

## March Program

Program – Tuesday, March 13 – 7:00 p.m.  
Keller Williams Office Building  
7504 SW Bridgeport Rd.  
Portland, OR



### Curbside and Beyond: Why Garbage Isn't Magic

Tony Hair, Senior Program Educator for Washington County Solid Waste & Recycling will talk to us about recycling. He will discuss the reasons to recycle, recycling rules, and explain what is recyclable. Tony will also talk about what options and opportunities community members have at their curb or in their area to recycle (especially harder to dispose of items such as electronic waste, batteries, household hazardous waste, medications, and plastics that can't be recycled curbside).

We will learn where the recycling goes once it is picked up and tools and tips to make you a better recycler. What are the current challenges and potential future for recycling in our region? Where do we go from here?

Tony Hair leads efforts to reduce waste and increase recycling among residents in Washington County.

He has spent two decades working in the waste management minimization industry, having previously worked at Waste Management, Inc., Portland State University, and the Port of Portland.

Please come and learn more about helping our environment by being knowledgeable about recycling.

*Submitted by Linda Liebenstein*

## April Program

Program – Tuesday, April 10 – 6:00 p.m.  
Keller Williams Office Building  
7504 SW Bridgeport Rd.  
Portland, OR



### Salad Potluck and Branch Birthday

The April program will be our annual salad potluck and Branch birthday celebration. The potluck is just for having fun and socializing. Please bring a salad of your choice to share. You can count on having a good time taste sampling an array of delicious salads and birthday cake. **Please note that the start time is 6:00.**

*Submitted by Judy Silverforb*

## Directions to Our Meeting Location

The address of the Keller Williams office and our meeting place is 7504 SW Bridgeport Road.

### FROM TIGARD

- From Pacific Hwy., turn onto Durham Rd., heading east.
- Turn right onto SW Upper Boones Ferry Rd.
- Turn left onto SW Bridgeport Rd. and enter the first parking lot on the right.

### FROM SHERWOOD/MCMINNVILLE

- From Tualatin-Sherwood Rd., turn left on Martinazzi
- Turn right on SW Boones Ferry Rd.
- Continue to SW Upper Boones Ferry Rd.
- Turn right onto SW Bridgeport Rd. and enter the first parking lot on the right.

### FROM WILSONVILLE

- From I-5, take Exit 290, for Lower Boones Ferry Rd.
- Turn left onto SW Lower Boones Ferry Rd., heading west.
- Continue to SW Bridgeport Rd.
- Enter last parking lot on your left, just before the last light on SW Bridgeport Rd.

Mona St. Clair will have the AAUW directional sign at the entrance to the parking lot, to help you know where to turn. Please call her cell phone (503-819-9596) for help.

## Hospitality

Here is the schedule for the rest of the year. Thanks in advance for helping out.

Mar 13 - Linda Liebenstein & Dianne Kaepflinger

Apr 10 - Salad Pot Luck

Mona St. Clair - Branch Birthday Cake

May 8 - Marian Dunlap & (we need a volunteer)

*Submitted by Linda Talluto, Hospitality Chair*

## President's News

I hope you enjoyed the change-of-pace that our Saturday meetings at Bonaventure provided in the past two months. A big thank you to our hostesses, Pat and Randa, for sharing their lovely facilities. Thank you also to Lynette, our public policy chair, for keeping an eye on what is happening at the Oregon Legislature during this short session.

I'm happy to report that our three interest groups – Book Group, NW Discoveries and Lunch Bunch – have been active, enjoying adventures and good conversation. Interest groups welcome everyone, including non-member guests, so if you see an activity that appeals to you, don't hesitate to call the leader and join in.

Now that the cold is giving way to spring, we are looking forward to some exciting branch programs resuming the second Tuesday at Keller-Williams. The March program on recycling should be very informative. I recently had a broken microwave oven to dispose of and was happy to be able to drop it off nearby, at no charge, at Pride on Tualatin-Sherwood Road. Tigard Area branch celebrates its 29<sup>th</sup> birthday in April with a potluck supper. It is also at this meeting that we elect officers and donate to support our next amazing woman student at PCC.

April 20-22 brings our AAUW-Oregon State Convention to Hillsboro. The sessions and workshops will feature topics such as women in the military, tradeswomen, stopping sexual assault in schools, and mentoring the next generation of leaders. Dinner speakers include an LAF recipient, whose Title IX case was recently settled with AAUW's support. Read about the convention in the latest issue of *AAUW Oregon News* and plan to attend!

*Ilga Ross, President*

## Local Scholarship

At our December luncheon, we had the opportunity to meet our current Local Scholarship recipient, Diem Olsen. I think everyone left the luncheon realizing the impact our dollars have on these young women. She emphasized that our paying for one quarter of her college expenses, enabled her to work fewer hours and borrow less money.

As we think about funding our next recipient, I would ask you to be as generous as you can, to support these bright and hard working women. Thank you in advance for making this project a priority with your support.

We need to fulfill our pledge by the beginning of May, so I have attached a form to fill out and mail, or give to me at a meeting, along with your check. The form is at the end of the newsletter. Please make out your check to **PCC Foundation** with **Tigard AAUW in the memo line**. You will receive a receipt from PCC for your taxes.

Thank you so much for your continuing support for our Local Scholarship!

*Linda Talluto, Local Scholarship Chair*



## March and April Dates to Remember

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| March 1     | Northwest Discoveries |
| March 13    | March Program         |
| March 16    | Lunch Bunch           |
| March 27    | Book Group            |
| April 5     | Northwest Discoveries |
| April 10    | April Program         |
| April 20-22 | AAUW OR Convention    |
| April 24    | Book Group            |

## Please Welcome Our New Member

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to Carol Brenneman, one of our newest members. She currently spends about 1/3 of her time in the Tigard area and often the time in the area doesn't mesh with our local AAUW events.

