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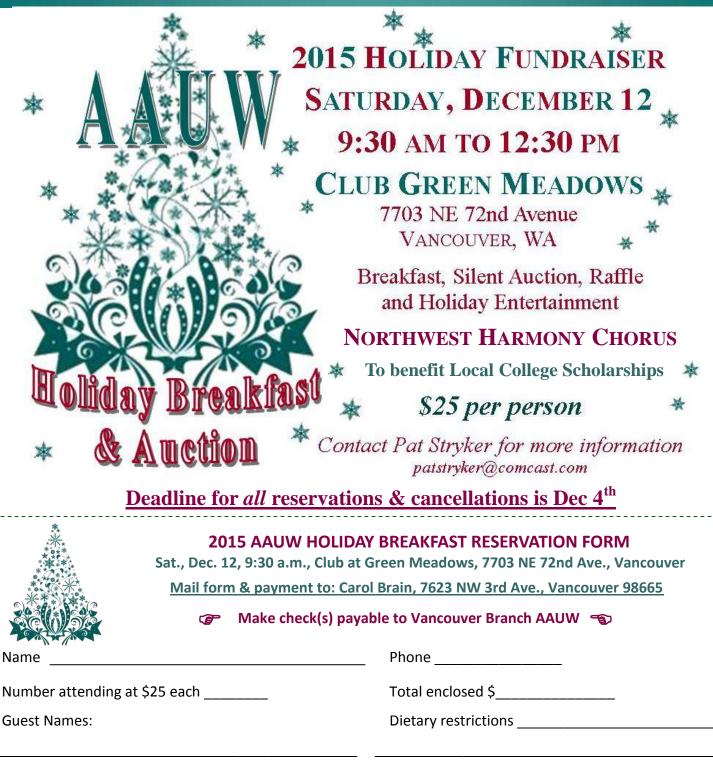
"Leading the way to equity for women

and girls in Washington state."

December 2015/January 2016

Vancouver, Washington Branch AAUW

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January 9<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. AAUW General Meeting The Community Room, Esther Short Bldg., 610 Esther St., Vancouver





NEW!

Kathryn Hobbie, pianist & member Opera Quest NW



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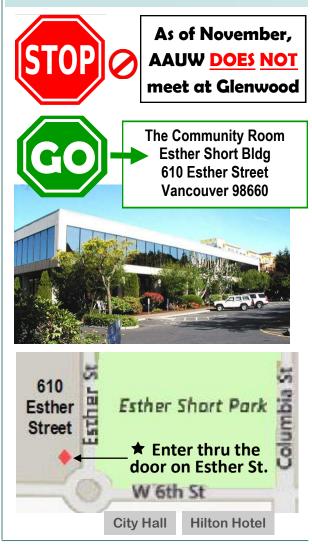
Vancouver Branch AAUW will hold its first general meeting in the new year on January 9, 2016. The doors unlock at 9:45 a.m. for the meeting, which starts at 10 a.m. in the Community Room, Esther Short Building, 610 Esther Street, in downtown Vancouver. The doors face Esther Street. Our speaker will be Kathryn Hobbie of Opera Quest NW. The mission of Opera Quest Northwest is to educate, enrich and instill a love of music in the children of our region by introducing them to opera through a lively production of classic opera excerpts with a humorous, interactive script.

Their performers—five professional singers and a pianist—are all educators by nature, training and profession. Over the past three years they have performed "Opera the Great" throughout Vancouver's Evergreen School District. The goal is to bring the program to every school in Clark County. Opera the Great combines music excerpts and plots from classic operas in an interactive, fun show designed to appeal to elementaryaged children. The five singers appear to be improvising the story, pulling hats, mustaches and other props out of a chest while accompanied by a one-woman "orchestra." Kate Hobbie is the "pianist orchestra." She has performed with the Vancouver Symphony, VSO Chamber Series, Vancouver Children's Opera, toured Europe and performed at Boston's Symphony Hall with the Chamber Singers of Mount Holyoke College, where she earned her music degree.

#### **OUR MEETING VENUE**

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NEW!





A student joins the scene in an Opera Quest NW school performance.

#### Jan 26 1 pm Dan Sockle: "America's Jihad" **Global Concerns**



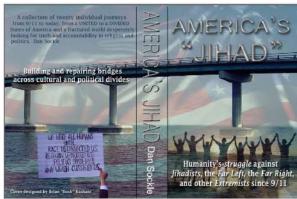
Dan Sockle, author and Chief Warrant Officer (Ret.)

