



AAUW Honors Luncheon and Installation of Officers

Thursday, May 21, 11:00am – 1:30pm

Jake's Grill, Tom Hardy Room

611 SW 10th Ave

Guest Speaker: Lucy Baker

**Administrator for the
Oregon Advocacy Commissions**

Our guest speaker is Lucy Baker, Administrator for the Oregon Advocacy Commissions (OACs): 4 Governor appointed commissions that exist statutorily to provide a voice within the state for policy decisions that affect underrepresented communities and groups in Oregon. The OACs include the Oregon Commissions on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs, Black Affairs, Hispanic Affairs and the Oregon Commission for Women. Lucy will be discussing the important work of the OACs in promoting economic, social, legal and political equality for communities of color and women in Oregon.

Lucy has a 30-year career building equity into policy and implementation, leading non-profits, and working for county or state government. She and her husband Rob moved to Portland in 1997, where she served in leadership positions with Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services, then as Director of the Oregon Business Leadership Network, and for the past four years in her current role as Administrator with the Advocacy Commissions.

Jake's Grill is located across the street from the streetcar stop at the corner of SW 10th Ave and Alder. It is near The Galleria parking structure, located one block away across the street from the Galleria MAX stop at Morrison and SW 10th Ave.

The RSVP form for the luncheon is on page 4; please respond by May 8.

For further information, contact Rose Toufexis at 971-271-8980, or Suzanne Fleming at 714-898-6456.

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A Message from Our Co-Presidents

Dear Members,

While this May/June edition of the newsletter is the last one until fall, there is still lots going on at all levels of AAUW—branch, state and national.

Just ended is the AAUW of Oregon State Convention, where our fellow branch members Maxine McComas and Julie Skinner were elected to the State Board of Directors. Maxine takes office as Finance Vice President and Julie as Secretary. Congratulations—you make us proud! Delegates also made decisions that included clarifying voting privileges when there are co-officers, and language to separate the nominating committee from undue influence by the board.

Next up at the state level is Lobby Day on May 12. Trish Garner and Liz Estabrooks of our branch have been instrumental in making arrangements. We encourage you to register and to join us in Salem to learn about AAUW's priority issues and to promote them with legislators. Another state-level event to put on your calendar is the Summer Retreat, July 17-19 at Willamette University. The retreat offers opportunities to meet members from throughout the state, to learn about leadership strategies, to hear what is happening, to be inspired and—drumroll please—to sleep in a dorm! Whether you currently hold an office or not, we recommend the retreat experience. Details will be in the Summer Oregon News, so watch for it.

Be sure to **VOTE** in the National AAUW election this year. There is a proposed bylaws amendment that eliminates the degree requirement for membership. It would open membership in AAUW to anyone who supports our mission. The recent Outlook magazine gives details, so don't lay it aside for later reading. There is information on all ballot questions: bylaws amendments, public policy program revisions, candidate profiles and directions for casting your ballot. "One Member, One Vote" was first implemented in 2011, and most of us remember when such business was conducted at national convention. No more—now each one of us has the responsibility to vote and determine the future of our organization. National convention will be in San Diego, June 18-21, and Outlook contains all information on that as well.

As a branch, we are anticipating the Honor's Luncheon on May 21, once again graciously served by the Jake's Grill staff. We are honored to have Lucy Baker, OAC Administrator, as our speaker. July will offer us a continuation of our year-round PCC Scholarship Fundraiser events. Enjoy traditional happy hour fare at Ilga's house, then move your lawn chair across the street for a free community concert. Two Fridays, July 10th and 17th, are available to choose from. And there is more summer fun to be had at the branch annual picnic on August 9th—more information will be sent later as planning progresses.

Last but not least—it is time to renew your membership for the 2015-16 fiscal year. Our collective skills, experiences, activities and friendships make us the outstanding group that we are.

Have a wonderful spring and summer!

Co-Presidents, Ilga Ross and Barbara Spencer

Support the PCC scholarship fund while enjoying traditional happy hour fare (e.g. wings, sliders/tacos, chips) and beverages, then relaxing at an outdoor concert of rhythm and blues, contemporary jazz, big band, bluegrass, salsa, or reggae at the Tualatin Commons.

