



KEYNOTES

AUGUST 2022



UPCOMING DATES:

Branch Social Event

August 8, 5 p.m.
Gresham Arts Plaza
Music Monday

KEYNOTES DEADLINE IS THE FIRST DAY OF EACH MONTH.

Please send information to Barb Kaufman at danbarbkauf@msn.com

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President's Message

By Arlene Lemieux & Sharron Noone

What a summer this has been! Politics, heat, the University of Oregon World Track Meet, in-person meetings.....and getting going again at Gresham Area Branch of AAUW. Arlene and Sharron want to make this a rebuilding year after Peggy and Bonnie held us together for the pandemic. Thank you to Peggy and Bonnie for doing such a fabulous job!

Many of us gathered for the installation banquet in May at the Parkrose Elmer's and we had our picnic at Columbia Park in Troutdale in July. We already have lots planned for the fall and we hope more of you can join us with our expanded accessibility efforts.

In August we are trying something new. **We will meet to listen to music of the Boondocks Boys, a southern rock band in downtown Gresham at the Arts Plaza.** It's in the same area as the Farmer's Market so we will meet in the parking lot there on **Monday, August 8 at 5:00.** Let Arlene or I know if you need transportation. We will have an AAUW sign so you can find easily.

The September Branch meeting will be **in-person** at the **Oregon Tradeswoman Office at 454 SE 187th Avenue at 4:00 p.m. and will feature Democratic Representative Pam Marsh by zoom from Medford.** Pam did the keynote speech for the Oregon AAUW Convention this past April and everyone loved her theme **Bridging the Gap** (building collaboration and cooperation in spite of the pandemic), her stories and her can-do attitude. See Pam's current activities in the Speaker Profile announcement

We will begin Interest Group meetings as we move toward September – Book Group, Crafts, Walking and Public Policy – there may be more. **Peggy Taylor has boldly stepped up to lead the book group, "Between the Covers"**

We also have at least three new members (see introductions later in this newsletter) and we are actively looking for more. The Board is working on strategies for making us more visible in East Portland and all of us can help with that effort. Hope to see a lot of you at all the activities.

Arlene and Sharron





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Community Activities for Summer Enjoyment!

Gresham's Center for the Arts is sponsoring Music in the Parks on Wednesdays during July and August. Below is the schedule. More information can be found at GreshamCenterForTheArts.org.

August 10 - Kenney Polson at **Hogan Butte** - Smooth Jazz

August 24 - Spirit Heart at **Nadaka** - Indigenous Flute/Guitar

Portland Columbia Symphony is performing at **Nadaka Nature Park on August 14 beginning at 4 p.m.** The concert is free and featured is music from the stage and screen.

Gresham Music Mondays at Gresham Arts Plaza

August 8 - Boondock Boys - Southern Rock
15 - Playback Jones - Yacht music
22 - Patrick Lamb - Billboard Charting Funk Jazz
29 - Johnny Wheels & the Swamp Donkeys - Blues



AAUW-GAB August Fun Event Join us for Music Monday at Gresham Arts Plaza on August 8

We will meet at the parking lot across the street from the park at 5 p.m. An AAUW sign will greet you.

We will enjoy good music, good friends, and good conversations. The park is located at **401 NE Second in Gresham**. There will be food and drink trucks on site, or bring your own and join the fun.

Invite others to join you. **The Boondock Boys**, southern rock, will be the artist. Don't forget your lawn chair!

**Board meeting:
August 9, 3 p.m.**

Courtyard Fountains

**AUGUST BIRTHDAY WISHES TO OUR
GRESHAM BRANCH AAUW MEMBERS**

August Birthdays:

Pat Woolsey	August 1
Martha Manske	August 8
Susan Calef	August 9
Nadyne Rosin	August 10
Ruth Lund	August 11
Donna Waltman	August 11
Barb Kaufman	August 12
Elizabeth Morse	August 19
Sarah Eckstein	August 23



Looking Ahead...

**September 2022 Branch Program
Speaker Profile**



Representative Pam Marsh will serve residents of southern Jackson County for a third term in House District 5 which includes Ashland, Talent, Phoenix, the southwest corner of Medford, Jacksonville and Ruch.

In the 2022 legislative session, which ran from Feb 1-Mar 4, 2022, she was **Chair of the House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources**, shepherding policies to promote energy efficiency, energy affordability and environmental justice; and focusing on meaningful policy for wildlife, forest management and waste prevention. She was also **Vice-Chair of the House Special Committee On Wildfire Recovery**, which is charged with supporting fire-impacted communities as we rebound from the devastation experienced in 2020.

In addition, she is currently appointed as a member of the **Joint Committee On Information Management and Technology**, the **House Interim Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, and Water**, the **House Interim Committee On Housing** and the **House Interim Committee On Revenue**. She will also continue her role as House Democratic Leadership Team as **Assistant House Majority Leader**.



Enrichment Groups Contacts

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Public Policy Update

So much is happening that is controversial, I thought I would write about good news. Oregon Tradeswomen is doing quite well, has new funding and is about to do their auction. **Lisa Palermo, their Development Director**, is joining GAB-AAUW this year and there might be an opportunity for us to help with logistics at the auction. If you want more information, contact Lisa at Lisa@oregontradeswomen.org



Pathways to Success (the pre-apprenticeship class)

New cohort started 7/26! We're welcoming a new group of students including one young woman who is houseless. They'll begin their 8-week class and their exciting exploration for their new careers. This is our third cohort of the year with two more to come. Class size is hovering at 16-18 for Covid safety and we're hoping to get back up to 25-30 students as soon as the virus allows.

