



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter **October 2012**

AAUW Pendleton Branch **October Membership Meeting**

Program: "Hopes and Plans for Pendleton"

Panel of City Leaders: Steve Chrisman,
Robb Corbett, and Jane Hill



October 4 (Thursday)

7:00 p.m.

Vert Clubroom, Dessert

Hostesses: Susan Doyle and Janet Groat

November Membership Meeting

Thursday, November 1, 7:00 p.m.

Vert Clubroom

Larry Blanc: "Health Care in our Community"

Rob Corbett and others: "Plans and Hopes for Pendleton"

**2012–2013 Pendleton Branch
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because **equity** is still an **issue**

Presidents' Corner for September

By Karen King and Marty King

Fall is fast approaching. Mornings have that briskness to them, but the days are still hot as summer struggles to hang on. The morning sun is blazing red, with just a hint of smoky freshness in the air...welcome to late season fires in the Northwest.

We are just off a busy Round-Up for AAUW. We had a great group of 20 local and visiting members and friends who participated in the Westward Ho parade. Melissa, Jill, and Kate Mace hosted our visitors from Gresham, Grants Pass, and Baker City – many thanks ladies! Our visitors all attended the rodeo, and some even saw the Happy Canyon. Our wagon of women were dressed in period clothing and got many smiles, whoops, and applause along the parade route as we honored and celebrated the 100th anniversary of the right to vote for Oregon women.

Pendleton AAUW is continuing our voting theme a little longer by helping to register voters before the cutoff date in mid-October. Renée and Meredith are coordinating the project and need volunteers to help eligible residents get signed up. Please sign up and help. We have an important local and national election just around the corner. Every vote counts.

Our new AAUW shirts have finally arrived. They turned out great – some of you might have seen Susan in the parade wearing hers. Karen will be passing out the rest at the next meeting. If there is interest, we might make another order later in the year.

Our website development is up and running, and we need your input. Do you have photos from past events or projects like building the playground stashed away? We will be looking at our archive files too, but if you have anything that you want to share, please contact Mary Kinsch or Kate Ely. Great pictures really make the website come alive.

What's that? Are we selling GRAPEFRUIT again this year as our only fundraiser? You bet we are, and here we go! Kathy has the phone lists ready to go. Packets will be available at the October meeting. We will staff a table at the Altrusa Bazaar in November and will have a sign-up list at the meeting. The pickup event will be in early December like years past. Ladies – as you know, this is our only fundraiser for the year and determines what we can donate to our community for scholarships and direct donations, as well as our contributions to the state and national programs. We need your commitment to make this another successful event. Delicious ruby-red grapefruit in December = Pendleton AAUW!

Finally, don't miss our next general meeting on October 4. We are hosting City of Pendleton representatives for a conversation about what's going on in our community. Come ready with questions! Get involved and get informed. See you there.

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

October General Membership Meeting: Pendleton City Manager Robb Corbett, new Economic Development Director Steve Chrisman, and City Council Member Jane Hill will talk with us about their Hopes and Plans for Pendleton. Those who can make it will meet for dinner before the meeting at Como's at 5:30 p.m.

October Lunch Bunch: The next Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, October 18. We will meet at the Heritage Station Museum at 11:15 and carpool to Archie's in Pilot Rock.

October Board Meeting: The October board meeting will be Thursday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. at Lisa-Marie Patterson's, 821 NW 11th Street.

AAUW Walla Walla Branch Kitchen Tour

The American Association of University Women will host their 10th annual Kitchen Tour from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 7th. Tickets for the fund-raiser are \$20.00 each and are available in Walla Walla at Earthlight Books, Bright's Candies & Gifts, Sweetwater Paper & Home, or at Jacobi's Café on the day of the tour. Tickets may also be purchased online at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/252189>.

Participants will tour 8 remarkable remodeled or new kitchens in homes dating from the late 1800s through 2008. Many of the older homes have been remodeled to reflect the historic character of the house while creating efficient kitchens.

This year's tour features two exciting major raffle items. AAUW member and artist Elizabeth Harris Matschukat has donated an original kitchen-themed painting, and Charlotte Roberts, whose kitchen is being featured on this year's tour, is offering a "Cowboy Cook-off Dinner" for eight to be held at her Russell Creek Ranch. The painting can be seen and tickets for both raffles can be purchased at Sweetwater Paper & Home at 101 E. Alder.

