



AAUW Pendleton Branch Newsletter
November 2023

AAUW Pendleton Branch
November Membership Meeting

Speaker: Roberta Lavadour.
Pendleton Center for the Arts
Program: “Diversity, Equity, Inclusion”



Wednesday, November 1
7:00 p.m.

Vert Club Room

December Membership Meeting
Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 pm
Great Pacific
Addison Schulberg, “Walla Walla Valley Wines”

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President's Corner for September

Fall is here, and once again we are immersed in our annual grapefruit sales fundraising. Karen King will keep encouraging us to get our orders in so this can be another successful year.

Roberta Lavadour's presentation next week promises to be an interesting and engaging program. It will be interactive, so come and enjoy lively discussion. At the meeting, Sue Petersen will collect the donations for the BMCC Students' Needs Pantry. Anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

In December we will be back at Great Pacific and learn about Walla Walla Valley wines. And for next year Kate Ely and Blanche Hill have arranged an excellent series of programs.

AAUW Pendleton Branch is one of the sponsors of the EO Forum speaker series. The branch is arranging the panel for the upcoming November 14 forum. Speakers will be Desiree Coyote and Kola Shippentower on "Murdered and Missing Indigenous People." Non-member price is \$5 at the door.

—Susan Doyle, Co-President

Notes & Announcements

November Membership Meeting, Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 p.m. Roberta Lavadour will lead an interactive conversation about diversity, equity, and inclusion, looking at what DEI work means in a workplace, in an organization, and in daily life. Roberta Lavadour serves as the Executive Director of the Pendleton Center for the Arts and maintains an active studio practice in book arts. **Dinner Divas**, for dinner before the meeting: Sister's Cafe, on Main Street, at 5:30 p.m.

November Board Meeting, Wednesday, **November 15, 5:00 p.m., Zoom**. Dianne Barnes will send an invitation on Tuesday.

November Lunch Bunch, Thursday, November 16, at Broken Barrel in Stanfield, 120 W. Coe Ave. Meet at Heritage Station at 11:00 a.m. to carpool.

Welcome New Member

Delanne Ferguson
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**AAUW PENDLETON
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
October 4, 2023, Vert Club Room**

Call to Order: Susan Doyle, Co-President, called the meeting to order at 8:03 pm.

Minutes from September 6th meeting: Approved as distributed.

Officer Reports:

Finance VP Accounts & Budget: Marlene reported \$5,988.41 in checking account (\$5,000 will go to purchase a 7-month CD at 4.5% from US Bank). Expenses: \$45 to BMCC for Scholarship administration; \$240 for the Vert rental. Savings Account, \$4,815.08.

Finance VP dues: Kate Mace

No report.

Program VP: Blanche Hill/Kate Ely

Kate introduced speaker Bruce Barnes for the program that preceded the meeting. Bruce spoke on Xeriscaping and provided hand-outs and lists of native plants.

November's program will be on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Speaker will be Roberta Lavadour.

December's meeting will be wine tasting at Great Pacific. Susan will print the complete program schedule in the roster/directory.

Membership VP: Sue Peterson

One new member: Delanne Furgeson

One guest: Mona Hern, introduced by Michelle Sitz.

Communication VP: Joan Deroko

No report.

Continuing Business:

Grapefruit: Karen King announced that our customer lists were sent to our emails today. It's time to start calling for orders. Prices will be the same as last year: \$30/20 lb. box and \$15 for 1/2 box. Distribution will be on Saturday, December 9, at the Budweiser Building on Westgate.

Karen has stickers and receipts available. She emphasized that we need to use the deposit slips she provided. Orders and money are due by November 16.

NE District Meeting: Karen King reported on the NE District Meeting on October 21 at the Cook Library in LaGrande. Topic will be Prague and the Czech Republic. Miriam Munck is the presenter.

Announcements:

OES needs ushers for the concerts. Sue Peterson asked for 6-8 ushers for each concert.

EO Forum: October 10 at 7 pm at BMCC's Science & Tech Building. Topic is "Banned Books." Karen King and Sue Peterson will greet and collect payment at the door.