Dan Sockle, Chief Warrant Officer 3 (Retired) returns to Global Concerns to present current information on America's "Jihad" and the implications of the movement as it is understood today. Dan describes his program this way.

"America's Jihad" – From 9/11 to today, from a United to a Divided States of America, we have joined humanity's struggle to find truth and accountability in religion and politics. Whether dealing with "Jihadists," the Far Right or the Far Left, Extremists have come to dominate our lives. Are humans evolving or devolving? Let's review some of today's greatest challenges and how we might one day turn the tide on radicalism."

Dan originally spoke for Global Concerns two years ago and shared information on the spread of terrorism in the United States. He has since completed his book

on the subject and is giving this presentation to interested groups across the country. His career has been in intelligence, criminal and civil investigations. Since his retirement, he earned a degree in Criminal Justice and a Masters in Public Administration and has taught through Clark College Mature/Lifelong Learning program and continues to conduct training workshops and presentations in the states.



Sockle will speak on Tuesday, January 26th at 1:00 p.m. at the Genealogical Society, 717 Grand Blvd. Please bring guests!

at time of purchase

America's Jihad book cover

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# Watch for it at the Holiday Fundraiser Auction!

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Bids start at \$20 per guest

Catered by C&L Catering Served by Carol Brain, Diane Gruble, Pat Greear & Kathy Walker at Kathy Walker's home in Salmon Creek at 1:00 p.m. on the winners' choice of one of these dates in 2016: March 3rd, March 17th, April 14th, April 28th or May 12th





The Voice is a newsletter for the members of Vancouver Branch AAUW and is published in Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Feb, Mar, Apr & May. Copy deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the previous month. Send copy & photos to Kathy Walker at: kcwalker41@gmail.com

We gathered in our new meeting room for the first time on Nov. 14 and I was very relieved that things went well. There were a few glitches... It was nice when a building tenant showed me how to turn on the hall lights. Trying to enter the code for the restroom in the dark had been a challenge. It was good that, when our speaker's projector didn't work ... ours was right there. All in all, it was a good start.

Thanks to all the members who brought food, clothing and other items for the homeless to our November meeting. Elsie Chan and Diane Gruble took responsibility for our holiday charity drive this year. After the meeting, they gathered up and delivered

all of our donations to Share of Clark County. Diane's Chelsey Barnett of Share with AAUW husband, Ed, helped too. Bravo, you three! Editor

# **2015 Fundraiser Changes**

Two changes for the Dec 12 fundraiser. We hope you will think they are improvements!



### NO BAKED GOODS!



The cash sale this year will be Vintage Christmas Tree Ornaments



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Purchased at an estate sale and donated by Marilyn Lasof

But its not too late!

to ask a few businesses to donate a gift certificate to the fundraiser. In exchange, each business will get 8 months of free advertising in The Voice.

THANK YOU for HELPING and PLEASE keep Kathy Walker informed of your success at: kcwalker41@gmail.com or 574-4564 and make sure she gets the certificates so the auction signs can be created (before the last minute).





members Elsie Chan and Diane Grubel

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### Lunch Posse: Goes to Good Taste Restaurant January 28 at 1:30

Saddle up and ride on over to Good Taste Restaurant on Jan 28 at 1:30. See you there pardner!

The **AAUW Lunch Posse** chairperson, Diane Grubel, organizes these gatherings. The Lunch Posse patronizes the restaurants that have donated gift cards to our holiday fundraiser the previous year. As a group, AAUW members, plus friends and

spouses, visit one of the restaurants, usually on the 4th Thursday of each month, have lunch, and say "thank you" to the management. It's a great time to socialize & enjoy a meal.

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On Jan 28, 2016, at 1:30 pm, the Lunch Posse will gather at Good Taste at 14930 SE Mill Plain Blvd in Vancouver.

If you would like to attend, please contact Diane Grubel at 360.263.4506 or ECGrubel@aol.com. Diane needs to let the restaurant know how many of us will be having lunch so they will have our table(s) ready.



We had a big turnout for the Lunch Posse gathering at Jerusalem Café on Oct. 22. Foreground: Bev Fogle. Facing camera: Bob Serafini, Kathy Walker & Lorraine Wheeler. At Back table: Carol Brain, Diane Gruble, Beverly Olson & Beverly's husband.