The kick-off location is at Jacobi's Café, 416 N. 2nd Ave, between 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. Present your ticket to receive your Tour Guide and Map for this self-guided tour.

Proceeds benefit AAUW scholarships and local educational projects. For more information contact: 509-520-9760 or 805-459-7324

Tip of the Month

Carry a magazine or other favorite reading material in your car in case you are caught by a train or road work. Or, a pocket Sudoku if you are so inclined.

Westward Ho! Parade Photos

by Marty King



October Program Notes

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Steve Chrisman



Steve Chrisman of Seal Rock, OR, began working as Pendleton’s Economic Development Director on September 5. He will focus on creating family wage jobs, helping existing businesses expand, getting industrial sites up to state building standards, and marketing. A chief concern for Chrisman is attracting businesses to the industrial park near Airport Road.

Chrisman moved from Sea Girt, NJ to Oregon in 1990 to attend Southern Oregon University. He graduated in 1994 with a bachelor’s in business administration with an emphasis in marketing. He is married to Shannon Chrisman, and they have two daughters, Cheney and Ella. His family will stay in Seal Rock for about a year before they move to Pendleton.

Robb Corbett



Robb Corbett was hired by the City of Pendleton in December 2011 after serving as Manager in Sutherlin, Prineville, and Burns. Robb started his career in public service in 1990 and became a City Manager in 2000. He is a member of the International City Managers Association and is on the Board of Directors of the Oregon City/County Managers Association.

Corbett has served as a community volunteer in several areas, including Young Life, Boys and Girls Club of America, AAU, Student Mentor, Smart Reading Program, Oregon State High School Rodeo, and past deacon of his church. He is a member of the Rotary Club.

Corbett is a 2008 graduate of Eastern Oregon State University with a degree in Business Administration. He is married to Elizabeth Corbett and they have three children.

Jane Hill



Jane Hill is member of the Pendleton City Council. Her past employment includes Executive Director, Pendleton Center for the Arts and Oregon Trial Lawyers Association; Special Assistant for Economic Development and Operations Coordinator, U.S. Senator Ron Wyden; and Legislative Director, Oregon Student Association.

Her Community Service includes Leadership Pendleton; Rotary International; Lincoln/West Hills Parent Club; Pendleton Progress Board; Long Term Facilities Planning Committee - Pendleton School District; Reading Volunteer - Lincoln Primary School; Volunteer - Presbyterian Preschool; Volunteer - BMCC TRIO program; City of Pendleton Arts Committee for Riverfront Plaza sculpture; Arts Council of Pendleton; Fundraising Advisor - Presbyterian Playground Project; and Fundraising Advisor - Pioneer Relief Nursery. She is married to Steve Hill and they have two children.

PENDLETON AAUW “GET OUT THE VOTE” VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

We have an exciting opportunity and role to play in the coming elections. We need volunteers to help AAUW as part of the Get Out The Vote - National Voter Registration Drive!

This year, more than any other, voter registration and the voting process is crucial to our country. We are only asking for a few short hours per week at two locations – and think of the pride you will feel on election day that you were part of the process!

Renée Struthers and Meredith Felton are the AAUW Voter Registration Coordinators for Pendleton. Their contact information is as follows:

Renée Struthers (541-377-0504) email: phoenyxrising@msn.com
Meredith Felton (541-429-4226) email: meredith2011@msn.com

You can respond by email or call to let them know for which time slot and location you are volunteering. The schedule of available sites and times is below.

The voter registration packets will be brought to you at your site by either Meredith or Renée, and one of them will pick up completed forms and signage at the end of every day.

The Voter Registration forms are self explanatory, but Meredith or Renée will be happy to explain the process to you and answer any questions you may have. The Packets are self sealing for the protection of privacy of registrants.

*** This is voter registration only – we can NOT suggest parties to register for, candidates to vote for, or engage in political discussions. If you are currently listed on a ballot or are running for public office, you cannot volunteer to assist with voter registrations.

Here is the schedule, and it will work best if we have two volunteers for each site/time slot:

Tuesday 10/2	11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Great Pacific
	10:30 am – 1:00 pm	Public Library
	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Public Library
	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Public Library
	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Public Library
Friday 10/05	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Great Pacific
Tuesday 10/9	11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Great Pacific
Friday 10/12	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Great Pacific

We all look forward to working together in this ever important election. If you could please contact us immediately to volunteer for the listed dates above we would appreciate it – because neither Renée nor Meredith (who are both VERY early risers) WANT to call you early in the morning to ask you to volunteer!

