



# Rose City Reporter



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*While girls are studying and excelling in science and math more than ever before, this dramatic increase in educational achievement has not been matched with a similar rise in the representation of women working in these fields. Today, women make up just 6% of S&P 500 CEOs, 12% of the engineering workforce, and 25% of the computing workforce, according to the AAUW publication “Playbook on Best Practices: Gender Equity in Tech”, 2019.*

Join us as we unravel with PDXWIT (Portland Women in Technology) what inhibits women from pursuing and securing employment in tech fields.

**Tuesday, November 12, 2019 10:00 a.m.**

**The Portland Plaza, 1500 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

PDXWIT is committed to advancing inclusion in Portland’s technology Industry and supports those who identify as women, non-binary and underrepresented in tech fields. The organization empowers individuals within the Portland-area tech industry by offering skill-building events, mentorship, and access to jobs and opportunities. Shaunna Levy will guide us through PDXWIT’s process of advancing inclusion in Portland’s technology industry.

Please **RSVP** on our website [www.aauwpdx.org](http://www.aauwpdx.org) or to [linloftin@msn.com](mailto:linloftin@msn.com) or call 917-660-1368 by **November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

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## A Message from Our President

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Dear Members,

We are looking forward to the Holiday Luncheon this year at the MAC. Diane Winn is chairing the event and has some great things planned for us! This is always a special time for the Branch, and I hope you will attend. It is also the time we make our donations to National AAUW funds to support the great work it does.

The November Branch meeting promises to be very informative and interesting. Thanks again to Linda Loftin and her committee.

Our membership continues to thrive with the interest groups and new members. Our new interest group, Current Affairs, has started meeting, and all are welcome. Please let me know if you are interested.

STEM is always looking for new volunteers. This is another great opportunity to serve girls and encourage their education while having fun at the same time! If you are interested, contact Ginny McQueen.

The Board elected the nominating committee at its last meeting. Please see Lisa Perrine's article in this issue. My thanks to Lisa and those who agreed to serve. Now, I hope that you will consider serving your Branch, if asked. The Branch is in good shape—financially and organizationally solid. Serving on the Board is interesting and fun.

Hope you have a wonderful Holiday season.

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Past President, Sue Thomas

## Save the Date



AAUW Funds  
Holiday Luncheon and Fundraiser  
Saturday, December 7  
10 am to 1 pm  
Multnomah Athletic Club



Speaker: Laura Moulton  
Founder, Street Books

**RSVP by November 30**

Register on-line at [www.aauwpx.org](http://www.aauwpx.org) or with the registration form on page 5.

### **Big Changes – in Holiday Luncheon Fund Raising – Please Read**

The Portland Branch is very generous and has been recognized by Oregon AAUW for its financial support of the AAUW mission. At our Holiday Luncheon, we fundraise for AAUW funds to support the work of national AAUW and for operating branch funds to carry out the work of the Portland Branch.

This year's holiday fundraising will offer a new feature – **a luncheon without holiday baskets donated by study and interest groups.** Members are asked to support AAUW funds in two ways: by our usual AAUW funds request; and also by donations to our **I Support the Work of AAUW Campaign**, in which specified monetary donations express AAUW support for women's research (\$5), leadership (\$10), equal pay (\$15), Title IX (\$20) and STEM (\$30). These additional donations in lieu of spending money and time for basket contributions may be added to your AAUW Funds total.

In support of our branch operation funds, members can purchase raffle tickets for a special prize and donate used or broken gold and sterling jewelry. Finally, to support the work of our luncheon guest speaker, Laura Moulton, founder of **Street Books**, we ask for donations of used paperback books and reading glasses.

