word documents and all images in .jpg format.

Your attention to this is very much appreciated. Thank you.



Public Policy – Advocacy Committee

During this seemingly endless pandemic, the gender gap has become more obvious and devastating. Women are taking the brunt of lay-offs, home schooling and service-sector burn out.

The pandemic and resulting recession hit industries that employ more women than men — including restaurants, retail, hospitality and health care — harder than others, according to a [working paper from the National Bureau of Economic Research](#). Plus, only 22% of women occupy jobs that allow them to work remotely, compared to 28% of men.

The high unemployment rate among women is also tied to the fact that the pandemic shut down schools and day care facilities. About 32% of K-12 students in the U.S. are currently attending schools that are only offering

virtual learning, according to the [latest school opening report from Burbio](#), which tracks school and community calendars nationwide.

Fed Chair Jerome Powell says the most frightening aspects of the pandemic are women leaving the workforce and kids getting inadequate education. The Advocacy Committee plans to explore ways to support programs that address these kinds of issues.

AAUW Fund Branch Named Gift Honoree Susan Shea

Each year the AAUW Fund allows our branch to honor usually one or two members as Branch Named Gift Honoree(s) in recognition of their exceptional service over several years. The Honoree likely would have taken on many tasks or one very large one to promote AAUW's mission or to make our branch the warm, vibrant and inviting organization that it is. If you would like to nominate a member for this award, please send your suggestion to Susan Shea along with why she should be considered before January 15, 2021. susashea@gmail.com



Due to COVID 19, groups are meeting using the web-based conferencing program, Zoom. Check with your interest group chair for more information.

Interest Group Activities



Tuesday Books 4th Tuesday at 11:00am

Date: January 26
Book: *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins

For more information, contact Lynda Bigler, libigler@icloud.com

Murder by the Book 2nd Wednesday at 12:00pm

Date: January 13
Book: *Skull Duggery* by Aaron Elkins

For more information, contact Jane Taft, taft.jane@gmail.com or
Stephanie Carter, secarter1@gmail.com

Interpretive Books 3rd Thursday at 9:30am

Date: January 21
Book: *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger

For more information, contact Connie Irwin, irwinconnie44@gmail.com

Thursday Evening Books 4th Thursday at 7:00pm

Date: January 28
Book: *Destiny of the Republic* by Candace Millard

For more information, contact Suzanne Kaveckis, smkaveckis@icloud.com

Non-Fiction Books 2nd Tuesday at 3:30pm (note new day and time)

Date: January 12
Book: *How to be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi

For more information, contact Mary Pat Silveira, mpsilveira@usa.net

Friday Books 4th Friday at 10:00am

Date: January 22
Book: *Notorious RBG* by Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik

For more information, contact Joan Waldron, spirit.waldron@gmail.com



Lunch Bunch **3rd Tuesday at 11:30am**

Date: January 19

Lunch Bunch is all about getting together, just for the fun of it. All members are cordially invited. For the latest news on when we will be meeting, as well as how (Zoom vs. in-person), please contact Terry Hyland at twh20eagle@comcast.net or Marge Ransom, wrandmr68@yahoo.com.

Delightful Dining

Date: January 16
Time: 4:00pm
Venue: Virtual Happy Hour

For more information, contact Jane Taft, taft.jane@gmail.com



Advocacy Interest Group **2nd Friday at 11:00am**

Date: January 8

The Advocacy Group is working on a number of policy issues, most immediate of which is the impact of the pandemic on the employment of women.

For more information, contact Sharron Noone, smnrrooe@aol.com



Story Telling **3rd Monday at 3:00pm**

Date: January 18

For more information, contact Mary Pat Silveira, mepsilveira@usa.net

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3	4	5 Board Meeting	6	7	8 Advocacy Group	9 Branch Meeting
10	11	12 Non-Fiction Books (new day)	13 Murder by the Book	14	15	16 Delightful Dining
17	18 Story Telling	19 Lunch Bunch	20 	21 Interpretive Books	22 Friday Books	23
24	25	26 Tuesday Books	27	28 Thursday Evening Books	29	30
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February 2021

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