(Right) At The Grant House in November: Lorraine Wheeler, Kathy Walker, Marilyn Lewis, Kitty Welch and Diane Gruble.

| <b>2016 D</b> ATE | TARGET RESTAURANT                    |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Jan 28            | Good Taste Restaurant (Mill Plain)   |
| Feb 25            | Bellagios Pizza (192nd)              |
| Mar 24            | Applebee's (Hwy 99)                  |
| Apr 28            | Olive Garden (near Mall)             |
| May 26            | Bleu Door Bakery Café (Main St.)     |
| Jun 23            | Beaches (on the Columbia)            |
| Jul 28            | Firehouse Subs (near Mall)           |
| Aug 25            | DuckTales (Devine Rd.)               |
| Sep 22            | Outback (Mall)                       |
| Oct 27            | C'est La Vie (new location 78th St.) |
| Nov 17            | The Grant House (Officers' Row)      |



Facing camera: Diane Grubel, Janet Gibbons, Kitty Welsh, Pat Stryker. At back table: Betty Nettleton, Connie Egeler, Pam Rio, Marty Lemke & Bev Fogle.





#### AAUW BRIDGE GROUP HOLIDAY LUNCHEON - RESERVATION FORM

### 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 18, 2015 at Shorewood Apts.



Lunch includes: tray of tomatoes, lettuce, mayo and mustard

Beverages include: Creamer, sugar and lemon

#### \$10.00 per Person. Please send completed order form and \$10/person check (payable to Ruth Harbaugh) to: Ruth Harbaugh, 2645 NW 29th Ave., Camas, Wa 98607

### AAUW Bridge Group & Other Old Friends Gather to Say Bon Voyage to Bev





From Left: Iona Clark, Donna Roberge-Nozel, Dixie Arata, Pat Stephens, Marilyn Lewis, Sue Hennum, Bev Fogle, Irene Kratzke, Kay Pankratz and Anne Forman

The AAUW Bridge Group's "logo" - our own favorite Queen of Clubs adorned the cake for Bev's party. The message read: Goodbye and good luck, Bev! The AAUW Bridge Group will miss you!



From Left: Pat Stephens, Marilyn Lewis, Bev Fogle, Sue Hennum & Dixie Arata

At the Bridge Group's October meeting, 24 AAUW members surprised Bev Fogle and gave her a rousing, if reminiscent, send off for her move to Seattle. Members shared tales about their friendship and experiences with Bev and wished her well in this next adventure in her life.

#### Officers:

Co-president - Pat Stryker, patstryker@comcast.net Co-president - Kathy Walker, kcwalker41@gmail.com Co-VP Programs - Marilyn Lasof, marlasof@aol.com Co-VP Programs - Fran Cappa, fcappa@comcast.net Co-VP Membership - Beverly Olson, beverlyolson@centurylink.net Co-VP Membership - Wanda Holmes, wwilsongm@gmail.com VP Finance - Ruetta Dykstra, dykstrar@gmail.com VP Communication - Pam Rio, pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com

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CFSW Advisory Comm. - Bev Fogle, bevfogle@gmail.com

Tech Trek Coordinator - Barb Selis, bselis@lewiscounty.com

#### **INTEREST GROUP LEADERS 2015 - 2016**

Bridge: Ruth Harbaugh, rhtravel@comcast.net Lunch Posse: Diane Grubel, ECGrubel@aol.com Nonfiction Books: Pat Sjolander, psjolander@comcast.net Global Concerns: Pat Sjolander, psjolander@comcast.net Mah Jongg: Lorraine Wheeler,

lorrainewheeler5445@gmail.com Movie Night: Marilyn Lasof, marlasof@aol.com & Naomi Davis, naomi.davis30@gmail.com 1st Thursday Book Club: Elsie Chan, ersiechan@comcast.net 1st Wednesday Book Club: Ruetta Dykstra, dykstrar@gmail.com

The purpose of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

**Vision Statement:** AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

#### Member Memos.....



**Directory Updates & Member Notes** 

### **Directory Additions/Corrections**

- The following names should be removed from the 2015 -2016 Directory: Carol Parker Walsh, Malgosia Platt, Helen Ramatowski, Elizabeth Harris. They are not members for the current year.
- Janeen Johnson's new address is 5252 NE 82nd Ave., Apt. 344, Vancouver, WA 98662
- Marion Noe's email address is incorrect in the directory. It should be: marioninbg@comcast.net
- Cheryl Weir's college information should read BSN, University of Oregon
- **Pat Stryker's** ONLY phone number is 360-600-9757. Please cross off the other phone number listed.



