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November 2019

Vancouver, Washington Branch
AAUW

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November 9th 10:00 a.m. AAUW Meeting
Community Room, Columbia Bank, 101 Sixth Street, Vancouver 98660

Colin Fogarty : Confluence, the Culture of the Columbia River



Colin Fogarty, Executive Director, Confluence
www.confluenceproject.org.

AAUW Vancouver’s next general meeting will be held Saturday, November 9, at 10 a.m. in the community room at Columbia Bank, 101 Sixth Street, Vancouver. The meeting will feature a presentation on Confluence, the Culture of the Columbia River. Our speaker will be Colin Fogarty, Public Radio Journalist and Executive Director of Confluence, a community-supported nonprofit that works in collaboration with northwest tribes, communities, and the celebrated artist Maya Lin. Confluence utilizes first-person storytelling to deepen our understanding of the histories, cultures, and environments that surround us and provides road trips and educational opportunities to connect people to the Columbia River system.

He’ll describe Confluence’s six art landscapes, educational programs and public gatherings as ways to advance that mission.

Colin Fogarty has always been drawn to the notion that we are surrounded by history and that it is up to us to see it. As a public radio journalist at OPB, his stories were frequently heard on NPR and he won regional and national awards. Along the way, Colin kept producing stories on the Columbia River’s Indigenous cultures, Lewis and Clark and the silencing of Celilo Falls. Colin spent the last 7 years of his public radio career as regional editor of public radio’s Northwest News Network. In February 2014, he became executive director of Confluence. Colin and his wife Stephanie Wiant have three children and live in Portland.

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Executive Director Colin Fogarty tells the story of Confluence as a response to the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. Through art and education, Confluence works to replace the story of “Lewis and Clark ‘discovered’ the Columbia River” with a broader and more holistic understanding of our shared landscape. Confluence works in collaboration with northwest tribes, communities and the celebrated artist Maya Lin to connect people to the history, living cultures and ecology of the Columbia River system.



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.



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2019 HOLIDAY BRUNCH
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
10:30 A.M.

ROYAL OAKS COUNTRY CLUB
8917 Ne Fourth Plain Blvd.
Vancouver, WA

Holiday Brunch & Entertainment!

\$30 per person

Contact Carol Ellison: mcellison@comcast.net
or Chris Lines: clines4@comcast.net
for more information

Start your holidays off by attending the Annual AAUW Holiday Brunch!
Have a festive meal with AAUW friends and enjoy a performance by a
❄️ Choral Group led by Margaret Green, Music Director ❄️

Deadline for all reservations & cancellations is Nov 29th



2019 AAUW HOLIDAY BRUNCH RESERVATION FORM

Sat., Dec. 7, 10:30 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 👈

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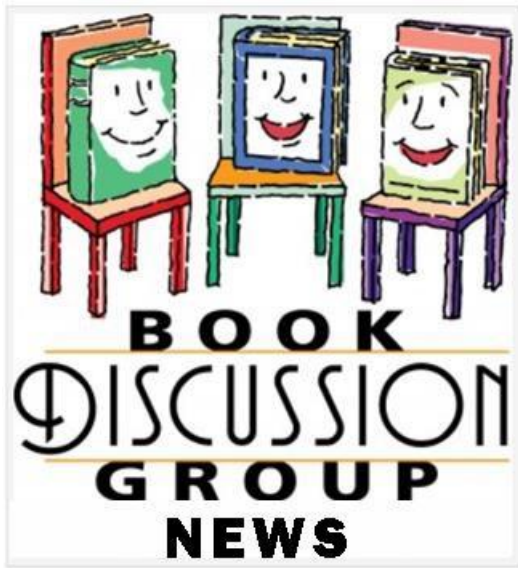
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Number attending at \$30 each _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Guests' Names: _____

Dietary restrictions _____



AAUW Vancouver Book Groups

First Thursday Book Group



In October, befitting the book they were discussing, First Thursday Book Group members enjoyed a java jamboree. They drank delicious cups of Yemeni coffee thanks to the generosity of Oct discussion leader, Elsie Chan. The group read *The Monk of Mokha* by Dave Eggers, a true story of a Yemeni American who tries to resurrect the art of Yemeni coffee. In order to enhance the discussion, Elsie provided authentic Yemeni coffee for the group. She went on quite a hunt to find the #1 rated beans distributed by the Port of Mokha Company and have them roasted, ground and brewed for the group to enjoy.

