



## Brunch and General Meeting

Saturday, September 19, 2015, 10-1pm

Guest speaker- Barbara Miner, Ph.D.

Saturday Academy

Mirabella Portland Retirement Community

3550 SW Bond Avenue, Portland

Please join us in the lovely Park View room of the Mirabella on Saturday, September 19th. Enjoy delicious food and catch up with old and new members. Our speaker is Barbara Miner, a scientist and engineer who is now working with the Saturday Academy in Portland. She will speak about programs for girls which she is designing and leading through the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program.

Barbara received her Ph.D. from Arizona State University in 1988, working at the NSF-funded Center for Electron Microscopy. She had a 25-year career as an electron microscopist at Digital Equipment Corporation and Intel. Barbara retired in 2013 and was an Encore fellow at Saturday Academy, developing engineering and technology programs for girls. She is now an employee at Saturday Academy and has successfully completed a pilot project of her first girls' program: "Girls Engage Technology".

Parking is free on Saturdays in the OHSU Whitaker Parking Lot across the street from the Mirabella. The lot is located on Bond Ave. between SW Curry St. and SW Whitaker St. Two entrances to the lot are on Whitaker. We also encourage you to take the Portland Street Car North South Line (N/S) that runs about every 15 minutes on weekends. The stop at SW Lowell & Bond at the South Waterfront District is one block from the Mirabella.

**RSVP to Suzanne Fleming** at [multiteach@aol.com](mailto:multiteach@aol.com) (please put "brunch" in subject line) or 714 898-6456 by **September 11.**

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## A Message from Our Co-Presidents

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Dear Members,

With the approach of September, there is always the anticipation of again greeting AAUW friends and participating in the myriad branch activities that we enjoy. In addition to monthly programs, there are now 17 Interest Groups in which to participate!

Not that summer was without events, too--the hot 90-degree days paused and we had cooler weather for the Concert Fundraisers and Picnic. In July, new branch board members Ginny McQueen and Lisa Perrine accompanied Ilga to the AAUW Summer Retreat at Willamette University. Ginny is our Membership Vice President and Lisa is STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) project co-chair. Also at the retreat were branch members who serve on the state board: Maxine McComas, Finance VP; Julie Skinner, Secretary; Trish Garner, Public Policy Chair; and Jane Lancaster, Special Projects Chair. The retreat, open to all members, is primarily for leadership training and included sessions on a scholarly look at persuasion and an economist's analysis of the pay gap.

Financially, the branch did quite well last year, primarily due to your generosity. Our donations to AAUW Funds ranked us high in the state, we contributed enough for two \$1000 local scholarships at PCC, and we financed the implementation of the STEM project "Let's Read Math" at Buckman School and a Saturday Academy scholarship.

The branch board meeting earlier this month revealed the planning that has already been done to make this coming year exceptional. Undoubtedly, the 110th Anniversary Celebration on October 13th will be the highlight. Program VPs Suzanne Fleming and Diane Winn and their committee have been hard at work planning for this event and for a variety of interesting mission-based programs every month. Working in collaboration with the YWCA, the League of Women Voters, and PSU, several outstanding speakers on issues that affect women have already been scheduled. Look for more details on upcoming programs in every newsletter and on the branch website at [www.aauwpdx.org](http://www.aauwpdx.org).

The year's kick-off meeting will be at the Mirabella on Saturday, September 19th. A general orientation to the branch program will be presented, with a focus on STEM, public policy and fundraising. Watch for more information later on college/university relationships. This year, make use of the website for up-to-date news relating to the strategic plans and to activities leading toward our goals.

This is another exciting year for Portland Branch. We want to engage all members in branch programs, activities and groups. Each of you individually is very important to the branch's success. Please feel free to bring your guests and prospective members to the upcoming meeting. We look forward to seeing you on September 19th!