AAUW FUNDS LETTER

2012-13 – #2 September

TO: AAUW of Oregon Branches
FROM: Claudia Gray, State Funds Chair

Oregon was again in the top ten states for contributions to the AAUW Funds for the year 2011! This week branch Funds chairs and presidents received the fall issue of the national publication Fund Facts. On page 2 is a link to the national website for the top ten states for Funds contributions, and Oregon and two Oregon branches are listed in most of the fund categories. Here are the listings:

AAUW FUNDS TOP TEN STATES 2011

Combined Support to all AAUW programs: the Legal Advocacy Fund, the Educational Opportunities Fund, the Public Policy Fund, the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, the Leadership Programs Fund, the AAUW Action Fund, and AAUW Funds.

<u>State Total</u>	<u>St Per cap</u>	Oregon 8 th
Oregon 9 th	<u>Branch</u>	
Beaverton 5 th		

AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund

<u>State Total</u>	<u>St Per cap</u>
Oregon 4 th	Oregon 4 th

AAUW Leadership Programs Fund

<u>State Total</u>	<u>Branch Total</u>
Oregon 7 th	Beaverton 8 th

AAUW Eleanor Roosevelt Fund

<u>State Total</u>	<u>St Per cap</u>	Oregon 7 th
Oregon 7 th	<u>Branch</u>	
Salem 6 th		

AAUW Educational Opportunities Fund

<u>State Total</u>	<u>Branch</u>
Oregon 7 th	Beaverton 5 th

AAUW Public Policy Fund

<u>State Total</u>
Oregon 5 th

NEW RESEARCH STUDY

The Eleanor Roosevelt Fund provides the money for AAUW's wonderful research studies. A new study will be released on November 15 – which is National Philanthropy Day. The new study is titled "Graduating to a Pay Gap" and covers the high cost of a college education. It examines the debt that students incur and how it is especially hard for women, who still earn 77¢ to the \$1 men earn.

FELLOWS IN OREGON

There are currently five women studying in Oregon, two of them on Oregon-related Fellowships, and one school district project was funded in Oregon. The list of names and fields are on the next page.

BETSY MCDOWELL UNIT

We are still asking branches to contribute to the Betsy McDowell Unit #4363, if the branch has no other focus at this time.

FUNDRAISING POLICIES

The national AAUW Development Office and the AAUW Board will be sending out a list of fundraising policies soon. This is, in large part, because of increased pressure from the IRS to ensure that organizations that raise money for a 501(c)(3) entity give it to that tax-exempt entity. I'll send more information on this important issue soon.

SHARE THIS INFORMATION

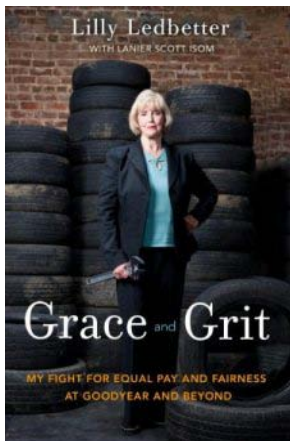
As always, please share this information with your branch members. They appreciate knowing where their money is going, and the good that it does in furthering AAUW's mission of equity.

And we need to brag about how well we do as a state! Thanks to all of you for your continued support of AAUW and the Funds.

Fellows in Oregon 2012–13

<u>Fellow</u>	<u>School/Field</u>	<u>Sponsors</u>
Amy Bantle	PSU - Speech Therapy	Bartelt, Sims
Tiffany Cheng	OSU - Environmental Engineering	
Susan Meyers	OSU - Rhetoric and Composition	
Lisa Ortlip	Art Institute of Portland - Design Visualization	Drummond, Eaton, Gray
Megan Ybarra	Willamette U - Geography	
Springfield School Dist	GEMS (Girls in Engineering, Math, and Science)	Dunlop, Eugene-Lane Branch, Hitchcock, McGraw

An Opportunity from AAUW Funds



AAUW celebrates 130 years this year. AAUW is giving the Lilly Ledbetter book, *Grace and Grit: My Fight for Equal Pay and Fairness at Goodyear and Beyond*, as a thank-you gift to donors who give at least \$130 to AAUW Funds, a nod to our anniversary.

If you would like to donate to AAUW Funds and receive Lilly's book as a “thank you,” please send your check for \$130 directly to me so I can make sure that our branch gets “credit” for the donation.

Thank you,

Kate Mace
1040C NW 12th St / Pendleton

