

AAUW Oak Ridge Tennessee Branch

#### AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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May 2018

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

### Monday, May 21, 11:30 am Oak Ridge First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102

The program, *A Perspective on My Air Force Career as a Woman*, will be presented by Dr. Megumi Vogt.

Dr. Vogt was born and raised in Oak Ridge. In 1996, she entered the Uniformed Services University for the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland as an Air Force officer. She completed her neurology residency in San Antonio, TX and continued to serve as a medical officer for 17 years alongside her husband, Kevin Vogt, who retired from the Air Force in 2014. In addition to her clinical work, she also spent time assigned to the Department of Defense recommending policy for traumatic brain injury. She continues her clinical practice today with University of Tennessee. Knoxville. She resides in Oak Ridge with her husband and three children.

The **Annual Scholarship Luncheon** will be catered by local AAUW members. Those preparing the lunch are donating the food and their time in hopes that those attending will make a generous donation to our local RSCC Scholarship Fund for deserving non-traditional women students. The menu includes grilled chicken breasts, deviled eggs, vegetable casseroles, fresh vegetable salad, fruit, rolls, and desserts.

Luncheon reservations are needed. If you



Dr. Megumi Vogt

have not been contacted by the telephone committee by Thursday the 17th, please call Mary Uziel, 483-1043, to make your reservation.

# 🔀 2018-19 Membership Renewal

It's time to renew your AAUW membership for next year. Please see the renewal notice on page 4. **Send form and payment by June 1** to: Maggie Slankas, Treasurer 18 Raintree Place

Oak Ridge, TN 37830



**Message from Co-Presidents** 

Our May 21<sup>st</sup> General Meeting is the last one until September 24. This is the meeting that the Board supplies the meal with the anticipation that members will donate to our local RSCC Scholarship Fund. Come, enjoy, donate, and listen to Dr. Megumi Vogt, retired U.S. Army physician currently associated with the UT Medical Center. Bring a friend who may potentially become a member. AAUW-TN has challenged each Branch to increase its membership by 10% with additional diversity next year. We can accomplish this goal.

2017-18 has been a good year with excellent programs, projects, and public policy initiatives. Your current elected and appointed officers will remain for next year. We anticipate another GOOD 2018-19 year.

Remember that on June 9 the Burn Memorial will be dedicated in Knoxville on Market Square. You may wish to participate. We should remember what Harry Burn, Jr. and his mother Feb did to allow females the right to vote. Tennessee has every right to be proud that its legislature was the pivotal vote for female voter rights by ratifying the Nineteenth Amendment.

We shall award our Named Educational Foundation Award of \$500 in honor of Virginia Jones. Note information in this Newsletter about our RSCC Education Award recipient and our RSCC Scholarship recipient. Female education is a priority for our organization.

Remember to renew your AAUW membership. Renewals should be sent to Maggie Slankas, AAUW-OR Treasurer, 18 Raintree Place, Oak Ridge, TN 37830. Membership form is attached to this Newsletter and the deadline is June 30. Your name and information will appear in our 2018-19 Yearbook.

We wish each AAUW member a happy, fulfilling summer and shall hope to work with you again next year.

#### —Mayme Crowell and Fay Martin



**Virginia Jones**, \$500 grant to the AAUW Educational Opportunity Fund in honor of Virginia's public policy advocacy

Hope Gaudet, AAUW 2018 RSCC Scholarship 14 Irene Street Oak Ridge, TN 37830 Major in Nursing

Linda Dover, AAUW Education Award to RSCC student; will transfer to TTU to complete bachelor's degree in Elementary Education 268 N. Purdue Ave., Apt. 202 Oak Ridge, TN 37830 865-206-8148 msdor30@yahoo.com

**Sophy Littrell**, Translated survey documents for a UT-affiliated social research nonprofit as part of her medical, legal, and service translation services

#### Branch Programs for 2018-2019

If you have suggestions for next year's programs, please contact me. I welcome your ideas and invite you to participate in program planning.

