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April 2019

GENERAL MEETING

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

Stella Schramm, one of our AAUW members, will speak at the general meeting on April 22. Her topic is "Tariffs and Trade Policy in an Era of Rapid Change."

Stella is a professor of economics, finance, and strategy with Tusculum University. She holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Tennessee and an MBA in Finance from the University of New Orleans. Her fields of specialization are international economic development and regional economics, with particular focus on strategic planning. Her experience involves working with nonprofits and companies on development strategy, including work with the Economic Development of New Orleans and the River Region, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, and Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

She completed postdoctoral research fellowships at the Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economica (Mexico City) and the United Nations University Institute for New Technologies (Maastricht) studying corporate technology development. Her research publications and presentations include investigations into the technology development strategies of the Japanese Continuous Improvement Firm, corporate location strategies, historical redevelopment, corporate capital budgeting practices, and environmental process improvement.

Stella will speak after a brief business meeting at 12 noon following a catered lunch of soup, sandwiches, and dessert, provided by the Soup Kitchen, at 11:30 am. Cost for the lunch is \$8.00.



Stella Schramm

If you have not been contacted by the telephone committee by noon on Thursday, April 18, please call or email Mary Uziel. Members may add or cancel reservations up to Sunday evening, April 21. If your reservation is not cancelled, please reimburse the AAUW treasurer for the cost of your lunch.

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



Message from Co-Presidents

Greetings to you all at

"Springtime, the only pretty ring time,
When birds do sing, hey ding a ding, ding:
Sweet lovers love the spring."

From "As You Like It": by William Shakespeare

We will have our lovely Spring AAUW meeting on Monday, April 22, 2019. There will be an interesting program by Stella Schramm, one of our own members. She will tell us all about "Tariffs and Trade Policy in an Era of Global Supply Chains," and we hope you can all join us.

We thank our Nominating Committee, chaired by Virginia Jones, for their recent work in finding Board members for the coming year. Their nominations are: President, Mayme Crowell; Vice President (Programs), Anne Garcia; Vice President (Membership), Jean Hiser; Secretary, Stella Schramm; Treasurer, Virginia Jones; and Assistant Treasurer, Pam Irminger. This slate of officers will be presented for the membership vote at Monday's meeting when nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

We thank Kay Moss for her excellent choice of books as our annual gift to the Oak Ridge High School and for presenting the books to their librarian. The books chosen were *Becoming* by Michelle Obama, *NotoriousRBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg* by Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik, and *Who is Sonia Sotomayor?* by Megan Stine.

Virginia Jones and the Public Policy team have been doing their usual great job of making the public aware of such issues as inequality in women's earnings when compared to men of similar qualifications. We also thank and congratulate Charles Jones for the March Women's History display at the Oak Ridge Public Library. Be sure to go by and see it.

—Faye Martin & Mayme Crowell, Co-Presidents



2019-20 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

Report from Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee, Nita Barnes, Virginia Jones, Fay Martin, and Charles Jones, recommend the following as officers for 2019-2020:

President, Mayme Crowell
Vice President, Membership, Jean Hiser
Vice President, Programs, Anne Garcia
Secretary, Stella Schramm
Treasurer, Virginia Jones
Assistant Treasurer, Pam Irminger

A vote will be held at the April 22 general meeting, with installation of officers at the May meeting.



Equal Pay Day in 2019 was April 2

This is the symbolic day when women's earnings "catch up" to men's earnings from the previous year.

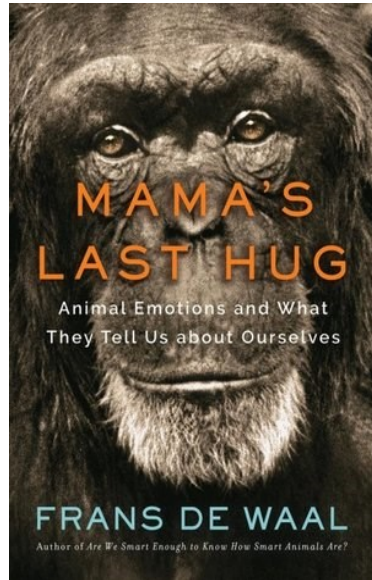
Book Group Book Selections

The Book Group meets third Fridays at 3:00 pm in the Greenfield Parlor.

Upcoming book selections are:

May 17—

Mama's Last Hug, by Frans de Waal, makes the case that humans are not alone in experiencing emotions.



June 21—

Refugee, by Alan Gratz, tells the experiences of several immigrating individuals to the U.S.



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The Lunch Bunch will meet at the Mexican restaurant across from the Soup Kitchen—Gallo Loco on Tennessee Ave. at noon on April 24. Lunch Bunch is proposing to change the date and time. Please attend to give your input.

—Connie Battle, Chair

*We Care
About Our
Members*



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

Mark Your Calendar—

April 19: Book Group, 3:00 pm, Greenfield Parlor, *Greenfield* by Marshall Fishwick

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

April 24: Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, Gallo Loco, Tennessee Ave.

May 17: Book Group, 3:00 pm, Greenfield, Parlor, *Mama's Last Hug*, by Frans de Waal

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Oak Ridge Branch AAUW Membership Renewal 2019-2020

Dues for 2019-2020 are due June 1, 2019. 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