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## AAUW Eugene-Lane Branch Meeting

**Saturday, September 9**

Westminster Presbyterian Church

777 Coburg Road, Eugene

Social time: 9:30 am

Business Meeting: 10 am

Program: 10:30 am

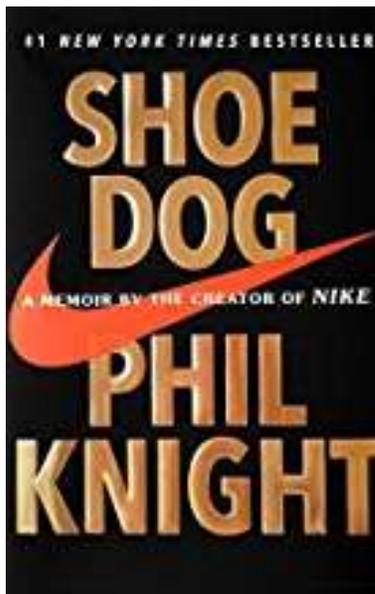
Hostesses: Ardith Hinman and JoAnn Ellis

**Jan Eliot** will be the speaker in a presentation entitled "A Dream Come True".

In 1995 Jan Eliot saw her long-time dream come true, when her comic strip Stone Soup became a syndicated newspaper comic strip. Distributed by Universal Press Syndicate, Stone Soup ran daily in 300 newspapers across the US, Canada, Central America, Romania, India, China and Australia. After 20 years of meeting daily deadlines, Eliot reduced her output to once a week on Sundays. She loves her new schedule and plans to continue it indefinitely.

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## Book Group

The Book Club will meet on September 18 at 2:00pm at Ardith's house.

We are reading Shoe Dog by Phil Knight.

In this candid and riveting memoir, for the first time ever, Nike founder and board chairman Phil Knight shares the inside story of the company's early days as an intrepid start-up and its evolution into one of the world's most iconic, game-changing, and profitable brands.

## Out-to-Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, September 13, 11:30 am

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## The President's Corner

Welcome to the start of the 106th year of Eugene-Lane AAUW. We have many programs and activities planned that reflect the current events unfolding around us. In his 1986 acceptance speech for the Nobel Peace Prize, Holocaust survivor, author, and activist Elie Wiesel said, "We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. Sometimes we must interfere. When human lives are endangered, when human dignity is in jeopardy, national borders and sensitivities become irrelevant. Whenever men or women are persecuted because of their race, religion, or political views, that place must—at that moment—become the center of the universe." I hope that this year you will find opportunities to "take sides" using your presence, your voice, and your actions. AAUW can be a platform to advocate for your views in our community and on a national and global level. Please don't hesitate to contact the Board members if you have a particular issue you want our Branch to discuss, or actions you feel we need to take.

Several of the Eugene-Lane members visited the Brilliant and Resilient: Celebrating the Power of Disabled Women Activists exhibit at the Jordan Schnitzer Art Museum. The photos and biographies of these brave women were inspiring. It was especially disturbing to see that many fairly young women were deal-

ing with disabilities due to polio, a disease that we in the United States have not experienced for 60 years. We are privileged.

As was noted in a recent Reader Board, AAUW members have been receiving fraudulent emails requesting funds by wire transfer or overnight checks. Please be aware of these scams. If you have any questions regarding the authenticity of funds requests please contact Cindy, [cindyparkeraauw@gmail.com](mailto:cindyparkeraauw@gmail.com) or 541-344-4572.

The 19th Amendment to the Constitution affirming women's right to vote was passed on June 6, 1919 and ratified on August 18, 1920. It isn't too early to start planning how our Branch will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It is especially important when voting rights for many citizens are being abridged.

I'm looking forward to a dynamic year and I challenge each of you to choose at least one way in which you can actively participate in making our Branch the best it can be. You can start by bringing a friend or two to our September 9 Branch meeting featuring a wonderful speaker, Jan Eliot. For those of you Duck football fans, our meeting will be over around 11:30, and the Nebraska game doesn't kick off until 1:30. I would be happy to drop you off at Autzen after our meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

*Cindy*

## Member Charleen Justice Receives Ford Family Foundation Restart Scholarship

This summer Charleen graduated from Lane Community College with an Associate of General Studies and an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree. She is continuing to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Planning, Public Policy and Management at the University of Oregon.



Charleen is a recipient of the Ford Family Foundation Restart Scholarship. There are only 46 students selected for this scholarship. It is not a set amount, but is calculated to cover 90% (\$25,000 maximum per academic year) of each student's college costs that are not covered by other resources (such as grants and scholarships).

She also earned the Diversity Excellence Scholarship, which recognizes the academic achievement and potential of students who, through sharing their varied cultural perspectives, will enhance the education of all UO students and the excellence of the University.