Carol has been a member of the Seaside Branch for over 20 years and has served twice as president, as well as acting in other positions in that branch. She was most proud of helping to establish a 501-C3 scholarship foundation which is now providing over \$3,000 a year in local scholarships for women returning to school and to high school graduates, who are the first in their family to attend college.

She graduated from Oregon College of Education and received a Master's Degree from Portland State University in Counseling. She worked in the Hillsboro School District for 30 years as a Language Arts teacher and for 25 years as a school counselor. She and her husband established a gift store in Seaside called the Country Bungalow. They fully retired in 2015.

They are in a transition period of their lives and ultimately look forward to living in Tigard full time. Currently, they have an apartment in Summerfield.

Carol would like the opportunity to become a part of the branch's book group. She hopes to be able to be more active in the Tigard Area Branch in the near future. We welcome Carol.

*Dianne Kaepflinger, Membership Chair*

## Sunshine Chair

Feeling ill and suffering is not a pleasant place to be. Sometimes our only comfort is the knowledge that our friends are there for us. We are a small group now and have gotten to know each other and develop friendships. If you know one of us is going through a rough period, please let me know so that I can send a card to reassure her that we care.

*Contact: Diane Knudsen*

## Public Policy

### The Brief Legislation Session Highlights

According to State Public Policy Chair, Trish Garner, the Brief Session is supposed to be a "Short" Session but seems to be filling up fast.

Here are just a few of the measures that the AAUW State Public Policy Chair supports:

Paid Family and Medical Leave: Passage looks dim, according to Trish.

House Bill 4150: Requires State Board of Education to adopt rules whereby the results of an investigation into sexual harassment shall be released to the complainant, the individual who was the subject of the complaint, and their families. This does not include the evidence introduced or the details of the investigation itself.

Senate Bill 1534: Requires the Department of Human Services to establish minimum training standards for home care workers and personal support workers.

House Bill 4081: Requires the Department of Human Services to use any savings in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) budget.

House Bill 4007: Permits individuals to create first-time home-buyer saving accounts, exempts the interest earned on those accounts from taxation and increases real estate document recording fees from \$20 to \$75.

The revenue would be distributed to the Emergence Housing Account, the Home Ownership Assistance Program, and 76% to the General Housing Account Program that funds the development and preservation of safe, stable and affordable housing.

One of the bigger issues deals with the environment and instituting a cap and trade program. Trish is not very positive about chances for its passage.

*Lynette Sahnaw,  
Tigard Area Branch Public Policy Chair*



### Our Branch Website

<http://tigardarea-or.aauw.net>

Please check it out. Randa Blanding is doing a lot to keep our website current and interesting. You may even see pictures of yourself! If you misplace your newsletter, you can find it on the website, along with dates for events. It's all there! Randa has now put the Bylaws on our site, so you can have some fun reading. You can get to other websites such as AAUW National and AAUW Oregon by linking to our website. You can also learn about membership benefits and get legislative alerts.

## INTEREST GROUPS



### • Book Group

AAUW Book Lovers,

I look forward to seeing all our regulars and invite any other interested members or guests to join in. Just give the event hostess a call so she can plan accordingly.

Tuesday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Book: **I'll Take You There** by Wally Lamb

Hostess and Discussion Leader: Linda Liebenstein

Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00 pm

Book: **All the Little Live Things** by Wallace Stegner

Hostess and Discussion Leader: Marian Dunlap

Contact: *Linda Liebenstein*



### Lunch Bunch

Friday, Friday, March 16, 12 noon

Thai Delicious is our destination for Lunch Bunch in March. It is located in Tigard Downtown at 12540 SW Main St. next to Pacific Paint and Supply.

Carpoolers meet at McDonald's (corner of Highway 99W and Durham) at 11:45 am. Be sure to call or email Esther by Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> so space can be reserved for us.

Contact: *Esther McAlpin (503-644-3045)*  
[estherm3@frontier.com](mailto:estherm3@frontier.com)



### • Northwest Discoveries

Thursday, **March 15**: We will visit the Newberg Center of PCC. We will have a tour of the campus, led by the woman who spoke to our group at the November, 2017 Branch Meeting. We will see the solar panels and other things she mentioned in her presentation. We will leave at **11:00 a.m.** to accommodate her schedule and have lunch first.

Thursday, April 5: Back by popular demand, we will visit my cousin's farm in Woodburn. We will see the azalea nurseries; it's a big operation. They grow and ship azaleas.

We will leave from McDonalds at **11:00 a.m.** in March and at **10:00 a.m.** in April. It is at the corner of Pacific Hwy. and Durham Rd.

Contact: *Janet*

## AAUW Organizational Statements

**Mission Statement** – AAUW advances 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.

**Value promise** – By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.

**Diversity Statement** – In principle and practice AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability or class

**AAUW TIGARD AREA BRANCH**

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Tigard Area Branch gives a \$1600.00 annual scholarship to a PCC woman student who meets the criteria set up by our Local Scholarship Committee. This money, which covers just one quarter of tuition, books and fees, is donated by members and does not come from our Branch budget.

You may contribute to the Fund by using the form below.

**CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE AS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FEDERAL AND STATE TAX PURPOSES.**



**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Gift Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to PCC Foundation, with “AAUW Tigard” in the memo area.**  
Give to your Branch Local Scholarship Chair, Linda Talluto

**Contributions are tax-deductible as charitable contributions for federal and state tax purposes.**

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