



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter
December 2018

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December Membership Meeting

Annual Holiday Wine Tasting

With Ken Schulberg, Great Pacific



December 6 (Thursday)

7:00 p.m.

Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Company

Hostesses: Velda Arnaud and Jan Bruning

**If you are tasting wine, please contribute \$10
toward the cost of the event**

January Membership Meeting

Saturday, January 5, 11:00 a.m., Prodigal Son
Sascha McKeon, "Mosquitos in a Changing Landscape"

**AAUW Pendleton Branch
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NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Dinner Divas: Dinner Divas will meet before the wine tasting meeting on Thursday, December 6, at 5:30 p.m., at Great Pacific.

December Lunch Bunch: Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, December 13, 11:45 a.m., at Eden's Kitchen on SW 6th Street.

No board meeting in December.



Welcome New Member

Louise M. Thompson

Pendleton

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Directory Correction

New Address

for Velda Arnaud:

2204 SW Perkins Ave.



Happy Holidays

Co-Presidents Corner for December 2018

Greetings, University Women! Today I am appreciating this season of fullness, thanks, and friendship – and the many things our branch can appreciate and be proud of.

I am grateful for the blessing of voting, a reminder of our precious long-lived democracy, dependent on you and I participating to our fullest capacity for the benefit of all and our future. I am reveling in the glorious gathering of family and friends around tables of love – and hoping that all bellies and hearts were full. And for our delicious Ruby Red grapefruit! It has been ordered and will soon be enjoyed in homes all over Pendleton (and beyond), and thus enrich our accounts to do good work. Thanks to all involved!

I am also pleased we have received the first batch of member survey responses outlining your thoughts and feelings about our work, our gatherings, and our branch's activities. It's your opportunity to 'vote' on our future. We kindly request that anyone who has not filled out and returned the survey, either by electronic submission or paper copy, to please do so. January analysis will determine how to plan for relevancy, success, and positive involvement of AAUW members and community.

And not lastly, the upcoming Holiday Gathering (on St. Nicholas' Day) is looking appropriately, festively educational! This year our wine tasting will include olfactory 'training' – a lesson in sniffing out the essentials of the bouquet and complexities of taste that comprise the wines we love. Ken and I are creating an aroma introduction in preparation for your holiday (and other imbibing) events. We hope you will join us at the fine local establishment of Great Pacific Wine and Coffee shop on December 6th, 7-9 pm. Please consider bringing a member who doesn't drive in the evening, and a friend who should meet us all.

—Karen Wagner

2019 Pendleton Branch Membership Meeting Schedule

January 5 – Prodigal Son, 11 am; Sascha McKeon, PhD, “Mosquitos in a Changing Landscape.” Hostesses: Kathryn Chaney and Pamela Chatley.

February 2 – Prodigal Son, 11 am; Mary Davis, “Global Exchange to Indonesia: A Perspective on Women and Children in Southeast Asia.” Hostesses: Harriet Isom and Hero Gollany.

March 2 – Prodigal Son, 11 am; Lorin Kubishta, Griswold High School student Historical Film Project. Hostesses: Mary Davis and Kathryn Youngman.

April 4 – Vert Club Room, 7 pm; Mike McHenry, Pendleton Sanitary Service, Inc., “Recycling and the Ban on Plastics.” Hostesses: Beth Read and TBD.

May 2 – Vert Club Room, 7 pm; Robert Bartlett, PhD, “Triple Nickles: Jumping into Fire.” Miriam Munck and Rebecca Hiers.

General/Board June 13 – 5:30 pm; Kathy Ward, potluck; City Council Member, “Look to the Future in Pendleton.”

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
PENDLETON, OR
GENERAL MEETING November 1, 2018

We met at the Vert Clubroom at 7:00 p.m. Eighteen members and two guests were present. Guest Louise Thompson joined at the meeting. Karen Allen provided delicious refreshments.

Marlene Krout reported that the memorial service for Betty Klepper will be November 9 at the Vert Auditorium, with a reception following at the Arts Center.

Kate Ely introduced speaker Theresa Ulrich, CTUIR Office of Technology, who gave an informative presentation on cybersecurity and what users can do to defend themselves.

After the program, Co-President Karen Wagner called the business meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

The minutes from the October were approved as distributed.

Karen King presented the finance report. There is \$443.91 in checking, \$7,172.51 in savings.

Reports:

1. Elizabeth Scheeler reported that she emailed members on the ballot measures.
2. The membership survey has been emailed to the members. Printed copies are available.
3. Grapefruit: Kathy Ward passed around the Altrusa Bazaar sign-up sheet. She has deposited around \$1,900 already. She still hasn't heard that delivery day is confirmed for December 1. Grapefruit sales material is available on a table.
4. Mother-Daughter Choices: Kate Ely reported they are still looking for a venue.
5. Velda Arnaud emailed officers about the Made to Thrive mentoring program, which is being organized in Pendleton. It will be brought up at the board meeting.

Announcements:

The Soup Supper at the Presbyterian Church is Friday, 5–7 p.m.

The CCT play "Proof" begins next week at BMCC.

The Arts Center Gala is Saturday evening.

The East Oregon Symphony concert is Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

November Lunch Bunch – November 15, Buckin' Bean.

November Board Meeting – November 15, Karen Wagner's.

December General Meeting – December 6, Wine Tasting at Great Pacific

Meeting adjourned, 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Doyle, Acting Secretary

Sunridge Girls in Science

For the second year, thanks to a grant from The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Pendleton Branch, on Saturday, October 29, Mrs. Erwin with thirty Sunridge Middle School girls attended Girls in Science.

Girls in Science is an annual event at Eastern Oregon University that provides girls in grades 6–8 with an exciting day of hands-on STEM exploration! Hosted in collaboration by NEOAHEC and EOU, it allows students to dive headfirst into an engaging science mystery that explores topics in chemistry, biology, mathematics, and computer science.



Sunridge Middle School students at Girls in Science at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande.

STEM in Bus Ride Home

Report from Nichole Erwin

They had a wonderful time and on the bus ride home I heard this:

Girl 1: It was nice to not have boys around today. They always think they know everything and we are just supposed to write it all down.”

Girl 2: “Mostly they know nothing but are too full of hubris!”

Me: “Laughing out loud and wondering if I know what hubris means and then wondering if they used it correctly!”

Thank you and AAUW so much for the support. It is such a strong message to send to my girls that not just their parents, not just me, but many educated woman believe that science is important and that we believe they are more than capable of doing anything!

Sincerely,

Nichole Erwin
6th Grade Science Teacher

