



**AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter**  
**September 2020**

**AAUW Pendleton Branch**

**Branch programs and meetings for the 2020–21 year are now being planned on a month-to-month basis in this time of uncertainty.**

**Membership and board meetings will be virtual each month until in-person are possible according to the following schedule:**

**Membership meetings, first Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Board meetings, third Thursday, 7 p.m.**



No membership meeting has been planned for September, and October's meeting will be announced in the next newsletter

**September Lunch Bunch**

The Lunch Bunch will get together in Marlene Krout's backyard (1214 NW Johns) Thursday, September 17 at 11:45 a.m. Bring your own lunch and beverage. Wear a mask coming in, and then the chairs will be distanced in her yard. Everyone is invited.

**AAUW Pendleton Branch  
Leadership Team 2020–2021**

Co-Presidents

Kathryn Chaney 379-9997  
Kate Mace 276-1006

Communications Vice President

Michelle Sitz 276-6838

Finance Vice President

Karen King 278-2151

Co-Membership Vice Presidents

Mary Davis 983-2481  
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 379-5250

Bylaws

Kathy Ward 276-0308

AAUW Funds

Jill Heffner 278-4791

Grapefruit

Kathy Ward & Karen King

Newsletter & Directory Editor

Susan Doyle 969-7660

Public Policy

Marlene Krout 276-7596  
Elizabeth Scheeler 276-2949

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)

## Co-Presidents' Corner

I hope many of you participated in the excellent AAUW of Oregon Summer Camp sessions. I took in seven of them and really enjoyed learning about the history of the women's vote, not to mention the eye-opening session on Robert's Rules of Order.

While the whole nation is in turmoil around issues of racism, AAUW Summer Camp provided two workshops addressing racism and diversity.

I'm grateful that we can participate in events, meetings, and learning opportunities through virtual platforms. I'm impressed with AAUW leadership's creative efforts to make these interesting workshops available to all of us.

Kate Mace will send the link for the Summer Camp presentations again, so you still have an opportunity to enjoy them.

We have an exciting plan for our grapefruit fundraising this year with some new rules and deadlines to make this an efficient and successful event. The document "Grapefruit Plan for COVID-19 Times" with the plan details was sent to all members, and it is included in this newsletter. Remember, this is our only fundraiser so let's all help out.

*–Kathryn Chaney, Co-President*



September Board Meeting:  
Zoom meeting September 17 at 7 p.m.

AAUW Pendleton Branch Zoom Membership and Board Meeting  
Installation of Officers  
June 4, 2020

The Installation of new officers was via a Zoom meeting, thanks to Dianne Barnes for their Zoom account. Kate Mace, Co-President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. The following members were part of the meeting. Dianne Barnes, Karen Wagner, Kate Mace, Karen King, Barbara Lund-Jones, Joan Deroko, Kathy Chaney, Susan Doyle, Jill Heffner, Marlene Krout, Kathy Ward, Marty King, Mary Davis, and Karen Allen.

Co-President Karen Wagner, using an installation script from state AAUW, swore in the following newly elected officers as board members for the 2020–21 year.

Co-President: Kathy Chaney, two years (2020–22)  
Communication Vice President: Michelle Sitz, two years (2020–22)  
Co-Membership Vice Presidents: Mary Davis, two years (2020–22)  
Joan Deroko, one year (2020–21)  
Co-Program Vice President: Kate Ely, two years (2020–22)

The following board members will be authorized on the checking account for the 2020–21 year: Kathryn Chaney, Kathleen Mace, Kathy Ward, and Karen King.

**PROGRAM TOPICS FOR 2020–21**

Barbara Lund-Jones and Kate Ely have asked for suggestions for the programs for next year. These are a few of the suggestions we came up with. If you can think of any others, please send them to Barbara and Kate. We need programs to be set by the end of September so they can go into the Member Booklet.

Karen Wagner ask that we consider that our program presenters address women’s rights, equality, women businesses, and women leadership. Three questions could be prepared ahead of time and ask that they respond to them in their presentation. For example, “How did you get where you are? What is the greatest need? How can we help?” The presenter could choose what to respond to. Questions could be developed over the summer.

**September** – Barhyte dinner and tasting using their patio for proper social distancing. (If not in September, then the following May.)

**October** – Election related. Concentrate on local women running, local issues, or policies affecting women. Follow the guidelines that State recommend.

**December** – Wine tasting at The Great Pacific.

**March** – Helix Student Videos.

**Women and Inequality** – Mary Davis (a program scheduled for May of this year.) She has a book to recommend for us to read and a video to watch.

**My Voice: Building Space in Rural Oregon** – Gwen Trice (a program scheduled for April of this year).

**Black Lives Matter** – Local discussion of the group (possible by Jo Ann Hardesty, Portland City Council Member). Also, Local Issues– Presentations by Rural Organizing Project and local Police Chief.

**National Park Service** – Marjorie Waheneka (no longer works for the National Park Service but could give us information about her time with them as a woman and Native American.)

**WEBSITE MANAGEMENT – REPLACEMENT FOR MARTY KING** – Marty indicated that if anyone else wanted to manage the website, she was happy to step aside. She wondered if new blood and ideas might be appropriate. It was reported by National that the website was excellent. The website gets lots of emails, but they are pretty much from foreign groups or porn sites. Pretty crude. We asked Marty to continue on with the management of the website. Karen Wagner might be able to in the future.

