**ANNUAL REPORT**

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN**

**OAK RIDGE BRANCH**

**1 JUNE 2017 – 30 JUNE 2018**

**Membership**

41 members as of June 11, 2017 to 41 members as of May 31, 2018, including one (1) life members, eight (8) 50-year members, and two (2) student members

**Branch Meetings**

Eight (8) general meetings including a December Holiday Reception with an average attendance of twenty-five (25).

Topics varied from Domestic Violence to Senior Center Designs, from Oak Ridge High School 2020 Vision to The University of Tennessee Women’s Issues, from Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce Housing Study to Local Men of Tomorrow Program, from Women’s Army Life to Educational Opportunities

**Study/Interest Groups**

Book Group met seven (7) times at Oak Ridge Greenfield Senior Living.

Lunch Bunch met ten (10) times at various area restaurants

**Communications**

Published Yearbook and nine (9) Newsletters with 85% e-mailed.

Publicized meetings, projects, awards, and opinions in Oak Ridger and Knoxville News-Sentinel.

Posted meetings on Oak Ridge Today website.

Telephoned members in advance of each General Meeting using a Telephone Committee.

Held open Board Meetings at Roane State Community College.

Mailed Newsletters to members without e-mail.

Maintained Branch website, [www.aauw-oakridge.org](http://www.aauw-oakridge.org) courtesy of AAUW’s national website.

Published several letters on relevant issues to the Editor of local newspapers.

**Educational Opportunities Fund**

Gave $500 Grant named in honor of Virginia Jones.

Stressed the Educational Opportunities Funds donations at the December Holiday Tea.

Gave $25 in memory of Lynn Fortenberry.

**Community Service**

Collected in-kind donations of necessities not covered by USDA food stamps for Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties (ADFAC) Crisis Cupboard.

Provided Women’s History Exhibit at the Oak Ridge Public Library.

**Projects Supporting Education**

Awarded one (1) Roane State Community College (RSCC) scholarship for the 2018 Spring Term.

Presented plaque to outstanding RSCC education-major student.

Donated three (3) books to Oak Ridge High School Media Center.

Invited RSCC scholarship and education award recipients to attend May Scholarship Luncheon.

Continued magazine subscription for Oak Ridge Girls, Inc.

Collected Box Tops for Education for local elementary school.

**Public Policy**

Initiated a Pubic Policy Committee which did research, wrote letters, and made relevant contacts.

Joined with the Suffrage Coalition to help bring awareness of the role Feb Burn played in history by asking her son Harry, Jr. in the Tennessee State Legislature to vote for the 19th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution and to support the statue casting of Mrs. Burn and her son to be displayed in Knoxville with a June ceremony.

**Supporting State and National AAUW**

Peggy Emmett served on the TN AAUW Advisory Council.

Peggy Emmett and Ray McDonough attended the AAUW-TN State Convention in Murfreesboro.

Hoping to have a member to attend the June State Leadership Conference in Murfreesboro.

Peggy Emmett serves as one of the AAUW Governance Gurus available to assist branches and states with Bylaws and Policy Sheets.

**Financial Information**

Worked within an annual operating budget of $1440.

Received May Scholarship Lunch donations of $370.

Received December Holiday Tea donations of $320.

Received designated donations with 2018-2019 dues $235 to date.

Received $49 from sale of AAUW branch calendars.

Received $525 from sale of White House Christmas ornaments.

Maintained a local checking account, $3,649.22 in CD savings, $296.92 in Educational Opportunities Fund, and $893.72 in Local Education Projects Fund.

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