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by Wanda **Holmes** 

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Did you know that AAUW was instrumental not only in securing the passage of Title IX, but also in fighting for the subsequent regulations that would ensure compliance with the law?



"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

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-Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

During a time of personal and family thanksgiving and celebration, it is a real pleasure for me to thank the many branch members who contribute to making our Holiday Breakfast Fundraiser a success. While I don't have the numbers yet, I am sure it will be quite successful. Thanks to all who support us by attending and sharing lots of fun and fellowship while enjoying raising money to support our scholarship program for the year. I think our location and entertainment will be the best ever!

I want to especially thank the committee members who plan, set up, and handle sales during the raffle and auctions - and carry out all the behind the scenes work: Kathy Walker, Donna Roberge-

Nozel, Ruth Harbaugh, Ruetta Dystra, Marilyn Lasof, Diane Grubel, Connie Egeler, Carol Brain, and Pat Greear. I also want to thank Wanda Holmes for her advice and support.

I am wishing all a very happy season. As we start a new year, I look forward to celebrating AAUW and all the good we do as a group in our community. Pay Stryker

#### SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE AAUW MEETINGS AND EVENTS IN 2015-2016

#### MONTH **TOPIC/SPEAKER**

The **Presidents**'

Pearls

- Dec 12 Annual Holiday Fundraiser Breakfast/ 9:30 at **Club Green Meadows**
- Jan 9 Bringing Opera to the Schools/ Kathtyn Hobbie of Opera Quest NW
- Feb 13 Writing Mysteries in the Northwest/Local Author Kate Dyer-Seeley
- Mar 12 AVID Program in the Vancouver Schools/ Courtney Yinger, AVID Coordinator
- "Sisters in Crime" mystery and crime authors' Mar 13 panel and book signing from 2 to 4 pm in the Community Room, Clark Public Utilities Bldg.

#### **MONTH TOPIC/SPEAKER**



- Apr 9 What Matters in the End/Panel Discussion lead by Lorraine Wheeler & Nancy Stepsis
- Invitational Bridge at The Grant House/ Apr 18 Fundraiser
- Spring Installation Luncheon, "Celebrating AAUW May 14 Super Heroes," Hostess House
- Jun 11 **Program Planning meeting**

*Programs are subject to change.* For the latest updates, please check the branch website at http://vancouver-wa.aauw.net



# **AAUW Vancouver Branch Interest Groups**



Monthly, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays 1-4 pm at Lorraine Wheeler's 10916 SE 18th St., Vancouver

Dec 1, 8, 15 1-4 pm & Jan 5, 11, 19 1-4 pm

Mah Jongg lessons offered to newcomers to the group.

Contact Lorraine Wheeler for info at: 360-314-2480 or lorrainewheeler5445@gmail.com



Monthly, 2nd Tuesday, 5:00 pm Dinner at a restaurant before movie at Glenwood Place, Reflections Room

**Movie location:** Movies are shown at Glenwood Place, 5500 NE 82nd Ave., in the Reflection Room on the 1st floor of the Assisted Living Bldg.

#### Dec 8 5 pm

**DINNER 5 pm: The Olive Garden MOVIE: Spinning Plates -** a story of 3 extraordinary restaurants & the people who made them that way.

#### Jan 12 5 pm DINNER 5 pm: TBD

**MOVIE: Chicago** a musical comedy on the themes of celebrity, scandal & corruption: Catherine Zeta-Jones, Richard Gere & Renee Zelwegger

For info, contact Naomi Davis 892-9133 or naomidavis30@gmail.com



Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 3 pm

Dec 2 3 pm Brenda Strandhagen hosts & Sue Tellock leads the discussion of Loving Frank

by Nancy Horan

Jan 6 3 pm Sue Tellock hosts & TBD leads the discussion of *Fetching Raymond* by John Grisham



Every other month, 3rd Thursday, 10 a.m., DuckTales, 612 N Devine Rd.