**PUBLIC POLICY AND TITLE IX** – Marlene Krout will be in charge of these two policies. Topic was not discussed at meeting. (FYI, Elizabeth Scheeler has agreed to do Public Policy with Marlene.)

**PROGRAM PLANNING/BOARD MEETING at the end of August** – tentatively set for August 20 on Kate Mace’s deck. We will need to approve the budget at that time also.

### **GRAPEFRUIT SALES**

Is it worth the effort?

Should we ask for donations instead?

This is the time to make changes. The membership is getting older and many don’t participate.

Could we do other social fundraisers? White Elephant Shuffle.

Decided years ago that we only wanted to do one fundraiser a year rather than several a year.

With Covid-19 do we want to do grapefruit sales anymore?

Kate M. has sent an email to the high school organization doing the sales in town. The contact person is Anita Lewis. She has not heard back.

Ask individual members to sponsor each program. Specific amount. If not needed it will go into a pot to help pay for another one.

Contact state to see if we can assess members. Call it dues in lieu of assessment. Many other AAUW branches encourage members to donate.

Suggest a letter be sent to all members asking them to either participate or make donation. (\$100 each would give us the same amount of money we make at the grapefruit fundraiser.) The letter should include information about where the money is used. Members could make two payments over the year to cover the cost. Send letter right away since we need to know by September.

Kate Mace, Kathy Chaney, and Karen King will get together to write a letter to membership.

Grapefruit sales causes AAUW to have high visibility in community.

Decided to plan on doing grapefruit sales this year. Might have to cancel because of Covid-19.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Allen, Co-Recording Secretary

## Grapefruit Plan for COVID-19 Times

The AAUW Board decided to go ahead with the grapefruit sale this year. This is the plan to keep our members and customers safe during the coronavirus pandemic.

- **All grapefruit must be paid for in advance!** We will order only boxes that have been paid for. Cash or checks made out to AAUW are accepted.
- **There will be no sorting of grapefruit this year.** Upon pickup of boxes, we will give customers a hand-out explaining who to call if they have bad fruit, and we will replace it. They will have ONE week to call for replacement fruit.
- **All orders and money must be in to Kathy Ward by November 21. NO EXCEPTIONS!** There is no Altrusa Bazaar this year, so you will need to collect money and send money and orders directly to Kathy.
- **No extra boxes of fruit will be ordered this year.** Inform your customers that they need to order all that they want before November 21.
- **On delivery day, customers will stay in their cars!** Cars will drive up in lines and one AAUW member will go ask their name and order info. You will bring that info back and check off on the master list. Then, boxes will be taken out and loaded into the customer's car.
- **We will not be taking money on delivery day!** Remind your customers that if they don't pay in advance, they will not get grapefruit.
- **Masks will be required of all members who are working,** and we will need members to help in order for this to go smoothly.
- **If you are paying for a customer or are picking up for them, please make sure that you contact them and let them know. This has been a source of confusion in past years.**

The Board is encouraging all members to continue to sell grapefruit. We think our plan will keep everyone safe. However, if you are hesitant to sell, please contact Kathy Ward or Karen King as soon as possible so we can give your list to someone else. Feel free to add customers but remember: **ALL ORDERS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE!!**

# AAUW Funds

*By Jill Heffner, Branch AAUW Fund Chair*

Thank you, Pendleton Branch and Individual Members, for your contributions to AAUW Funds 2019. Pendleton's total contribution totaled \$2,320.00—\$1,000.00 from the Branch and the remaining contributions from individuals. Several of the individual contributions honored, *in memoriam*, Melissa Woodbury.

Melissa was honored by the Pendleton Branch as its 2019 AAUW Funds Named Gift Honoree for her commitment and contributions to AAUW.

The AAUW of OR 2020 State Convention was canceled because of the COVID 19 Pandemic, and the AAUW of Oregon Annual Meeting was held April 19 via ZOOM. During this online meeting, the Named Gift Honorees as well as AAUW Oregon donors to AAUW Funds were recognized. The OR Century Club included Julianne Sawyer (31 years), Harriet Isom (8 years), Kathleen Mace (CC+, 7 years), Alerita Burns (3 years), Marlene Krout (3 years), Jill Heffner (CC+, 2 years), Karen King (1 year).

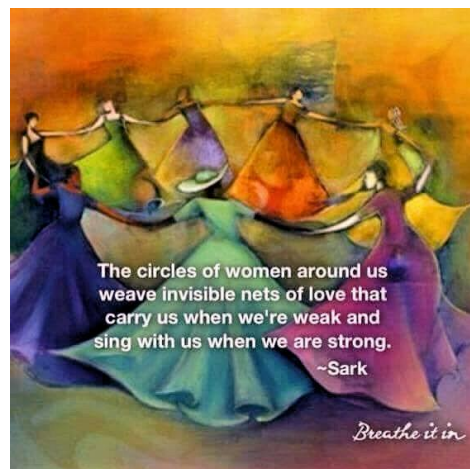
Pendleton Branch has also received a congratulatory letter from AAUW National. Part of the letter follows:

Dear AAUW Pendleton Branch Members,

Thank you for your contribution to AAUW. Your support will help us to create a future where all women have access to bias-free education, fair pay, and the careers of their dreams....

Your contribution will enable us to build on the progress we've made to realize a fairer future for the next generation. Together, we are making a real difference in the lives of women and girls.

Most sincerely,  
Kendra Davis  
Senior Vice President, AAUW



## AAUW Program Names and Fund Numbers

**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 La Dow, Pendleton*