Co-Presidents, Ilga Ross and Barbara Spencer

# Consider Hosting a Scholarship Fundraising Event

As described in last year's newsletters, 2015-16 is the second year we are having small events in members' homes to raise funds for our PCC Scholarship. Last year's events were varied and impressive, but WE NEED YOU to consider hosting a small gathering to support this effort in the coming year.

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](mailto:jholt58@gmail.com) or 503-387-5602



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## Up-coming Scholarship Fundraiser Events

Save the dates for these two upcoming events. Each event has limited space and a minimum \$25.00 donation to the Portland Community College Foundation. More details to follow.

**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

### St. Andrew's Day Party

Don your finest plaid and celebrate the Patron Saint of Scotland; Scottish Eggs, Pasties, Shortbread and more (no Haggis)

At the home of Judy Holt

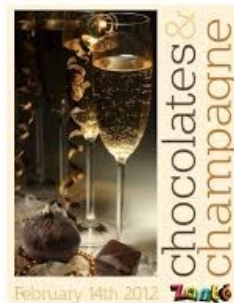


**December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

### Champagne and Chocolate

View the sparkling holiday lights while you nibble and sip on "heavenly fare"

At the Pearl District home of Barbara Alberty



# AAUW NATIONAL 2015 CONVENTION

submitted by Ann Copeland

After missing the last two AAUW National Conventions, I attended the recent one this past June which was held in San Diego; what a beautiful location. The opening ceremonies were fabulous, with speakers from around the country and several interesting diverse panels. The audience was engaged with open questionings and interacting discussions. We broke into smaller table discussions several times, allowing us to get to know AAUW members from around the country. Our current National president is from Hawaii, and many Hawaiian members came with her. Members from India were welcomed, and it was a nice surprise to see so many men in the audience. The many workshops were educational and focused on leadership and equality for women. I attended a very interesting workshop about financials given by an association employee who is a CFP. Many of the National staff were also present, who had lots of additional information and advice to share with us.

It is amazing how much activism goes on at National, mostly paid for by our dues and donations. The Legacy Circle has been a great help to sustaining our mission. Almost every convention attendee was wearing a Legacy Circle pin. It's time to educate our branch members on what a wonderful and easy way this is to support our cause.

These National Conventions are held in June every other year in Washington, DC and all around the country. Do plan on attending at least one or more AAUW Conventions in the coming years. You will learn a lot and appreciate our wonderful organization even more.

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## Study Group Close-Up—Literary Arts and Criticism II

Literary Arts and Criticism II may be the oldest of all the existing study groups. It's been in existence since at least sometime in the 1960s. In the early days, the group met for dessert and discussion. Later, it changed to dinner and discussion, and currently, the group meets for lunch and discussion. The format, however, has remained the same—one member each month does research on the author and then leads the discussion. The group meets in members' homes monthly, from September to June, with June being the meeting for choosing the books to be read in the following year. A variety of books are read, although the group leans toward fiction. The overall theme of the group is food, friendship and books. Unfortunately, the group has reached capacity and is currently not open to additional members.

## 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](mailto:dmp503@gmail.com).*

### **Art Enjoyment** (open)

Second Wednesdays  
Date: September 9  
Meet at 12:15 in the cafe of the Portland Art Museum  
Contact: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094

### **Breakfast in Bridgetown** (open)

Second Thursdays, 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated  
Date: September 10  
Sanborn's, 3200 SE Milwaukie Ave.  
Contact: Sue Thomas, 503 427-0403

### **Classics: Past, Present and Future** (open)

Third Thursdays, 7:00 pm  
Date: September 17  
Astoria by Peter Stark  
Hostess: Jean Messick  
Contact: Kathy Phillips, 503-901-0162

### **Curtain Call** (open)

Usually second Thursdays, featuring the performing arts  
No September event  
Contact: Sue Thomas, 503 427-0403

### **Digital Age** (open)

Learn the technology you want to know  
Third Wednesdays, every even month, 1-2:30 pm  
No September meeting  
Contact: Ilga Ross, 503-692-6602

