

## AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter January 2016

# **AAUW Pendleton Branch January Membership Meeting**

Program: "Women of Iran" Speaker: Harriet Isom



January 9 (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

Hostesses: Mary Davis, Kathy Ward

### February Membership Meeting

Saturday, February 6, 11:00 a.m., Prodigal Son Program: Steve Chrisman, "Economic Development Update"

Hostesses: Jill Heffner, Renée Struthers

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#### **NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

January Membership Meeting: It's winter, so we meet for the next three meetings on Saturdays at Prodigal Son. In addition to our speaker Harriet Isom, who will talk about "Women of Iran," BMCC student Emily Sexton will tell us about her experience attending the national AAUW NCCWSL conference for student leaders.

**Eastern Oregon Forum:** The first EO Forum of 2016 will be Tuesday, January 12, 7:00 p.m., at BMCC Science & Technology Building. AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the sponsors of the forum. See below for the program.

**January Lunch Bunch:** The January Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, January 21, 11:45 a.m., at Sundown Grill & BBQ.

**January Board Meeting:** The January board meeting will be at Karen King's home at 7:00 p.m. As always, all branch members are invited to attend the board meeting.

## Eastern Oregon Forum BMCC

Science and Technology Building, Tuesday, January 12 7:00 p.m.

Program: "Daughters of Hanford"
Speaker: Anna King

Anna King, is the Northwest News Reporter for Northwest Public Radio at Washington State University in the Tri-Cities She loves unearthing great stories about people in the Northwest, from nuclear reactors to Mexican rodeos Anna has actively covered the Hanford Nuclear Reservation for the past eight years. Her series "Daughters of Hanford" profiles some of the women from the area whose stories she hasn't had a chance to tell.

Forum membership is \$20.00 for the season.

Nonmember admission is \$6.00 at the door each program

### **President's Corner for December 2015**

#### By Melissa Woodbury & Marlene Krout

As 2015 passes into history, it might be a good idea to review all that you have achieved this year. We had ten programs covering such topics as STEM, travel to Cuba, the ever-interesting student films from Griswold High School, and Drone technology. We toured the new Early Learning Center, learned about Wills and Trusts, got an insight into the proposed gas tax, and ended the year with our annual wine tasting at the Great Pacific followed by chocolate at Alexander's. As always, we hope to be a place where educated women can have interesting programs about interesting things with friends.

But now it is on to 2016. Our first meeting will be on Saturday, January 9 at the Prodigal Son. Harriet Isom will be talking about Women of Iran, a topic of great interest in our world today. The social time will start at 11:00 a.m., and we hope that you will all plan to be there and bring a friend!

Marlene and I want to add a huge thank you to Kathy Ward for all she does with the Grapefruit Sale, ably assisted by Karen King. And thanks to all our members who made the calls, helped with sorting, and made sure that this, our one fund-raiser of the year, went off smoothly and successfully. Congratulations everyone.

Happy New Year to you all!





Just wanted to thank everyone who participated in the annual Grapefruit Sale!! It was a success once again. We should all thank our customers—without them, this wouldn't be possible.

A BIG thanks to all the members who sold grapefruit, helped at Altrusa Bazaar, and helped at PGG on December 5.

A GREAT BIG thanks to the non-members who helped: Don Witte, Gary Ward, David King, Paul Davis, and Julie Stratton's kids--not only are they cute, they were anxious and willing to help out!! (I hope I didn't forget anyone!)

A HUGE thanks to Deb Fritts for making arrangements at PGG, being there for grapefruit delivery and all day on December 5 to open and close for us. Deb, we couldn't do it without you!! Please thank the guys at PGG for us, too.

And, of course, a GREAT BIG HUGE thanks to Kathy Ward who keeps track of all the lists, sales, and money each year. It is a huge job, and we should all thank her personally for her contribution.

And now, it's time to sit back, relax, and start the New Year. I hope you enjoyed the holidays with friends and families.

-Karen King