Your support makes a difference at all levels – national, branch and community. **Thank you for all that you do.**

## Study and Interest Groups November 2019

*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 Kathy Moyd, 503-206-8310 or [kmoyd@earthlink.net](mailto:kmoyd@earthlink.net).*

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

Second Thursdays, 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated

Date: November 14

Restaurant: Arthouse Café, 804 NW Couch

**RSVP by November 10** to Barbara Spencer 503-477-7372 or [pen013@earthlink.net](mailto:pen013@earthlink.net)

Contact: Diane Winn, 503-954-3978 or [dgwinn@uci.edu](mailto:dgwinn@uci.edu)

### **Current Affairs** (open)

First Tuesdays, 1 pm (come early for lunch)

Date: November 5

Location: Elephant's Deli, Garden Room, NW 22nd

Contact: Sue Thomas, 503-427-0403 (h)/925-699-7880 (c) or [sueonoak@comcast.net](mailto:sueonoak@comcast.net)

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

Date: November 9 at 2 pm

Performance: Women at Will (tickets are \$36)

Location: Portland Playhouse

Contact: for tickets: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094 or

[jaswans@centurylink.net](mailto:jaswans@centurylink.net)

Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338 or [kathhart@hotmail.com](mailto:kathhart@hotmail.com)

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

Coffee 10:00, performance at 10:30

The Sanctuary, 1785 NE Sandy Blvd.

Date: November 5

Reading: Switzerland by Joanna Murray-Smith

Contact: Judy Holt, 503-387-5602 or [jholt58@gmail.com](mailto:jholt58@gmail.com)

### **International Lunch Group** (open)

Fourth Mondays, 11:30 am

Date: November 25

Restaurant: Shalom Y'all SE, 117 SE Taylor St., #101

**November 10** to Diane Winn, 714-470-4528

or [dgwinn@uci.edu](mailto:dgwinn@uci.edu)

Contact: Petie Padden, 503-235-9892 or [petiepad@icloud.com](mailto:petiepad@icloud.com)

### **Literary Comments and Criticisms** (open)

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am

Date: Nov. and Dec. meetings will be combined on Dec. 5

Contact: Katie Raetz, 503-720-8188 or [kmraetz@yahoo.com](mailto:kmraetz@yahoo.com)

### **Mahjong** (open)

Beginning Mahjong lessons

Hostess: Mary Shaw, 1500 SW 5th Ave., #2106

Contact: Mary Shaw, 503-939-4589 or [docsu@hotmail.com](mailto:docsu@hotmail.com)

### **Modern Fiction** (closed)

Fourth Tuesdays, 11:30 am

Date: November 26

Book: [Circling the Sun](#) by Paula McLain

Hostess: TBD

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

Second Fridays, 1:30 pm

Meetings to select/discuss movies

Date: November 8

Hostess: Suzanne Fleming, 1500 SW Park Ave. bas-

Contact: Suzanne Fleming, 714-898-6456 or [multiteach@aol.com](mailto:multiteach@aol.com) or Karn Hill, 503-206-8444 or [karnhill@gmail.com](mailto:karnhill@gmail.com)

### **Non-Fiction Book Group I** (closed)

Third Wednesdays, 10 am

Date: November 20

Location: Elephant's Deli, Garden Room, NW 22nd

Book: [The Line Becomes a River](#) by Francisco Cantu

Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338 or [kathhart@hotmail.com](mailto:kathhart@hotmail.com)

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

Third Fridays, 7 pm

Date: November 15

Book: [Hillbilly Elegy](#) by J.D. Vance

Hostess: Joyce Lew, 2545 SW Terwilliger Blvd. #1207

Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338 or

[kathhart@hotmail.com](mailto:kathhart@hotmail.com)

### **Overbooked** (closed)

Second Tuesdays, 10 am

Date: November 12

Book: [Emma](#) by Jane Austen

Hostess: Linda Stern

Contact: Linda Stern or Sue Trotter

**Sleuth Sisters** - THIS GROUP IS NO LONGER MEETING.

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

First Fridays or Saturdays, 10 am

3-4 miles with breakfast or lunch

Date: Saturday, November 2

Tour of downtown Portland's public art, lunch to follow

Meet outside Starbuck's on SW 9th and Taylor

RSVP by October 31 to Diane Will, 503-954-3976 or

[dgwinn@uci.edu](mailto:dgwinn@uci.edu)

Contact: Joyce Kligman, 503-309-3185 or

[joyceslk@comcast.net](mailto:joyceslk@comcast.net)

# AAUW Holiday Luncheon and Fundraiser Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name/s of guest/s \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

## Check an entrée choice for each person attending:

\_\_\_\_\_ Forest Mushroom Crepe

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Piccata

\_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed (\$38 per person)

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to make a separate contribution to AAUW Funds.\*

## Payment options:

You can register for the luncheon and pay by credit card by going to our website, [aau-wpdx.org](http://aau-wpdx.org). (A \$2.00 credit card service fee will be applied to on-line registrations)

You can register for the luncheon by filling out this registration form, writing a check to **AAUW Portland Branch** and mailing them to:

Diane Winn

1500 SW 11<sup>th</sup> Ave, #401

Portland, OR 97201

\*For contributions to AAUW Funds, you can write a check to **AAUW Funds** and mail it to Diane Winn at the address above.

