

# AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter October 2019

# **AAUW Pendleton Branch October Membership Meeting**

Speaker: Kathryn Brown
Program: "The Evolution of News: Four

Generations of Women at the East Oregonian"

# EAST OREGONIAN

October 3 (Thursday) 5:30 p.m. Vert Clubroom

Hosts: Elizabeth Scheeler and Michelle Sitz

November Membership Meeting Thursday, November 7, 7:00 p.m. Vert Clubroom

Program: Roberta Lavadour, "Books as Art: An Inside Look"

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

Co-Presidents

Karen Wagner 429-2688 Kate Mace 276-1006

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 Kate Ely 278-1997 Barbara Lund-Jones 969-9123

Co-Recording Secretaries

Karen Allen 276-2943 Dianne Barnes 969-0660

#### **Appointed Leaders:**

**BMCC** Liaison

Marie Hall 276-9074

**Bylaws** 

Kathy Ward 276-0308

EF/LAF

Jill Heffner 278-4791

Grapefruit

Kathy Ward & Karen King

Newsletter & Directory Editor Susan Dovle 969-7660

Public Policy

**TBD** 

**STEM** 

Miriam Munck 278-5805

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AAUW Pendleton website pendleton-or.aauw.net

## **NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**October Membership Meeting:** The 2019–20 membership directories will be available at the October 3 meeting. If you do not pick up your directory, it will be mailed to you.

**October Lunch Bunch:** The October Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, October 17, at the Wildhorse Golf Clubhouse. We will meet at Heritage Station at 11:30 to carpool.

**October Board Meeting:** The October board meeting will be on Thursday, October 17, 7:00 p.m., at Karen Wagner's home, hosted by Joan Deroko. Branch members are welcome to attend the meeting.



## Co-Presidents Corner

Welcome to the start of our new year. We had a great turn-out at our September Potluck with a very informative presentation on "Potholes in Pendleton" from city council members, McKennon McDonald and Scott Fairley.

We are now gearing up for a bang-up lineup of programs put together by our co-program vice-presidents, Barbara Lund-Jones and Kate Ely. Things are certainly looking-up! Come join us~

Kate Mace Co-president



#### AAUW – PENDLETON BRANCH

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES September 5, 2019

The General Membership meeting was held at the Vert Club Room beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a potluck. Nineteen members were present.

For the program, Kate Ely introduced City Councilors Scott Fairley and McKennon McDonald, who gave a presentation on the City's dilemma in providing adequate street funding. They presented options for raising \$1,000,000 per year and urged all City residents to complete the public survey on the City's website. The direct link to the survey is:

https://pendleton.or.us/article/street-funding-survey.

**Call to Order:** Co-president Karen Wagner called the general meeting to order at 7:10 p.m..

**Minutes:** The combined General Membership and Board meeting minutes from June 2019 were presented. Marlene Krout moved and Kate Mace seconded that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion passed.

**Hostesses:** Joan Deroko sent around a sheet asking members to sign up to host general meetings. Currently, those hosting at the Vert facility must bring food, beverages, paper cups, plates and napkins, and everything needed for the refreshments.

**Grapefruit:** Kathy Ward reminded everyone that the grapefruit sale will begin in October. She has lists of customers that need to be contacted.

**Finance:** Karen King reported that there is currently \$662.64 in the checking account and \$7,073.61 in the savings account.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Budget:** King presented a proposed budget for 2019/2020 that had previously been approved by Board members. After some discussion and clarification, Kate Mace moved and Elizabeth Scheeler seconded a motion to approve the proposed budget as presented. The budget was approved by a unanimous vote.

**Open Position:** Wagner asked for volunteers to fill the position of secretary. It could easily be filled by two people.

**Programs:** Kate Ely presented the schedule of programs for the 2019/2020 year. The emphasis is on programs honoring women.

**Survey Summary:** Mary Davis presented a summary of the results from the survey sent out last year. Karen Wagner then led a discussion about the results and how they could be used to guide AAUW Pendleton Branch in the future and possibly help the branch develop a long-term plan. Wagner will summarize the results of the discussion and send it out in the next Newsletter.

