



AAUW Oak Ridge Tennessee Branch

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January 2018

GENERAL MEETING

**Monday, January 22, 11:30 am
Oak Ridge First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102**

Jacene Phillips, AIA, Senior Project Manager for Studio Four Designs, Inc, an architectural and design company in Knoxville since 2002, will discuss the designing of the new Senior Center in Oak Ridge at the January 22, 2018 General Meeting of AAUW (American Association of University Women) at First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102 at 11:30 a.m.

A graduate of the University of Tennessee School of Architecture, Jacene will discuss how the Senior Center was designed to meet the needs of Oak Ridge.

A soup and sandwich luncheon, with dessert cookies, catered by The Soup Kitchen will be served at 11:30 a.m., with the meeting beginning at 12 noon. The cost of the luncheon is \$8. Iced tea and coffee will also be provided. Reservations may be made by calling Mary Uziel at 483-1043 or Nita Barnes at 719-0146 by Wednesday, January 17. Reservations are needed also for those who may not have lunch or may bring a sack lunch to ensure adequate seating. Reservations may be cancelled up to Sunday evening, January 21. If your reservation is not cancelled, please reimburse the AAUW treasurer for the cost of your lunch. Thank you.



Jacene Phillips

Those who attend the meeting are encouraged to bring items for Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties (ADFAC) including laundry and cleaning supplies, personal care items such as toilet paper, pampers, toothpaste, tooth brushes, shampoo, etc. since the cost of these is not covered by food stamps.



Message from Co-Presidents

Greetings to you all for the New Year!

We had some good news from Wanda Sobieski of the Suffrage Coalition about the Burn Memorial. She sent a photo of the sculptures of Febb and Harry Burn and mentioned that they are ready to go to the foundry and should be finished by mid-April. At our next meeting, we will provide more information about this project, such as added fundraising, the parade and unveiling of the sculptures.

The “Seeds for Education” December Holiday Tea was a big success. Thanks again to Sophy Littrell for her ideas and for bringing several cuttings, and thanks to all who took part in the seeds, cuttings, and plant exchange.

As the New Year begins:

Let us sow seeds of kindness
to all peoples of the world.
Let us sow seeds of knowledge
and thus educate the world.
Let us sow seeds of wisdom
and strive for Peace to all the world.

—*Fay Martin*
Mayme Crowell



Holiday Green Tea Hospitality Committee Report

Twenty-two members and guests enjoyed our 2017 Holiday Green Tea at the First Presbyterian Church Activities Building from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 10. This event is truly a team effort and the Hospitality Committee offers a sincere “Thank You” to the many Branch members who so generously and enthusiastically supported it.

Many thanks to Karen Fuhrman, who could not attend, but stored our dishes, planned and packed decorations for the tea a month ahead of time, and even included seasonal decorations for the upcoming January and February General Meetings; to Jean Hiser who created lovely bouquets from her garden for each of the tables and welcomed guests at the door with a greeting and a nametag; to Anne Garcia who successfully promoted the affair to our sister organizations and showed up early and stayed late to help with setup, serving, and cleanup; to Fay Martin who baked delicious brownies and used her artistic skills to help with decorations and arranging and serving the food; to Maggie Slankas, another essential participant who came early, stayed late, loaned her beautiful tablecloth and poinsettias, and provided a variety of tasty dishes; to Charles and Virginia Jones who provided the lovely tea service and helped with the “heavy lifting” throughout the afternoon; to Barbara Walker who set the mood with her lighted Christmas tree, White House Christmas ornaments, and Christmas music; to Sophy and Ken Littrell for organizing the plant sale and for making it possible for us to enjoy holiday music; and to all members who provided food, attended, invited guests, and supported our local and national scholarships and operating fund.

—*Mary Uziel, Hospitality Committee*

Holiday Green Tea Contributions

Thanks to all who made generous contributions at the Holiday Green Tea—\$80 for Local Education projects, \$80 for AAUW Funds, \$40 for the Oak Ridge Branch Operating Fund, and \$5 for seeds.

In addition, we made a profit of \$203.85 on White House ornament sales that goes to the Local Education Project Fund. However, we lost money (\$4) on calendar sales.

—Maggie Slankas, Treasurer



Photographs from Holiday Green Tea shown at left, courtesy of Sophy and Ken Littrell.

Mark Your Calendar

January 19: Book Group at Greenfield Senior Living parlor

January 22: Branch General Meeting, 11:30 am, Oak Ridge First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102

January 24: Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Jefferson Drug

February 2: Lunch Bunch, Jersey Milk

February 16: Book Group at Greenfield Senior Living parlor

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

Upcoming Events

March: Women's History Month

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)

April: Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April 10: Equal Pay Day



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