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May 2017

Vancouver, Washington Branch
AAUW

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2017 SPRING BREAKFAST & GERANIUM SALE!

May 13, 2017
9:00 a.m. to Noon
The Hostess House
10017 NE 6th Avenue

Celebrating our
many Vancouver

AAUW

\$25 per person

SUPER HEROES



Spring Installation Breakfast

FOLLOWED BY A VISIT TO THE WSU LIBRARY TO DELIVER OUR ARCHIVES AND SEE AN EXHIBIT ON EDUCATION IN CLARK COUNTY



Buy a potted geranium
for \$2 each!

RESERVATION DEADLINE: MAY 5, 2017

Buy a potted geranium
for \$2 each!

Menu: Ham & Cheese Quiche Soufflé, scalloped potatoes, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, milk

Mail form & check (payable to AAUW) to: Carol Brain, 7623 NW 3rd Avenue, Vancouver, WA 98665

AAUW MAY INSTALLATION BREAKFAST - MAY 13, 2017

ONLY PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED

Please check the box provided and indicate any special dietary needs for you or your guests.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number attending @ \$25 each _____ Total enclosed: \$ _____

Guest names: Special dietary needs: _____ for Name: _____

Time to Renew Your AAUW Membership !!



**Vancouver Branch AAUW
Membership Renewal Form for 2017 - 2018**

Membership renewal fees for July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018 are payable now.

Please complete this form and send it - with your check - to:

Carol Brain, 7623 NW 3rd Avenue, Vancouver, WA 98665

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR DUES CHECK

If your contact information has not changed, please write your name and "SAME" in the information area.

Name _____

Address _____
Street

_____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip*

Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____

Birthday (month/day) _____ Spouse's name _____

Check the membership category that applies. **Make check payable to AAUW Vancouver Branch.**

Regular Member \$75
*Includes National (\$49), State (\$10)
and Local Branch (\$16) dues*

Life Member \$26
Has prepaid all national dues

Honorary Member \$0
50 years of membership in AAUW

To save costs and promote environmental responsibility, AAUW Vancouver mails free hard copies of newsletters **ONLY** to members without email addresses. Alternately the fee is \$10.

Dual Member \$16
For those who belong to another branch

I do have an email address and want a hard copy of the newsletter.....\$10

Interest Group Only \$16
No degree. Membership in 1 interest group

**Undergraduate College Student...\$20
at accredited institutions**

Voluntary donation to Vancouver Branch Scholarships..... \$10

**Graduate Student 1st year.....\$20
2nd and following years.....\$75**

To comply with association and state bylaws, our branch needs to receive your dues by June 15. **Please mail your check and membership form by May 15 or bring them with you to the May 13 breakfast.***

AAUW is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. \$46 of your dues is tax-deductible as a charitable donation.

****At the May 13th breakfast, one dues check will be drawn to win a free year's membership!***

Thank you for your continued membership in the Vancouver Branch of AAUW!



Afternoon Tea for Eight Winners Gathered on March 30



L-R: Tea Guests Pam Rio, Michelle Girts, Kitty Welsh, Anne Freeman, Betty Yingling, Pat Sjolander, Chris Lines and Mary Cray

Afternoon Tea for Eight has been an auction prize at our AAUW Holiday Brunch for several years. On March 30, this year's winners collected on their bids with a three-course tea catered by Cindy Hammond and served by Carol Brain, Diane Gruble, Pat Greear and Kathy Walker at Kathy's home. The tea menu included: champagne punch before tea, currant scones, cranberry-orange muffins, turkey cranberry sandwiches, tomato pesto sandwiches, sausage rolls, eccles cakes, chocolate éclairs, and fruit tarts. Each guest has her own tea pot with matching cups and china.





Vancouver AAUW Interest Groups - Summer Activities

Some of our branch interest groups operate all summer. Take a look and see what might spark your summertime interest!



