Presidents’ News--WA Online Branch--Now a 3 Star branch!

April 7, 2021

Dear Online Branch members:

Do you feel it? Maybe it’s longer days or completed vaccinations, but things are definitely looking up! And there are things to do this month:

**Register for Fabulous Branch program April 22, 2021**

AAUW WA Online Branch Program
Panel Discussion

**Intersections and Change:  Leadership, Philanthropy, and Diversity**

Thursday April 22, 2021     4 – 5 PM Pacific Daylight Time

*Panel starts promptly at 4 pm; meeting “doors” open at 3:30.Come early and visit.*

These days, non-profit organizations must stretch to become more inclusive in their membership and leadership while they expand their fundraising and philanthropy. The challenge is huge and change comes slowly. This panel will examine the intersections of Leadership, Philanthropy, and Diversity. Please join in the conversation by registering today!

 <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtdOCqrj4jH9THuqJQh6mh2DkXrX9Tdf7w>

 The Panel:

* **Juliana Horowitz** is a social science researcher with a decade of experience in domestic and international survey research. As associate director of research at the Pew Research Center, she regularly presents findings on cross national views of equity, the changing family and racial attitudes. Her work on [Women and Leadership](https://www.pewresearch.org/social-trends/2018/09/20/women-and-leadership-2018/) addresses issues about the advancement of women and is central to AAUW’s goals.
* **Melissa Johnsen**, a leader in women’s health, gender issues and philanthropy, is Board Chair of the Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains Action Fund and Past Board Member of AAUW.
* **Lauren Thomas** has been CEO at Hopelink, a social service agency in Redmond supporting homeless families since 2013. Lauren is deeply committed to community and spent her career alleviating poverty and assuring that the resources were always available to reach those goals.

The panelists are women who exemplify leadership and expertise in each of their organizations and across the other areas.  You are invited to contribute your questions and insights as we continue to grow together.  Looking forward to seeing you then.

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**Register for AAUW-WA Annual Meeting: It’s FREE!**

Not only taking care of necessary AAUW-WA business, such as bylaws revisions and elections, there will be terrific speakers including: Kim Churches, AAUW CEO with a compelling argument for expanding membership requirements; Lisa Maatz, dynamic and entertaining policy advocate on employment for women; Michaela Miller from OSPI on post pandemic education in Washington; and Barbara Pope and Virginia Scharff on writing historical fiction.

[**https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aauw-wa-annual-meeting-registration-148654408337**](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aauw-wa-annual-meeting-registration-148654408337)

**Renew your membership in WA Online:**

It’s that time again—renew your AAUW membership and don’t forget WA Online too! Florence has sent you a handy dandy link to do that!

**VOTE in AAUW national election:**

Link and instructions are due to arrive any day now!

 **Update your Calendar:**

\*\*Note a new item for your branch calendar—the Annual meeting May 6.

**April 17, 2021:** AAUW-WA Annual Meeting (Virtual)

**April 22, 2021 4:00 pm:** WA OnlineBranch Program: Leadership, Philanthropy, Diversity

**May 6, 2020 5:00 PM:** WA Online Branch membership meeting on Zoom

**June 15, 2021:** AAUW-WA Health Summit

**July 11-16 2021:** Tech Trek 2021.

See you in May!!

Dorothy and Carolyn