### BHRW Newsletter - September 2019



# President's Message



Dear Members,

Summer has ended and we kicked off fall with our Candidates Dinner. It was a wonderful evening with a motivating keynote speaker, Senator Dennis Linthicum. We enhanced the evening with a jazzy band and

successful silent auction. The best part of the evening was meeting some wonderful women who are interested in joining us. We look forward to their membership!

Three of our members represented BHRW and OFRW at the NFRW Biennial Convention in Indianapolis, IN. Juanita Lint accepted our Diamond Award, the highest club achievement award. I am so proud of our club: thanks to all who helped make it happen!

The OFRW Biennial Convention is coming soon: October 18 – 20 at the Seven Feathers Convention Center in Canyonville. Juanita Lint and Gayla Hyer will join me as the BHRW delegates. Sue Zike, Laurel Regan and Alison Kettenhofen will be there as OFRW officers and standing committee chair. It's not too late to register and get in on the fun! It will be a great opportunity to meet members from other state clubs and learn.

We have two more engaging meetings planned this year and in December we will enjoy each other's company with our annual Christmas party. The year is flying by! Come join us before the year is over!

Melissa

### **BHRW News**

### **☆ BHRW's Membership Garden Party**

On August 21 several BHRW members and prospective members gathered at Laurel Regan's home for some delicious hors d'oeuvre, wine and comradery. In spite of the unseasonable rain, Laurel's garage transformed into a welcoming gathering spot. And we now have two new members!

#### **☆** Candidates Dinner

Sixty-eight BHRW members, family, friends and like-minded newcomers enjoyed a wonderful dinner and evening at Rock Creek Country Club. Senator Dennis Linthicum, District 28, gave a

moving speech on "Supporting Republican Principles" plus "The Tale of the Oregon 11". Roy Rogers, Washington County Commissioner, spoke of "The Changing Governance of the County". Three future candidates spoke about their evolving campaigns: Washington



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County Sheriff Pat Garrett; District 24 Representative Ron Noble (McMinnville area) and Yamhill County Commissioner candidate, Lindsay Berschauer.

A few new elements to the evening made things sparkle. The Broommates, a saxphone quartet, crooned during cocktail hour. A 10-item silent auction (ranging from a round of golf, to shooting lessons, to Havanna cigars and Halloween décor) raised over \$1,000 for BHRW scholarships and donations. The Trump wear sold out! Sunflower centerpieces graced all the tables. And the biggest addition??? ONLINE RESERVATIONS and PAYMENT!! It worked well and only two attendees paid at the door! Several guests enjoyed the evening and are likely to join our ranks.

Big thank you to the ad hoc Dinner Committee and silent auction donors. It was a lovely evening!

Please see photos from the evening on the last page and at <a href="www.bhrwf.org">www.bhrwf.org</a>

## **☆ NFRW Biennial Conference – Indianapolis**

Sue Zike, Laurel Regan and Juanita Lint attended the 2019 NFRW Biennial Convention in Indianapolis in September, in part, to accept BHRW's Diamond Achievement Award for the club's 2018 - 2019 programs and events. Sue and Laurel also represented the Oregon Federation as elected delegates. All three also attended leadership training and heard inspiring national-level Republicans who know the Washington, DC scene and President Trump, such as RNC Chairwoman Ronna McDaniel, California RNC Committeewoman and conservative attorney, Harmeet Dhillon, IL Rep. Adam Kitzinger, Republican loyalist and Foundation for Liberty and American Greatness (FLAG) founder, Nick Adams. Of most importance was the appearance Vice-President Mike Pence at the Regent's Reception.

What an outstanding group of speakers who support President Trump, America and the Federation of Republican Women! We are all well-respected at the highest level of the party and government.

Faced with serious financial stress and past membership losses, NFRW delegates approved raising National dues from \$10 to \$20 per member, beginning January 2020. This has important consequences for OFRW and BHRW as well. It will be a topic of discussion in upcoming meetings.



At the club level, thanks to Juanita Lint and Sue Zike for marshalling the 2-year club program, scoring 262 points out of a possible 306 for the NFRW Club

Achievement Award. Diamond awards are given

for accrued points over 220. BHRW blew by that score by 42 points!! Watch for the diamond studded pin on our President Melissa's lapel.



The BHRW's Volunteer Campaign hours totaled 19,571! Elaine Woods, BHRW Legislative Chair, earned the highest hours for the club with 3,974. It appears BHRW volunteered the highest number of hours in Oregon, but our hours were not enough to compete with clubs our size at the national level. Some of the clubs reported over 100,000 hours. Use those calendars. Write those hours down. NEXT TWO YEARS LADIES!!! WE CAN DO THIS!!

# **Upcoming BHRW Meetings:**

**☆ Our monthly luncheon meetings** are usually the third Thursday of the month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, unless otherwise noted, at:

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**Rock Creek Country Club** 5100 NW Neakhanie Ave. Portland, OR 97229 (see map)

Our meeting is usually \$22 per person, including lunch and speaker.

The program for our October 17 luncheon meeting will be an interactive program led by Melissa Laird on effective leadership and team building. We will also elect 2020 BHRW officers. The recommended slate is as follows:

President: Melissa Laird 1st Vice-President: Juanita Lint 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Presidents: Alison Kettenhofen, and Susan Pozdena Recording Secretary: Gayla Hyer Corresponding Secretary: Pam Wilson

Don't forget to bring donations for the Veterans Dessert Nov 12. See items needed

### Please RSVP and pay online

at <a href="http://www.bhrwf.org/">http://www.bhrwf.org/</a> by Monday, October 14

Our website is now secure to make your purchase and does not store any of your personal or credit card information.

Another option is to RSVP to Alison Kettenhofen at alisonkett123@yahoo.com or (971) 246-5794 and pay at the door.

At our November 21 luncheon meeting, associate member Gary Wilhelms will present the history Oregon's House and Senate redistricting and the expectations for the upcoming effort. Redistricting has a significant effect on the future of Oregon politics. Don't miss this speaker!

Our December meeting is a holiday meeting at the home of Gail Wilhelms where we will enjoy a potluck, gift exchange and install our 2020 officers. Gail always surprises us with a game of some sort. Stay tuned for details!

#### **☆ BHRW's Red Shoe Book Club**

Who: YOU!!

What: Read and discuss books from the NFRW Mamie Eisenhower Library Project booklist. When: 4th Monday of every month at 10:30 a.m. Where: Café Murrayhill in Beaverton, 14500 SW Murray Scholls Dr., Beaverton, OR 97007

Contact alisonkett123@yahoo.com

# **☆** For the latest, don't forget:

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## **2019 Candidates Dinner Photographs**

Pat Garrett Roy Rogers













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