

# Rose City Reporter

**November 2021**

Join us for a guided tour of the Oregon Historical Society's exhibit:

***“Nevertheless They Persisted:  
Women’s Voting Rights and the 19th Amendment”***

**Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, 10:00 a.m.  
Oregon Historical Society  
1200 SW Park Ave.**

Jan Dilg, an independent historian and AAUW member, will lead us through the exhibit that depicts the many ways Oregon history connects to the national history of woman suffrage and to the complex history of democracy in the United States.

Through storytelling, interactive experiences, and original artifacts and documents, visitors will connect to the past and feel the struggles and triumphs of the women (and men) who demanded the vote and used their rights to shape our nation and our world.

*We are hopeful that this planned in-person activity will be possible in November. However, please watch for emails about postponement or cancellation due to Covid surge. We are asking that branch members register for this meeting and in the next month, you will receive an invitation to register for the tour. When you receive that email, just click on the Register Now button, and an email will be generated that you can send to Linda Loftin, our Program VP, letting her know that you plan on attending. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email. If you already know that you would like to attend the tour, you can register now by clicking the Register Now button below. Either way, don't forget to mark your calendars for this event.*

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## **President's Corner**

To paraphrase a birthday card I just sent, “Is it really true that another month has passed?” Well, yes, it is. It is October as we write this for you all to read in the November newsletter. In September we had an excellent turn out and tune in for the Zoomed General Meeting. There were two particular highlights: an informative and well-spoken presentation by Oregon Senator Deb Patterson who covers the Salem area. Very dynamic, obviously very concerned about issues of importance to her constituents as well as the rest of us Oregon citizens: healthcare for all, housing, more affordable childcare, social justice, and climate justice among other significant areas of concern.

The second highlight, especially for the winner, was the drawing for our first Board raffle: Ann Hudson won a gift certificate to Powell's Books—she can use the \$100 there for anything but sounded like it would be most useful for a book group she is joining or has joined!

Stay tuned—we are all thinking of events and programs to capture your interest, maybe even your actual presence, and further our mission. (Speaking of that, we have the identities of our scholarship recipients to be included in this newsletter.)

Susan and Katie, co-Presidents

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## **Save the Date**

**AAUW HOLIDAY FUNds Event**

**Saturday, December 4, 10:00-12:00**

*Full details of the event will be mailed to you in early November*

As many of you know, traditionally we have met the first Saturday in December for a Holiday Luncheon and Annual Fundraiser.

With Covid, large in-person gatherings do not seem wise. Therefore, this year we will have a Zoom Holiday Celebration. Continuing our theme of street outreach, Molly Pringle, Executive Director of Portland Street Medicine, will discuss their mission to provide quality **medical** care to Portlanders who are facing unstable housing or are sleeping on the **streets**.

We will also have an opportunity to raise funds for National AAUW that will help them continue their amazing work in advancing equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

Most importantly, we want to put some **FUN** into fundraising. You are encouraged to consider celebrating this Zoom event with a small in-person group of members. There will be several raffles and an auction of some wonderful items we are just beginning to organize. A list of auction items will be included with the November mailing.

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### Nominating Committee

#### Looking to Put Together a Slate of Candidates for 2022

The Portland Branch Board is in the process of selecting the Nominating Committee for 2022. Please consider becoming a member of our nominating committee and help us find qualified and enthusiastic leaders from our membership to fill upcoming officer positions. We are looking for 4 volunteers to serve on the nomination committee. If interested, call or e-mail Ginny McQueen (Membership VP) at 503-819-6198, [ginnymcq@gmail.com](mailto:ginnymcq@gmail.com).

Positions open for nomination are:

**President** – This person will serve as President in 2022-2023 and Immediate Past President in 2023-2024.

**President Elect** – This person will serve as President Elect in 2022-2023, President in 2023-2024 and Immediate Past President in 2024-2025.

**Program VP** – This person will serve a two-year term, 2022-2024

**Finance VP**- This person will serve a two-year term, 2022-2024

**Director-at-Large** – This person will serve a one year term, 2022-2023

Each office may be filled by one officer or by co-officers.

Please consider stepping up and taking a leadership role in our branch. We have a very well educated, enthusiastic, outgoing, capable, and friendly group of women in our membership. We would love to see new people filling in board positions. If you are interested in any of the open positions, have any questions about what duties a position entails, or if you know someone who you believe would be an excellent candidate, please contact Ginny McQueen at 503-819-6198 or [ginnymcq@gmail.com](mailto:ginnymcq@gmail.com).

Please step up and help make our branch thrive!

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## **From AAUW Portland Scholarship Recipients**

Dear Donor,

Thank you so much for this generous offering. I am so grateful to receive this financial support to continue my education. I am looking forward to learning and having more space to put towards my studies with the help of this money.

I am working towards getting my degree in psychology and certification in human lactation to become a lactation consultant. I am interested in birth work and want to put my energy towards supporting birthing people and female identifying people.

Thank you so much!

Warmly,

Morgan Seip

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Dear Donor

Thanks for your support. This scholarship will help me to focus and to continue my studies. At the same time it will help ease the economic burden.

I am a Colombian girl who studies civil engineering. I have always wanted to make a change in the world. I want to be a great civil engineer as the same as a great social and environmental leader. I want to help others in need with my knowledge. After finishing PCC, I want to continue my studies at PSU and then specialize in water resources.

Thank you so much for supporting my dreams. I appreciate it you! It means a lot to me.

