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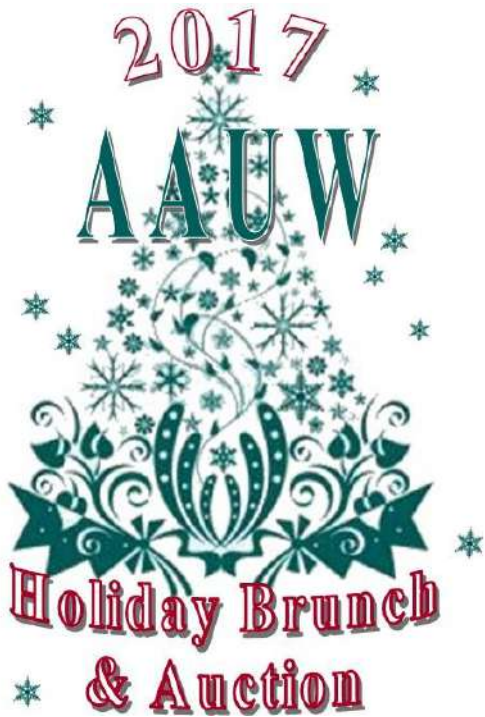
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December 2017/January 2018

Vancouver, Washington Branch
AAUW

vancouver-wa.aauw.net



2017 HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

10 AM TO 12:30 PM

ROYAL OAKS COUNTRY CLUB

8917 NE FOURTH PLAIN BLVD

VANCOUVER, WA

Brunch, Silent Auction & Raffle

to benefit

LOCAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

\$25 per person

Contact Ruth Harbaugh for more information

Start your holidays by attending the Annual AAUW Holiday Brunch & Auction!

Support a good cause, have a festive meal with AAUW friends, and enjoy a

*performance by the  **Lincoln Elementary School Choir** *

Deadline for all reservations & cancellations is Dec 1st



2017 AAUW HOLIDAY BREAKFAST RESERVATION FORM

Sat., Dec. 9, 10 a.m., Royal Oaks Country Club, 8917 NE Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver

Mail form & payment to: Carol Brain, 7623 NW 3rd Ave., Vancouver 98665

 **Make check(s) payable to Vancouver Branch AAUW** 

Name _____

Phone _____

Number attending at \$25 each _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Guest Names:

Dietary restrictions _____



January 13th 10:00 a.m. AAUW General Meeting
Community Room, Pacific Continental Bank, 101 Sixth Street, Vancouver 98660

Mayor Anne McEnery-Ogle: The Homeless in Vancouver



Vancouver Mayor-elect
Anne McEnery-Ogle

Our first general meeting for the new year will be held on Saturday, January 13, at 10 a.m. in the Community Room at Pacific Continental Bank, 101 Sixth Street, Vancouver.

Our speaker will be our newly-elected Vancouver Mayor, Anne McEnery-Ogle. Mayor-elect McEnery-Ogle's presentation on homelessness in Vancouver will cover the work accomplished in Vancouver over the last four years and the challenges ahead.



Anne McEnery-Ogle was elected to Vancouver's City Council and took her oath of office January 1, 2014. Anne retired after teaching 30 years in the Lake Oswego Public Schools and serving as the chair of the mathematics department. She's chaired the C-Tran Board of

Directors, serves on the Southwest Regional Transportation Council and Police Pension Board. The Columbian said of Anne, " Long before running for public office, McEnery-Ogle was deeply involved in her community. She has served on the city's planning commission, has been president of the Clark County Historical Society, has been on the advisory panel of Daybreak Youth Services, has chaired the Vancouver Neighborhood Alliance, has volunteered with Neighbors on Watch ... the list goes on. McEnery-Ogle's role as a civic leader has given her a deep understanding of Vancouver's citizens as well as the issues facing the city.

Anne's election as mayor of Vancouver

is also a historic one: McEnery-Ogle will become the first female mayor in the city's 160-year history.

McEnery-Ogle led a five-person primary race in August with 63 percent of the vote. "We didn't talk about the fact that I would be the first woman," McEnery-Ogle said while celebrating at a victory party at Warehouse 23. "It was about, 'Am I the most qualified?' And I think with nearly 75 percent of the vote, residents know I have the qualifications to do this job."