### **First Tuesday Reader's Theater** (open)

Coffee 10:00, performance at 10:30  
No September event  
Contact: Judy Holt, 503-387-5602

### **AAUW Happy Hour** (open)

A time to relax, chat and nibble  
Date: September 24, 4:00 pm  
Trader Vic's, 1203 NW Glisan  
Contact: Judi Wandres, 971 279-5348

### **Literary Comments and Criticism I** (open)

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am  
Date: September 24  
Vanessa and Her Sister by Priya Parmar  
Hostess: Eleanor Krause  
Contact: Kate Skelton, 503-335-7140

### **Literary Comments and Criticisms II**

Third Tuesdays, 12:00 noon  
Date: September 15  
All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr  
Discussion Leader/Hostess: Barbara Gaines

### **Literary Comments and Criticisms III**

Second Tuesdays, 9:30 am  
Date: September 8  
All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr  
Hostess: Judy Holt

### **Modern Fiction** (open)

Last Tuesday of the month, 12:00 noon  
Date: September 22  
Andorra by Peter Cameron  
Hostess: Ruth Robinson  
Contact: Rose Toufexis, 971 271-8980

### **Movie Mavens** (open)

Monthly meetings to select and discuss movies  
Second Friday, 1:30 pm  
Date: September 11  
Elephants Deli, 115 NW 20th  
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

### **Non-Fiction Book Group I**

Third Wednesday, 9:30 am  
Date: September 16  
The Big Burn by Timothy Egan  
Hostess: Sue Thomas

### **Non-Fiction Book Group II** (open)

Third Fridays, 7 pm  
Date: September 18  
Behind the Beautiful Forever by Katherine Boo  
Hostess: Joyce Lew  
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503 372-6338

### **Public Policy** (open) **NEW**

Third Wednesdays, every odd month, 1-2:30 pm  
Date: September 16  
Organizational meeting  
Hostess and Contact: Barbara Gaines, 503 688-6650

### **Sleuth Sisters**

Fourth Wednesdays, lunch and discussion  
Date: September 23, 1 pm at Ernesto's  
Breaking Silence by Linda Castillo

### **Wimpy Walkers** (open)

First Friday or Saturday, 3-4 miles with breakfast/lunch  
Date: Saturday, September 5  
Meet at Bishop's Close, 11800 Milirly Lane, Dunthorpe for an easy walk along the cliffs of the Willamette River; lunch TBA  
Contact: Eleanor Krause, 503 228-6077 or 503 975-6318 (c)

## CURTAIN CALL 2015/16 SCHEDULE

Tickets for Curtain Call events are usually ordered months ahead of the performance. In order to ensure that all members of the Branch can participate, the organizing committee is sharing the entire 2015-16 schedule. If you are interested in going to one or more of the performances below, please call the contact person listed for that performance.

**DATE: October 14**

EVENT: "Twyla Tharp" by White Bird at the Schnitz

CONTACT PERSON: Linda Stern, 503 232-5637

**DATE: November 12**

EVENT: "Present Laughter" at the Lakewood Theater, Lake Oswego

CONTACT PERSON: Judy Holt, 503 387-5602

**DATE: January 16**

EVENT: Lily Tomlin at the Schnitzer

CONTACT PERSON: Sue Thomas, 503 427-0403

**DATE: February 11**

EVENT: "The Call" at the Profile Theater

CONTACT PERSON: Kathe Hart, 503 372-6338

**DATE: March 3**

EVENT: "Contigo Pan y Cebolla" at the Milagro Theatre

CONTACT PERSON: Joyce Lew, 503 243-5017

**DATE: April 5**

EVENT: Jupiter Quartet (Friends of Chamber Music) at Lincoln Hall

CONTACT PERSON: Anna Helm, 503 652-6625

**DATE: May 11**

EVENT: "Peter and the Star Catchers" at the Portland Playhouse

CONTACT PERSON: Diane Winn, 503 954-3976

**DATE: June 9**

EVENT: "Skin of Your Teeth" at Artists' Rep

CONTACT PERSON: Julie Skinner, 503 762-1094

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **“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 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment by watching “Iron Jawed Angels”, a movie starring Hilary Swank as Alice Paul. Join us in the meeting room of the Eliot Tower, 1221 SW 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2 PM. Bring your daughter or a friend. Contact Ann Copeland if you would like to attend this fundraising event to support STEM.