Monthly on the 4th Friday
10 am - 3 pm
5500 NE 82nd Ave
3rd Floor Card Rm

June 23: Naomi Davis
July 28: Jan Harvey
August 25: Sarah Hewitt

Contact a hostess to play or Ruth Harbaugh for more info at rhtravel@yahoo.com



Every other month, 3rd Thursday, 10 a.m., Shorewood, 5555 E Evergreen
July 20 10 a.m.

The Millionaire and The Bard
by Andrea Mays
Contact Nancy Stepsis at nf8@evansville.edu or Pam Rio at pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com for information



Monthly, 1st Thursday, 2 pm
June 1 2 p.m.
Diane Grubel hosts & Sharon Heydet leads the discussion of *The Immortal Irishman* by Timothy Egan

July 6 2 p.m.
Camille Wainwright hosts & Mary La Husen leads the discussion of *That They May Face the Rising Sun* by John McGahern

August 3 2 p.m.
Iona Clark hosts & Barb Selis leads the discussion of *House Made of Dawn* by W. Scott Momaday
Contact Elsie Chan or visit <http://vancouver-wa.aauw.net>



Monthly, 4th Thursday at 1:30 pm

June 22: Beaches
(On the Columbia)

July 27: Bleu Door
(Main Street, Old Town)

Aug 24: Good Taste Chinese
(Mill Plain Blvd.)

Contact Diane Grubel at ECGrubel@aol.com to reserve your space.

Meaningful Movies Please check the Cascade Park Library schedule online for information about Meaningful Movies



Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 3 pm
June 7 at Naomi Davis'

Juliet's Nurse by Lois Leveen
discussion leader Connie Egeler

No meetings July & Aug

Info? Contact Retta at dykstar@gmail.com or 360.210.4650



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

Great Decisions will continue to meet on the last Mon each month Jun thru Aug. See page 8 for time and location. Chapters 4,5 & 6 will be discussed.

Winners of Bridge at The Grant House - April 17, 2017

AAUW's third Bridge at The Grant House Tournament was held April 17. Naomi Davis and Eileen Marra ran the event, which was enjoyed by 6 tables of bridge players. The new owners of The Grant House were gracious hosts.



First Place: Wayne Harrison & Rick Scherer



Second Place: Ruth Harbaugh & Jan Harvey



Third Place: Sharon Hodges & Eleanor McIntyre



by Beverly Olson,
Public Policy Chair

May 2017

FYI the Washington State Legislature has yet to agree upon a way to meet the WA State Supreme Court's 2012 McCleary Decision, requiring basic K-12 education be fully funded at the state level. The Legislature should act this year as it finalizes the 2017-19 budget, because when it meets in Jan 2018 it will be to address only supplemental budget issues. So levies will again be used during the 2017-18 school year to meet basic educational needs. What if basic education is not fully funded by the Sep 1, 2018 deadline? Unfortunately, I think we will find out.

FYI as of today April 18, 2017, STEM legislation is in committee at the Washington State Senate. If passed and signed, SB 5206 will provide a STEM program for Washington State elementary students.

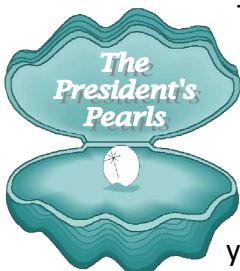
FYI District 3 Representative Jamie Herrera Beutler has a reputation of avoiding face-to-face town hall meetings. She seems to prefer telephone town halls and small invited group coffees. So recently, a group waited outside her office to try to talk with her; it did not work. A group has invited her to a town hall meeting this week. Another group is planning to invite her for a town hall in May. FYI, about 5 years ago, several Pacific County Democrats—including me—crashed one of her coffees. She handled our interruption very well.

MEMBER MEMOS...



Directory Updates & Member Notes

Janet Johnson's correct phone number is 206-725-1878



To each of you who served this year as an officer, committee chairperson, interest group chair, or event chair, I want to say "THANK YOU!" For those who came to meetings or participated in an interest group, I want to assure you that you're appreciated. For those of you who regularly showed up to help "set up" and stayed to help "take down," you are truly treasured.

