



## **AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter** **January 2013**

### **AAUW Pendleton Branch** **January Membership Meeting**

*“Women’s Land Army, Documentary Film”*

Speaker: Sydney Cave



January 5 (Thursday)

11:00 a.m.

Prodigal Son, No-Host Lunch

Hostesses: Barbara Brandt and Mary Kinsch

### **February Membership Meeting**

Saturday, February 2, 11:00 a.m., No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

June Whitten, “Birds and Beasts of Brazil”

Hostesses: Kate Ely and Paula Turner

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## NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**January Membership Meeting:** Sydney Cave, graduate of Helix High School, will show and discuss her documentary film, *Women's Land Army*.

The Women's Land Army of the U.S. Crops Corps was organized in World War II to harvest crops in support of the war effort on the home front.



**EO Forum:** The first Eastern Oregon Forum in 2013 will be Carter Niemeyer, "War on Wolves," on Tuesday, January 8, at 7:00 p.m. at BMCC, Room ST-200. EO Forum membership is \$20 per individual member, or \$6 at the door for nonmembers. For more information, call Karen Parker at 541-966-3177.



AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the EO Forum sponsors.

**January Lunch Bunch:** The next Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, January 17, at 11:45 a.m. at Salsa Fresh on Court.

**January Board Meeting:** The January board meeting will be Thursday, January 17, at 7:00 p.m., at the home of Karen King, 1803 SE Byers Ave.

## Welcome

### New Member

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# Presidents' Corner for January

*By Marty King and Karen King*

The Pendleton Branch Board of Directors (elected and appointed officers and chairs) would like to wish all of the members and their families a **Happy and Healthy New Year!**

We just completed another year of selling and distributing the Texas Rio Star grapefruit. Our only fundraiser really sells itself and has become part of the local holiday season for many families! This fundraiser has become a really good fit for our group, completed within an intense but relatively short period. But – it's so important that all of our members continue to participate in some degree, even if it's just spreading the word about the product. Special thanks once again go to the Chair Kathy Ward and her husband Gary for all their time and trouble (and free garage space) during the event.

Because of our successful annual fundraising, we are able to provide much needed financial support to local, state, and federal projects supported by AAUW. The Pendleton Branch is able to accomplish many goals again during the 2012–2013 season:

- grant a \$1,000 scholarship to a BMCC returning student;
- provide the cost of GED testing to students who otherwise would not be able to complete this crucial phase of their education journey;
- support an important local community project, the Oregon East Symphony's youth string program;
- provide a magazine subscription to the Pendleton Public Library;
- give financial support to the Legal Advocacy Fund, which provides support for class action suits and advocacy activities;
- provide financial support to the Educational Foundation, which offers grants and fellowships to women for post-graduate studies;
- help our branch delegates attend the state convention and our leaders attend the State's summer retreat;
- and to support a community rebuilding effort for the Pioneer Park Playground, a local AAUW project first started back in 1999.

A big Thank You to all of our members for the support provided this year, through your time, effort, and financial donations to these and all the other projects that have come our way. Way to go, Pendleton AAUW!

But don't despair – we have a jam-packed 2013 calendar. Wonderful programs starting with the upcoming January 5th meeting at Prodigal Son: another Helix area artist, Sydney Cave, with her film *Women's Land Army*. Sounds intriguing, doesn't it? Please come join us for her presentation. Our own June Whitten will be sharing her slides from her recent trip to Brazil in February. And our June potluck/tour at Lynn Tompkins' Blue Mountain Wildlife facility will be a special treat.

But don't forget – our season-ending June 2013 community rebuild project at Pioneer Park Playground. Get that marked on your calendar. All hands on deck for this one. We've had amazing and generous support from the community and several of our AAUW members, helping raise over \$23,000 to date, and we haven't even started our major donor fundraising campaign yet. We will be selecting an architect in January and then starting to review design and maintenance issues. We only have six months to go before the target build date and lots to do.

And one last thing – please go online and take a peek at our new branch website at <http://pendleton-or.aauw.net/>. Our local 'webmaster' Mary Kinsch has been working with the web designer back East, working out details and populating our site with items that mean something to our members. We want your feedback, but remember, it's a work in progress. More stuff to come. . . . Thanks, Mary, for all your hard work on this project!