### **SAVE THE DATE: AAUW Portland Branch's 110th Anniversary Celebration**

Tuesday, October 13, 5-7 pm  
The Old Church  
1422 SW 11th Ave.  
Portland

Details to follow.



### **REMINDER:**

Eileen Elliot is the Branch Corresponding Secretary, but she cannot do this job without your help. If you hear of a Branch member who has just received an honor, who is ill, or who has suffered a loss, please let Eileen know. Her contact information is 503-808-7495 or [tweez@gmail.com](mailto:tweez@gmail.com).

## AAUW Scholarship to Girls Academy

Last June, the AAUW Portland Board voted to give a \$150 scholarship to Saturday Academy for a girl or girls in need of funds to attend their classes. We recently got the thank you note below from Angela Glabach.

*June 10, 2015*

*Dear AAUW Members,*

*Thank you for your wonderful support and commitment to women's education! Your gift to Saturday Academy to support financial aid for girls in our classes is so important in helping these youth find their passions and joy in learning.*

*We are so grateful for your partnership.*

*Thank you.*

*Angela Glabach*

### **Word of the Month**

*hebdomadal*

*Meaning:* adjective, 1. taking place, coming together or published once every seven days; 2. weekly

*Origin:* from late Latin *hebdomadalis*, from Greek *hebdomas*, *hebdomad*—'the number seven, seven days', from *hepta* 'seven'

*First used:* 1711



## Member Update/Information

**Kate Skelton's** new address was printed wrong in the last newsletter:

4265 N.E. Halsey St., Apt 702

Portland, OR 97213

**Lora Creswick** has a new e-mail address:

lkreswick@yahoo.com

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## GOINGS ON

*This section of the newsletter is dedicated to sharing the goings on of our branch members—special birthday, travels, recognitions, new grandchildren. Etc. Send your information to Linda Stern ([lindamstern@comcast.net](mailto:lindamstern@comcast.net)), and don't be shy. We all could use a pat on the back or a "Wow. You did that?" once in awhile.*

Congratulations to Suzanne Fleming on the engagement of her daughter Jamie.

Congratulations to Barbara Spencer on becoming Chair of the Oregon Commission for Women.

Anna Helm is off this month to Italy and Croatia, and Ginny McQueen is off to Bali in September.

Suzanne Fleming is back from a trip to Italy, and Peggy Hickman has returned from a trip to Alaska. In September, Peggy will be traveling to Iowa for her 60<sup>th</sup> high school reunion. Have fun, Peggy!

Last June, Barbara Gaines took a trip to the Canadian Maritimes, including Nova Scotia and the St. Lawrence Seaway.

This month, Ilga Ross will be traveling to Scotland, while Diane Winn is off on a "grand" tour—Norway, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands.

## **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](http://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. No need to fill out the paper form or write a check.

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**REMINDER: IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015-16, THIS WILL BE THE LAST ROSE CITY REPORTER THAT YOU RECEIVE.**

*Don't miss the October newsletter. Renew now!*

**Portland Branch AAUW Membership Form 2015-2016**

New  Renewal

(Renewals due by June 30<sup>th</sup>)

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](mailto: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

- August 26** Viewing of “Iron Jawed Angels”
- September 19** Brunch & General Meeting
- October 13** 110th Anniversary Celebration
- November 29** St Andrew’s Day Party
- December 13** Champagne and Chocolate



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## NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME



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