Board Meeting: October 18, 5:00 pm, Kate Ely's home.

Lunch Bunch: October 19, 11:45 am, Sarah's Sweet and Savory.

Marlene Krout announced a free Chamber event on October 13 at 5:30 pm. Grand opening of Let'er Axe, Main St., Pendleton.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:17 pm.

Beth Condon, Recording Secretary

BMCC Students' Needs Pantry

In keeping with our mission of supporting education for girls and women, here is an opportunity to help students at BMCC who sometimes cannot afford basic supplies. BMCC has a supplies pantry that accepts donations for the students.

CAPECO provides food, but the pantry still needs donations of household supplies and personal products.

Items for the pantry can be brought to the next meeting or to Sue Petersen's house – 642 NW 8th St., and she will take them to the college.

Items that are needed:

1. Personal feminine items
2. Toilet paper
3. Paper towels
4. Cleaning and laundry supplies
5. Bath body products
6. Shampoo/Conditioner

Bring items to the November 14 meeting, and Sue Petersen will deliver them to the BMCC Students' Pantry

Thank you for your donations for women striving for a GOAL OF GRADUATION, Education is not cheap, and anything that we can do to help them achieve their goals, being this is a small way, will be a welcome to all.

Put this on your to-do list for our next meeting.

EO Forum

Next EO Forum is Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 p.m., at BMCC Science and Technology Building. Panel sponsored by AAUW Pendleton Branch is "Murdered and Missing Indigenous People." For non-members, the price is \$5 at the door.



Friends of the Pendleton Library Book Sale Convention Center, October 26-28

Thursday, October 26: 7-9 pm Members

Friday, October 27: 10 am – 8 pm

Saturday, October 28: 10 am – 2 pm

3-5 pm bag sale

AAUW FUNDS

By Jill Heffner, AAUW Funds Chair, Pendleton Branch

As we approach the end of 2023, and the end of the fiscal year for AAUW Funds, it's time to think about contributions—branch and individual—to the Funds. Although contributions may be made any time throughout the year, and several of us do so (THANK YOU!), the Branch traditionally makes its contribution after the Grapefruit Sale and **before mid-December** (December 31 is the end of AAUW Funds fiscal year). The Branch contribution used to be divided between the Education Fund (now the Education and Training Fund #4450) and Legal Advocacy Fund (now the fully-endowed Economic Security Fund #4449). **AAUW Funds now encourages all contributions go to Greatest Needs Fund #9110.**

AAUW Funds is a term used by AAUW National to encompass several individual funds. There are four major funds. **Greatest Needs Fund (9110)** allows AAUW the flexibility to utilize contributions where they are needed most; these donations are used to support new programs and *are not used for administration costs*. Formerly the Education Foundation, the **Education and Training Fund (4450)** champions equal access to education and works to ensure that education at every level is free from sex discrimination. Formerly Legal Advocacy Fund, the fully endowed **Economic Security Fund (4449)** works to see that women achieve pay equity and also provides training in salary negotiations which in turn deepens retirement security. **Leadership Fund (4452)** supports the effort to close the gender gap in leadership opportunities.

Within the latter three funds there are more specific funds which are listed on the following page. The **Greatest Needs Fund** assures that struggling funds will have support as needed.

Throughout the year contributions may be made to any of these funds. A minimum donation of \$25.00 allows you to honor someone either “in memorial” or as a “tribute.” An acknowledgement is sent to whomever you designate, such as family member (memorial) or the person herself (tribute). Be sure to include addresses for acknowledgements of gifts.

Contributions to AAUW Funds are fully tax-deductible and can be sent to your branch's current AAUW Fund chair or made on-line at www.aauw.org/contribute. When sending a check and the designated form (on the following page) to your AAUW Funds branch chair, include the fund number in the memo line and a note indicating your honoree. Currently, Pendleton's AAUW Funds chair is **Jill Heffner, 3303 SW LaDow Avenue, Pendleton.**



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. This fund is where donation is needed most.

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).

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.



AAUW Funds Donation Form

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, 3303 SW La Dow, Pen