

AAUW Ashland Branch and Fundraising

Yearly dues to be an AAUW member are \$75.00. This amount is distributed three ways:

1. \$49.00 to National AAUW;
2. \$15.00 to Oregon State AAUW;
3. \$11.00 to AAUW Ashland Branch – about \$2000 in total was received for 2009.

As you can see \$11.00 per person is not a great deal of money with which to run an organization and provide meetings, socials, events, etc. to the membership. The bulk of the monies that are used to run the branch are raised through fundraising efforts.

Items for which funds are raised:

Meeting Space Rental	New Member Coffees
Honors Brunch	Abuse Pamphlets
Newsletter	AWSEM
Directories	WIN
Website	Hospitality
Programs	

Fundraising efforts are implemented in the following instances:

1. In February each year there is an appeal for scholarship donations
2. In May each year the branch hosts an Honors Brunch. This is not a fundraiser but each member is asked to purchase a ticket.
3. Women In Need (WIN) donations are accepted at any time. For members not able to purchase items, a check can be written as a donation.
4. The yearly Garden Tour is held in June and members are expected to purchase 2 tickets. This is the main Branch Fundraiser for the year.
5. National AAUW has an “Action Fund” (formerly the Legal Advocacy Fund and the Educational Foundation). This fund is used to combat sex discrimination (how – lawsuits, court actions, legislation?) in higher education and the workplace. From time to time the local coordinator will host some type of fundraising activity and donations can be made at any time.