

# **AAUW Pendleton Branch March Membership Meeting**

Program: History Project Films Griswold High School Students, Helix



March 4 (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. Prodigal Son

Hostesses: Dianne Barnes and Joan Deroko

## April Membership Meeting

Thursday, April 6, 7:00 p.m., Vert Clubroom Mary Davis, "Food Waste and the Environment"

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## **NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

March Lunch Bunch: The March lunch bunch will meet for lunch on March 16, 11:45, at Elvis's at the airport terminal.

March Board Meeting: The March board meeting will be Thursday, March 16, at **7:00 p.m**. at the home of Dianne Barnes. All members are welcome to attend the board meetings.

**Eastern Oregon Forum** The March EO Forum will be Tuesday, March 21, 7:00 p.m., at BMCC in the Science and Technology Building. A panel of a wheat grower, a distiller, and one or more brewers will speak on "From Field to Froth." AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the sponsors for EO Forum.

**AAUW Walla Walla Book Sale:** AAUW Walla Walla would like to invite your AAUW members to attend our 42nd annual Book Sale, February 24–26, at the Marcus Whitman Hotel, 6 W. Rose St, Walla Walla. Hours are Friday and Saturday, 9 am–7 pm, and Sunday, 9 am–4 pm. We will have approximately 40,000 books organized into 40 categories, including a rare and collectible section, which is individually priced. Prices for the regular collection range from \$.50 to \$4.

—Kay Raddatz <u>markkay@charter.net</u> 509-522-5240

### **February Membership Meeting Video**

Those who watched the video on teen dating violence at the February membership meeting requested the online link to the video. The video can be viewed at this link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=He1pu4VwKdM&t=31s



## **Co-President's Corner for March 2017**

### By Marlene Krout

Happy March, ladies. I was hoping to claim spring was surely around the next corner; however, looking this morning at the forecast and the snowy hills to the east it appears I would be overly optimistic. At least we are now having temperatures in the thirties and forties rather than the teens and twenties. Wish we could curb the rain a bit. though.

February means many of the Board members have spent some time this month writing their annual report to send to state, which be included in the State Convention information. These reports make me realize what an impact AAUW does have not only locally, but as well, statewide and nationally. I know you have an idea of this also from attending meetings and reading the newsletter, but allow me a moment to reiterate just the financial support we provide locally from our dues and grapefruit sales: \$1,000 scholarship to returning woman at BMCC; 2016–2017 STEM, \$500 to Pendleton High School welding program; \$500 to Mother/Daughter Choices program; \$75 to Adopt A Magazine at Pendleton Public Library for *Scientific American*; approximately \$75 Equal Pay Day supplies (candy bars and printed materials); \$100 honorarium to Griswold High School to support History Film Project; Amy Bedford Fund to assist with payment of GED test fees for students in need. We also will be offering some financial support to our new AAUW Blue Mountain Community College Student Associate group, amount yet to be determined. Most of us totally believe in the importance of supporting our local community first, and also recognize the importance of funding our state and national organization to move AAUW's overarching issues and mission forward, which includes our named grants of \$500 each to the Education Foundation and Legal Advocacy Fund.

Speaking of the Griswold High School History Film Project, be sure to make the March 4th meeting as it is our featured program. This project has won national awards for their comprehensive research and coverage of each year's subject. Always an interesting, informative program.

Hope to see you on Saturday at the Prodigal Son.



### AAUW PENDLETON AFFILIATE GENERAL MEETING Minutes

#### FEBRUARY 4, 2017

The meeting was held at the Prodigal Son. The speaker from Portland could not come due to inclement weather. Kathryn Cheney volunteered to present a program from Domestic Violence Services. Mary Adams spoke on Teen Dating Violence which was very informative. Thank you to Kathryn and Mary.

There were 8 members, 2 speakers, and 4 guests at the presentation. The guest were Jim Setzer, Director, Umatilla Co. Health Dept. and Kathy Setzer; and AmeriCorps VISTA members, Morgan Linder and Diane Romero.

Marlene Krout opened the business meeting at 12:05 p.m. 8 members and 2 guests (AmeriCorps VISTA members) were present.

Susan Doyle moved and Dianne Barnes seconded that the Jan. minutes be accepted and it passed.

Dianne B. presented the financial report: About \$1,400 in the checking and \$8,270 in the savings account for a total of just under \$9,700.

#### OFFICER/PROJECT REPORTS:

- Program: The May program will be about the Oregon Commission of Women. The rural health program planned for today will be rescheduled for in the fall.

- C/U Partner: Karen King and Kathy Ward went to a meeting on 1/27/17 with the two advisors and 4 student members, 3 women and 1 man. There are 3 students going to the NCCWSL program. Other activities they are interested in include: Get the condom out on 2/14 plus attempting to get condoms in the bathrooms; Angela Project with local bars and restaurants; Walk in Her Shoes where guys walk in high heels; a sexual violence program in April; a self defense class in the spring and Start Smart. There was a lot of enthusiasm.

- Mother/Daughter choices: Mary states she and Kate are ready, but no one has signed up. Mary and Marlene will meet with the middle school counselor and perhaps place information in the newspaper.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Equal Pay Day will be 4/4/17 which is one week earlier than last year. Women now make \$.80 to a man's \$1.00. Pay Day candy bars will be given out again. Sign-ups will be at the March meeting.

- Reminder for the officers to submit their annual reports.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominating committee: Mary D., Susan D. and Karen K. volunteered. Co-president, Co-program, secretary and treasurer positions will be needed to be filled.

- State Convention- April 21-23, 2017 at Salishan. 3 voting delegates will need to be elected. There is \$600.00 for those attending to share toward expenses.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Feb. Board Meeting- 2/16/17 at Karen Kings at 7 p.m.

- Feb. Lunch Bunch -2/16/17 at Buckin' Bean at 11:45 a.m.

- March General Meeting -3/4/17 at the Prodigal Son at 11 a.m.
- EO Forum -2/21/17 at 7 p.m. Susan and Mary will be at registration.

#### Respectfully submitted:

Judy Witte, secretary

## **AAUW BMCC Student Associate Group**

### By Karen King

AAUW Pendleton Branch partnered with Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) to form a College/University (C/U) partnership in 2014.

With the help of Cynthia Rauscher, Pendleton Branch worked with BMCC to form a Student Associate group in fall 2015. That first year (2015–2016), the group got off to a rocky start. However, Pendleton Branch and BMCC Associate Group sponsored a joint project on campus on Equal Pay Day in 2016, in which we handed out Pay Day candy bars and information about the gender gap in wages. It was so successful that we ran out of candy bars before the event was scheduled to end.

We are pleased to report that the AAUW BMCC Student Associate Group is off to a great start for 2016–2017. The co-advisors for the group are Velda Arnaud (who has taken the Start Smart facilitator training) and Abigail Pierson (a student member from the previous year). The group has 17 members this year, and they have elected officers. There are three students who plan to attend NCCWSL in June. Several of the members attended the Women's March on Pendleton.

The group has a number of program ideas that are in various stages of planning. The planned events include passing out condoms on Valentine's Day; an 'Ask Angela' project, which requires coordination with local bars and restaurants; an Equal Pay Day event on campus with Pendleton Branch on April 4, 2017; partnering with the Diversity Group for 'A Walk in Her Shoes' event; sexual violence awareness; a possible self-defense training; and a possible Start Smart workshop in April or May.

The students' enthusiasm and can-do spirit is invigorating to those of us in Pendleton Branch who have attended their meetings. We continue to offer them support in any way that we can.

We hope to see you Saturday, March 4, at Prodigal Son For the always interesting Helix history students' films

