

AAUWOak Ridge Tennessee Branch

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February 2018

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, February 26, 11:30 am Oak Ridge First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102

Edwena Crowe will discuss a program which provides mentoring and scholarships to inspire young people to succeed in college and in life at the General Meeting of the AAUW, Oak Ridge Branch, on Monday, February 26.The program is called Men of Tomorrow and by extension, Women of Tomorrow.

A luncheon of soups and sandwiches and dessert cookies, catered by The Soup Kitchen, will be served at 11:30 a.m. at a cost of \$8. Reservations may be made by calling Mary Uziel at 483-1043 or Nita Barnes at 719-0146.

Mrs. Crowe, who is employed by Bechtel is on assignment for Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC as Director of Documents and Records Management at the Pantex (Amarillo, Texas) and Y-12 (Oak Ridge) Nuclear Weapons sites.

She is a member of the Methodist Medical Center Foundation Board, the Scarboro Learning Center, and the University of Tennessee (Knoxville) School of Systems and Industrial Engineering Advisory Board. She serves also on the South Carolina State University Foundation Board and as one of the Coordinators for the Men of Tomorrow Foundation.



Edwena Crowe

Those attending the February 26 meeting are encouraged to bring items, which are not covered by food stamps, for donation to ADFAC (Aid for Distressed Families of Appalachian Co Counties). Such items include laundry soap and cleaning liquids, personal care items such as tooth brushes, tooth paste, toilet soaps, and paper items such as toilet paper and paper towels.



Message from Co-Presidents

In the bleak mid-winter with its cold, snows, and flu epidemics, each of us needs something(s) in which to look forward. On Monday, February 26, AAUW will present a program on Men of Tomorrow, which is extending to Women of Tomorrow. Since its founding in 1881, AAUW has stressed equality for women—equal opportunities, equal rights, and equal pay. AAUW advocates for assistance that can bring gender equity. Come and bring a friend to learn from Edwena Crowe's presentation.

Virginia Jones and her committee keep us informed about proposed government policies and their effects on women. We are encouraged to be good citizens by contacting our government representatives to request that they vote in specific ways that do not harm women. If you are interested in how laws and cultures affect women, be sure to check on AAUW's March Oak Ridge Public Library display on Women and the Law.

We have received thirteen applicants for our RSCC scholarship. Kay Moss, Stella Schramm, Fay Martin, and I reviewed these applications and chose a recipient. We shall announce the winner when RSCC lets us know the name associated with the applicant number we selected. As you recall, the recipient receives tuition payment for a 3-hour course. Currently this amount is \$543 to be sent to the RSCC Finance Department. The recipient also receives a free AAUW student membership. Thank you, Kay, for a job well done.

Peggy Emmett announces that the new AAUW Chief Executive Officer, Kim Churches, is planning to come to the March 17 AAUW-TN meeting in Murfreesboro. This event would be a good time to meet and talk with her.

Hope to see and talk with each of you at our February 26th General Meeting.

-- Mayme Crowell Fay Martin



Patricia Pierce

ORICL Class on Gender Equity

AAUW member, Patricia Pierce, is teaching a class on gender equity during the Winter/Spring month sessions of the Oak Ridge Institute for Continued Learning (ORICL) at Roane State Community College campus. The title of the class is "National Women's Equality Initiative by Vision 2020." The first class was February 13th, second class is February 27th, and last class is March 6th. Questions about class registration can be directed to ORICL office at 865-481-8222.

Patricia has over 30 years of experience in diversity and gender equity and has taught numerous workshops on these issues locally, nationally, and internationally.

We Care About Our Members

If you know of illness or death in the family of a member, please contact Sophy Littrell, 291-7589, sylittrell@yahoo.com.



Celebrating Woman's Suffrage

The Febb and Harry Burn Memorial will be unveiled at Market Square, Knoxville, on June 9. The deadline for brick purchase is May 15. The Suffrage Coalition will be looking for volunteers to help with activities leading up to June 9 as well as on the unveiling day. Volunteer to be a part of history! Contact the Suffrage Coalition website at www.suffragecoalition.org.

The Road to Suffrage: Knoxville—A program of the Tennessee Woman Suffrage Centennial Collaborative Celebrating the Achievement, Continuing the Legacy: The Tennessee Woman Suffrage Centennial, 1920-2020, history event will be held at the East Tennessee History Center on Sunday, March 18 from 1:00-4:00 pm. Check www.eastTNhistory.org website for more Information. A special workshop for teachers will be Held on Saturday, March 17 from 9:00-3:00 pm

exploring women's history with classroom strategies and resources shared. Contact Lisa Oakley, oakley@eastTNhistory.org for more information about this class.

A new book about Tennessee's role in woman's suffrage will be discussed by author, Elaine Weiss, on Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 pm at the East Tennessee History Center. The title of the book is *The Woman's Hour*. Ms. Weiss will answer questions and be available to sign the book.

-Patricia Pierce



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February 28: Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Panera's

Book Group is cancelled in February and March because of the flu season.

Ruth Johnson Smiley, Newsletter Editor smileyrcj@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

March: Women's History Month

AAUW, Oak Ridge Public Library, display case

March: Women's Lobby Day on the Hill, Nashville (date and time TBA)

March 16-17: AAUW State Board Meeting, AAUW Tennessee Convention and Annual Business Meeting, hosted by Murfreesboro Branch (time and place TBA)

March 26: Branch General Meeting, 11:30 am

March 28: Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Jersey Milk

April: Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April 10: Equal Pay Day