



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter
December 2019

**AAUW Pendleton Branch
December Membership Meeting**

**Annual Holiday Wine Tasting
"Wine in Winter"**

With Ken Schulberg, Great Pacific



December 5 (Thursday)
7:00 p.m.
Great Pacific

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

**January Membership Meeting
Saturday, January 4, 11:00 a.m., Prodigal Son
Sacha McKeon PhD, "Mosquitos in a Changing Landscape"**

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

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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 Doyle 969-7660

Public Policy
TBD

STEM
Miriam Munck 278-5805

AAUW Association website
aauw.org

AAUW of Oregon website
aauw-or.aauw.net

AAUW Pendleton website
pendleton-or.aauw.net

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Dinner Divas: Dinner Divas will meet before the meeting on December 5 at Great Pacific at **6:00 p.m.**

December Lunch Bunch: The December Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, December 19, at OMG on Main at 11:45 a.m.

No December Board Meeting

Co-President's Corner for December

"Grapefruit Time" is almost over—well, the first half anyway. We all appreciate each other's efforts to make this our one and only fundraiser of the year. (If you aren't able to help out selling yourself, please consider making a contribution to the branch. Every little bit helps!) And, we especially appreciate Kathy Ward and Karen King's gargantuan efforts to make it all come together.

The one meeting that I anticipate each year is our December meeting at Great Pacific when we have a wine-tasting social event. I'll see you there on Thursday the 5th.

Remember, "Wine is the most healthful and most hygienic of beverages." —Louis Pasteur. And, he should know!

May you have a healthy and clean holiday season!

—*Kate Mace, Co-President*

Welcome New Member

Lori Sams
541-278-3491 (h)
541-969-1513 (c)
lorisams07@gmail.com

Directory Correction

Rebecca Hiers was spelled incorrectly

AAUW -- Pendleton Branch
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
November 7, 2019

The General Membership meeting was held at the Vert Club Room beginning at 7:00 p.m. Fourteen members and two guests were present.

Program: Kate Ely introduced Roberta Lavadour, artist, and Executive Director of Pendleton Center for the Arts. Roberta's presentation was titled "Books as Art: An Inside Look." Roberta gave a brief presentation on different types of book construction from ancient times through the present. Samples of each construction book type were passed around the group.

Call to order: Co-president Karen Wagner called the general meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes: The General membership minutes from October 2019 were amended as follows: Co-president Kate Mace presided over the October meeting instead of Karen Wagner. Kate Mace moved to accept the amended minutes: Louise Thompson seconded it. The vote was favorable.

Finance: Karen King reported the checking account balance was \$615.16 and savings \$6,573.97. She then noted our STEM project, "Girls in Science," paid out \$564.88 in October for the Eastern Oregon University activities (see STEM in officer/Project Reports), and also, there was a donation of \$500 from Wally Waldman in support of the stem projects.

Officer/Project Reports:

- **STEM:** Miriam Munck reported that 22 girls participated in STEM activities at Eastern Oregon University. The girls wrote thank you notes, and it was suggested that the notes be collected into a scrapbook and given to Wally Waldman.
- **Grapefruit:** Kathy Ward reminded the group to turn in their grapefruit money before Altrusa Bazaar (November 23) so that the grapefruit could be ordered on November 25.
- **AAUW Funds:** Jill Heffner explained that AAUW – National had added a new fund, the "Greatest Needs Fund." Currently there are many funds with specific purposes for which National collects donations. As best as could be determined, the "Greatest Needs Fund" is for unrestricted donor monetary gifts, which allows AAUW National to direct the contributions to any current project that is most in need of support. There was much discussion about the new fund. Also, it was pointed out that our AAUW—Pendleton current budget has two expense line items for two national funds: one for LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund, the other for EF (Educational Foundation). Discussion was tabled in favor of the board discussing the funds in more detail at the November 21st board meeting.

New Business:

- **Round-Up 2020:** AAUW in Dress-Up Parade: There was favorable sentiment in participating, especially since 2020 is the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage. An *ad hoc* committee will handle the preparations.
- **Book Club:** Mary Davis and Karen Wagner, who are also members of EOC3, Pendleton's climate change group, indicated that identification of a book title is an ongoing project into the New Year. AUW's book selection may coincide with EOC3's and possibly the two book groups would meet together. The membership was to let Mary or Karen know book title ideas.

Upcoming Activities:

- Board meeting will be Nov. 21st 7:00 p.m. at Kate Mace's home. Susan Doyle will be the hostess.
- Lunch Bunch will meet at Momiji, Thursday, November 21.
- Next Branch Meeting: December 5 at Great Pacific – Winter wines – \$10 if you taste.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Dianne Barnes, Co-Secretary

A Note About Grapefruit Sales

Selling grapefruit is our only annual fundraiser. Unfortunately, sales have been declining at the same time our costs have increased. If you are not selling grapefruit for the branch, please consider making a monetary donation to the branch. You can send your donation, made out to AAUW, to Karen King. It would be much appreciated.

AAUW FUNDS

By Jill Heffner, AAUW Funds Co-chair AAUW of Oregon and AAUW Funds Chair Pendleton

AAUW Funds has experienced several changes in the past few years, changes that sometimes make our heads spin. Let's see—

AAUW Funds used to be known as Educational Foundation (EF) and Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF); these were separate entities. Pendleton Branch has long been known in AAUW of Oregon as a top donor to each of these funds, always one of the top ten branches per capita in donations. The donations come from our branch itself, as well as from many of our individual members. AAUW Funds thanks the branch and all who donate.