## **AAUW Portland Branch – PCC Scholarship Recipients for 2019-2020**

**Rachel Iatarola.** Rachel has been a student at PCC for the last year and has done very well with a 3.91 GPA. She moved to Portland in 2007 and received her associate's at Le Cordon Bleu. She started working as a chef at an assisted-living facility and fell in love with it. Over the past years, she has also had other restaurant jobs where she's learned a lot of the business side of food services. She is planning to study Community Health and Ageing Services at PSU in order to go back to where she loved working—at the assisted-living facility where she started.

**Katia Cazares.** Katia has been at PCC for the last two years and is seeking associate's and bachelor's degrees in Mechanical Engineering. She also has a passion for art and is hoping to use both skills to create solutions for how to combat climate change through technology.

**Amy Johnson.** Amy has been at PCC for two years and has excelled with a 4.0 GPA. She also is hoping to combat climate change by studying Environmental Science. She has a wide variety of travel experiences and, for a while, studied meditation and yoga. She feels that although she does good things for people in this line of work, she is looking for something with more substance to be able to help even more people.

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### **Nominating Committee Appointed**

The Branch Board has selected the Nominating Committee for 2020. The committee is charged with finding the best leaders from our membership to fill upcoming officer positions. Each office may be filled by one officer or by co-officers. The election will be held on March 14, 2020, at our Portland Branch Annual Meeting and Brunch.

Positions open for nominations are:

President – This person will serve as President in 2020-2021 and Immediate Past President in 2021-22.

President Elect – This person will serve as President Elect in 2020-21, President in 2021-22, and Immediate Past President in 2022-23.

Program VP - This person will serve a two-year term, 2020-22.

Finance VP - This person will serve a two-year term, 2020-22.

Director-at-Large - This person will serve a one year term, 2020-21.

**Please consider stepping up and taking a leadership role in our branch.** If you are interested in any of the open positions; have any questions about what duties a position entails, or if you know someone whom you believe would be an excellent candidate, please contact any member of the nominating committee:

Judy Holt - [jholt58@gmail.com](mailto:jholt58@gmail.com), 503-387-5602

Lisa Perrine - [Lperrine65@comcast.net](mailto:Lperrine65@comcast.net), 503-648-1691

Barbara Spencer – [baspen013@earthlink.net](mailto:baspen013@earthlink.net), 503-477-7372

Linda Stern - [lindamstern@comcast.net](mailto:lindamstern@comcast.net), 503-232-5637

Sue Trotter – [dstrotter@msn.com](mailto:dstrotter@msn.com), 503-652-6414

Thank you to the committee members for agreeing to serve the branch in this important process.

## Meet the new members of Portland Branch of AAUW in October 2019

### Lori Wellborn

Lori comes from a family of independent women. Her mother never got to finish high school but supported herself and 4 girls as an artist. Although it was no easy thing to send three of those girls to college, Lori received a degree in Cultural Anthropology from Portland State University .

Around 1998, Lori began working as a classroom aide in an elementary school. In the classroom, she felt she had found her home. In 2000, she went back to school at Concordia University to get a Master's of Art in Teaching. She then taught kindergarten, first grade and third grade for 18 years.

Lori is married and lives in Milwaukie. She has a daughter who lives and works in Portland. She loves gardening, reading, organizing, and socializing. Lori would like to see the ERA happen in her lifetime.

