



**AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter**  
**June 2019**

**AAUW Pendleton Branch**  
**June Membership Meeting**

Combined Board and General Meeting  
Year End Wrap-Up  
Officer Installations



June 13 (Thursday)  
5:30 p.m.

Potluck at the Home of Kate Mace  
1040-C NW 12th Street

Please bring a main dish or dessert,  
Beverages, plates, and utensils will be provided

**Have a Great Summer!**

**AAUW Pendleton Branch  
Leadership Team 2018–2019**

**Co-Presidents**

Elizabeth Scheeler 276-2949  
Karen Wagner 429-2688

**Communications Vice-President**

Marlene Krout 276-7596

**Finance Vice-President**

Karen King 278-2151

**Membership Vice-President**

Joan Deroko 310-9175

**Co-Program Vice-Presidents**

Michele Sitz 276-6838  
Kate Ely 278-1997

**Recording Secretary**

Melissa Woodbury 276-0268

**Appointed Leaders:**

**BMCC Liaison**

Marie Hall 276-9074

**Bylaws**

Kathy Ward 276-0308

**EF/LAF**

Kathleen Mace 276-1006

**Grapefruit**

Kathy Ward & Karen King

**Newsletter & Directory Editor**

Susan Doyle 966-8854

**Public Policy**

TBD

**STEM**

Miriam Munck 278-5805

**AAUW Association website**

[aauw.org](http://aauw.org)

**AAUW of Oregon website**

[aauw-or.aauw.net](http://aauw-or.aauw.net)

**AAUW Pendleton website**

[pendleton-or.aauw.net](http://pendleton-or.aauw.net)

## NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **Slate of Officers for 2019–20** **To be installed at the June 13 Meeting**

Co-President: Kate Mace, two years  
Co-Program Vice President: Barbara Lund-Jones, two years  
Finance Vice President: Karen King, two years  
Recording Secretary: Melissa Woodbury, two years

### **A Note About AAUW Program Hosts**

At the membership meeting in September, members will have the opportunity to sign up to be a host at meetings for the year. If hosts are still needed after the meeting, you may be called and asked if you can do it. It's only a one time a year responsibility, and the branch needs and appreciates your help.

Two hosts are needed for meetings at the Vert (October, November, April, and May). They are responsible for bringing dessert and drinks; cups, plates, napkins, and any utensils needed (paper and plastic); and serving items. Many meetings have just juice and water, but some have brought a carafe and hot pot for hot drinks. They need to be at the Vert at 6:30.

For the Saturday meetings at Prodigal Son (January, February, and March), one or two hosts are needed. They only need to bring chocolates or candy to scatter on the tables and then should greet people as they arrive.

Additional hosts are not needed for the potluck meetings (September and June), which are usually held at a member's home.



## *Co-Presidents Corner for June 2019*

*By Karen Wagner*

Being in an organization that supports education, women's rights, and policy change brings a number of topics to mind this month. First, I look forward to on-boarding our new slate of officers; it will be a delight to serve as co-president with longtime member, Kate Mace. And I thank the rest of our colleagues who have stepped into important roles with our Branch. Secondly, this reminds me of the successes we've seen in the recent elections, with significant numbers of women who have stepped up and been elected to serve on school district/education boards, and fire, health, and water districts. These non-partisan positions are important to building communities that represent and serve us all. Speaking of education, we are very pleased to be offering our 2019-2020 BMCC scholarship to another very worthy woman. Congratulations, Terri Johnson. Thanks to Margaret Gianotti and Elizabeth Corbett with the BMCC Foundation for pointing her in our direction. This is a positive and important role for our Branch and to our mission of supporting increased educational opportunities for women and girls.

Our thanks to the Program Committee for bringing educational and edifying programs to our general membership and the public. It's been great to see the positive response and turnout for them. This committee has a big role to play in how we are perceived in the community, and thus bringing in people who care about our mission and want to join AAUW's efforts to make positive change here and beyond. No doubt that your input and participation is appreciated! Aside from issues of political significance, as we work for relevance and the good of our community, the field of issues that affect our communities and county is broad – whether the homeless, high hunger rates, teenage birth rates, adequate and affordable education, childcare, natural resource protection, and so forth. It is imperative that our branch find ways to inform ourselves and address the current situation in ways that build bridges, visibility, projects of value and, of course, new membership!