Happy Hour and Concert in the Park



Dates: Friday, July 10 and/or July 17
Time: Happy hour 5 pm; concert 6:30-8:30 pm
Place: Home of Ilga Ross, 8275 SW Seneca St., Tualatin
Number of Guests: Up to 15 each evening
Guest Requirements: Bring lawn chairs and preferred wine or beer
Hostess: Ilga Ross
RSVP (3 days prior to event) to ilgaross@yahoo.com or 503-692-6602

Minimum tax deductible requested donation: \$25.00 per person (other contributions always welcomed). Checks should be made out to PCC Foundation with note: Portland AAUW 002.

Come alone or bring a group. Event is open to friends, significant others, or anyone who is interested in supporting our PCC scholarship.

AAUW Honors Luncheon RSVP

(see information on luncheon on page 1)

Please choose and circle below one entrée and one dessert for each attendee:

Entrée

1. Jake's Chicken & Pear Salad (Bleu Cheese, Glazed Walnuts & Mixed Greens)
2. Pasta Primavera (vegetarian)
3. Cashew Crusted Cod (rice pilaf, lemon & Beurre Blanc crusted with brown butter, Citrus Supreme)

Dessert

1. Mini Crème Brûlée
2. Mini Chocolate Pot de Crème

Beverages

Coffee, iced or hot tea

Name _____ Entrée 1 2 3 Dessert 1 2

Guest Name _____ Entrée 1 2 3 Dessert 1 2

Guest Name _____ Entrée 1 2 3 Dessert 1 2

Total Number of Attendees _____

Amount enclosed: _____ @ \$26 per person

Please complete this form and mail your check payable to Portland Branch AAUW to:

Suzanne Fleming
1500 SW Park Ave #212
Portland, OR 97201

RSVP no later than Friday, May 8, 2015

Study and Interest Groups May & June 2015. . . .

Interest groups that are not at capacity welcome new members. They are indicated by an "(open)" below. Call the contact person for more information and to RSVP. And to start a new group, just contact Donna Pregill, 503 292-8659 or dmp503@gmail.com.

Art Enjoyment (open)

Second Wednesdays
Date: May 13
Date: June 10
Meet at 12:15 in the gift shop of the Portland Art Museum
Contact: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094

Breakfast in Bridgetown (open)

Second Thursdays, 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated
Date: May 14
Petite Provence, 1824 NE Alberta St.
Contact: Rose Toufexis, 971-271-8980
Date: No June breakfast

Classics: Past, Present and Future (open)

Third Thursdays, 7:00 pm
Date: May 21

The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt

Hostess: Kathy Phillips
Date: June 18
Potluck at Maxine McComas'
Contact: Kathy Phillips, 503-901-0162

Curtain Call (open)

Usually second Thursdays, featuring the performing arts
Date: May 14
La Belle at Imago Theatre
Contact: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094
Date: No June performance

Digital Age (open)

Learn the technology you want to know
Usually fourth Friday, 10 am
Date: April 24
Topic: TBD
Hostess: Susan Offerdal, 503-853-5533
Date: May 29
Topic: Planning meeting
Contact: Ilga Ross, 503-692-6602

First Tuesday Reader's Theater (open)

Coffee 10:00, performance at 10:30
Date: May 5
A Musical Treat directed by Adair Chappell
Old Church-1422 SW 11th and Clay, \$8
Contact: Judy Holt, 503-387-5602
Date: No June performance

AAUW Happy Hour (open)

A time to relax, chat and nibble
Date: May 28, 4:00 pm
Block and Tackle, 3113 SE Division
Date: June 25, 3:00 pm
Ringside Fish House, 838 SW Park
Contact: Barbara Alberty, 503-222-2423

Literary Comments and Criticism I (open)

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am
Date: May 28
The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt
Hostess: Kate Skelton
Date: June 25
Potluck and book selection
Contact: Kate Skelton, 503-335-7140

Literary Comments and Criticisms II (open)

Third Tuesdays, 12:00 noon
Date: May 19
Songs of Willow Frost by Jaime Ford
Discussion Leader/Hostess: Linda Stern
Date: June 16, 6:30 pm
Potluck and book selection
Contact: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

Literary Comments and Criticisms III

Second Tuesdays, 9:30 am
Date: May 12
The Sense of an Ending by Julian Barnes
Hostess: Donna Pregill
Date: No June meeting

