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AAUW Oregon - Summer Skills Camp
August 3-August 16, 2020

This “summer camp” will be all online this year, responding to the needs and suggestions of our members. These Zoom sessions will be held in the evenings and on weekends to accommodate everyone over this two-week period. Pick and choose the free sessions you would like to attend, and fill out the registration form so you will be able to log onto these zoom sessions. All sessions will be interactive with time for Q&A and some may ask you to do some reading or submit some questions in advance. (Zoom practice sessions available - see registration.)



Viva, Virtual! We hope to see you soon! Happy Camping!

Monday, August 3, 7:00 p.m.

The Votes for Women Movement in Oregon and the Continuing Struggle for Democracy and Human Rights in our State and Nation, Kimberly Jensen, Professor of History and Gender Studies at Western Oregon University.



Our keynote speaker and suffrage expert will lead us in the exploration of the limitations to voting by race, ethnicity and gender that were built into the Oregon constitution of 1859. We will examine the highlights of the decades-long struggle to achieve voting rights for most women in Oregon in 1912. And we’ll consider the continuing barriers to voting for some Oregon women after 1912 and

1920, and the ongoing work of activists to build participatory democracy in our state.

This session will be introduced by the bestowing of the “Breaking Barriers Award” to Janice Dilg and Kimberly Jensen, officers of the Oregon Women’s History Coalition, this year’s recipient.

Tuesday, August 4, 7:00 p.m.

Working Effectively with Social Media to Promote your Branch and your Mission, Kelli Matthews, Senior Instructor, Public Relations, School of Journalism and Communications, University of Oregon, Eugene Branch AAUW.

Learn from this expert how to be strategic and simplify your social media efforts. It’s an effective way to reach new and current members, and spread the word about your mission-related activities outside the branch. Kelli’s tips are easy to understand and implement!



Wednesday, August 5, 7:00 p.m.

The Work We Need to Do, Trish Garner, public policy chair AAUW Oregon, Portland Branch

We are living in a world of change, and while change can be challenging, it can also inspire us to learn more about ourselves, our communities and our country. In this session, an experienced public policy and political leader will embark with us on a journey to examine ideas about race that we consciously or unconsciously carry. Just as men are often unwilling to grant that they enjoy more privilege than women, even when they may see women as disadvantaged, White women often fail to recognize the privilege that they enjoy in contrast to People of Color. We will likely not find the answers in this exploration, but we will hopefully begin to ask the right questions and find ways to begin to do the work we need to do about this most critical topic.

This will be a beginning discussion with breakout groups.

Saturday, August 8, 10:30 a.m. – Noon

What do AAUW State and National do for us? And what about that strategic plan?



Moderator Georgia Applegate, immediate past president, AAUW Oregon. Panelists: Kim Churches, CEO of AAUW; Pat Lehman and Sue Klumph, co-presidents of AAUW Oregon; and Betsy McDowell, governance co-chair of AAUW Oregon.

These seasoned leaders will discuss topics such as leadership development and growth for branches and individuals. They will talk about ways in which AAUW is relevant to women and girls here and now, and how strategic plans at National, State and Branches all relate and work together. The panelists will take questions from the audience.

Tuesday, August 11, 7:00 p.m.

Making Meetings Worthwhile, and Fun! Claudia Gray, co-governance chair, AAUW Oregon

This experienced AAUW leader has been a past state president and involved with AAUW nationally for many years. Her program will show you how to run a great meeting and have fun doing it. She'll cover rules of conduct, and how important it is to craft a good agenda. She will take the mystique out of Robert's Rules of Order, and finish with how to report on the meeting.

Wednesday, August 12, 7:00 p.m.

Exemplary Branch Programs, Pat Lehman, co-president AAUW Oregon; Astoria, Wallowa County and Online Branches.

Join this 25+ year-member and experienced leader while she introduces members from four Oregon branches describing successful programs that your branch can adapt or replicate. Programs will focus on four areas: AAUW mission (STEM); visibility and community involvement; AAUW history and inspiration; and fundraising. Other outstanding programs around the state will be briefly summarized. Each presenter will answer your questions.

Thursday, August 13, 7:00 p.m.

