

A Brief History of Edmonds SnoKing Branch

Believing in AAUW's mission of advancing equity for women and girls, a group of women met on October 4, 1973, to establish the Edmonds Branch. During that first year, 1973-1974, fifty members joined. Early branch programs focused on equity in education, the changing world of women, and social concerns both global and local.

By 1987, local scholarships were in place with a budget item of \$125. Although the number and amount have varied through the years, scholarships have been a continuous commitment for our branch.

Projects and partnerships have increased our knowledge and community connections. These have included: candidates forums co-sponsored with the League of Women Voters; Expanding Your Horizons, a full-day workshop for high school girls emphasizing the STEM areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics; and support for Project Home Association, a transitional housing program benefiting homeless or near-homeless students at Edmonds Community College. In addition, study groups on a variety of topics have been organized.

In May, 2013, our branch name was changed to Edmonds SnoKing to reflect the fact that our members live in Lynnwood, Shoreline, Mill Creek, Mountlake Terrace, Lake Forest Park, and Bothell, in addition to Edmonds. With our 40th anniversary we are Remembering the Past and Looking to the Future. Now, and in the future, we continue to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Remembering the Past, Looking to the Future

The 40th Anniversary of Edmonds Branch



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

**Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of
Edmonds Branch of AAUW
Saturday, November 9, 2013**

Remembering the Past, Looking to the Future

- 1:45 pm Arrival
Music provided by Madeline Hile and Mariah Conley
- 2 to 2:30 pm Social time
Hors d'oeuvres, punch, coffee and tea
- 2:30 pm Remembering the Past
- ❖ Welcome by emcee Sunny Strong
 - ❖ Kelvie Comer, co-president of Washington State AAUW
 - ❖ Memories of charter members and past presidents, read by Roberta Jonnet, Sharon McGinnis, and Debby Smith
- 3:30 pm Break
- 3:45 pm Champagne and cake
Toast by Roberta Jonnet
- 4:15 pm Looking to the Future
- ❖ Past president, Phyllis Keiley-Tyler
 - ❖ 2013 scholarship recipients, Erica Teasely and Samantha Randall
 - ❖ Closing remarks—Sunny Strong

Past Presidents

Ann Thomas, 1973–1975
Dorothea Hawley, 1975–1977
Susan Vukich, 1977–1979
Geraldine Buchmeier, 1979–1981
Patricia Peckol, 1981–1983
Joyce Mansfield, 1983–1985
Sheila Coon, 1985–1987
Norma Kruger, 1987–1989
Vera Keller, 1989–1991
Mary C. Jones, 1991–1993
Mary Jo Bevan, 1993–1995
Ellen Williams, 1995–1997
Paulette Johnson and Kris McMullen, 1997–1999
Lee Henderson and Barbara Wilson, 1999–2001
Judith Zoellick, 2001–2003
Lori Cross, 2003–2007
Jo Parkening and Janice Holsbo, 2007–2009
Helen Behan and Pat Katona, 2009–2010
Helen Behan, 2010–2011
Phyllis Keiley-Tyler, 2011–2013

Charter Members

Susan Vukich Barbara Bentson
Alyce Wiggins Barbara Wilson

2013 Scholarship Recipients

Erika Teasely graduated from Edmonds Woodway High School in June, 2013, and is studying biomedical engineering at the University of Washington with the goal of a bachelor's degree and possibly master's degree in science.

Samantha Randall is a sophomore at Edmonds Community College and wants to earn a BS in chemical engineering. She hopes to be involved in research or pharmaceuticals later in her career.