No Mtg in Dec

Jan 21 10 am *Thunderdog* by Michael Hingson

Contact Pat Sjolander for info at 546-0163 or psjolander@comcast.net



Monthly, 4th Friday, 10 am - 3pm Shorewood Apts. Community Room, 5555 E Evergreen, Vancouver

Dec 18 10 am - 3 pm Holiday Bridge Luncheon \$10 Shorewood Café Catering

Jan 22 10 am - 3 pm Hostesses: Marilyn Lasof/Anne Forman

BRING your lunch or buy at Shorewood Cafe



Monthly, 1st Thursday, 2 pm

Dec 3 2 pm Elsie Chan hosts and Carol Brain leads the discussion of Destiny of the Republic by Candice Millard

Jan 7 11:30 Potluck Reflections Room at Glenwood

Contact Elsie Chan for more info.



Monthly at Various Restaurants 4th Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

No Mtg Dec

Jan 28 1:30 pm Good Taste Restaurant 14930 SE Mill Plain

Contact Diane Grubel at 263-4506 or ECGrubel@aol.com to reserve your space.



Monthly, 4th Tuesday, 1 pm, Clark Co. Genealogical Soc., 715 Grand Blvd.

No Mtg in Dec

Jan 26 1 pm Speaker: Dan Sockle "America's Jihad"

Contact Pat Sjolander for more info.

| <b>DECEMBER 2015</b> Vancouver Branch AAUW Events |     |  |  |  |  |   |
|---|-----|--|--|--|--|---|
| Sun   | Mon | Tue  | Wed  | Thu  | Fri  | Sat   |
|   | ×.  | 1<br>Mah Jongg<br>1:00 p.m. at<br>Lorraine<br>Wheeler's                    | 2<br>1st Wed. Book<br>Club 3 p.m.<br>at<br>Brenda<br>Strandhagen's | 3<br>1st Thurs Book<br>Club 2 p.m.<br>at<br>Elsie Chan's | 4  | 5   |
| 6   | 7   | 8 Mah Jongg<br>(details above)<br>Movie Night<br>5 p.m. at<br>Olive Garden | 9  | 10   | 11   | 12 AAUW<br>Holiday<br>Fundraiser<br>9:30 a.m. at<br>Green Meadows |
| 13  | 14  | 15<br>Mah Jongg<br>1:00 p.m. at<br>Lorraine<br>Wheeler's                   | 16   | 17   | 18<br>Holiday Bridge<br>Luncheon<br>10 a.m.<br>Shorewood | 19  |
| 20<br>Deadline for<br><i>The Voice</i>            | 21  | 22   | 23   | 24   | 25<br>Mèrrỳ<br>Christmas                                 | 26  |
| 27  | 28  | 29   | 30<br>ember 2015   | 31   |  |   |

#### JANUARY 2016 Vancouver Branch AAUW Events

| Sun | Mon                             | Tue  | Wed  | Thu  | Fri                                  | Sat   |
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| . 7 |                                 |  |  | 2016   | 1<br>NEW YEAR                        | 2   |
| 3   | 4                               | 5<br>Mah Jongg<br>1:00 p.m. at<br>Lorraine<br>Wheeler's            | 6<br>1st Wed. Book<br>Club 3 p.m.<br>at<br>Sue Tellock's | 71st Thurs Books<br>Potluck/Planning<br>Mtg. 11:30 at<br>Glenwood<br>Reflections Rm. | 8                                    | 9 AAUW<br>General Mtg.<br>10 a.m. at<br>610 Esther St |
| 10  | 11                              | 12 Mah Jongg<br>(details above)<br>Movie Night<br>5 p.m. at<br>TBD | 13   | 14   | 15                                   | 16  |
| 17  | 18<br>Martin Luther<br>King Day | 19<br>Mah Jongg<br>1:00 p.m. at<br>Lorraine<br>Wheeler's           | 20<br>Deadline for<br><i>The Voice</i>                   | 21<br>Nonfiction<br>Books<br>10 a.m.<br>at DuckTales                                 | 22<br>Bridge<br>10 a.m.<br>Shorewood | 23  |
| 24  | 25                              | 26<br>Global<br>Concerns<br>1 p.m. at<br>Genealogy<br>Center       | 27   | 28<br>Lunch Posse<br>1:30 p.m.<br>at<br>GoodTaste                                    | 29                                   | 30  |