



Salem Branch

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October 2018

BALLOT MEASURE EDUCATIONAL FORUM

Before you vote!

Come to a non-partisan educational forum that will cover the five measures on Oregon ballots this November.

The forum will cover:

- Measure background
- Financial impacts
- Result of a yes or no vote
- Pro and con arguments



Forum sponsored by:



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*League of Women Voters of Marion
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OCTOBER 17
6:30 PM

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**Volunteers are needed to help at this public forum.
Please volunteer to Laura Buhl, buhl1@yahoo.com or 541-340-9841.**

A Message from Mary Ellen

Mary Ellen Dello Stritto

Greetings Members,

I hope you are all enjoying the Fall season. We had a very successful membership social event at Gaiety Hollow on September 22nd. I am attaching a photo of the branch officers. We make a great team!



From Left:
Kristin Mauro,
Mary Ellen
Dello Stritto,
Joyce Zook,
Laura Buhl,
Mary Bauman,
Dolores
Mlynarczyk

Inset: Betsy
McDowell

At the membership social I announced our branch projects for the year.

First, the Salem Branch is hosting the AAUW State Convention in April of 2019!

Second, we are going to have another Speech Trek event. This event is a speech contest for high school girls, and we held our first one in 2017.

Our third project is an oral history project. Last year we honored some of our Salem branch members who had been members for 60 years or more. This year we want to begin the process of recording the voices and histories of the many amazing women of the Salem Branch! If you would like to be a part of one of these projects, please let me know.

October is the month in which we focus on public policy. We are collaborating with the League of Women Voters on a public meeting to explain the state ballot measures. Other nonpartisan election information is on Page 3.

Also, on October 10th we will celebrate Eleanor Roosevelt's birthday. See detail on Page 3 and sign up to join.

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Eleanor Roosevelt Birthday Party & Fundraiser

You are invited to celebrate Eleanor Roosevelt's birthday at a party hosted by Carol Neiger and Evelyn Lorence.

Time: Wednesday, October 10, 1:30-3:30

Place: Capitol Manor 10th Floor Lounge

1955 Dallas Hwy. NW

Please let us know you are coming by Monday, October 8.



Eleanor Roosevelt

Claudia Gray, past AAUW Oregon president and AAUW Funds Committee and Legacy Circle Task Force member, will give everyone an update on how the AAUW Foundation works, including AAUW Funds, the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund and the Legacy Circle.



Claudia Gray

This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about AAUW, Eleanor Roosevelt's connection to AAUW, and to socialize. All AAUW members and past state and branch presidents are encouraged to come. Bring a friend!

Parking at Capital Manor is free but limited, so car pooling is encouraged. Park in the Visitors' Parking Lot, which is the first parking lot on the left (south side of the building), or in the 2-hour parking opposite the main entrance on the north side of the building.

Dream Builders Luncheon on Thursday, October 18

There is still room at the AAUW table for the Dream Builders Luncheon, a benefit for Family Building Blocks, to be held from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 18, at the Salem Convention Center.



The program will show how Family Building Blocks helps prevent child abuse through its relief nursery for children and classes for parents. The luncheon is free, but attendees are asked to make monetary donations to Family Building Blocks.

If you would like to sit at the AAUW table, please contact Sally Hollemon, rhollemon@comcast.net or 503-391-8978, by Tuesday, October 9.



Member Corner

Welcome back:

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Nonpartisan Election Information

In-person Events:

Wed., Oct. 3, 6 – 8 p.m.—Meet and Greet Oregon Senate Candidates, Anderson Room, Salem Library, Cosponsored by League of Women Voters (LWV) and Salem City Club.

Senate Candidates will be:

District 10: Senator Jackie Winters' campaign manager Raquel Moore-Green, Republican, and challenger Deb Patterson, Democrat.

District 11: Senator Peter Courtney, Democrat, and challenger Greg Warnock, Republican



Wed., Oct. 17, 6:30 - 8 p.m.—Ballot Measures Explained—A public meeting to explain the ballot measures at Salem Library in the Anderson Room. Cosponsored by AAUW and LWV.

Video Events:

Ballot Measures Explained—The October 17 public meeting will be recorded and shown on CCTV Channel 21, LWVOR Vote Oregon (<http://lwvor.org/home/voteoregon/>), **VOTE411.org** and on YouTube. The YouTube address will be emailed to AAUW members after October 17.

Candidates for the Oregon Legislature and Marion County Commission were interviewed by LWV members for CCTV's *Your Vote Counts!* The interviews will be shown on CCTV Channel 21, LWVOR Vote Oregon (<http://lwvor.org/home/voteoregon/>), **VOTE411.org** and on YouTube. The CCTV schedule and YouTube address will be emailed to AAUW members when available and will also be listed on the CCTV website: <http://schedule.cctvsalem.org/CablecastPublicSite/?channel=1>.

Printed Materials:

LWVOR's Voters' Guides will be available at public libraries by October 8.

LWVOR's Online Voters' Guide will soon be available at vote411.org or LWVOR Vote Oregon (<http://lwvor.org/home/voteoregon/>).



Why look at LWV Voters' Guides? In our *Voters' Guides* we analyze state ballot measures and pose targeted questions to state candidates. Compared to the state *Voters' Pamphlets*, our League *Voters' Guides* have been described as insightful candidate job interviews, while the state *Voters' Pamphlets* are more like job applications, including purchased endorsements.

Click on vote411.org and enter your home address to find information about the candidates and measures that will be on your ballot. **LWVOR Vote Oregon** covers state candidates and ballot measures. Both include video interviews with candidates.

