



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter
February 2019

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February Membership Meeting

**“Global Exchange to Indonesia: A Perspective on
Women and Children in Southeast Asia”**

Speaker: Mary Davis



February 2 (Saturday)

11:00 a.m.

No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

Hostesses: Harriet Isom and Hero Gollany

March Membership Meeting

**Saturday, March 2, 11:00 a.m., Prodigal Son
Griswold High School, Helix, Student Film Projects**

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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EO Forum: The first EO Forum of 2019 will be Tuesday, February 19, 7:00 p.m., at BMCC Science and Technology Building, Room ST-200. The topic will be “Our Music” with JD Kindle and Friends. AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the sponsors of the EO Forum, which offers timely and informative programs.

Membership in the EO Forum is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. Cost at the door is \$5, students are free.

February Lunch Bunch: February Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, February 21, 11:45 a.m., at Thai Crystal.

February Board Meeting. The February board meeting will be Thursday, February 21, at 7:00 p.m. at Kathy Ward’s. All AAUW Pendleton Branch members are welcome to attend the board meeting.

AAUW Walla Walla Book Sale

AAUW Walla Walla would like to invite your AAUW members to attend our **44th Annual Book Sale, February 22–24, 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.

Proceeds fund scholarships for local women returning to college, and educational projects and events. We accept cash, check and credit/debit cards. Walla Walla is a wonderful place to visit. Enjoy a great lunch in town and do a little wine tasting at one of our over 150 wineries.

Please pass this information on to your members and let me know if you have any questions. We would love to see you at the Book Sale!

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Co-Presidents Corner for January 2019

Hello – It's February, season of hedgehogs and Valentines, weird weather and lots of love. And, a time to settle into the fact that it is, indeed, a new year, another revolution around the sun, and time to take stock of all that we want to see happen.

The first and most brilliant light on that horizon for me is the growing empowerment of women in their communities and governments here and around the world! Record numbers of women have chosen to rally, campaign, enter politics, and raise their voices and talents for the people and issues they care about.

Why is more equal representation so important? It is not simply about numbers – it's about providing insight and solutions to things that affect us and our lives. What might those things be? Things like equal pay, family leave options, reproductive and other health care rights, child care and education, elder care, and collaborative governance and policy making... things that, in fact, benefit everyone in our society! At the basic level, it is about ensuring our society helps all people live better, healthier lives.

I feel lucky to live in Oregon, which has already created rules and policies that meet some of the above, such as the Oregon Health Plan, rules forbidding salary figures to be requested during the job application process, progressive minimum wages, and more diversity in positions of corporate and political influence. But we are nowhere near parity or full employment in any sector. That's where AAUW comes in! What can we do to move the needle along? Take note of the Oregon process and be involved.

I'm also very happy to note – no proclaim proudly – that Pendleton women now have, for the first time, 50% of the seats on the City Council, and its first female Council Chair, McKennon McDonald. My thanks to them all! Times do, indeed, change.

Speaking of representation – we be assembling the Nominations Committee for seeking new officers for our branch, who will then be reaching out to members for 'new blood' and support. I hope you will consider such a role should you be asked. AND, you may always nominate yourself! Step Up, Step In, Step Out! See you on the 2nd.

—Karen Wagner

2019 Pendleton Branch Membership Meeting Schedule

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 JANUARY 5, 2019

We gathered at the Prodigal Son for lunch with 14 members and 1 guest, Kathleen Pollard.

Elizabeth Scheeler, co-President, called us together and, in the absence of our speaker, went ahead with the business meeting at 11:15.

Minutes were not taken at the December wine tasting, so there were none to approve.

Finance report presented by Karen King:

The balances as of 1-5-19 were:

Checking: \$3,205.29

Savings: \$7,172.51

We made \$4,136.50 on our grapefruit sale. Thank you, Kathy Ward for another successful fundraiser!

Kate Mace, AAUW Funds Chair, reported that we made \$1,300 in donations.

Karen King reported that the STEM Club has started at Sunridge Middle School. They are using equipment from EOU where Miriam Munck, our STEM Chair, used to teach. We don't know the cost yet, but funds were donated last fall.

Elizabeth reported that 17 people have turned in the survey, and she still hopes for more.

Our speaker never came.

Announcements and Upcoming Events:

Next Lunch Bunch is 1/17/19 at Mac's Bar and Grill at 11:45.

Next Board Meeting is also 1/17/19 at 7:00 PM at Karen King's house.

Walla Walla AAUW – Student Debt Crisis: 1/31/19, 7-8:30 pm at the WW Library

Next General Meeting will be on Saturday, 2/2/19 at the Prodigal Son at 11:00 AM.

Walla Walla AAUW Book Sale, 2/22-24, Marcus Whitman Hotel

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa T. Woodbury,
Recording Secretary