L-R: Diane Grubel, April Dahlquist, Iona Clark, Carol Brain, Elsie Chan, Lorraine Wheeler, Nancy Stepsis, (Mary La Husen, barely visible behind Nancy) Michelle Girts, and Barb Selis. Missing are Kay Pankratz, Sharon Heydet, and Wanda Holmes, who acted as photographer.

Nonfiction Book Group

The Nonfiction book group is informal and varies between 8 and 12 members at a session. There is no designated discussion leader, but occasionally one member who has a special interest in the theme of the book, will voluntarily bring additional information, and take a leadership role. Their conversations usually expand to include contemporary issues generated by the book. Many of the group's members have lived overseas, which adds an interesting dimension to the discussions. The group meets on the third Thursday in the months of September, November, January, March, May, and July. Group members report that they laugh a lot and have a good time.

First Wednesday Book Group

The newly reorganized First Wednesday Book Group will next meet at 3:00 pm on November 6 at Kay Hansen's home to discuss Lisa See's *The Island of Sea Women*. From the book cover: "This beautiful, thoughtful novel illuminates a unique and unforgettable culture, one where the women are in charge, engaging in dangerous physical work, and the men take care of the children. *The Island of Sea Women* introduces readers to the fierce females divers of Jeju Island and the dramatic history that shaped their lives."

The group is recruiting new members and would love to have you join them.

For the Nov. 6 meeting: Kay's address is 1605 NE 89th Place, Vancouver. She lives in a gated neighborhood, so please call her at 360-253-5667 for the gate information.



GREAT DECISIONS
1918 • FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION 2020 EDITION

Foreign Policy Association
Order 2020 Books online at
https://www.fpa.org/great_decisions/
or contact sales at 1 (800) 477-5836 or sales@fpa.org

Climate change
India and Pakistan
The Red Sea region
Human trafficking
Northern Triangle
China in Latin America
The Philippines
AI and data

The Foreign Policy Association produces a book for discussion groups each year with eight topics of worldwide importance. AAUWs Vancouver and Hudson’s Bay have a joint **Great Decisions Discussion Group**. Starting in Jan, it meets on the last Monday of the month until all topics are covered. Topics for 2020:

- Climate Change and the Global Order
- India and Pakistan
- Red Sea Security
- Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking
- U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle
- China’s Road into Latin America
- The Philippines and the U.S.
- Artificial Intelligence and Data

Online pre-order discounts of the 2020 book will be available October 21 through 5 p.m. EST on October 28.

♥ ♦ ♣ ♠ **Bridge News** ♠ ♣ ♦ ♥

Kudos to Bridge Winners...

September

- 1st: Ruth Harbaugh
- 2nd: Kathy Walker



BRANCH LEADERS 2019 -2020

Officers:

- President - Kay Hansen, jkhansenor@aol.com
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- Tech Trek Coordinator - Wanda Holmes, wwilsongm@gmail.com
- Web Master - Kathy Chennault, kchennault@clark.edu

INTEREST GROUP LEADERS 2019 -2020

- Bridge:** Ruth Harbaugh, rhtravel@comcast.net
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- Nonfiction Books:** Nancy Stepsis, nf8@evansville.edu & Pam Rio, pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com
- 1st Thurs Book Club:** Michelle Girts, magirts@comcast.net
- 1st Thursday Book Group:** Pat Wozniak, patricia.wozniak@comcast.net
- Great Decisions:** Carol Brain, braincarol@aol.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

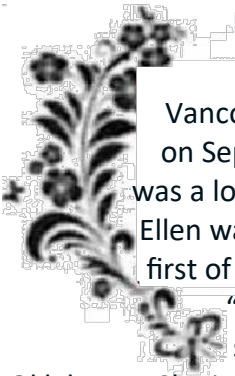


Member Memos...



