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LAKE OSWEGO-DUNTHORPE ALUMNAE CLUB

FALL | 2018

NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

When we came up with our 2018–2019 theme “**Keep It Simple, Sisters**” (K.I.S.S.), we had a couple of items from Pi Beta Phi’s updated Strategic Plan in mind.

Their first strategy is: “Drive a compelling member experience grounded in **friendship**.” For those of you who have been able to attend our events, you know we heartily welcome new members and strive to provide programming to engage members of all ages.

Another strategy, “Reduce organizational complexity to improve effectiveness,” is one we have embraced this year. We’re sending out simple postcards instead of birthday cards and this simple newsletter rather than a fancy printed one. Everything that a member needs to know can be easily found on our website, too.

I hope to see you at the book bank on September 29 and/or at our **October 25** meeting (invitation to go out soon). Don’t forget to call your pledge sisters and bring them with you so that they can experience our award winning alumnae club first hand. In the meantime, **KISS - #LOsaysKISS** [see below for the Instagram link].

In Pi Phi,
Susan

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WELCOME TO OUR CLUB!

first-time club members as of 09.23.18

Courtney Day Jenkins (OR Alpha 1996)

Judy Aeby Hartwig (OR Beta 1977)

Julie Moore Kimball (WA Alpha 1992)

Marianne McMillan McClenaghan (OR Beta 1976)

Natalie Pepper (OR Alpha 2007)

Stacy McLaughlin Matsuda (OR Beta 1974)

Vicki Lewis Suyat (IL Beta-Delta 1965)

SAVE THESE DATES: 2018–2019 EVENTS

See www.lakeoswegophiphis.org/events.html for more information.

September 9, 2018 ➡ 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We carpoled to Salem to visit the grave of one of Pi Beta Phi's founders (Nancy Black Wallace) and learn more about her. Our new Active Angels Coordinator planned a walk and a place to grab a bite. Salem member Carolyn Much Reil guided us on the route.

September 23, 2018 ➡ 3–5 p.m. in West Linn

We met at Andi Mariani's home in West Linn to officially start our year. Missy Gerber of Organizers Northwest spoke about how to get rid of old books and other items. We collected 23 children's books to donate to The Children's Book Bank. See the next page

September 29, 2018 ➡ Noon–1:30 p.m.

September is Pi Phi's Read > Lead > Achieve® month. We need volunteers to help us at The Children's Book Bank (1915 NE 7th Avenue in Portland - three blocks north of Broadway). Tasks include cleaning, sorting and bundling books. Our club will also make a donation.

October 25, 2018 ➡ 6:30–8:30 p.m. in Lake Oswego

Kathy Gadler is hosting us in her home and will talk about resources for health issues (serious illnesses, aging parents, etc.). Dessert will be served.

December 8, 2018 ➡ 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Portland Alumnae Club (our sister club) is planning this year's holiday luncheon. The Silent Auction is our primary fundraiser of the year.

April 27, 2019 ➡ 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Our club is in charge of this year's Founders' Day luncheon. We are looking for a new place to hold it so stay tuned for more information.

We have several more events planned this year in addition to Interest Group events. Please see the Events web page at www.lakeoswegophiphis.org for the most current information.



A portion of each of our member's dues is used to support Pi Beta Phi Foundation, collegians and literacy programs.

The current **SHINE THROUGH** campaign will continue through this year's convention. As quoted from the campaign's chairman:

"With your loyal support, Pi Beta Phi will build operational resources to leverage our growth and sustainability, prepare members to lead in collaborative and innovative ways, provide collegians and alumnae with financial support to access increasingly expensive education, champion literacy initiatives that inspire readers to reach their true potential and advance collegiate housing that drives member satisfaction."

<https://www.pibetaphifoundation.org/campaign/about-shine-through>

HERITAGE HIKE IN SALEM

On September 9, a beautiful "fall" day, we carpoled to Salem to visit the grave of one of Pi Beta Phi's founders (Nancy Black Wallace) and learn more about her. **Jennifer Roberts Johnson**, our new Active Angels Coordinator, planned the walk and a place to grab a bite.

Carolyn Much Reil (pictured to the right), a member who lives in Salem, took time out of her BUSY schedule to meet and guide us on the circuitous route through the beautiful, older neighborhood located between the cemetery and

FairWay Restaurant, the wonderful place where we enjoyed lunch and visiting after the walk. Carolyn is the Membership Specialist for Collegiate Region 7.

Jennifer received some information from Pi Beta Phi's Historian Fran DeSimone Becque about Nancy Black Wallace's life and presented those interesting facts to the group. Nancy Black Wallace passed away 100 years ago on **September 23, 1918**, while visiting family in Pennsylvania.

Not pictured above: Susan's sister-in-law Joyce Maxwell who is the mother of a Pi Phi. She was our photographer for the day.



RECAP FROM OUR SEPTEMBER 23 EVENT

Thank you to everyone who participated!



