

AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter April 2018

AAUW Pendleton Branch April Membership Meeting

Program: "Cascadia Earthquake" Speaker: Phillip Schmitz



April 5 (Thursday) 7:00 p.m. Vert Clubroom

Hostesses: Karen Allen and Joan Deroko

May Membership Meeting

Thursday, May 3, 7:00 p.m., Vert Clubroom Eric Quaempts, "First Foods"

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NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

April Lunch Bunch: The April Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, April 12, location TBD.

April Board Meeting: The April board meeting will be Thursday, April 26, 7:00 p.m., at Elizabeth Scheeler's home.

EO Forum: The April EO Forum will be Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m., at BMCC's Science and Technology Building, Room ST-200. The program will be "The Healing Power of Animals." This EO Forum is free to attend.

Co-Presidents Corner for May 2018

By Susan Doyle and Elizabeth Scheeler

Daffodils are blooming, the grass will soon need mowing, and trees are starting to bud. Spring is trying to make an appearance. Let's hope winter is finally done for the year and that we are done with snow and freezing weather until November, at least.

The Helix students' documentaries on how Oregon's beaches became permanently open to the public and, on a darker note, the KKK's activity and influence in our state were both educational and eye-opening.

This month's presentation by Philip Schmitz on the Cascadia Subduction Zone will no doubt also be informative and enlightening. Please invite any friends who might have an interest in this subject. We return to evening meetings at the Vert Clubroom for the remainder of the year.

Our April membership meeting begins our dues renewal time for the 2018–19 year. Please consider renewing at the meeting.

Hope to see you all on April 5th!

—Elizabeth

Silent Auction Items for AAUW Oregon State Convention

Please bring items for the silent auction baskets that Marlene Krout is assembling to the April membership meeting or get them to Marlene as soon as possible.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN PENDLETON, OR

GENERAL MEETING March 3, 2018

We gathered at the Prodigal Son with 15 members, one guest, and our speakers.

Co-Program Chair Kathryn Chaney called the meeting to order at 11:20 AM and introduce our speakers, the teacher and kids from Griswold High School and their National History Projects. The first was "A Stand on Beaches – Tom McCall" on the push to make sure that Oregon's beaches would be forever open to all and not private property. The second film was on the Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s when 2 percent of the population of Oregon were members. Its primary focus was anti-Catholic, especially parochial schools.

At 12:00 PM, Co-President Susan Badger Doyle called the business meeting to order.

- 1. Minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter
- 2. Finance report balances as of 3/3/18 were: checking, \$1,066.62 and savings, \$9,371.29.
- 3. EO Forum Opioid Crisis on March 20th.
- 4. Mother-Daughter Choices Kate Ely. They originally had four pairs but actually had only three. They meet on Monday evenings and will be at the Presbyterian Church. They still are working on redoing the materials to bring them up to date.
- 5. Our April Program back at the Vert on April 5 will be on Cascadia with Phillip Schmitz.
- 6. STEM we funded a shop class for girls at the Middle School where they designed Rube(y) Goldberg devices.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Kathy Ward reported that Pioneer Park needs some TLC. We hope that the Parks Department will organize a work day, and we can get some stuff done. Stay tuned.
- b. Membership Forms Joan Deroko has them, but they are not really due until next month.
- c. Convention Jill Heffner, Kate Mace, Elizabeth Scheeler, and Marlene Krout are going. Please get any items for the silent auction basket to Marlene by the next meeting.
- d. We need volunteers to register people to vote at BMCC. Please call or email Sue Peterson.

Announcements:

March 15 – Lunch Bunch will be at the Kinship Café. Meet at Heritage Station at 11:15 to go out to Tamastslikt.

March 15 – Board meeting at Marlene Krout's home at 7:00 PM

March 20 – EO Forum at BMCC – Opioid Crisis

March 23 – Candidates' Forum at BMCC for Democrats running in the primary to face Greg Walden in November.

April 5 – General Meeting at the Vert. Phillip Schmitz on "Cascadia Earthquake."

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa T. Woodbury, Recording Secretary

Slate of Officers for 2018–19To be voted on at the May Membership Meeting

Co-President: Karen Wagner, two years Co-Program Vice President: Kate Ely, two years Communications Vice President: Marlene Krout, two years Membership Vice President: Joan Deroko, two years



IT'S ANNUAL DUES TIME

The AAUW membership year begins July 1, and collection of membership dues drive begins in April each year. The membership form is on the last page of this newsletter, and forms will be available at the next three meetings.

Please renew as soon as possible or mail your check, along with the filled-out membership form, by June 30. We need the form to fulfill national requirements, and it also provides the information needed for the membership directory that is printed in the fall.

Note: Life members (Kate Mace, Julianne Sawyer, and Sue Waldman) pay only state and branch dues, or \$25.00. Honorary Life members (Alerita Burns, Hope Fischer, Andrea Timmermann, and June Whitten) pay **no** dues

Equal Pay Day is April 10

April 10 is the day when women's pay "catches up" to what men were paid by December 31. Branch members will have a table at Great Pacific to hand out Pay Day candy bars and information about pay equity.

May 5 Meeting Program Notes

This presentation will the basic geology of the Cascadia Fault and a brief history of Cascadia events. Then we will focus on what to expect during a Cascadia Subduction Event. Finally, we will look at what the impact will be to communities in the Pacific Northwest, focusing particularly on what we might expect in Northeast Oregon.

AAUW STEM Project

Dear AAUW Members,

I elected to use the AAUW STEM funds to specifically support the Rube Goldberg project, since many consumable materials are needed, and all the materials can be purchased locally.

The Rube Goldberg project challenges students to think like engineers and invent a machine that does a specific task or job. As part of the challenge, the student invented machine must pop a balloon within 60 seconds of activating the machine. To teach science concepts, the students must incorporate at least 4 of the 6 simple machines in their Rube Goldberg devise. Mechanical advantage of each machine in their devise must be calculated and presented in their design notebooks, as well as prototype drawings and the data collected as they built, tested, and modified their machine.

Each team of 3 students presents their machine to the class. They explain how their devise incorporates 4 to 6 different simple machines, where energy and forces are utilized (kinetic, potential, gravity, friction) and, in a demonstration, successfully pop a balloon. Three trials are allowed. Since this is (for the most part) their first time designing a machine, we learn from and celebrate all of our successes.

Thank you for supporting Sunridge Middle School wood shop program. More than 50% of wood shop students are girls. Girls are encouraged to explore, invent, and build. They learn skills, apply scientific concept, operate wood shop power tools, and become confident in their abilities.

Sincerely, Ken Jacobs Sunridge Middle School Wood Shop Teacher

Photos from the Project