It takes member participation at every level to make this a successfully functioning organization. Each of you has my heartfelt thanks for playing your part. Kathy Walker



Planning Meeting for 2017-18 Programs June 10 10 a.m. @ 101 E. 6th Street,

We need your help to plan interesting, informative and entertaining programs for next year. Please attend the program planning meeting and share your ideas.

FUN... get together with Connie Egeler, VP Programs, and other branch members to brainstorm program ideas

EASY... the chair for each meeting is no longer responsible for providing refreshments - just securing the speaker and handling the introductions!

◆ Bridge News ◆

Kudos to Bridge Winners...

March

- 1st Place - Marilyn Lasof
- 2nd Place - Carol Brain



Interest Group: Great Decisions



The new interest group, Great Decisions, meets at Vancouver Pointe, 4555 NE 66th Ave, Vancouver. The group meets on the last Monday of each month. On Apr 24, the third chapter of the 2017 *Great Decisions* book, "Conflict in the South China Sea" will be discussed. The book may be purchased from Amazon or

from the Foreign Policy Association at:

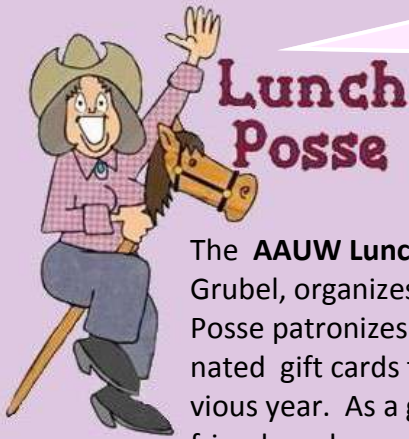
www.fpa.org/great_decisions/?act=gd_materials

AAUW MEETINGS AND EVENTS IN 2017

MONTH	TOPIC/SPEAKER (Meetings at 10 am unless noted)
Apr 23	STEM Reception, PUD Community Room, 1 pm
May 13	Spring Installation Breakfast, Hostess House, 9 am
Jun 10	Program Planning meeting



Lunch Posse: Outback Steakhouse on May 25th!



Saddle up and ride on over to Outback on May 25 at 1:30!

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.

2017 DATE	1:30 @TARGET RESTAURANT
May 25	Outback (at the Mall)
Jun 22	Beaches (Columbia Shores)
Jul 27	Bleu Door (Main St.)
Aug 24	Good Taste Chinese (Mill Plain)
Sep 28	Lapellah (Grand Central)
Oct 26	Stardust Diner (164th)
Nov 23	Olive Garden (Thurston, Mall)



We'll be having lunch on **May 25**, at **1:30** at **Outback at Van Mall**, 8700 NE Vancouver Mall Dr #121 , Vancouver. **Please contact Diane Grubel at 360.263.4506 or ECGrubel@aol.com to attend.**

At Firehouse Subs in March: Lorraine and Ken Wheeler, Diane Grubel, Carol Brain, Kathy Walker, Bob Serafini, and Kitty Welsh

BRANCH LEADERS 2016 -2017

Officers:

- President - Kathy Walker, kcwalker41@gmail.com
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- Co-VP Communication - Diane Grubel, ECGrubel@aol.com
- Co-VP Communications - Lorraine Wheeler, lorrainewheeler5445@gmail.com

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- Holiday Fundraiser - Pat Greear, pshaw1938@gmail.com
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- College/Univ. Relations - Chris Lines, clines4@comcast.net
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- Directory - Pat Stephens, pat.stephens@msn.com
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- CFSW Advisory Comm. - Connie Egeler, c_cegeler@msn.com
- Tech Trek Coordinator/AAUW Funds - Georgie Buckler, mrs.buckler@outlook.com

INTEREST GROUP LEADERS 2016 -2017

- Bridge:** Ruth Harbaugh, rhtravel@comcast.net
- Lunch Posse:** Diane Grubel, ECGrubel@aol.com
- Mah Jongg:** Lorraine Wheeler, lorrainewheeler5445@gmail.com
- Meaningful Movies:** Beverly Olson, beverlyolson@centurylink.net
- Nonfiction Books:** Nancy Stepsis, nf8@evansville.edu & Pam Rio, pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com
- 1st Thursday Book Club:** Elsie Chan, ersiechan@comcast.net
- 1st Wednesday Book Club:** Ruetta Dykstra, dykstrar@gmail.com

Mission Statement: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education 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.