# In Loving Memory

## Charlotte Loraine Sabin

*1924 - 2017*

Charlotte Loraine Sabin was born on September 13, 1924 in Aberdeen, Washington to Lester E. and Myrtle E. (Bailey) Calder and died peacefully in her home on July 10, 2017. Charlotte spent her early years in small communities in western Washington State where her father was a logging and forestry engineer until moving to Tacoma where she attended Stadium High and spent a notable summer working in her aunt's gift shop. In 1940 she moved to Eugene with her family and attended Eugene High School, graduating in 1942. She attended the University of Oregon where she was active and held leadership positions in honorary, service and campus organizations and Westminster House, and graduated with a Bachelor's in Business Administration in 1946.

Charlotte met Robert C. Sabin while at the U of O and they were married in 1945 when he returned from his service in WWII. Oregon was home, living in Roseburg, Coburg, Eugene, Salem and Lake Oswego, where she raised two children, cared for extended family, worked to help support their family through Bob's service in the Korean War and his return to the University of Oregon to earn his Masters and Doctorate in Education. After Bob retired, they were able to travel, attending 10th Mountain Division events in Italy and the U.S, visiting family in Greece, Florida and Alaska, and attending



Sabin family reunions throughout the Southwest. Charlotte enjoyed spending time with friends and family, square dancing, her many creative projects, gardening, and church and volunteer activities. In 1999 they moved from Lake Oswego to Eugene to be closer to their grandchildren and other family.

Throughout her life, Charlotte expressed her abilities and beliefs through active involvement and leadership positions in the Presbyterian Church, American Association of University Women (AAUW), Church Women United and other organizations she was committed to. Her work for causes she strongly believed in, her welcoming and caring outreach to others and the friendships she made helped fulfill her need to be connected with others and to make a difference in her world.

As age and slowly increasing dementia reduced her abilities, her spirit and care for others continued to be a strong force in her life and she would often talk about the importance of family and loving each other.

# AAUW Public Policy Priorities

## Adopted June 2017

AAUW's Public Policy Priorities, adopted every two years by every-member vote, establish the federal action issues on which AAUW members across the country focus their advocacy efforts and guide the work of the national staff. States and branches should also use the Public Policy Priorities to inform their advocacy efforts on state and local issues. The strength of the AAUW Public Policy Priorities is that they originate and end with the membership. In the fall of even-numbered years the AAUW Public Policy Committee (APPC) solicits feedback from members and staff to develop proposed Public Policy Priorities based on viability, critical need, strong member support, and potential for distinctive contribution. Once the draft is developed, it is posted online for a comment period and submission of additional proposed revisions. The APPC then finalizes the proposed Public Policy Priorities, and the AAUW Board of Directors reviews, amends as necessary, and approves them before they go to the membership for a vote in the spring of odd-numbered years.

## 2017–19 AAUW Public Policy Priorities

The Public Policy Priorities underscore AAUW's mission of advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research and speak to women's needs, aspirations, and concerns across the life span. The work of AAUW builds upon more than 130 years of responsible public participation, and the following principles provide a basis for AAUW members' actions at the local, state, national, and international levels. Implicit in each of our principles is support for government agencies administering programs, including adequate appropriations, effective and accountable administration, and provision for citizen participation. We advocate public discussion to ensure enlightened decisions on these principles. We work to increase the number of women and other underrepresented populations in policy- and other decision-making positions. AAUW is committed to working in collaboration with diverse allies and coalitions to break through educational and economic barriers for women and girls.

## Public Policy Principles for Action

Basic to all of AAUW's public policy efforts is the understanding that true equity requires a balance between the rights of the individual and the needs of the community. AAUW opposes all forms of discrimination and supports constitutional protection for the civil rights of all individuals.

AAUW believes that high-quality public education is the foundation of a democratic society and the key to economic prosperity and gender equality. We advocate equitable climates free of harassment, bullying, and sexual assault. We support academic freedom, civic education, protection from censorship, bias-free education, and responsible funding for all levels of education, including early childhood education and programs for students with disabilities. We advocate increased access to higher education, especially for women in poverty. We promote equitable efforts to close the persistent achievement gap that disproportionately affects low-income children and students from minority communities.

AAUW promotes the economic, social, and physical well-being of all persons. Essential to that well-being are an economy that provides equitable employment opportunities; reduction of poverty; a living wage; quality, affordable dependent care; paid family and medical leave; safe, livable, and affordable housing; quality, affordable, and accessible health care, including reproductive health care; and a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment. We support a Social Security system that provides inflation-protected, guaranteed lifetime benefits with a progressive benefit formula, spousal and widow benefits, and disability and survivor benefits. We oppose any efforts to undermine Medicare and Medicaid, including privatization and block grant proposals. AAUW recognizes that gun violence is a public health crisis.

AAUW believes in the right to privacy and freedom from violence. We firmly believe in the separation of church and state. We support a fair, balanced, and independent judiciary. We support public budgets that balance individual rights and responsibility to the community. We see an urgent need for meaningful campaign finance reform, open and fair elections, and nonpartisan voter education efforts that will promote equitable political participation and representation in appointed and elected office.

