#### 2023-2024

# **Year End Report**

President: Jodi Forsell

Finance: Harriet Fuji

Secretary: Sita Bhaskaran

Membership: Linda Clay

Program: Ann McNulty

Communication: open

Community Connection: Elena Cervantes

Scholarship: Cathy Draper and Lori Cross

Public Policy: Sandra Distelhorst

# **Programs**

**Saturday, September 9, 10:00 a.m. – Noon.** AAUW Edmonds SnoKing (WA) Branch – 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION! Hazel Miller Hall, Edmonds College, 20020 68th Ave W, Lynnwood, WA 98036.

**Saturday, October 14, 10:00 a.m. – Noon.** Edmonds College Snohomish Hall, Room 338. Our October meeting will feature Roxana Gomez of the Washington ACLU speaking on issues facing school boards in Washington .

**Sunday, November 19, 2023, 2:00PM – 3:00PM, on Zoom. Registration is free but required.** Our November meeting will be a joint meeting with the Seattle branch. They are hosting via Zoom and features Patricia "Patsy" Whitefoot.

Patricia 'Patsy' L. Whitefoot is a member of Yakama Nation, an Indigenous elder, activist and professional educator along with being the traditional food gatherer for the Toppenish Creek Longhouse. She served as the President of the National Indian Education Association and President Obama appointed her as a member of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education. She is a prominent advocate for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, and Indigenous rights.

**Saturday, December 9, 2023. 11AM.** Holiday Potluck Luncheon and Gift Auction. Ann McNulty's house.

**Saturday, January 13, 2024. 10 a.m. to noon**, Edmonds College Snohomish Hall, Room 338. Branch meeting. Our own Sandra Distlehorst will give us an update on the AAUW-related public policy issues facing Washington and any related legislation to be introduced into the legislature. We'll also talk about lobby week and how to prepare.

**Saturday, February 10, 2024. 10 a.m. to noon**, Edmonds College Snohomish Hall, Room 338. Branch meeting. Costume designer Diane Johnson will speak on, "And It Has Pockets! The Battle for Women's Clothing Equality." Join Diane to dig into pockets to determine if the battle for equality may still be decided by a few inches of extremely influential fabric.

**Saturday, March 9, 2024. 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**, Branch meeting. Location Mountlake Terrace Large Meeting Room, Mountlake Terrace Library, 23300 58th Ave W, Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043. Debbie Dimitre will give a performance as Rachel Carson – American scientist, marine biologist and author of SILENT SPRING, the book many believe started the environmental movement!

**Saturday, April 13, 2024. 10 a.m. to noon**, Edmonds College Snohomish Hall, Room 338. Branch meeting. This is our business meeting, election of officers, and we will also take an opportunity to socialize with brunch on the agenda!

Saturday, May 11, 2024. 10 a.m. - Noon. Edmonds College Snohomish Hall, Room 338.

Branch meeting. <u>Days for Girls</u> is turning periods into pathways by increasing access to menstrual care and education. <u>April Haberman</u> of *Days for Girls* will speak about the organization and local and international needs for girls.

Saturday, June 8, 9:45 a.m. to noon, Edmonds College, Woodway Hall. Scholarship Awards Event.

### **Additional activities**

In October we held our first ever "meet the candidate" in Edmonds City Park. We had over 20 candidate come speak to us with approximately 30 other people in attendance

We had a clothing drive for WSU/Everett campus for their clothing closet for graduating seniors

Every month we met and had 'coffee and conversations" which rotated between local coffee shops in the greater Snohomish/King county area

#### Awards:

J-Anne Carlson, Edmonds College Yulia Fedorchenko, WSU Everett Cheri Heng, HM Jackson High School Hailey Sawyers, Marysville Getchell High School Elizabeth Carlson, Mountlake Terrace High School

Scholarship award winners received \$2,000 /each