Where Will We Find Our Next Leaders? Are You One? Pat Squire, program vice president AAUW Oregon, Lake Oswego and Tigard Branches.

From her perspective as a non-profit leader for 30 years, Pat will lead a discussion of how we identify and cultivate our next leaders. It's not accidental. With input from branches, Pat will explore the issue of why some members are afraid to take on leadership and how to change that dynamic. The group will discuss how to identify prospective leaders, and learn how engagement is the path to leadership. We'll also take a look at how current leadership can help with the transition to new leaders and new ideas. Take the plunge! It's worth it!

Saturday, August 15, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Mindful Activism with Self-Care, Barbara and Julia Weinberg, (Mom and daughter), AAUW members and Seaside Wellness Center.



This dynamic mother-daughter duo (Barbara was a long-time Bay Area AAUW member and chair of the CA State Legislative Committee during the 60s and 70s, and Julia is a mental health therapist in private practice in Seaside) will discuss their experiences in very different times. They will focus on recognizing and honoring what you are doing, including involvement and self-care. The presentation will include a mindful awareness activity for calming the mind and body, for not ruminating on what you aren't doing, but living a life where you are comfortable with all you are doing.

Saturday, August 15, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

AAUW Oregon Membership Matters! Sue Klumph, co-president AAUW Oregon, Grants Pass Branch, Online Branch

A member of AAUW since 1998, and a former membership VP and member of the National Membership Committee, Sue will lead a discussion about membership and our future. She emphasizes that you are each an important part of our team. In this session, participants will discuss recruiting, engaging, valuing and retaining members in our branches, and how we can adjust our thoughts about membership to fit into a virtual reality.

Sunday, August 16, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Moving Forward and Celebrating AAUW, Sue Klumph, Pat Lehman, state leaders and all participants

Join us for this participatory round-up (think end of camp, Kumbaya!). What can we realistically do moving forward? Give us some examples of branch plans that move our agenda. Join us for a celebratory moment! And a big thanks to our presenters and moderators. What would you like to see going forward? How can we help? Summer Camp Summary!

AAUW Summer Skills Camp Registration Instructions

We are excited to be able to host this summer's informational and training workshops online. With no meals to purchase and no sleeping or meeting rooms to rent, we are pleased to offer all sessions at no charge.

However, we do need you to let us know which sessions you wish to attend so we can send you the appropriate Zoom link and any additional materials.

Zoom Practice Sessions Available

If you are unfamiliar with Zoom or just unsure of your ability to connect and participate in Zoom sessions, please select one (or both) of the Practice Sessions being held before the workshop sessions begin. There's a practice on Wednesday, July 29 at 7:00pm, and one on Saturday, August 1 at 10:30am.

Bring your questions and concerns, and Nancy Brown, Events Coordinator and Zoom Host, will do her very best to help you feel comfortable and ready to participate in the regular sessions. (And she'll be there to help you during each virtual workshop session as well.) No question is too "dumb." And since, we're all learning as we go along, she may not have the perfect answer, but another participant just might. We really are all in this together!

TO REGISTER:

Click [this link](#) to access the easy online registration form to select the sessions you wish to attend.

After you submit your registration form, Nancy Brown will send you the Zoom link for your selected sessions. This information will come from the email aauw.or.events@gmail.com. Please do not share your Zoom link with anyone or post in any public forum.

Questions: Contact Nancy: aauw.or.events@gmail.com or 541-928-6779.

Membership VP Report

Gini Dideum – Membership VP, Dues Treasurer/Database Manager

Thank you to all of the branch Finance VPs. You had to work harder this last year than expected to keep your membership rosters accurate. A special thank you to those that pounded your head against a wall in frustration—I could hear you here in Gearhart.

This is where membership awards are to be recognized. However, no one gave me a template of what those awards are to be for so I have made up my own.

Retention

- 1st place—Lakeview
- 2nd place—Baker
- 3rd place—Roseburg

New Members (as a percentage of total member

- 1st place—Hillsboro/Forest Grove
- 2nd place—tie Astoria and Seaside
- 3rd place—Tillamook

Membership Growth

- 1st place—Hillsboro/Forest Grove
- 2nd place—Portland
- 3rd place—Salem

