

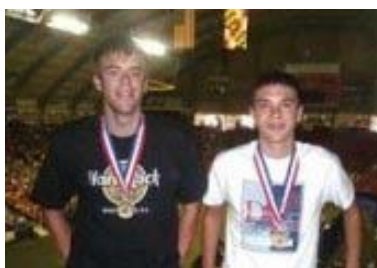


## **AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter** **February 2012**

### **AAUW Pendleton Branch** **February Membership Meeting**

Program: "Film and Education"

Speakers: Brendan Decicio and Daniel Kubishta,  
Helix High School students



February 4 (Saturday)  
11:00 a.m.

No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

Hostesses: Jan Bruning and Roberta Jones

### **March Membership Meeting**

Saturday, March 3, 11:00 a.m.

No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

Program: Poetry Panel, Shaindel Beers, BMCC

Hostess: Harriet Isom

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## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER for February**

*By Jill Heffner*

“Women of the West...Leading the Way” is the theme of the 2012 AAUW of Oregon State Convention, at the Pendleton Red Lion Inn, April 20-22, hosted by our branch. The plans are made, things are happening, committees are being formed. It's all coming together. Thank you, those of you who signed up at the January meeting to help! This is a GREAT group of women to work with!

We hope that YOU are planning to attend this convention! We're excited about it, AAUW members around the state are excited about it. And we want YOU to be there!

Registration fee is \$65.00. We are hosting Kate Brown, Secretary of State for Oregon, at the Friday night barbecue. Saturday our Keynote Speaker is Cynthia Miller, AAUW Director of Marketing, from Washington DC. There are great workshops planned on Saturday, including our own Mary Davis and Rebecca Heirs! Sunday morning activities include Nature Walk, Yoga, and Guided Meditation. All this for a mere \$65.00! What a deal! Meals are separate, but, oh my, are they going to be scrumptious. You can join us at the meal, or come afterwards to just hear the speaker...your choice. Please plan to support our branch with your attendance.

Conventions are planned to take place around the state; it works out that a convention will be at a certain place every ten years. Pendleton hosted the 2002 Convention and will host the 2012. Since there are only three branches in Eastern Oregon—Baker, Pendleton, Wallowa—it's pretty much a done deal that there won't be another convention on this side of the state till we host it again in 2022! This is YOUR CHANCE to attend a convention without driving to “The Valley” or The Coast or Southern Oregon! We hope you will seize this opportunity to attend a really great AAUW of Oregon State Convention!

Just ask us...we'll tell you how terrific it is going to be!



## **AAUW PENDLETON BRANCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

**Saturday, January 7, 2012**

### **Prodigal Son**

We gathered at the Prodigal Son for lunch with 25 members and our speaker present. Hosts were Karen King and Marty King.

The Program was presented by Melissa Bob of Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts. Her talk was very interesting, and she offered a tour of the Institute to anyone who wished later in the afternoon.

President Jill Heffner called the meeting to order and suggested that we each tell our name, our degree, and what our real passion is. It was interesting that many of us are using our degree to fulfill our passion, and many have changed paths along the way.

1. Minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter
2. Finance report presented by Jill, Finance VP pro tem. The balances as of 1-7-12 were: checking, \$4,216.27; savings, \$6,295.82. The grapefruit sale was a huge success. Jill happily gave the finance stuff back to Gail!
3. Program – Mary Kinsch – we will meet on February 4 at the Prodigal Son and watch a short film presented by two high school students from Helix who are avid film-makers.
4. Membership – Susan Badger Doyle – she announced that we have two new members, Lisa-Marie Patterson rejoined and Connie Marier is a brand new member.
5. Communications – No report
6. AAUW FUNDS – Kate Mace has paid our contribution to AAUW Funds: \$1,500 to EF to the Betsy McDowell Named Unit and \$500 to LAF.
7. Kathy Ward – Grapefruit. We made nearly \$4,000 on the grapefruit this year! Great job!
8. Susan Badger Doyle reported: the Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 at the Heritage Museum parking lot to carpool to the Kinship Café on January 19. The next Board meeting is also on the 19th at Susan's house at 7:00 p.m.  
Susan is our convention co-chair with Jill, and she emphasized that we all need to step up and volunteer for various jobs – and also pay the fees and attend the events. She passed around a sign-up sheet for various responsibilities.

Jill closed the meeting by talking about Convention as well and urged every member to get involved.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa T. Woodbury, Recording Secretary

# NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**February Program Notes:** In June 2011, Helix High School juniors placed third in the country in the National History Day competition for their documentary film on the Oregon Compulsory Education act of 1922. The issue went all the way to the Supreme Court as *Pierce v. the Society of Sisters*. The high court ruled the law unconstitutional. This was their second award-winning documentary. In 2010 the pair placed 14th for their documentary on innovation and the Brownie Camera.

**Eastern Oregon Forum:** The next EO Forum of 2012 is Tuesday, February 7, at 5:30 p.m. at BMCC, Science and Technology Building, Room 200. The program will be Scott F. Burns, "Geology and the Wine Industry in Eastern Oregon." AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the EO Forum sponsors. If you are not a member, admission is \$6 at the door. For more information, call BMCC 541-276-1260.

**February Lunch Bunch:** The next Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, February 16, at Salsa Fresh at 11:45. Salsa Fresh is at 703 SW Court.

**February Board Meeting:** Thursday, February 16, 7:00 p.m., at Karen King's home, 1803 SE Byers, 541-278-2151, [dekaking@q.com](mailto:dekaking@q.com).

## From Claudia Gray, AAUW Funds Chair for AAUW of OR

This is the link to a new website set up by the national Development Office devoted to accepting gifts for the Betsy McDowell Research & Projects Grant:

[https://svc.aauw.org/contribute/index\\_aauw\\_donation.cfm?CorpCode=AAUW&FundCode=4363](https://svc.aauw.org/contribute/index_aauw_donation.cfm?CorpCode=AAUW&FundCode=4363)

### Membership Updates

#### New Member

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