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Branch Program

Pay Equity, Still an Issue



Wednesday, April 14, 2010

7:00 PM

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The April meeting will focus on an issue that has been a concern of AAUW for many years, pay equity. Every year, a certain day is set aside to be Equal Pay Day. This date symbolizes how far into 2010 women must work in order to earn what men earned in 2009. This year, Equal Pay Day is April 20. WOW!

Our speaker on "Pay Equity, Still an Issue" is Linda O'Hara, a member of both our branch and the Salem Branch. She has held many positions at the branch and state levels, including state president, as well as serving on Association committees. She is currently an Instructor in the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at OSU. She also teaches classes at Chemeketa Community College. Before switching to teaching, Linda had worked in the (male-dominated) field of Information Technology as a Senior Programmer/Analyst, so you can see she is well qualified to address this topic.

The meeting will be at 7 PM, Wednesday, April 14, at the Women's Center on the campus of OSU. Parking at OSU is not restricted (except for signed areas) after 5 PM, so anyone can try to find a place to park near the Women's Center. However, shuttle service will be provided from the Methodist Church parking area on Monroe and 12th to the Women's Center starting at 6:40 pm. The shuttle will return you to the church parking lot after the program. You may park in the church lot and walk to the Women's Center if you wish. If you would be willing to drive for the shuttle service, please call Marilyn Treiman at 541-758-6337. Hope to see you all at this exciting meeting.

Corvallis AAUW Branch Board Meeting Minutes

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Corvallis AAUW Branch
Board Meeting
February 12, 2010

In the absence of a president, Edie Lee called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

PRESENT: Sue Borden, Pam Duren, Martha Jenkins, Edie Lee, Stefani McRae-Dickey, Nancy Neumann, Hope Reenstjema, Fria Rogers, Mardy Stevens (guest) and Marilyn Treiman

BUDGET: Sue Borden submitted the January Treasurer's Report. Sue has not yet resolved the question of whether or not we can now consolidate banking

accounts.

PROGRAMS: Two members of the Albany AAUW Branch attended the February program. The next program will be about the SHE art project, March 16th, at the Corvallis downtown library. It will be co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library and open to the public. It was decided to offer refreshments.

MEMBERSHIP: Currently, there are 76 members. Edie has acquired a list of Members at large (MAL) in the area. They will be invited to the March program. Contact with the Albany branch will continue.

GUEST: Mardy Stevens (AAUW Leadership Corps Grassroots Liaison) spoke to the Board and listened to some of its concerns. The AAUW Leadership Corps' focus is on outreach and support to the branches. Grassroots liaisons may assist branches in identifying and addressing current needs, encourage branch leadership development, and assist membership growth. And they are not limited by geographic boundaries. She encouraged participation in the online webinar (a series of online tutorials), Chapter Leaders Playground developed by Cynthia D'Amour, author of *The Lazy Leader's Guide to Outrageous Results*.





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She asked about contacts with OSU and sparked a discussion on AAUW and higher education institutions. She shared the efforts the Gresham Branch has made to successfully raise their profile in the community and reverse a decline in membership. They focused on developing partnerships with other community groups, including the Chamber of Commerce. The exchange then zeroed in on the immediate, local concerns of the Corvallis branch. Foremost, is the lack of members willing to take leadership roles.

Also, there has been a decline in membership and waning participation in activities/programs. Mardy complimented our newsletter, and recommended the addition of photographs of members and events.

SURVEY WORKING GROUP: The board discussed, in depth, possible issues to be addressed by the survey to be sent to each member. The ad hoc task group will generate a final version by mid March. Hopefully, some results will be available at the March Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: The state convention will be April 23-25 in Wilsonville. There are funds set aside for anyone who wants to attend. Sue can forward additional information on the convention upon request.



Legal Advocacy

May Luncheon and LAF Book Sale

Please save Saturday, May 15, for the AAUW Luncheon and the LAF Book Sale. Start putting aside all gently-used books and media materials for the sale.

Case Support

LAF is actively reviewing new case support applications. If you would like to make a case recommendation, please contact laf@aauw.org.

LAF Campus Support

In March and April,

three campuses will hold LAF Campus Outreach events: Mt. San Jacinto College (California), Claremont College (California), and Pacific Lutheran University (Washington). There is funding available if you would like to apply for up to \$750 to hold an event on your campus.

Current Cases

There are no new updates this month on the five cases LAF currently supports. Learn about their status on the AAUW website.

National Girls and Women in Sports Day

AAUW partnered with the Washington Mystics to celebrate their third annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day on January 24 at the University of Maryland, College Park. This event was open to the public.

Support LAF

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to LAF to help balance the scales of justice for women.

By Marilyn Roland
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News & Notes

The Bridge Marathon Needs Prizes, Refreshments

If you have items you've set aside for "re-gifting" or nice items you don't want or can't use, please consider donating them as prizes for the AAUW Bridge Marathon Party on April 12. If you have items to donate, please contact Sue Borden.

Vases, bath products (lotion, bubble bath, shower gel, etc), note cards, candles, tea collections, candy dishes, candy, gently-used, fairly recent

books, DVD's, CD's, you get the idea of the general size and scope of things we can use as prizes.

We will also need some cookies, small sandwiches or other finger food to serve at the party. Contact me if you are willing to donate a food item.

Any donated items will offset the cost of the party. The more donations we get from our members, the more profit we will make from this fund-

raising project. We should be able to clear more than \$2000, enough to fund our local scholarships. Thanks in advance for your help.

Contact: Sue Borden, 541-752-6036,

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Interest Groups

No Host Lunch

By Hope Reenstjerna



Enjoy eating out with good company? Join the group on the 3rd Thursday, April 15, 11:45 a.m.

This month, we will meet at Applebee's, 1525 NE Four Acre St. (near the Carmike Cinema Com-

plex). Contact person: Hope Reenstjerna 753-4807 hopefred@peak.org

Afternoon Literature Group

By Hope Reenstjerna



Put it on your calendar — 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 13 at the home of Carolyn Simmons, 1302

NW Souza Pl. Val Krauss will lead the discussion on The Story of Edgar Sawtelle by David Wroblewski.

Contact Person: Charlotte Drost, 753-7253, mkgdrost@aol.com .

Evening Literature Group

By Elaine McManus & Rosemary Cunningham

The Evening Lit Group will meet Wednesday April 7th to discuss The Blood of Flowers by Anita Amirrezvani. Socializing starts at

7:15; the discussion will begin at 7:45. The meeting will be held at the home of Pam Duren,

3329 Woodbine Pl. Philomath. Please call her at 541-929-3710 or email her at pam.duren@comcast.net if you plan to attend.



EVENTS CALENDAR

APR	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
7	Evening Literature Group	7:15pm	Home of Pam Duren, 3329 Woodbine Pl. Philomath
8	Board Meeting	TBA	TBA
13	Afternoon Literature Group	2:00pm	Home of Carolyn Simmons, 1302 NW Souza Pl
14	Branch Program—Pay Equity, Still an Issue	7:00pm	Women’s Center OSU Campus
15	Newsletter Articles due to Patti Cleveland		Email to pattic@peak.org
15	No Host Lunch	11:45am	Applebee’s, 1525 NE Four Acre St