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Kitty Welsh has donated \$50,000 to our Scholarship Fund at the CFSW. The interest from these additional funds will allow us to increase the amount of our scholarships to Clark College and WSU within the next 2 years.

Thank you!



BEFORE THE MEETING....

Come to general meetings at 10 and have a half-hour of coffee (or tea) and conversation with your AAUW friends in the lobby before the speaker begins at 10:30.



Our Mah Jongg Group

The AAUW Mah Jongg Group meets every Tuesday at 1:00 at Lorraine Wheeler’s home, 10916 SE 18th St., Vancouver.

All AAUW Vancouver branch members are welcome and the players offer Mah Jongg lessons to newcomers.

Pictured (at right) left to right are Mah Jongg players Pam Rio, Leanne Bly, Janet Johnson and Marilyn Lasof.



Clark College Scholarship Reception

As you know, the penguin is Clark College’s mascot. In May 2017, Clark College launched Penguins Fly, a campaign to celebrate the achievements of its students and graduates. Clark’s CEO, Chatel Hazelbaker, described the campaign this way, “So many of our students have been told that they weren’t capable of achieving their dreams, either because of their backgrounds, age, financial circumstances, previous academic records or other factors. Penguins Fly is our way of saying that Clark College believes that everyone is capable of creating a brighter future for themselves, and we’re here to help them do it.”



On October 5, Carol Brain and Kathy Walker attended Clark College’s Scholars Reception, which honored both scholarship recipients and donors. In comments made by the Clark College Foundation chair, AAUW Vancouver was recognized as a continuous scholarship donor since the college was founded in 1933 - two years after our branch of AAUW was founded. Over time, we have gone from donating \$200 in 1933 to \$2000 a year currently in scholarships for Clark College.



AAUW Vancouver Scholarship recipient, Karie Nosack, stands between AAUW Treasurer, Carol Brain, and AAUW President, Kathy Walker. AAUW helps her fly!

SAVE THE DATE FOR AAUW MEETINGS AND EVENTS IN 2017-2018



| MONTH | TOPIC/SPEAKER (Meetings at 10 am unless noted) |
|--------|--|
| Dec 9 | Holiday Brunch Fundraiser, Royal Oaks |
| Jan 13 | Homeless in Clark Co., Anne McEnerny-Ogle |
| Feb 10 | WSU: Opportunities for Women, Dr. Noel Schultz |
| Mar 10 | Centenarians, Cari Corbet Owen, psychologist |
| Apr 14 | Hanford Nuclear Waste Update |

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|--------|--|
| Apr 16 | 11 a.m. Bridge at The Grant House Fundraiser |
| Apr 22 | 12:30 pm High School Students STEM Recognition Reception, STEM Bldg. @ Clark College |
| May 12 | Installation Meeting |
| Jun 9 | Program Planning meeting |



Member Memos.....



Directory Updates & Member Notes

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Carol Ellison 2609 NW 146th St., Vancouver 98685
360-859-3146 (C) 952-250-2759 mcellison@comcast.net

Our WSU Scholarship Recipient's name is: **Karie Nosack**

◆ Bridge News ◆



Left to Right : Sarah Hewitt, Diane Grubel, Ruth Harbaugh, Marilyn Lasof, Mary LaHusen, Gay Barton, Pat Greear, Kay Hansen, Iona Clark, Naomi Davis, Carol Brain, Kathy Walker

Kudos to Bridge Winners...

October

- 1st: Iona Clark
- 2nd: Sarah Hewitt

November

- 1st: Carol Brain
- 2nd: Iona Clark



On October 27 the AAUW Bridge Group got into

the *Spirit of Halloween*



by Linda Krogh, Acting Public Policy Chair

Dec 2017 /Jan 2018

A huge thank you to Linda Krogh for serving as AAUW Vancouver's Public Policy Chair while Beverly Olson is tied up with a family emergency.

FYI: For your calendar, AAUW Lobby Day in Olympia is January 29th.