Modern Fiction (open)

Last Tuesday of the month, 12:00 noon
Date: May 28
Book selection
Hostess: Rose Toufexis
Date: TBA for June meeting
Contact: Rose Toufexis, 971 271-8980

Movie Mavens (open)

Monthly meetings to select and discuss movies
Second Friday, 1 pm
Date: May 8
Date: June 12
Hostess: Suzanne Fleming
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

Non-Fiction Book Group I

Third Wednesday, 9:30 am
Date: May 20
A Fighting Chance by Elizabeth Warren
Hostess: Donna Pregill
Date: June 17, 1:00 pm
Book selection and library visit
Hostess: Diane Winn

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Consider Hosting a Scholarship Fundraising Event

As described in last February's newsletter, this year and next year we are having small events in members' homes to raise funds for our PCC Scholarship. Although our current "line-up" of events to date is varied and impressive, WE NEED YOU to consider hosting a small gathering to support this effort.

You can host (or co-host) a picnic, dinner, lunch, brunch, movie night . . . Let your imagination run wild! Whatever you can imagine would make a fun/enlightening/pleasant event and help provide women at PCC who plan to continue their education with necessary funds to do so. There is no minimum number of guests required for you to host an event. Any number—from 4 to 400—would be great!!



For further information, contact Judy Holt jholt58@gmail.com or 503-387-5602

Study and Interest Groups (continued)

Non-Fiction Book Group II (open)

Third Friday, 7 pm

Date: May 15

Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown

Date: June 19

Nothing to Envy by Barbara Demick

Hostess for both months: Joyce Lew

Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

Wimpy Walkers Eager Eaters (open)

First Friday or Saturday, 3-4 miles with breakfast/lunch

Date: May 2, 9:30 am

Eastmoreland Golf Course & Tideman-Johnson Park

Meet at the corner of SE Bybee and SE 27th Ave. for

a 3-mile walk around the golf course; lunch to follow

Contact: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

Date: No June walk

Sleuth Sisters

Fourth Wednesday, lunch and discussion

Date: May 27, 1:00 pm at Ernesto's

A Beautiful Blue Death by Charles Finch

Date: June 24

Potluck and book selection

Time and hostess: TBD

Contact: Jane Lancaster, 503-284-1670

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AAUW Portland Branch Annual Meeting Minutes available

The minutes of the annual meeting (March 7, 2015) are now available for your review on our Website (<http://www.aauwpdx.org>). They will give you an overview of the Branch activities and goals, as well as information on the election of new officers to the Board.

AAUW Portland Branch Annual Summer Picnic

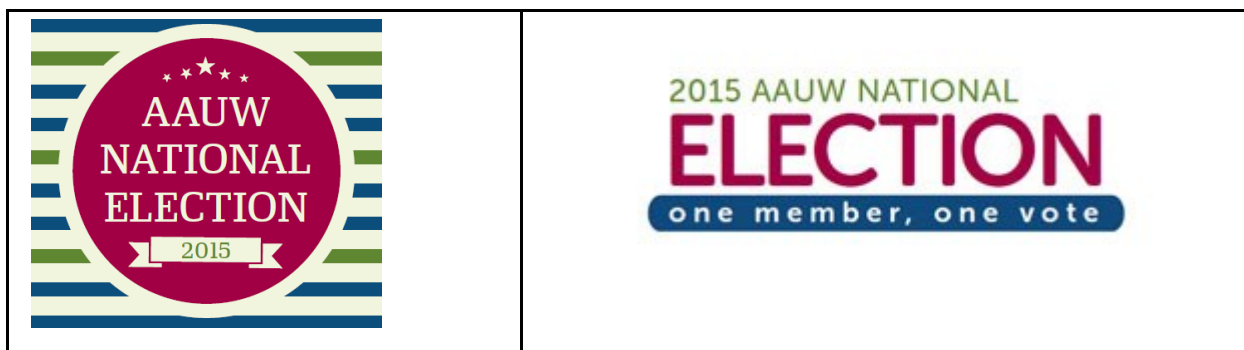
All branch members, their significant others and prospective members are invited to our annual picnic, to be held in a rustic shelter at Tualatin Community Park on August 9 from 5-7 pm. The site is easily accessible and close to the parking lot. A reminder and more details about the event will be e-mailed to all members at a later date. But put Sunday, August 9, on your calendar now.

