



Welcome to Port Townsend Branch Meeting September 16, 2017

This is our neighborhood group “get acquainted” meeting.

Today's Contest: Get to Know the Facts

- You have 4-5 questions at your table to discuss.
- The questions focus on women's issues, historic milestones for women, AAUW's current research, programs and lobbying efforts.
- You will have 15 minutes to note down responses.
No fair looking things up on your cell phones!
- Then we'll reveal the answers (see next slides)
- You'll be surprised!

Table 1 *Issues at AAUW's National Level*

- How much more do college graduates earn over a lifetime, than non-college graduates?
Although results vary by major, overall, a college degree doubles the earnings of a high school graduate over a life time.
- What Year did Title IX Pass and what rights does it protect?
1972/Title IX prohibits sex discrimination in education
- Based on current data, if the movement toward equal pay continues at the current rate, what year will women achieve pay equity?
2059
Females represent 56% of higher education enrollees, but take on more student loans than males, graduate to a pay gap and have less disposable income to repay the loans. They take longer to pay back their loans and as a result, women hold nearly 2/3^{rds} of the outstanding loan debt in the US — more than \$800 billion.

Table 2 *Women in Leadership Roles*

- What Percentage of US Governors are women?
12%
- What percentage of US Senators and US Representatives are Women?
20 -19%
- Approx. what percentage of women are Mayors in 2017 in cities larger than 30,000?
19%
- What percentage of Corporate CEO's are women in fortune 500 companies?
4%

Table 3 *Women and Technology*

- What percentage of post college jobs focus on science and technology?
 US Labor and Statistics: 50% but predictions are that will increase to 77% in the next few years
 [STEM jobs currently have low unemployment rates, higher salaries and larger job growth than other post college jobs.]
- What percentage of women are in the engineering fields?
 12%
- How much less do female STEM graduates earn compared to their male counterparts?
 1/3rd less according to Scientific American
- Approximately how many females have flown into orbit as NASA Astronauts?
 40

Table 4 *What has AAUW PT Been Up To?*

- What year did Port Townsend's AAUW Branch begin?
 1947
- Approximately how many dollars in Scholarships has AAUW-PT or UWF provided to local women and girls in the last 5 years?
 Over \$150,000
- Approximately how many girls have attended Tech Trek camps from the State of Washington in the last 5 years?
 Over 650
- How many students have received tutoring services from PT Branch members or other volunteers in the last 5 years?
 Approximately 1,500 students benefited from these programs

Table 5 *Women Leading the Way*

- What percentage of women reported contributions to candidates for federal office in the 2016 election?
[43%: The highest number of female donors in any national election](#)
- What female was the longest sitting Labor Secretary in US History and the first woman appointed to a US Cabinet position?
[Francis Perkins 1933-1945 executing many aspects of the New Deal](#)
- What year was the First Woman's Rights Conference held in the US which was called the Seneca Falls Convention?
[1848](#)
- Who was the first woman featured on US Currency?
[Pocahontas 1865 – 1869](#)
or
[Lucy Holcomb Pickens who appeared on confederate bills in 1862](#)

Table 6 *Women in US History*

- Who was the first woman to run for the office of President of the US (Hint: Which occurred before women could vote)
[Victoria Woodhull ran for President in 1872](#)
- Who was the only member of Congress to vote NO on an emergency vote to declare war on Germany and who opposed participation in US participation in WWII?
[Jeannette Rankin: Montana 1916-1919 and 1941-1943 a life-long pacifist was instrumental in proposing legislation which eventually became the 19th Constitutional Amendment, granting unrestricted voting rights to women championed the causes of gender equality and civil rights throughout a career which spanned more than six decades](#)
- Who was called the “First Lady of the World” for her work on Human Rights?
[Eleanor Roosevelt](#)
- When did women of color attain the right to vote in the US?
[1964](#)

Table 7 *Statistics We Would Like to Change*

1. Women are more likely than men to live in poverty in the US. By what percentage is poverty more likely for women than men?

[Women are 35% more likely than men to live in poverty in the US](#)

2. What percentage of US public school children qualified for free or reduced lunches in 2015?

[Over 52%](#)

3. How much in total wages are lost per year due US women (who are working full time) but receiving less in wages than men?

[\\$840 billion dollars per year](#)

4. What educational law has been instrumental in getting colleges and universities to address the startling increase in campus rape?

[Title IX- which now faces budget cuts for enforcement and implementation](#)