AAUW supports efforts to improve racial, ethnic, and gender justice. This includes creating a diverse culture of involvement, respect, inclusion, and connection, where the richness of ideas, backgrounds, and perspectives is fully appreciated and utilized. AAUW believes that global interdependence requires national and international policies against human trafficking and that promote peace, justice, human rights, sustainable development, and mutual security for all people. We support the civil and human rights of all immigrants, including a fair and just path to legal status. We support a strengthened United Nations and its affiliated agencies. We advocate implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action from the 4th World Conference on Women and subsequent declarations. We affirm our active participation in the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women and our commitment to ratification of the U.N. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). We support international family planning programs that are consistent with AAUW policy.

### **Biennial Action Priorities**

National priorities inform state and local action. Biennial priorities for national action are chosen according to the criteria of viability, critical need, strong member support, and potential for distinctive AAUW contribution or leadership. No order of importance is implied.

#### **To support a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity, and diversity, AAUW advocates**

- Adequate and equitable funding for quality public education for all students
  - Opposition to the use of public funds for nonpublic elementary and secondary education and to charter schools that do not adhere to the same civil rights and accountability standards as required of other public schools
  - Protection of programs that meet the needs of girls and women in elementary, secondary, and post-secondary education, including strong promotion of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education and comprehensive sexual health education
  - Vigorous enforcement of Title IX and all other civil rights laws pertaining to education
- Increased support for and access to affordable higher education for women and disadvantaged populations

- Increased support for programs that break through barriers for women and girls in STEM fields

#### **To achieve economic self-sufficiency for all women, AAUW advocates**

- Pay equity and fairness in compensation and benefits
- Equitable access and advancement in employment, including vigorous enforcement of employment anti-discrimination statutes
- Greater availability of and access to a high standard of benefits and policies that promote work-life balance, including quality and affordable dependent care
- Programs that provide women with education, training, and support for success in the workforce, including nontraditional occupations and women's entrepreneurship
- Strengthening programs, including welfare and career and technical education, to improve postsecondary education access, career development, and earning potential
- Strengthening retirement benefits and programs, including pension improvements and protecting Social Security from privatization

#### **To guarantee equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse society, AAUW advocates**

- Vigorous enforcement of and full access to civil and constitutional rights, including affirmative action and expanding voting rights
  - Self-determination of one's reproductive health decisions
  - Increased access to quality, affordable health care and family planning services, including expansion of patients' rights
  - Freedom from violence and fear of violence, including hate crimes, in homes, schools, workplaces, and communities
  - Support for U.N. programs that address human rights and women's and girls' concerns
  - Freedom in the definition of self and family and a guarantee of civil rights for all family structures
- Passage and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment

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## VISION

**AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.**

## MISSION

**AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.**

## VALUE PROMISE

**By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.**

## DIVERSITY

**In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation national origin, disability or class.**

## The News

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## Monthly Branch Meeting Schedule

Meetings are on Saturday mornings at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 777 Coburg Road, 9:30 a.m. to noon. Programs are subject to change.

Monthly program information is available in the branch newsletter and on the website <http://eugenelane-or.aauw.net/Newsletter>.

### September 9, 2017

"A Dream Come True" by Jan Eliot

### October 4, 2017

"My Career as an AAUW Fellow"  
by Hannah Tavalire

### November 11, 2017

YMCA's Youth and Government in Oregon  
Nekole Bauer, Family YMCA of Marion and Polk Counties

### December 9, 2017

Holiday Brunch with holiday music  
by a girls' choir

### January 13, 2018

"My Career as a Professional Baseball Player" by Lois Youngen

### February 10, 2018

TBA

### March 10, 2018

"Celebrating the Rosies" by Yvonne Fasold

### April 14, 2018

TBA

### May 12, 2018

Annual Meeting

### June 9, 2018

TBA

## Interest and Project Groups

Branch members are invited to join any group. Please call the contact person for details. If you're interested in forming a new group, please contact the branch president.

### Afternoon Book Group—3rd Monday at 2 pm

Meets in homes of members.

Contact Cindy Parker, 541-344-4572

### Alpha Bridge—Every Tuesday at 1:30 pm

Willamalane Senior Activity Center, Springfield

Contact Ardith Hinman 541-747-4310

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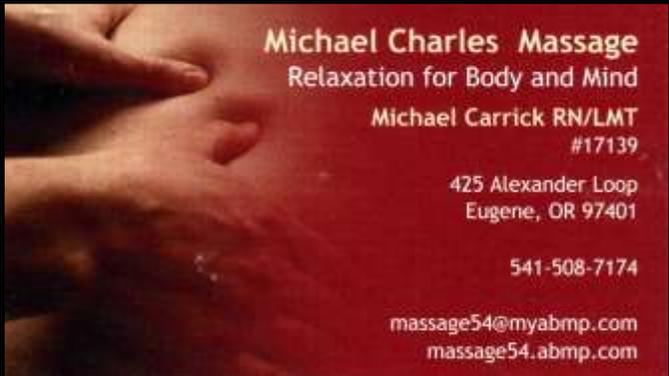
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