“Iron Jawed Angels” film in celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment

Let's celebrate together this Aug. 26 for the 95th anniversary of the 19th Amendment by watching “Iron Jawed Angels”, a movie starring Hilary Swank as Alice Paul. Take a look at the poster on the our Website to find out all about it. Join us in the meeting room of the Eliot Tower, 1221 SW 10th, at 2 PM. Bring your daughter or a friend. Contact Ann Copeland if you would like to attend.

Oregon Commission for Women's 30th annual Women of Achievement Awards

The 2014 Women of Achievement Awards will be held on Saturday, May 2nd, 2015, at the Oregon Convention Center, Oregon Ballroom 204. The event will honor 5 exceptional women who, through their work and lives, have significantly improved the experience of women in Oregon. Governor Kate Brown will present the awards, and Attorney General Ellen Rosenbaum will emcee the event. Tickets must be purchased in advance. For more information and to register, go to <http://friendsoforegonwomen.org/women-of-achievement-awards/>



Are you ready to cast your vote for AAUW’s future? Learn about the candidates for the AAUW Board of Directors, and the proposed changes to the AAUW Bylaws and Public Policy Program. Go to the Spring/Summer 2015 edition of “Outlook” or to the 2015 AAUW National Election web page at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election/>.

One likely controversial bylaws amendment proposes to open membership to anyone who supports the mission. It entirely eliminates the requirement to have a college degree. You will want to consider this carefully and vote so that your voice counts.

2015 National Election Dates:

Mid-March 2015	Voter PIN mailed to members with the Spring/Summer AAUW <i>Outlook</i> ; final slate of candidates, bylaws proposals, and resolutions published in the Spring/Summer AAUW <i>Outlook</i>
April 1, 2015	Opening date to request paper ballot; voter PIN e-mailed to members
April 15, 2015	Voting begins online
May 8, 2015	Deadline for AAUW to receive request for paper ballot
May 26, 2015	Deadline for mailing paper ballot; ballots must be postmarked by 11:59 p.m. to be counted
June 19, 2015	Online voting ends at 9 p.m. PDT

Word of the Month

lucubration

Meaning: noun, (1) laborious or intensive study; also, the product of such study (usually used in plural); (2) pedantry in speech or writing.

Origin: Latin *lucubration-*, *lucubratio* study by night, work produced at night, from *lucubrare* to work by lamplight; akin to Latin *luc-*, *lux*.

First use: 1595

Member Update/Information

Kate Skelton has a new address:

4265 N.E. Halsey St., Apt 705
Portland, OR 97213

Sue Karstad has a new e-mail address:

karstadse@gmail.com

Introducing New Members of the Branch

JAE JUNG

My husband and I moved to Portland last December 2014. So, I have been in this city for about three months now. We lived in a small town, called Ashland, located in Eastern Kentucky, situated in the Appalachia mountain area. When we moved here, I experienced a kind of cultural shock (big one!), moving from a very rural country area to the big city. We completely changed one culture for another: East to West.

After my husband retired as a physician, we decided to move to Portland. One of reasons is our two sons are living in Portland now, and we have three grand kids here. We have one daughter, but she still lives in Louisville, Kentucky.

I belonged to AAUW where I lived. The chapter met in the Ironton branch of Ohio University in Southern Ohio, only a few miles from Ashland KY.

I stayed home and raised our three children. After they left for their schooling, I started back to school in the area. I graduated Ohio University in 2005. My major was Special Studies, in Liberal Arts.

After I graduated, I helped one professor with his research projects, engaging a qualitative method of research known as “Folkography.” I had a BS degree in nursing before I came to this country.

What are my interests? I like to meet people and learn from them. And I like traveling, long distance walking, trekking, reading books, and watching movies.

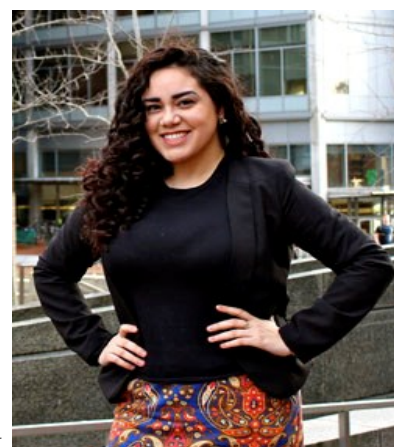
WANT TO RENEW BY CREDIT CARD?

