Long-time AAUW member, Sue Waldman, died in August 2021 after living with Alzheimer's for almost a decade. Sue attended Stanford and graduated with a BA in mathematics from the University of Oregon. She received her Master's in mathematics from Oregon State University, where she met her husband, Wilmer (Wally). They moved to Pendleton in 1971 and were married for 56 years. Her career started as a math teacher and she later excelled as a computer scientist at the Columbia Plateau Conservation Research Center, USDA located in Pendleton. Her role supported scientists at the experiment station, and she co-created a computer wheat model. She was passionate about this work, and said of it, "There are all kinds of things to be discovered and endless challenging questions waiting for solutions."

In the works is a Memorial Fund in Sue's honor that will provide funding opportunities for both STEM projects and other educational scholarships to local, state, or other colleges and universities. The Fund will be managed under the AAUW Special Project Funds, but the applications and final decisions on awards will be handled by Sue's family and the AAUW Pendleton Branch. More details will be forthcoming.