Directory Updates & Member Notes

In Memory of ELLEN ELAINE BAKER
1924 - 2019



Vancouver resident Ellen Elaine Baker died on September 13, 2019 at the age of 95. She was a long-time member of AAUW Vancouver. Ellen was born in South Dakota in 1924, the first of three children. Her brother Charles "Chuck" Farris is deceased and her sister Kay Gawel lives in Ponca City, Oklahoma. She is survived by three children, Susan (Mike) Farley, Dena (Kelly) Cassidy and Jeff (Karil) Schaefer; five grandchildren, Garren Farley, Tiffany En-sunsa, Darris Cassidy, Dustin Cassidy, Trevor Cassidy; and two great-grandchildren, Carys Cassidy and Mia Cassidy.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

◆ **Mai Fee** 126 NW 76th St. Vancouver 98665
Phone: 971-285-0125. thuymai.fee@gmail.com

Directory Corrections

◆ **Kathy Chennault** has a new email address:
kchennault@supportclark.org

Do you need to update your contact information?

Please send the details to Kathy at
kcwalker41@gmail.com



FALL ART SHOW

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 9 AM—6 PM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17 9 AM—3 PM

The Society of Washington Artists will present their best new works at their Fall SWA Members Only Art Show on Saturday, November 16 from 9 am to 6 pm and Sunday, November 17 from 9am to 3 pm at the Bradford Room in the Vancouver UCC Church, 1220 NE 68th Street, (Hazel Dell) Vancouver Washington. An added feature of the show will be an Artists Bazaar where original art including cards, prints and decorative tiles, as well as many other items, may be purchased. A reception and a continental brunch will honor art show winners on Saturday, November 16 from 11 am to 1 pm. Contact Person: Sue Tellock tellsue@earthlink.net 360-573-0681

SAVE THE DATES FOR 2019-2020 AAUW MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at 101 Sixth St. in Vancouver and begin at 10 am .



MONTH	TOPIC/SPEAKER	MONTH	TOPIC/SPEAKER
Nov 9	Confluence: History, Living Cultures & Ecology of the Columbia River System, Colin Fogarty	Mar 14	Differences in Islam Culture Explained
Dec 7	Holiday Brunch, at Royal Oaks Country Club	Apr 11	The Future of Newspapers
Jan 11	MESA Program, Debbie Blas & Peter Williams	Apr 19	STEM Reception, STEM Building Clark College
Feb 8	Women Entrepreneurs in Vancouver, Seidy Selivanow, Kafix Roasters Coffee Lab	May 9	Installation Meeting
		Jun 13	Program Planning Meeting



EMPOWERING WOMEN
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AAUW Teams Up With New York City To Train women to “Ask for More”

The American Association of University Women has joined forces with New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) to train 10,000 New York City women with the skills to negotiate salary and benefits, as well as to advocate for promotions and leadership opportunities.

The initiative - called “Ask for More” - includes online training sessions and, starting in the fall, a series of in-person workshops in the city’s five boroughs. Future plans include offering Spanish-language training, as well as programs tailored to women in specific industries. An employer roundtable and other conferences are also planned.

Once fully implemented, “Ask for More” will be among the largest salary negotiation and women’s leadership initiatives in the country, according to the NYCEDC.

“We are unleashing the power of education and training to address the wage gap that denies women economic security, undermines their ability to support their families, seek higher education, and access health care,” said Chirlane McCray, the first lady of New York City. “This is the kind of program we must invest in if we want to support women and their financial futures, and if we want New York to continue leading the nation.”

“These workshops bring the city one step closer to the city we want to be—one where everyone is getting paid what they deserve,” said Faye Penn, Executive Director, of Women.nyc. “These free bootcamps are designed to reach women of all backgrounds throughout the boroughs. We’re proud to partner with AAUW to teach women how to ask for more as part of our effort to keep New York the greatest city in the world for women to succeed.”

“Our goal is for every woman to be able to articulate their value and negotiate their financial futures,” said **Kim Churches, Chief Executive Officer, AAUW**. “Through this partnership, we are thrilled to help thousands of New York women recognize their full potential and to help the city become an even more equitable place for all.”

Since AAUW’s launched its salary-negotiation program in Boston in 2015, close to 100,000 women nationwide have completed the trainings. In post-course surveys, 85 percent of online program participants report feeling more confident asking for a raise or a promotion. Thousands of women who have taken the course say that they have successfully negotiated salaries 10 to 20 percent higher than what was initially offered.

The first New York workshop was attended by 50 women at the New York Public Library’s Bronx Library Center on September 24. 12 more workshops are planned citywide through January 2020. The goal is to train 10,000 women, which has garnered extensive media coverage from The New York Daily News, CNBC, Bloomberg and others.



