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SUMMER UPDATE



Program Planning Meeting

We have once again scheduled a profiluly 14th at 7:00 p.m. While it ecided that We have once again scheduled a program planning meeting on Zoom this summer. The date is July 14th at 7:00 p.m. While many of us are fully vaccinated and beginning to venture out, I decided that some of us aren't quite ready yet to meet inside in a large group. I hope we will still have the terrific turnout like we had on Zoom last summer.

Our programs always come from the ideas of our members and have proven in the past to provide a variety of interesting subjects. Our branch takes pride in the many fine programs that we have offered through the years, and last year's programs were once again highly successful. You can see all the wonderful programs we had last year, listed below.

Some topics to consider can be related to the top AAUW issues. It is easy to get lots of ideas and information on the AAUW website: https://www.aauw.org/issues/

- Gender Equity in Education (the STEM gap, sexual misconduct in schools, Title IX)
- Economic Security for Women (the gender pay gap, the motherhood penalty, women & retirement). There definitely has been a motherhood penalty this past year with the pandemic.
- Advocacy for Women; (getting women into leadership roles in business and politics, barriers & bias)

Please keep in mind that we have members that have the education and background to be speakers. We would appreciate hearing from any of you that might be interested in doing a presentation.

Please send me an email or call me with any ideas you may have for a program prior to our planning meeting. That way our Zoom meeting won't take such a long time. (My phone number is 503-516-3776 and my email address is judyb_1230@hotmail.com

Even if you don't have any ideas for programs, please come anyway. Your input will be appreciated.

I am looking forward to hearing all your ideas and developing another exciting year.

Judy Silverforb Program VP

2020-2021 Programs

- September: You and AAUW; Mardy Stevens, Past AAUW National Board Member
- October: Current Political Situation and Local Police Response; Tigard Police Chief
- November: Legislative Issues Presented by Courtney Neron, State Representative
- December: Women's Suffrage Readers' Theater; and AAUW Fund Raffle & Drawing
- January: Pamoja House, Resources and Support for Recent Immigrants
- February: An Author/Teacher Speaks about Social Justice
- March: Annual Meeting—Election of Officers, and Presentation on Local Scholarship at Portland Community College, including the Portland Community College Foundation, and remarks by our scholarship recipient for 2020-2021.

- April: In lieu of a general meeting, our branch participated in the AAUW of Oregon Annual Meeting Events
- May: New Hope for Climate Action State and National Opportunities

May 12, 2021, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom, Oregon Climate Progress: Improving the Lives of Oregonians. Click <u>HERE</u> to view the YouTube of their presentation.



August 16-26, 2021: Summer Skills Camp 2.1 on Zoom More details to come!



Remember how much fun you had last year at Summer Skills Camp? (And if you're a new camper, you're in for a treat.) Think fun connections, no mosquito repellant or sleeping bags, no driving for hours or sleeping on the ground.

Put on your camp outfit (or buy a logo t-shirt during camp!) and join us online, August 16-26. But of course, there will be s'mores to be had—"how to" at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zHywb4q0GvY — wait until the ad finishes!

Can you believe it's time to launch our 4TH ANNUAL CLEAN CLOSETS FUNDRIVE!

This year I hope we can hit our \$1,000.00 GOAL with room to spare, but it is going to take everyone's involvement. The more bags of clothing, shoes, accessories, towels, blankets, and other linens we collect, the more money we earn to help young women return to college and achieve their degree goals.



Beginning in August 🙂:

- 1. Set yourself a personal goal.
 - a. If 15 people participate and each collects 15 bags (combo of large & small) we will meet our goal.
 - b. ** If everyone participates, it's only 10.
- 2. Let your friends, family & neighbors know how they can help.
- 3. Collect your 15 bags.
 - a. If your space is limited contact Linda for early pick-up.
- 4. **WEIGH DAY** THIS YEAR is September 18th, 2021. I will either rent or borrow a truck to deliver our donations.

With your help, we can make this year's FunDrive a huge success.

Submitted by Linda Liebenstein



Book Club Planning Meeting

We will meet Tuesday, July 27th at 7 pm on the deck of Randa Blanding (12550 SW Edgewater Ct, Tigard). We invite any and all members to join us as we review the results of the survey we all recently received from Dorothy Wilson. We will also start the process of suggesting possible books for next year's reading list.

Recently AAUW National posted what they are calling "Essential Reading for Summer". Click here for the list of six books written by AAUW Fellows and Grantees.