I look forward to our next all-inclusive potluck gathering on Thursday evening, June 13, at Kate Mace's, and the chance to strengthen old and new relationships, share food, stories, and program ideas for next year.

## **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES**

It's once again time to pay annual membership dues for 2019/2020, which are due by June 30. Dues this year are **\$59 for National AAUW, \$16 for State AAUW, and \$9 for Branch AAUW, for a total of \$84.**

You may pay dues with a check (made out to AAUW) given to Joan Deroko (Membership VP) or Karen King (Finance VP & Dues Treasurer). **A membership form is attached separately for your convenience.** Or you may pay online. If you want to do so, please contact Karen King at [kaking71@charter.net](mailto:kaking71@charter.net), and she will send you the link and instructions.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN  
PENDLETON, OR

GENERAL MEETING    May 2, 2019

We gathered at the Vert with Miriam Munck, Kate Ely, and Beth Read as hosts.

Co-President Karen Wagner welcomed everyone and turned the meeting over to our co-Program VP Kate Ely for the introduction of our speaker, Dr. Robert Bartlett, who gave an interesting and informative program titled “Triple Nickles: Jumping into Fire.” We had a large and appreciative audience.

At 8:30 Co-President Karen Wagner called the business meeting to order.

1. Minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.
2. Finance report presented by Karen King, Finance VP. The balances are: checking, \$1,456.30 and savings, \$7,573.24. She talked about the new membership dues program. Dues can be paid online or by check to Karen. She would like anyone paying online to contact her first, but she has forms available, too.
3. STEM – Miriam Munck reported on the AAUW STEM programs at the Sunridge Middle School. thirty plus girls went to Eastern Oregon University in La Grande in October for Girls in Science Day. We sponsored and funded a bus for them to attend. Also, this year we sponsored the after-school STEM club for girls. Ten to fifteen girls met seven or eight times. Miriam hopes to have the program next year She reported that social science research shows that middle school is the ideal time to instill interest in STEM.
4. State Convention Highlights – Four went to convention: Jill Heffner, Karen King, Kate Mace, and Marlene Krout. Karen said she learned quality is not the same as equity in a workshop. She said they were asked to use the term firearm safety, not gun control. Kate Mace said the woman who won our basket was excited and that she was hoping to win it for Kathy Burke’s bracelet.
5. Membership Survey – Karen Wagner reported that the survey is still being analyzed.
7. Election of Officers – Kathy Ward made a motion and Kate Mace seconded to accept the slate of officers. The motion was approved. The Officers to be installed at the June General Meeting are:
  - Co-President – Kate Mace
  - Co-VP for Program – Barbara Lund-Jones
  - Finance VP – Karen King
  - Secretary – Melissa Woodbury

**Announcements:**

The Dirt Dabbler’s Garden Club plant sale will be Saturday May 4.

The next Lunch Bunch will be on May 16 at Moe Pho.

The next Board Meeting is May 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Kate Ely’s home.

The next combined General Meeting/Board Meeting will be a potluck on Thursday, June 13 at 5:30 p.m. at Kate Mace’s.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Doyle, Acting Secretary

## Meet Terri Johnson

### Pendleton AAUW's 2019 BMCC Scholarship Recipient



*Terri Johnson.*

Terri Johnson is our branch's BMCC scholarship recipient for 2019–20. Terri worked for eleven years as a manager at Albertson's in the Valley before the stores closed. She returned to Pilot Rock to take care of her mother, and she shares caretaking with her sister. She was encouraged to attend BMCC, where she has excelled. She is also working full time at BMCC as a service specialist while taking classes part time, working toward a degree in business administration.

Terri is praised by co-workers at BMCC, enjoys her classes, and is looking forward to help selling and distributing grapefruit with our members.



*After a meeting at BMCC on next year's EO Forum on Thursday, May30, Mary Davis, Kate Mace, and Susan Doyle met Terri Johnson., shown here with Margaret Gianotti.*

Terri Johnson

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