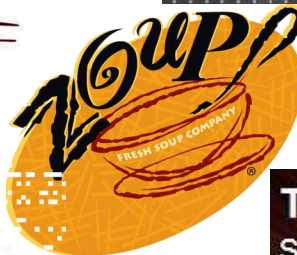
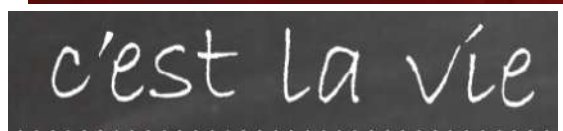
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REGAL CINEMAS





AAUW Vancouver Branch Interest Groups



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

May 2, 9, 16

1-4 pm

at Lorraine Wheeler's

Mah Jongg lessons are offered to newcomers to the group.

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



Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 3 pm

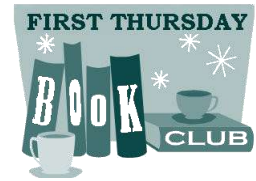
May 3 3 pm

Wanda Holmes hosts & leads the discussion of

Sarah Thornhill

by Kate Grenville

Contact Retta Dykstra for info at 360-210-4650 or dykstrar@gmail.com



Monthly, 1st Thursday, 2 pm

May 4 2 pm

Leann Bly hosts & Diane Grubel leads the discussion of

America's First Daughter

by Stephanie Dray

Contact Elsie Chan or visit <http://vancouver-wa.aauw.net> for more information



Every other month, 3rd Thurs, 10 a.m.
Shorewood, 5555 E Evergreen Blvd.

May 18 10 am

Oregon Trail

by Tinker Buck

Contact: Nancy Stepsis or Pam Rio



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

May 25 1:30 pm

Outback Steakhouse

8700 NE Vancouver Mall Dr #121
Vancouver

Please contact Diane Grubel at ECGrubel@aol.com to reserve your space.



Monthly, 2nd Thursday, 5:30 pm
Cascade Park Library
600 NE 136th Ave, Vancouver

Social Justice Documentaries

May 11 5:30 pm

Movie: Most Likely to Succeed



The educational system in the U.S. was developed a century ago during the rise of the industrial age and was once the envy of the world. The world economy has since transformed profoundly, but the US education system has not.

For more information, contact Beverly Olson beverlyolson@centurylink.net



Monthly, 4th Friday, 10 am - 3pm
Glenwood Card Room
5500 NE 82nd Ave, Vancouver

May 26 10 am - 3 pm
Glenwood Card Room

The card room at Glenwood is on the 3rd floor of the main building on 82nd Ave.

Contact a hostess for information or to play.

April hostesses: Camille Wainwright & Carol Brain

BRING your lunch!



Monthly, Last Monday, 2pm, Vancouver
Pointe, 4555 NE 66th Ave, Vancouver

Apr 24 2 pm


Read the third topic in the 2017 Foreign Policy Assn. book:

Conflict in the South China Sea

Held jointly with Hudson's Bay AAUW.

kcwalker41@gmail.com for info

May 2017 Vancouver Branch AAUW Activities & Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	3 1st Wed. Book Club 3 p.m. at Wanda Holmes'	4 1st Thurs Book Club 2 p.m. at Leanne Bly's	5	6	
	7	8	9 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	10	11 Meaningful Movies 5:30 p.m. at Cascade Park Library	12 new time	13  Spring Breakfast 9:00 am Hostess House
14	15	16 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25 Lunch Posse 1:30 p.m. at Noodles	26 AAUW Bridge 10 a.m. at Glenwood	27	
28	29 Great Decisions 2:00 p.m. at Vancouver Pointe	30	31 Program Planning Meeting!!! 10 a.m. Sat., June 10 → Pac Cont Bank				

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