Gratefully,

Valentina Castellanos Ramirez

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Dear Donor,

I would like to offer my sincerest and humblest gratitude for selecting me for the AAUW scholarship for the 2021-2022 academic year at PCC. As a disabled, transgender woman, I have faced innumerable barriers in my career, education, and life. While I'd love to say that I have overcome these alone, that simply would not be true. It is thanks to the kindness and compassion of others like you that I am able to be where I am today, and to pursue a career in nursing. I hope to reflect the kindness and compassion that I have received, and to make a tangible difference in the lives of my patients, especially the ones like me.

Two years ago, around this time, I found myself recovering from a broken leg and an abusive relationship. Job-less and desperately in need of a sense of purpose, I found solace in helping members of my community to build themselves up and heal from the wounds of the world. I found both comfort and satisfaction while I, myself, began to heal. When we see harm, we have a choice. It can either darken our souls or it can bring us to a recognition of the goodness that surrounds us. After all the harm I've witnessed, I chose compassion over hate; to be a builder, a helper, and a healer. If you ever find yourself confronted with the same choice, choose the good.

Today, I am happy with my choice back then to pursue nursing. It hasn't been easy, but it has certainly been a worthwhile journey, a journey that I can continue thanks to you. As I continue to grow my skills, it will be with gratitude for the helpers. Fortunately, you are part of the good in this world. And so it is with great appreciation that I want to thank you for being my helper, so that I can be one, too.

Warmly,

Sharli Love

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### Membership Happenings!!!

Portland Branch has 93 members...up 1 from last month! Please remember that MEMBERSHIP MATTERS. Be an active member - reach out and recruit a new member. We are all AAUW Portland Branch Ambassadors! Please contact our Membership VP, Ginny McQueen, at 503-819-6198 or [ginnymaq@gmail.com](mailto:ginnymaq@gmail.com) if you know of someone who might like to join our Portland Branch.

#### **We would like to introduce to you our newest members!**

**Jeanne Miller** – Jeanne moved here from Santa Rosa in Sonoma County, CA. Jeanne and her husband moved after surviving and putting up with years of wildfires that affected their neighborhood. Jeanne received an MA from Sonoma State and received her teaching credential from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Jeanne has taught 5 & 6<sup>th</sup> grades, been a Reading Specialist and a Math Coach. Jeanne also taught at Santa Rosa Community College. She still teaches at the college via Zoom. Jeanne has a sister who is member of AAUW. Jeanne joined our branch to meet new people and explore different interest/study groups, especially book clubs. Jeanne is a competitive table tennis player. She believes this activity keeps the brain nimble, helps with cardio health, and improved balance.

**Peggy Klipfel LeDuff** – Peggy moved to Portland from the Los Angeles area to be a grandma. She babysits the most intelligent and adorable infant granddaughter in the world. Peggy is retired but previously taught 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade science in LA. Peggy became familiar with AAUW and its goals as she was a volunteer at an AAUW Tech Trek Camp in Southern California. Peggy is a graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, CA. Peggy is looking forward to meeting other members of our branch and is very interested in our STEM program.

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#### **Updated information:**

Marian Drake: BA-Grinnell College; EdM-Oregon State University

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### Study and Interest Groups

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

Second Thursdays, 9 am, unless otherwise stated

Group on hiatus

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

Tues., Nov. 9, 1:30 pm

Zoom – contact Sue for link

Contact: Sue Thomas, 925-699-7880, [sueonoak@comcast.net](mailto:sueonoak@comcast.net)

Nadyne Rosin, 302-519-3715, [nadgerro@gmail.com](mailto:nadgerro@gmail.com)

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

Group on hiatus

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

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

Group on hiatus

Contact: Judy Holt, 503-652-6524, [jholt58@gmail.com](mailto:jholt58@gmail.com)

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

Group on hiatus

Contact: Petie Padden, 503-235-0892, [petiepad@icloud.com](mailto:petiepad@icloud.com)

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

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am

Date: Dec. 2

The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Lagnado

Hostess: Lisa Perrine; Zoom

Contact: Petie Padden, 503-235-0892, [petiepad@icloud.com](mailto:petiepad@icloud.com)

**Mahjong** (open)

Beginning mahjong lessons

Currently on hiatus

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

**Modern Fiction** (open)

Fourth Tuesdays, 11:30 AM

Date: November 23, Zoom

A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende

Contact: Nancy Thomas, 503-201-4420, [nmthomas@teleport.com](mailto:nmthomas@teleport.com)

**Movie Mavens** (open)

Group on hiatus

Contact: Suzanne Fleming, 714-898-6456, [multiteach@aol.com](mailto:multiteach@aol.com)

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

Third Wednesdays, 10 am, Elephant Deli on NW 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Date: November 17

Hidden Valley Road by Robert Kolker

Leader: Cathy

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

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

Third Fridays, 6 pm, Joyce Lew's, 2545 SW Terwilliger Blvd.

Date: November 19

The President's Club by Peter Michael Duffy and Nancy Gibbs

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

**Overbooked** (closed)

Second Tuesdays, 10 am

Date: November 9

Squeeze Me by Carl Hiaasen

Zoom meeting

Contact: Linda Stern, 503-473-3616, [lindamstern@comcast.net](mailto:lindamstern@comcast.net)

**Sleuth Sisters** (open)

Fourth Wednesdays, 12 noon

Date: November 24

One by One by Ruth Ware

Leader: Carla Huegli

Contact Carla Huegli, 503-457-6145 or [cshuegli27@gmail.com](mailto:cshuegli27@gmail.com)

**Wimpy Walkers** (open)

First Saturdays, 10 am

Date: November 6

Explore Willamette Historic District of West Linn.

Meet at the corner of Willamette Falls Drive and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue in West Linn.

Lunch to follow.

Walk Leader: Judy Holt, 503-652-6524

**RSVP required by Nov. 1**

Contact: Joyce Kligman, 503-309-3185, joycekligman1@gmail.com