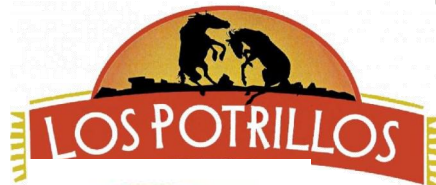
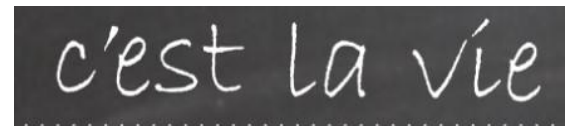
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Talk of the Town Salon



Black Bear Diner



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KITCHEN + CRAFT BAR



PHILLY BILMOS
Cheesesteaks

FARRAR'S BISTRO
— RESTAURANT & BAR —



PITA HOUSE

Red Robin
GOURMET BURGERS AND BREWS

NOM NOM
Restaurant & Grill

MAIN EVENT
SPORTS DRINK

Sixth Avenue
BISTRO



Sport Clips
HAIRCUTS

UTOPIA
salon & day spa

SUPERCUTS



Chutneys
A PREMIUM INDIAN RESTAURANT

Hair, Face & Nail Place



AAUW Vancouver Branch Interest Groups



Every Tuesday

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

Nov 5, 12, 19, & 26
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

First Wednesday
Book Group



Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 3 pm

Nov 6 3 p.m.
at Kay Hansen's

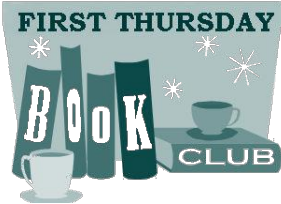
The Island of Sea Women

by Lisa See

This group is recruiting new mem-
bers!

ANY QUESTIONS?

Please contact Pat Wozniak at
847-772-8472 or
patricia.wozniak@comcast.net



Monthly, 1st Thursday, 2 pm

Nov 7 2 pm

Barb Selis hosts
and
Nancy Stepsis

will lead the
discussion of:

Rebecca

by Daphne DuMaurier

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

Nonfiction



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

Nov 21 3 p.m.
Killers of the Flower Moon:
The Osage Murders and the
Birth of the FBI

by David Gunn

For info, contact:
Nancy Stepsis at
360-896-6521 nf8@evansville.edu
or Pam Rio at 907-750-1868
pamelaprunetree@hotmail.com



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

Nov 22
10 am - 3 pm
Card Room

3rd Floor @ Glenwood

Contact the BRIDGE SECRETARY to play
Nov Secretary: Kathy Walker

BRING lunch & snacks!



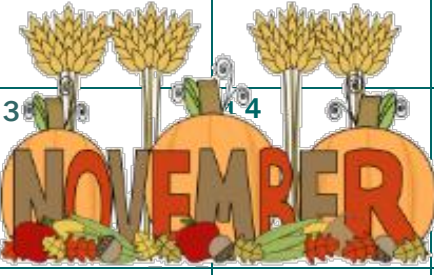

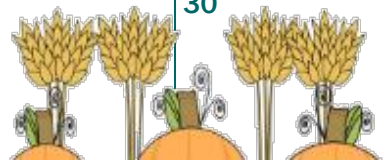
Monthly, Last Monday, 2pm,
Vancouver Pointe, 4555 NE 66th
Ave, Vancouver

The Great Decisions group
will start meeting again in
the new year to discuss the
2020 book, which offers
analyses of 8 issues of con-
cern to U.S. policy makers.

Held jointly with
Hudson's Bay Branch AAUW

Contact Carol Brain at
braincarol@aol.com for info

November 2019 Vancouver Branch AAUW Activities & Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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		5 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	6 1st Wed Book Group 3 p.m. Kay Hansen's	7 1st Thurs Book Club 2 p.m. at Barb Selis'	8	9 AAUW Meeting 10:00 a.m. Columbia Bank
10	11	12 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	20	21 Nonfiction Books 10 a.m. Shorewood	22 AAUW Bridge 10 a.m. at Glenwood	23
24	25	26 Mah Jongg 1:00 p.m. at Lorraine Wheeler's	27	28 Giving Thanks 	29 	30

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