-Anne Garcia Program Vice President 482-3294 agg@bellsouth.net

# Membership Challenge

As Membership Vice President, I have accepted the Tennessee AAUW Membership Challenge of 2018-2019 for the Oak Ridge Branch to increase our membership by 10 percent (4 new members) including increasing Branch racial and age diversity by 5 percent (2) and increase retention of members to a minimum of 90 percent (37 members).

Membership growth is essential if AAUW is to achieve its mission in Tennessee. We must also retain and reclaim our Branch members. We have the enthusiasm, excellent programs, and a supportive community. The Tennessee AAUW Membership Committee will recognize these accomplishments at the April 2019 State Convention with the awarding of ONE FREE 2019 convention registration EACH to the Branch with the highest number of new members and to the Branch that retains the highest percentage of renewal memberships.

Are you in? Everyone needs to renew this month and carry a Branch brochure and a membership application in their pocket as they recruit. These will be at the check-in table at our meeting on April 23. Thank you for supporting AAUW!

-Jean Hiser, Membership Vice President

**News from Norma Woy**: Norma has moved to be closer to her daughter and is now recovering from injuries caused by a fall. You may wish to send Norma a card at:

> Norma Woy c/o Jack and Beth Callihan 662 Montglade Road Suwanee, GA 30024

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

# Mark Your Calendar



**May 18**: Book Group, 3:00 pm, Greenfield Parlor, *Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage*, also talk by Mayme Crowell about her January 2018 trip to Antarctica with some pictures

**May 21**: Branch General Meeting, 11:30 am, First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102

**May 23**: Lunch Bunch, Lulu's Tea Room, Powell, meet at library parking lot at 11:00 am for carpooling

# **Upcomíng** Events

June 1: Deadline for AAUW membership renewal

**June 9:** 3:00 pm, Re-enactment of Suffrage Parade (assemble on Main St. in front of City/County Building; 4:30 pm, Unveiling of Burn Monument, Market Square, Knoxville.

**June 15**: Book Group, 3:00 pm, Greenfield Parlor

**June 27**: Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, place to be announced

July 20 and August 17: Book Group

**July 25**: Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, Smoothie Patch (backside of Grove Center)

**August 22**: Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, place to be announced

**September 24**: Branch General Meeting, 11:30 am, First Presbyterian Church, Activities Building, Room 102

Ruth Johnson Smiley, Newsletter Editor smileyrcj@gmail.com

# Oak Ridge Branch AAUW Membership Renewal 2018-2019

Dues for 2018-2019 are due June 1, 2018. National dues are \$59, State dues are \$12, and Branch dues are \$9, for a total of **\$80**. Student Affiliate Dues are \$18.81. Part of the National Dues are tax deductible: \$56 for Regular Members and \$16.82 for Student Affiliate Members.

Paid Life Members are exempt from payment of National dues but continue to pay State and Branch dues (\$21). Fifty-year Life Members are exempt from payment of National, State, and Branch dues, although some continue to make contributions. Dues from new members joining after March 15 cover the next fiscal year.

When you pay dues for the coming year, you may contribute to the following funds.

**Educational Opportunities Fund** ---- supports National AAUW scholarships, fellowships, and grants for women pursuing higher education. Contributions to this fund are tax deductible.

**Local Education Projects Fund** ---- supports scholarships for RSCC women students and other local educational projects. Contributions are not tax deductible.

**Oak Ridge Branch Operating Fund** ---- supports our yearbook, newsletter, meeting facilities, programs, and travel to conferences. Contributions are not tax deductible.

## Please complete this form and return with your dues payment and contributions. Make check payable to AAUW.

NAME\_

PHONE\_\_\_

ADDRESS\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS

Your email address, if given, will be included in the yearbook and used for our correspondence with you during the year.

REGULAR DUES \$80 (**OR** STUDENT AFFILIATE DUES \$18.81)

CONTRIBUTIONS

Educational Opportunities Fund Local Education Projects Fund Branch Operating Fund TOTAL

Return by June 1 to: Maggie Slankas, 18 Raintree Place, Oak Ridge, TN 37830