#### **Upcoming Activities:**

- Lunch Bunch--Sept. 19, 11:45 AM, location TBD
- Board Meeting--Sept. 19, 7:00 PM @ Kate Mace's
- Dinner Divas--Oct. 3, location TBD
- Branch Meeting--Oct. 3, 7:00 PM @ Vert, Kathryn Brown will speak on *The Evolution of News: Four Generations of Women at the East Oregonian*

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen King, Acting Secretary

# Volunteers Needed for ASPIRE Program

Jill Gregg, ASPIRE Coordinator, Pendleton High School

I'm currently looking for new ASPIRE volunteers. ASPIRE is a mentor-based program that helps student navigate the college application process. ASPIRE volunteers come in for 1–2 hours a week and meet one-on-one with high school juniors and seniors. During these meetings, mentors discuss what students want to study, search college options, discuss SAT and ACT tests, and help with college and scholarship applications. This is obviously a lot of information, so I do an initial volunteer training, offer mentor shadowing opportunities and hold monthly volunteer training to better support my volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering with ASPIRE, contact Jill Greg, 541-966-3846, or email to jgregg@pendletonsd.org.

### Walla Walla AAUW Annual Kitchen Tour

The Walla Walla Affiliate of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) invites everyone to join us for our 17th annual AAUW Kitchen Tour to take place from 12:00–5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 6. Tickets for the fundraiser are \$20.00 each and are available at Earthlight Books, Bright's Candies & Gifts, or at our kick-off site the Whitehouse-Crawford Restaurant at 55 West Cherry Street on the day of the tour.

—Cecile Ervin

# **NE District of Oregon AAUW**

Learn It ---Grow It---Be It !!!
An Interactive Workshop to Bring Out Our Best,
Leading in our Branches AND in our Communities

Saturday, October 12, 2019, !0 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Baker City Library Meeting Room (the room will be open at 9.30 and coffee will be on)

Training by Georgia Applegate and Pat Lehman, State president and President Elect

Lunch will be a box lunch for a nominal fee of \$10. Beverages will be available. Anyone with special dietary needs is welcome to bring their own lunch. If anyone in your membership would like to bring some fruit, such as apples, that would be nice.

Contact Wanda Raffety by Tuesday, October 8, if you plan to attend, at 971-291-9493, or email to wraffety6@yahoo.com.

#### **AAUW NE District Program Outline**

Introductory Remarks: News from AAUW of Oregon

What Is Leadership?

- 1. Write your own definition of leadership (Make list)
- 2. Write who is the best leader you know (name doesn't have to be shared)
- 3. What qualities do you see in that person that make a good leader? (Make list)
  - 4. Hand out list of leadership characteristics. Discuss.
  - 5. Which characteristics would you now add to your best leader.
  - 6. Describe your own most positive experience as a leader, not necessarily in AAUW. What made it so good? (Volunteers share)
  - 7. Break.
  - 8. What are your strongest and weakest leader qualities? (Pizza chart?)
  - 9. How did you become a leader, not necessarily in AAUW? (Probably because no one else would, but that doesn't explain why you did.)
  - 9. List people in your branch whom you see having strong leadership qualities, even if they do not currently hold a position. (May share qualities but probably not names. If no one, why?)
  - 10. Lunch

#### Collaboration.

- 1. What is collaboration?
- 2. How do we identify groups with whom we would like to collaborate? Discuss. (Shared mission, vision, goals, potential projects, etc.)
- 3. How do we reach out? Strategies for approaching and connecting. Share successes and fruitless attempts. Discuss.
- 4. Break.
- 5. With your branch and guests, list groups that you think might be partners. Explain.
- 6. With your branch and guests, develop an action plan. (Handout) Share if wished.

Wrap-up.

#### **Questions?**

Contact Lucy Hutchens, NE District Director, at 208-739-6954, lucymhutchens@gmail.com