Woman on the Rise Awards and Build With Us! Fundraiser

The event will be held on **9/23 at the Loft on 8th**. We've received 68 nominations - the most ever!!! These awards honor women and others in the community who are exhibiting leadership and demonstrating the impact and value of equity in the construction workforce. The event will be a community gathering to celebrate our work and raise unrestricted funding for pre-apprenticeship training and job placement & support. We're hoping to raise \$300,000 in donations through the auction, sponsorships and general donations. The event will be in person but the auction will be on-line.

Tool & Gear Swap

This is a casual event (at our location) on 8/17 where donated tools and clothing is offered free of charge to tradeswomen. Jobs in construction most often require the worker to have their own tools, which is very expensive. This is a great way to get free tools and clothing to support their careers.



Membership Reminder

Thank you to the 26 or so members who have renewed, but there are some of you out there who I am sure intend to do so and have not. Barb Kaufman will be doing the new **membership directory** very soon and will enter the names of those who are current only.

GAB is happy to announce that we have a new member recruited by **Cynthia Rauscher – Valerie (Val) Johnstone** whom some of us met at our recent picnic. We had a guest – **Tricia Wood** – join us at the picnic. Tricia has recently relocated to Gresham after living in Jacksonville and being a part of the Medford Branch. We look forward to seeing her again.

I am more confident now in using the “hub” for dues renewals though it is still easiest if you log in and use a credit card to pay. We don’t need the registration form if you are a renewing member—just your dues of **\$103** which includes **GAB, State and National fees**.

Please mail your checks made out to **GAB-AAUW** to our mail box at **4233 SE 182nd Avenue, #343, Gresham, OR 97030**. Feel free to call or email me if you have questions—Katie Goodwin, 503-761-4751 or ron.katie.pdx@juno.com. Hope you are all having a nice summer and feeling better about being with people.

Katie
GAB-AAUW Funds Chair

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Martha Manske, VP Membership



I am very excited to welcome several new and soon-to-be members to our branch.

In the following few months, I will be highlighting them in the Keynotes in greater detail, but for now will give each a brief introduction.

You may not have had a chance to meet **Mary Jeanne Oliva** yet. She joined us last year and attended Zoom meetings while transitioning from California to Gresham. Mary Jean was active in her local branch and will be attending in person now that she is settled.

Our AAUW of Oregon Breaking Barriers Achievement Award winner, **Lisa Palermo**, is now a member. We will continue to work closely with her in her role as **Development Director for Oregon Tradeswomen**.

Mary Pat Silveira is a joint member with the Lake Oswego Branch where she helped co-sponsor Lisa Palermo for the Breaking Barriers award. Some of you may have met her at the Awards Banquet in May.

Tricia Wood comes to us from the Medford Branch where she served as **VP-Programming**. She was a resident of Jacksonville. Those who enjoyed the picnic were able to meet her then.

Nadyne Rosin currently serves as **State Public Policy Chair** and belonged to the Portland Branch where she was very active until the branch’s recent hiatus.

Val Johnstone joined us in the spring and was also able to attend the picnic.

We are happy to welcome you all! We will look for you at the **August 8th Music in the Park** event.



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision - Equity for all

Values:

Nonpartisan.

Fact-based.

Integrity.

Inclusion and Intersectionality.

Diversity

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, disability or class.

State of Oregon & National Websites:

AAUW of Oregon: aauw-or.aauw.net (password = oregonaauw) AAUW National: www.aauw.org

Gresham Branch Address: Gresham Area Branch of AAUW, Inc.

4233 SE 182nd Ave., #343

Gresham, OR 97030

Gresham Area Website: aauwgreshamarea.org

Gresham Facebook Page: Accessible from website



Gresham Area Branch 2022-2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

Name:	Last	First	Date
Address:	Street	Apt/Unit No.	City Zip+4 Code
Phone:	Primary	Other	Email

The above information is required and will be listed in the AAUW Directory.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Education (highest degree earned): _____
College/University

_____	_____	_____
Location	Degree	Year

Current Profession: _____

Professional Field(s): _____

Birthday (month and day only): _____

ENRICHMENT GROUPS (Please check activities of interest.)

- Between the Covers (book group) Crafts Golden Girls (day trips) International Dining
- Bridge Group (2) Public Policy Keep Walking, Walking

ANNUAL DUES (Please check box that applies.) Dues are for the fiscal year (July 1-June 30) State and branch newsletters are distributed electronically to those members who have email and by mail to all other members. Dues are partially tax-deductible, as indicated below.

- Renewing Member** (\$84 is tax deductible) \$103.00
- New Member** (\$84 is tax deductible) \$103.00
- Life Member** (\$20 is tax deductible) \$36.00

_____ I paid online at AAUW.org. _____ Dues Amount Enclosed: \$_____

PAYMENT OPTIONS: By check, payable to **AAUW Gresham Area Branch**. Please complete this form and return it with your check to the Gresham Area Branch Vice-President of Membership or mail to:

Membership
Gresham Area Branch of AAUW, Inc.
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Only return this form if you have personal information update or changes to Enrichment Groups.