The first change was to put both funds under one umbrella—AAUW Funds. EF and LAF became, if you will, divisions within AAUW Funds. Each division included many funds under their own umbrellas; obviously funds related to education and women's issues fell under EF, while funds pertaining to legal issues and court cases fell under the LAF umbrella. New funds were created within each division, others deleted. A brief summary of the current list of funds follows on the next page, or you can go to the AAUW website to read about the funds as well as to contribute online at: www.aauw.org/resource/contribution-report-form-crf/ An option is to use the form created for our branch use, found on the next page. **AAUW needs to receive donations for 2019 before December 31.**

AAUW suggests that as branches and individuals, we consider donating to the Greatest Needs Fund. This allow fluidity among the funds, allowing use of donations when a fund needs support.

When donating amounts of \$25.00 or more, you can name a special friend or family member in memoriam (deceased) or as a tribute (living). Just be sure to give the name AND address of the person you would like the AAUW Funds acknowledgment be sent.

If you have questions, just ask, and I will find you the answer.

Thank You

AAUW Program Names and Fund Numbers, 2019

9110—The AAUW Greatest Needs Fund, formerly called the AAUW Fund, gives AAUW the mobility to rapidly respond to new and emerging challenges or opportunities facing women and girls.

4449—Economic Security Fund ensures livelihoods for women through achieving pay equity for women, providing training in salary negotiations, and deepening women's retirement security and quality of life (includes but not limited to Pay Equity).

4450—Education and Training Fund addresses the barriers and implicit biases that hinder advancement of women (includes but not limited to STEM and Title IX)

4451—Governance and Sustainability Fund ensures the strength, relevance and viability of AAUW into the future.

4452—Leadership Fund supports the effort to close the gender gap in leadership opportunities by increasing the number of girls and women in leadership roles (includes but not limited to NCCWSL, Elect Her, \$tart \$mart).

3999—The Legal Advocacy Fund supports the protection of the legal rights of those who are facing sex discrimination, including:

3072—Travel and Education Grant informs AAUW members through educational programs delivered by LF plaintiffs and lawyers.

- **3500—Campus Outreach Projects** protects college students from discrimination, harassment, and assault through on-campus programs
 - **9310—Case Support** protects LAF plaintiffs by supporting workplace sex discrimination cases.
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AAUW FUNDS

Name _____ Branch _____

Address _____ City _____

Gift Amount _____ Fund Number _____

Gifts of \$100.00 or more confer membership in the Oregon Century Club, AAUW of Oregon.

Gifts of \$25.00 or more may be designated to honor a friend or a loved one:

Memorial to _____

Honor/Tribute (living) to _____

AAUW Funds will send acknowledgment to (name) _____

(address) _____

Make checks payable to AAUW FUNDS. Indicate Fund Number on the memo line.

Mail or give to Jill Heffner, AAUW Funds Chair. 3302 SW LaDow, Pendleton

Girls in Science at EOU

AAUW Pendleton Branch funded 22 middle school girls to attend a day of “Girls in Science” at Eastern Oregon University (EOU) at La Grande in late October. We received many thank you notes from the girls. Here is one of them:

Dear American Association of University Women (AAUW),

I would like to thank you very much for paying for the Girls in Science event at EOU. I really enjoyed the first day there, it is so worth waking up early! I loved the coding and all the cool equipment there. I learned Caesar Script, which was also really fun. I am so thankful that you paid for us, without you not as many people would have come. You inspire me to help others and not be selfish. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Noemi Alvarez-Barroso
Sixth Grade



EO Forum Membership Form

To: Eastern Oregon Forum Members and Friends
From: Eastern Oregon Forum Committee

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| Casey White-Zollman – BMCC | Kathryn B. Brown – EO | Kathleen Mace – AAUW |
| Shannon Franklin – BMCC | Harriet Isom – AAUW | Karen Parker – IMESD |
| Margaret Gianotti – BMCC | Susan Doyle – AAUW | Marla Royal – IMESD |
| Chris Rush – EO | Mary Davis – AAUW | |

RE: 2020 Eastern Oregon Forum Schedule & Membership
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Blue Mountain Community College, 2411 NW Carden, Pendleton, OR 97801
Science and Technology Building, Room ST-200

Below is a preview of the 2020 Eastern Oregon Forum lecture series. Once again, we have attempted to plan forum topics that we hope you find interesting and relevant to our region, our world, and the times we live in. Speakers will be confirmed and announced by the end of the year. Your membership helps pay for speaker fees and travel expenses and ensures that you will receive a timely reminder prior to every forum. Please return your membership form with your email address.

This year we will not have a January forum, and we are adding a May forum in its place.

For more information, call Shannon Franklin, BMCC (541) 278-5951

- Tuesday, February 11, 2020 “The Mental Health of Our Youth”
- Tuesday, March 10, 2020 “Climate Change from our Youth’s Perspective”
- Tuesday, April 21, 2020 “Bees and Their Impact on Our Region’s Agriculture”
(BMCC Arts & Culture Festival Week/No Cost)
- Tuesday, May 12, 2020 “Affordable Housing”

Please send the following with your payment to the address below, and keep the top information for yourself.

Name _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

- Please include membership fee of \$15 **Per Person or \$25 Per Couple**. Checks payable to BMCC.
- At the door, \$5.00 **Per Person** and **FREE for Students**.
- Lecture reminders will be sent via email to members, as will weather cancellation notices, if necessary.
- **You do not have to be a member to attend the events.**

Thank you for mailing your membership forms to:

InterMountain ESD (IMESD)

Attn: Karen Parker

2001 SW Nye Avenue

Pendleton, OR 9780