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December 2021/January 2022

Holiday Luncheon

Saturday, December 11th 12:00 noon Gustav's Pub and Grill 10350 SW Greenberg Rd., Tigard



Finally, we are getting to meet in person!! We can celebrate with our holiday luncheon. The happy event is on December 11th, 12:00 noon at Gustav's Pub and Grill,

Gustav's has a varied menu and "to die for" cheese fondue. Gustav will do individual checks. Marian Dunlap has worked hard to make all the arrangements. She needs to make a reservation by Thursday, December 9th. You can contact her via email or by phone:

<u>Mardun1161@gmail.com</u> 503-307-7672 or 503-639-9703

Washington County Mental Health Response Teams Saturday, January 8, 2022

1 pm via Zoom



Washington County is very fortunate to have an alternative to calling the police for certain types of emergencies – particularly individuals suffering from mental illness or in an emotional crisis. In partnership with Washington County Mental Health, the Sheriff's Office provides mental health services that begin on patrol, continue in the jail or medical facility, and are available to individuals when they reenter the community. We will be able to learn more about this service by hearing from two members of a Mental Health Response Team (MHRT). The MHRT includes a deputy and clinician, paired together in a patrol car.

Crystal Fisher is a Mental Health Response Team Clinician. She has worked with crisis services since June 2018. Crystal has an extensive history of working with children and families prior to her crisis work. She has a master's degree in multicultural counseling from the University of Colorado Denver. Crystal says, "I enjoy the pace of the Mental Health Response Team, meeting clients where they are in terms of wanting/needing help and find the job very rewarding."

Deputy David Huey is a Mental Health Response Team Deputy. He has been with the Sheriff's Office for a little over six years and with the Mental Health Response Team for the last two. Prior to policing, Deputy Huey spent about twenty years working in customer service and found a niche in talking with people and developing rapport. He believes these learned skills have become invaluable for dealing with folks in crisis and helping to de-escalate potentially dangerous events.

> Tigard Area AAUW Time: Jan 8, 2022 01:00 PM

Click here to Join the Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86514855282

AAUW FUNDS NEEDS YOUR DONATION NOW

Did you know that AAUW Funds awarded \$3.6 million to more than 200 recipients for the 2021 academic year with the goal of advancing educational opportunities for women around the globe? Probably not, and that is just part of the work done by the Funds on an ongoing program to reach our mission.

It is presently the end of the fiscal year and time for us to support our branch by contributing to AAUW FUNDS before December 31st. State chair Claudia Gray is issuing a challenge to celebrate AAUW's 140th anniversary with a \$140 donation. This donation will then list you as

part of the Oregon Century Club (for any donation of \$100 or more) and you will be honored with a special certificate for meeting the challenge. You can do this most easily by clicking <u>here</u>, (as I just found out.) As you will notice, when you use the link what you give to the special 140th Anniversary Year-End Giving Drive, will be DOUBLED through December 31st, thanks to an unprecedented match from AAUW's board, leaders, and staff. Have your credit card handy.

Ilga reminds us that the Tigard Branch is close to reaching the Five-Star status, which requires an increase in donations from last year. For a donation of at least \$500, the branch is allowed to select a member to honor as an AAUW Funds Named Gift Honoree to be announced at the spring convention. Thanks for helping make this all happen. **Submitted by Carol Brenneman, Local AAUW Funds chair**

Local Scholarship Recipient to Attend Holiday Luncheon

I am excited to announce that our 2021/22 Local Scholarship Recipient, Olivia (Liv) DeNicholas will be attending our Holiday Luncheon. I hope many of you will join us, as we welcome her and hear a bit about her journey and her aspirations to become a social worker. Nancy Hartman, the PCC liaison will be joining us as well

Our branch has sponsored a scholarship at Portland Community College for 31 years, beginning in 1990 with a \$500 award, which paid one year's tuition. Today our scholarship award is \$1500, which pays tuition and fees for one quarter.

Our recipients over the years have included future nurses, engineers, dentists, biochemists, doctors, pharmacists, biologists, aeronautical engineers, social workers, and majors in business management and wildlife management.

Many of these women have had difficult backgrounds. Some are single mothers, but all are motivated to attain their goals, and all are appreciative of our help.

The recipient of our scholarship is chosen from a group of 10-15 applicants who have been screened by the PCC Foundation to meet our criteria. Then our branch committee of three reads the applicants' essays online and ranks them. The Foundation then chooses the recipient, based on their and our recommendations.

The eligibility criteria are:

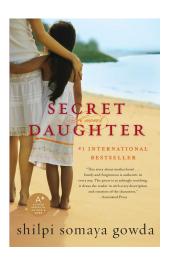
- Have returned to school
- Be a resident of Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, or Yamhill Counties
- Have completed at least 24 credits by the end of the Winter term and have a minimum grade point average of 3.0
- Are planning to pursue a baccalaureate degree at a four-year college or university
- Will be attending full time during the scholarship year.

Each applicant must write an additional essay on how their educational and career goals support the mission and vision of AAUW.

Our scholarship is made possible by the generous donations of our members as well as fundraisers. We have had brown bag raffles, wine tastings, and most recently clothing/linens donations.

Again, I hope you will join us as we welcome Liv to our luncheon. **Submitted by Linda Talluto, Local Scholarship Chair**

Book Club



Secret Daughter, the first novel by Shilpi Somaya Gowda, explores powerfully and poignantly the emotional terrain of motherhood, loss, identity, and love through the experiences of two families—one Indian, one American—and the child that binds them together.

We will meet through Zoom on Tuesday, January 25th at 7 pm. Please let Dorothy Wilson know if you would like to attend. We hope you will join us.

Mission Statement – To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy Vision Statement – Equity for all

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