

## AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter February 2020

# **AAUW Pendleton Branch February Membership Meeting**

"Cultural Sustainability"
Kathryn Burke



February 1 (Saturday) 11:00 a.m. No-Host Lunch at Prodigal Son

Hosts: Roberta Jones and Barbara Lund-Jones

March Membership Meeting Saturday, March 7, 11:00 a.m., Prodigal Son Documentary Films from Griswold High School Students

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## **NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**February Lunch Bunch:** The February Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, February 20, at El Charrito at 11:45 a.m.

**February Board Meeting:** The February board meeting will be Thursday, February 20, 7:00 p.m., at Karen King's home.

**EO Forum:** The first EO Forum of 2020 will be Tuesday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m. at BMCC Science and Technology Building, Room St-200. If you are not a member, the cost is \$5 per forum at the door.

AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the sponsors of the EO Forum series. Branch members participate in the planning sessions and sit at the admissions table for each forum.

## **Co-Presidents' Corner for February**

I was sorry to have missed Sascha McKeon's presentation on mosquitoes on January 4th. I understand it was fascinating and very informative, with lots of good questions. [We HAD to go into Portland to take birthday (and late Christmas/Hanukkah) presents to our grand-niece who's about to be two—tough decision!].

For the next program in February, we have our own Kathy Burke speaking on "Cultural Sustainability," which we will look forward to—especially me as a former anthropologist. I'll be here for that one.

We have a really good lineup for the Eastern Oregon Forum, of which AAUW is one of the sponsors. Please note that the EO Forum series doesn't start until February this year and continues until May. We thought potentially bad weather will be less of a factor if we started at a later date (see the flyer in this newsletter).

Also, a flyer is enclosed announcing the state convention this April 17–19, 2020. It will be a joint convention with Washington State AAUW. We did this several years ago, and I found it to be quite a good experience. Come join us, it'll be fun!

-Kate Mace, Co-President



#### **AAUW Pendleton Branch**

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2020 11:00 – 12:30 p.m.

The General membership meeting was held at the Prodigal Son Brewery and Pub theater room. Approximately 15 members and 6 guests were present.

**Program**: Barbara Lund-Jones introduced Sascha McKeon PhD who spoke about "Mosquitos in a Changing Landscape." Her talk was accompanied by a Prezi computer program slide show.

**Business Meeting**: Karen Wagner called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

**Minutes**: The minutes from the November 7 meeting were approved as presented.

#### **Officer/Project Reports:**

**Finance VP**: Karen King's treasurer report included the checking account balance of \$3,304.16 and the savings account has \$6,573.97 (plus a little interest).

Karen then shared total grapefruit sales amounts for the last 3 years, which showed a trend of lower sales totals over the last three years.

2019	\$3,770.00
2018	\$4,156.50
2017	\$4,936.52

**Grapefruit Sale Chair:** Kathy Ward reminded the group that the grapefruit sale is our only fundraiser; however, only about 50% of the members actually participate in selling the grapefruit. She suggested those who are unable or prefer not to sell make a donation in lieu of selling. It would be most welcome, and assure our branch was able to fulfill its mission without cutting back.

#### **New Business: Call for Volunteers**

- Co-chairs of Public Policy are still needed
- Round-Up 2020: An ad hoc committee has been formed to explore how AAUW could take part in the Dress-Up parade. Four have already volunteered for the committee.
- Book Club discussion: an ad hoc committee is in place and is exploring combining with EOC3, the climate change group, for discussions. Please notify Mary Davis or Karen Wagner about possible book titles that are of interest to you.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m., after upcoming activities were announced.

Dianne Barnes, Co-Recording Secretary



AAUW Walla Walla would like to invite your AAUW members to attend our 56th Annual Book Sale, February 21–23, at the Marcus Whitman Hotel, 6 W Rose St, Walla Walla. Hours are Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 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, 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.

Kay Raddatz Co-Chairperson AAUW Walla Walla Branch markkay@charter.net

### Thank You Letter from Terri Johnson

Dear AAUW Scholarship Donor,

I am truly honored to have been selected as the recipient of the American Association of University Women Scholarship. Your generosity is a true blessing that I will put to good use. Now instead of renting my books on Amazon, I will be able to buy them and keep them for future reference. There have been times that I could have used the books but no longer had them.

I will be able to complete my Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration. Because of your scholarship, I will be able to focus more on my studies and not have the financial burden that comes along with going to college. I am looking at doing volunteer work in the community and blessing others as you have blessed me.

Thank you again for your thoughtful and generous gift.

Sincerely,

Terri Johnson

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