Interest Groups

New members are invited to join a group.

Books

We need a book group.

If interested, please contact Dolores Mlynarczyk.
She will help put a new group together.



Food

Creative Cooking – Wed., Oct. 10, 6:30 p.m.

More info: Call Ruth Edsall

Out to Lunch Bunch – Fri., October 12, 11:30 a.m.

Restaurant: Amadeus, 135 Liberty St. NE

Host: Elaine Walker

Chair: Judy Coyle



Other

Great Decisions - First Monday, Capitol Manor

For more information about this group call Marian Churchill.



Women, Words and Wine – 3rd Thurs., 5:30 p.m.

We discuss what matters to women and encourage new branch members.

For this month's restaurant type into your search bar: Salem Women, Words and Wine.



AAUW Team Discover Pink Walk

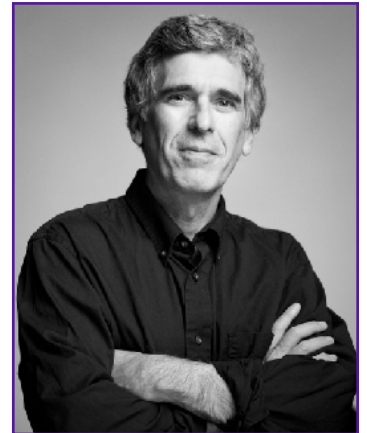
The walk was held on September 29. The Salem Branch AAUW Team was composed of Elaine Walker, guest Betty Lou Garner, new member Roberta Robinson, Mary Bauman and Delores Mlynarczyk.

Salem Peace Lecture—*Journalism vs. Fake News*

Norman Solomon (pictured at right) will speak on “Independent Journalism and Fake News.” He will discuss the role of news media in shaping political consciousness.

The annual Peace Lecture will be held on Wednesday, October 24, at 7:30 p.m. at Willamette University, Mary Stuart Rogers Music Center in Hudson Hall. Everyone is invited to this free event, which is cosponsored by AAUW.

About the speaker: Norman Solomon is an American journalist, media critic, antiwar activist, and former U.S. congressional candidate. Solomon is a longtime associate of the media watch group Fairness & Accuracy In Reporting (FAIR). In 1997 he founded the Institute for Public Accuracy which works to provide alternative sources for journalists and serves as its executive director. Solomon's weekly column, "Media Beat", was in national syndication from 1992 to 2009. [photo]



Peacemaker of the Year Award: Each year a local peacemaker is honored at the Salem Peace Lecture. This year the award will go to the group Salem for Refugees, which provides services and support to refugees who have settled in the Salem area.

Salem Branch Fall Membership Event at Gaiety Hollow

Report and photos by Claudia Carmichael



The first AAUW meeting of 2018-2019 was held on a sunny day in late September at the splendidly historic Gaiety Hollow Home and Garden on Mission St., across from Bush Gardens. More than thirty AAUW members and guests and were treated to docent-led tours of the stately home and garden, now owned by the Lord & Schryver Conservancy.

The property, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was built in 1932 by renowned landscape architects Elizabeth Lord and Edith Schryver. Lord & Schryver, the first all-women landscape architecture company in the Northwest, also designed the glorious gardens that surround the home.

Bobbie Dolp, President of the Conservancy, told the story of how the home and garden came to be purchased by the group in 2005 in an effort to preserve the site, while providing an educational and cultural resource for the community.

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Gaiety Hollow (Continued from Page 6)

Lord and Schryver, whose archives are housed at the University of Oregon, designed nearly 250 gardens in and around the Northwest area over their 40-year career. The women were instrumental in developing unique gardening styles such as using box hedges and brick walkways that make small areas look much larger and siting their buildings at the edge of the property, rather than the center, to allow more room for plantings.



Their influence can also be seen locally in the gardens surrounding the Bush Barn Art Center and Deepwood Estate. Ours was the last tour of the season of this wonderful home and garden, but tours will resume in the spring.

After the tour and refreshments, AAUW President Mary Ellen Dello Stritto presented two short films proudly illustrating AAUW's long and colorful history with the primary purpose of advocating for women and girls.

AAUW members
on tour with docent

Mary Ellen discussed events for the coming year, the most important being that Salem is the site of the State Convention on April 12-14, 2019. The branch will also conduct oral histories with long-time members.

She also mentioned the Pink Walk Team, Eleanor Roosevelt's Birthday Party, and two electoral informational meetings, in conjunction with the League of Women Voters, at both Capital Manor and Loucks Auditorium at the Salem Library.

Mary Ellen reminded us that volunteer help will be needed, especially during the State Convention.





***Renew your Membership
in Salem Branch
through June 2019***

OPTIONS for renewing your membership:

1. Renew your membership online: Click on aauw.org

Click on **Join** at top of page.

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The next page contains the form to fill out to renew your membership.

2. To renew or join as a new member by check:

If you are renewing your membership, please fill out your name and any new contact information.

If you are a Life member, you must pay the \$15 Salem Branch dues (plus \$15 if you want to have the newsletter printed and mailed to you).

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Dues cover AAUW programs, operations and state & local AAUW publications sent by email.
Outlook, the quarterly national AAUW magazine, is mailed to each member.

Dues are: National \$59 (\$56 is tax deductible) + Oregon \$16 + Salem \$15 = \$90

or Life member dues to Salem Branch only = \$15

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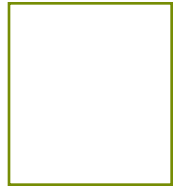
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