To renew your membership for 2015-2016 (see page 11) by credit card, go to the AAUW National Website at www.aauw.org. Scroll down to Member Services Database (MSD) near the bottom left and click on it. At that page, click on the green button “Enter the MSD”. Now you are on the “Login” page. If it is your first time at this site, follow the prompts on how to register. Log in with your member number and the password you created. Member numbers can be found in your Branch Directory. There are prompts to help you find your member number and your password, if you have forgotten. The next page shows a button “Enter Member Services Database”; click on it. Next, your branch is displayed; click on it. At the lower left, find “Renew my Membership” and select it. Follow the instructions as requested for entering your credit card information. Your dues go to National first, and then are distributed back to State and Branch by electronic bank deposit. A Confirmation/Receipt is generated immediately and an email confirmation is sent to you. **Renewals are due by June 30.** No need to fill out the paper form or write a check.

NCCWSL Scholarship Recipient

Pam Campos-Palma

Pam Campos-Palma has been chosen as a NCCWSL national scholarship recipient to attend AAUW’s 2015 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders at the University of Maryland. Pam is a 2014 PSU graduate, Air Force Veteran and NYU School of Public Administration graduate student. After four years on active duty in the U.S. Air Force, Pam, in her third year as a reservist, headed to Portland State as a political science major, minoring in civic leadership. She worked to improve the campus community as director of the Latina student organization Las Mujeres de la Raza and as a member of the University's Board of Trustees, the new governing board that provides strategic leadership and stewardship to PSU.



What is the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)? NCCWSL is where college women make their future what they want. This AAUW conference for college women provides a transformative experience for attendees and prepares them to be the next generation of leaders. Each attendee becomes a part of the 30-year legacy of the conference.

Portland Branch AAUW Membership Form 2015-2016

New Renewal

(Renewals due by June 30th)

Preferred method of contact (for special events): email telephone

New members, please fill in information. Renewing members, fill in any fields that have changed.

NAME _____ Member # _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Occupation: (Retired? List previous occupation) _____

Degree(s) and School(s): _____

Financial assistance up to one-half (\$40) is available in order to join/renew. For eligibility criteria, contact Treasurer Ann Copeland at 503-560-3867 or copelandann@comcast.net

Dues Category:

Amount

REGULAR MEMBER \$49 National + \$16 State + \$15 Branch	= \$80	
PAID LIFE MEMBER \$ 0 National + \$16 State + \$15 Branch	= \$31	
HONORARY LIFE MEMBER 50+ years in AAUW	= \$ 0	
DUAL MEMBER State and National paid to primary branch	= \$15	
STUDENT AFFILIATE \$17 National + \$3 State + \$2 Branch	= \$22	

Contributions:

“STEM” BRANCH ACTION PROJECT (<i>Science, Technology, Engineering, Math</i>)	
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP Donated to a student at PCC.	
AAUW FUNDS (formerly called Educational Foundation or “EF”)	

Make check payable to AAUW Portland Branch.

Total enclosed: _____

Mail this form and check(s) to: AAUW, P.O. Box 8933, Portland, OR 97207

I am interested in:

_____ *Fundraising Committee*

_____ *Scholarship Committee*

_____ *Holiday Luncheon Committee*

_____ *STEM Committee*

_____ *Program Committee*

_____ *Study Groups*

_____ *PSU Partnership*

_____ *Welcoming Committee*

_____ *Public Policy Committee*

would be willing to:

_____ *Host events in my home*

_____ *Assist someone else who is hosting*

_____ *Phone members re: meetings*

_____ *Bring refreshments to events*

_____ *Help organize events*

_____ *Just call me when you need something*

AAUW Program Schedule 2014-15

May

2 Women of Achievements Awards

21 Honors Luncheon

June 3 Old/New Board Meeting

July 10 & 17

Happy Hour & Concert in the Park fundraiser (see page 3)

August

9 Branch picnic (info to follow)

26 Viewing of "Iron Jawed Angels"



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www.aauwpx.org

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME



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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

In principle and practice, **AAUW** values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin or disability.