AAUW's annual lobby day will be Monday January 29th at St. Johns Episcopal Church in Olympia. Our wonderful Attorney General Bob Ferguson will be one of the guest speakers along with lobbyist Pamela Crone. Register online at: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=psxfmitab&oeidk=a07eesfelzhe7d69d9d>

FYI: The next meaningful movies film is Thursday December 14th at Cascade Park Library at 600 NE 136th Ave at 6 pm. The documentary is "Fix It: Healthcare At The Tipping Point". The film presents passionate views about from all segments of our population on rising health care costs. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for pizza before the movie.

FYI: I am in Portugal right now and learned yesterday that new parents, either the mother or father, are given five full months of paid leave after the birth of a baby. Compare that to the U. S where our FMLA law provides for 12 weeks of *unpaid* maternity leave. Sigh...



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ISSUES

SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS IN THE NEWS BUT IS NOT A NEW TOPIC TO AAUW

Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination that violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Very generally, “sexual harassment” describes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. Title VII is a federal law that prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, and religion, and it applies to employers with 15 or more employees, including federal, state, and local governments. Even with Title VII’s protections, many people across the country still face sexual harassment in their workplaces and in schools.

AAUW supports congressional action to rectify this problem in the workplace. The Fair Employment Protection Act would restore longstanding workplace protections. Tell your representatives to support this legislation today. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is the federal law that prohibits sex discrimination in education. Title IX protects students from unlawful sexual harassment in all of a school’s programs or activities, whether they take place in the facilities of the school, at a class or training program sponsored by the school at another location, or elsewhere. Make sure Title IX is being enforced in your local schools.

AAUW Washington State

AAUW WA Lobby Day
January 29, 2018
St. John's Episcopal Church, Olympia

AAUW LOBBY DAY

Monday, January 29, 2018
8:00 am to 1:00 pm
St. John’s Episcopal Church
114 20th Ave SE
Olympia, WA 98501



Atty Gen. Rob Ferguson

Rep Tana Senn

2017 FOCUS ON:

- ◆ EQUAL PAY
- ◆ STUDENT LOAN EGISLATION

Once again, AAUW Washington State will be lobbying in Olympia to advance AAUW’s legislative goals. The focus of our program this year will be Equal Pay (again!) and the Student Loan Bill of Rights.

Speakers will be Washington Attorney General Rob Ferguson, a strong advocate for student loan legislation; Rep. Tana Senn, a sponsor of our equal pay bill; and Pam Crone, our lobbyist.

Only two states (both in the Deep South) have weaker equal pay laws than ours. It is time Washington State moved forward on this.

The cost for the session is \$20.00 which includes lunch. Lunch will be a box lunch containing a half sandwich and half salad. Be sure to select both a sandwich and a salad. Sandwich: turkey, veggie, tuna salad Gluten Free Bread is an option. Salad: Greek, Caesar, seasonal greens Here is the link for reservations:

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/e-vent?llr=psxfmitab&oeidk=a07eesfelzhe7d69d9d>



Lunch Posse: Black Bear Diner January 25th at 1:00pm



AAUW Lunch Posse chair
Diane Grubel, organizes the gatherings. 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, 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. We’ll be having lunch on **Jan 25 at 1:00 at Black Bear Diner, 1505 SE 164th Ave.**

TO ATTEND: contact Diane Grubel at 360.263.4506 or

**Happy New Year!
Saddle up and
ride on over to
Black Bear Diner
on Jan 25 at
1:00 pm!**

| 2018 DATE | 1:00 @TARGET RESTAURANT |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Jan 25 | Black Bear Diner (164th) |
| Feb 22 | Nom Nom (Downtown) |
| Mar 22 | Eastland Sushi & Asian (164th) |
| Apr 26 | Olive Garden (Mall) |
| May 24 | Outback (Mall) |
| Jun 28 | Beaches (on the Columbia) |
| Jul 26 | IHop (164th) |
| Aug 23 | Lindo Mexico (off Mill Plain) |
| Sep 27 | Gustav’s (164th) |
| Oct 25 | Stardust Diner (164th) |
| Nov 15 | Lapellah (off Grand) |



New Members Luncheon Planned for Jan 17

Cheryl Weir, VP Membership, is planning a luncheon to welcome new members on Jan 17. The luncheon will be in her home and will start at noon.