Lori's contact information: (  
1549 SE Wills Way, Milwaukie, OR 97267  
(503) 502-9279  
[lwell1128@yahoo.com](mailto:lwell1128@yahoo.com)

### Mara Faust

Mara attended the U C Berkeley and received a B.A. in History. She then attended the San Francisco, School of Law and received a J.D. in 1983. She served as a Deputy District Attorney for the County of Santa Clara in California from 1984 –1989. She then became a Deputy Attorney General (DAG) in both San Francisco and Sacramento, California. As DAG, she worked to regulate physicians through the CA licensing agency. Her job was to determine whether the subject physician needed probation and retraining, or, if protection of the public mandated more action, license revocation.

Mara retired in December 2018 and moved to Portland last month. She joined our AAUW branch very recently. She had previously been an active member in Nevada County, California, for the past fifteen years.

Mara's contact information:  
436 NE Wistaria Drive, Portland, OR  
(530) 913-4854  
[2marafaust@gmail.com](mailto:2marafaust@gmail.com)

### Suzanne Kosanke

Suzanne retired from the University of Hawaii and moved to Portland, Oregon in 2011 after 20 years of teaching English. Her BA was in History at the University of Minnesota. She is interested in working for good causes, reading, talking about movies, and making new friends.

Suzanne's contact information:  
3145 NE Everett, Portland, OR. 97232  
(503) 901-3339  
[kosande@hawaii.edu](mailto:kosande@hawaii.edu)

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## Meet the new members of Portland Branch of AAUW (continued)

### Arlene Giordana

Arlene was born in Brooklyn, NY, and was raised in a small town on the Hudson River. She received a AB degree in psychology, with a minor in physiology, from Hunter College of CUNY.

She went west to UC Berkeley for a master's and Ph.D. in Educational Psychology, specializing in school psychology, including credentials in psychometry. She taught college courses several years before doing post doc training in clinical psychology. Arlene was licensed in Calif. and had a private practice in rural northern Calif. In addition, she taught part-time college psychology. Much of her post doc training was in psychopharmacology. She retired to Portland in December, 2012.

Arlene's contact information: (

1 500 SW 5th Ave., #2101, Portland, OR 97201  
(971) 717-1759  
[dr.gsspot@gmail.com](mailto:dr.gsspot@gmail.com)

### Mary Finneran

After graduating from St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN, Mary worked in journalism for several years. While living in Atlanta, she went back to school and earned a Master of Education degree from Georgia State University. She did not teach in a traditional setting, but was in the training department of a large insurance company. After her son was born, Mary worked part-time as a trainer for a small computer training company. She is now retired. Mary and her husband moved from Chicago to Portland in June to be near their son and his family.

Mary's contact information:

750 SW 9th Ave, #1514, Portland, OR 97205  
(773) 294-2792  
[mary@ejfinneran.com](mailto:mary@ejfinneran.com)

### Catherine (Katie) Scharle

Katie was a Catholic nun for 21 years as a BVM, Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. After she left the order, she got a job teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade in Lake Forest, IL. After a year, friends fixed her up with a blind date. He was a college professor; they were married a year later. They moved to Peoria, IL, and Katie had her first child at age 43. Her daughter now teaches philosophy at Reed College.

Katie received her BA in English from Clark College in Dubuque, Iowa, in 1958, and completed an MA in Education of the Deaf from Northwestern University in 1968. By the time she retired, she had taught all levels of grade school deaf children, all levels of high school, and reading at the college level

A year after moving to Vancouver, WA in 2006, I became a member of AAUW and have served as President of the Vancouver Branch, Membership Chairman, Publicity Chairman, and Program Chairman. I love all the activities of AAUW, and I look forward to meeting all of you soon.

Katie's contact information:

2624 NE 34th Ave., Portland, OR 97212  
(503) 703-4730; [katiescharle@comcast.net](mailto:katiescharle@comcast.net)



## AAUW Program Schedule 2019-20

November 12	PDXWITT, Elisabeth Stock, Executive Director
December 7	Holiday Luncheon & Fundraiser Multnomah Athletic Club
January 18	“The Art of Living & Dying Well” Jane Vogel, AGE
February TBA	<u>This Changes Everything</u> Documentary
March 14	Annual Meeting & Brunch
April 19-21	State Convention, Valcouver, WA
April TBA	Tour with Jan Dilg: “Nevertheless She Persister”



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## NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME



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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.