Andi Anderson Mariani opened up her lovely home in West Linn for our kick-off event. As September is **Pi Beta Phi's Read > Lead > Achieve month**, we had attendees bring children's books to donate next weekend to The Children's Book Bank. **23 books!!!** ♥

President **Susan Jonnatti Maxwell** started the meeting out by installing our club's new Vice President of Finance **Megan Duerk** (sunglasses) who is doing a fantastic job.

Next on the agenda was the Golden Arrow Ceremony for **Vicki Lewis Suyat** (in the fuchsia jacket). Vicki came to a club event in 2010 and then moved out of our area soon after. A few weeks ago Susan was asked if we would have the ceremony for Vicki. Her former club in Honolulu had sent her a Golden Arrow pin as a gift. How sweet that was of them!



Collegiate Region 7 Membership Specialist **Carolyn Much Reil** (lower left) gave us an update on how fall recruitment is going in our region. So far this fall, 416 New Members have pledged Pi Phi. Oregon Alpha will hold formal recruitment early in October. Carolyn just attended a meeting for all international officers at Pi Phi Headquarters in St. Louis and shared some news about the **SHINE THROUGH** campaign (see the previous page).

Sustaining club member **Missy Gerber** (in yellow), owner of Organizers Northwest, gave us valuable tips for eliminating waste by following the 5S (Sort, Set in Order, Shine, Standardize and Sustain) principles. Contact Missy at (503) 245-3564 if you missed her presentation and would like a copy of her handout materials.



Our club's Panhellenic Delegate **Cynthia Knox Guenther** (on the right in the second photo from the top left) told us about Portland Alumnae Panhellenic's plans for 2018-2019. They are supporting Raphael House again and will still be collecting returnable bottles and cans. The funds raised are used to support their scholarship program. In the past, Pi Beta Phi members have generously given to P.A.P.'s philanthropies so let's keep up the good work, ladies. For more information, contact Cynthia at (541) 217-4360.



Welcome to **Marianne McMillan McClenaghan** and **Judy Aeby Hartwig** (lower right), two new members who attended their first Lake Oswego-Dunthorpe Alumnae Club event.

After the meeting we enjoyed Andi's marvelous heavy hors d'oeuvres and some cookies. ♥



NEWS FROM OUR TWO OREGON CHAPTERS

We hope to participate in some collegiate events at our two Oregon chapters this year as we have in the past. We will let you know about any future plans in our monthly newsletters and on our website.

FROM CLUB MEMBER GILLIAN TOBIN, AAC CHAIRMAN AT OREGON ALPHA:

This past year has been a busy one at Oregon Alpha (University of Oregon)! The chapter was awarded the "Best Sisterhood" award at the annual Fraternity and Sorority Life Awards along with earning honors as one of the top academically performing houses on campus. Graduating Senior Bridget Weitman was awarded the Chapter Service Award for Outstanding Servant Leadership from Pi Beta Phi Collegiate Region 7. Bridget is continuing her service to Pi Beta Phi this year as she works as a traveling Leadership Development Consultant.

The chapter raised over \$7,000 at their annual Pi Social Fundraiser held in May and donated the money to the Pi Beta Phi Foundation. Forty-eight seniors graduated in June and were celebrated at their last chapter meeting with Pi Phi's Senior Ceremony and a necklace with the GPS coordinates of 1518 Kincaid. The necklaces were generously gifted by the Lake Oswego-Dunthorpe and Portland Alumnae Clubs.

Oregon Alpha is looking forward to a fun and productive recruitment in October. Their Fall Philanthropy event, Pizza with Pi Phi, is scheduled for November 7, 2018, and is open to everyone! Initiation for the new member class is scheduled for January 12, 2019. All alumnae are invited to attend initiation. If you are interested in attending or would like more details, please contact Hildy Tritch at hildur.tritch@comcast.net.

FROM CRISTA COVEN WRAY, AAC CHAIRMAN AT OREGON GAMMA:

Oregon Gamma (Willamette University) has had an eventful year! The women hosted a new philanthropy, Pi Beta Pancake, in the spring which was a successful event. The current Vice President of Philanthropy Madi McNeely also won the Pi Beta Phi Foundation Oregon Gamma Scholarship! The chapter won several Order of Omega awards for: Outstanding Efforts in Sustainability, Outstanding Risk Management, and Diversity and Inclusion. Order of Omega also granted Tessa Harvey an award for Outstanding Volunteerism. Additionally at Order of Omega Awards it was announced that our chapter had four of the top ten GPAs in the Greek Community - Anya Clowers, Mariana Navarro, Karmen Chavez-Sam and Morgan Penning.

As Willamette University holds primary recruitment in January, you still have a few months to send in RIFs. If you know a Willamette student who is interested in going through recruitment, please send a RIF (found on pibetaphi.org) to the Recruitment Chair, Maggie Mellecker, at mlmellecker@willamette.edu.

I also would like to welcome our two new AAC members from last year - Kayla Walther Escher, AAC VP Philanthropy, and Lauren Irving Casler, AAC VP Membership Development. We have two vacant positions on our AAC for VP of Administration and VP of Housing. If you are interested in either position, please email Crista Wray at cristawray@gmail.com.