After lunch, new members will get a taste of “speed dating” with the leaders of our interest groups! New members, save the date!

BRANCH LEADERS 2017 -2018

Officers:

- President - Kathy Walker, kcwalker41@gmail.com
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- VP Communication - Diane Grubel, ECGrubel@aol.com

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- Interbranch Council Reps - Kathy Walker & Carol Brain
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- Tech Trek Coord. - Georgie Buckler, mrs.buckler@outlook.com
- Web Master - Camille Wainwright, wainwric@comcast.net

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- Lunch Posse:** Diane Grubel, ECGrubel@aol.com
- Mah Jongg:** Lorraine Wheeler, lorrainewheeler5445@gmail.com
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& Pam Rio, pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com
- 1st Thurs Book Club:** Michelle Girts, magirts@comcast.net
- 1st Wed 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.

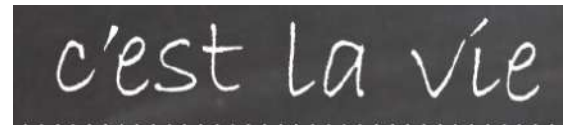
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REGAL CINEMAS



Talk of the Town Salon



The Last Tangle Spa, Beauty & Personal Care





AAUW Vancouver Branch Interest Groups



Every Tuesday
1-4 pm at Lorraine Wheeler's
10916 SE 18th St., Vancouver

Dec 5, 12, 19, 26
Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
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



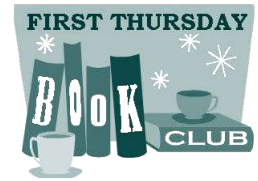
Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 3 pm

NO MEETING DEC

Jan 3 3 pm

Fortune Smiles by Adam Johnson

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



Monthly, 1st Thursday, 2 pm

Dec 7 2 pm

Michelle Girts hosts and Kay Pankratz leads the discussion of:

Odds Against Tomorrow

by Nathaniel Rien

Jan 4 Planning Mtg.

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



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

NO MEETING DEC

Jan 18
Book TBA

Contact: Nancy Stepsis or Pam Rio for information



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

NO MEETING DEC

Jan 25 1:00 pm
Black Bear Diner

1505 SE 164th Ave. 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

Dec 5:30 pm

Movie: Fix It: Healthcare at the Tipping Point

The pitfalls of a private insurance industry that values profits above all else. A look at other countries where people receive care for a fraction of the cost.

Jan 11 5:30 pm

Movie: A Century of Enslavement: The History of the Federal Reserve

Light is shown on practices of a highly influential government institution, which operates largely in shadow.

For more information visit <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events>



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

Dec 15 (special date)
10 am - 3 pm
Holiday Bridge Luncheon
Gustav's Restaurant

Jan 26, 2018
10 am - 3 pm

Card Room @ Glenwood
January hostesses:

Betty Yingling & Marilyn Lasof

BRING your lunch!







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



Great Decisions will meet on Jan 29 to discuss the first topic in the new 2018 book.

Held jointly with Hudson's Bay AAUW
kcwalker41@gmail.com for info

December 2017 Vancouver Branch AAUW Activities & Events

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 |  | 5 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 6 | 7 1st Thurs Book Club 2 p.m. at Michelle Girts' | 8 | 9  Holiday Brunch & Auction 10 am at Royal Oaks |
| 10 | | 12 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 13 | 14 Meaningful Movies 5:30 p.m. at Cascade Park Library | 15 AAUW Holiday Bridge 10 a.m. at Gustav's | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 27 | 28 | 29  | 30  |
| 31 | Christmas | | | | | |

January 2018 Vancouver Branch AAUW Activities & Events

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
|  | 1 New Years Day | 2 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 3 1st Wed. Book Club 3 p.m. at TBD | 4 1st Thurs Book Club 2 p.m. Planning Meeting | 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 | 13 General Meeting 10 a.m. at Pacific Continental Bank |
| 14 | 15 | 16 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 24 | 25 Nonfiction Books 10 am Shorewood Lunch Posse 1:00 p.m. | 26 AAUW Bridge 10 a.m. at Glenwood | 27  |
| 28 | 29 AAUW Lobby Day in Olympia | 30 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's | 31 | | | |