



## CAP & GOWN

*the Newsletter of the Chillicothe, Ohio Branch*

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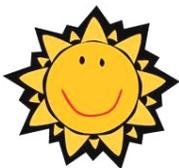


**HOLIDAY PARTY**  
**Monday, December 9**  
**6:00—8:00 pm**  
**Pump House**  
**Center for the Arts**



Festive Attire Encouraged.  
Bring an appetizer or dessert to share.  
Beverages provided.  
Guests and spouses included.

Kindness Matters.  
We will be collecting donations  
to help member Ginny Taynor pay for  
her mother's funeral expenses.  
Please be as generous as possible.



### **SUNSHINE GREETINGS**

Special get-well and thinking of you wishes go out to members:

Dottie Depugh, Joyce Atwood, Martha Rittinger, Marcia Austin, Marilyn Carnes,  
Sue Schwartz, and Ginny Taynor.

**"Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research."**

*In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.*

## **MONTHLY STUDY GROUP SCHEDULE**

- 1st week: (Tues, 4:00 PM, Board meetings)  
Wed, 12:30 PM, Lunch Bunch  
Thurs, 1:00 PM, Bridge Club
- 2nd week: Tues, 6:30 PM, Money Smart  
Tues, 7:00 PM, Drama Group
- 3rd week: Thurs, 9:30 AM, Book Club  
Thurs, 1:00 PM, Bridge Club
- 4th week: Branch Meeting, day varies, see *Yearbook* for details

## **TREASURER'S REPORT** as of November 5, 2013

Checking account balance	\$7,262.06
Janney Montgomery savings account	\$4,264.79
Book Sale Proceeds—Final	\$5,261.17

## **BOOK SALE**

After the Book Sale, the Committee and Board discussed the pros and cons of continuing the book sale. This discussion was captured and shared at the October meeting. It is reprinted here to allow everyone an opportunity to think about this discussion as we make decisions in January. Please forward your feedback to Maryjo by the end of 2013. Thank you.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

We are forming a committee to plan the big February event for girls of Ross County. Please consider what you could do to make this day a success. Jean Kerney, Bert Magill, and Queen Lester volunteered during the November Branch meeting. Will you join them?

**Saturday — February 22, 2014**

*Happy Birthday, Chillicothe Branch!*

### ***GIRLS PROJECT***

OU-C — Child Development Center

9:45 AM—1:00 PM

Potluck Breakfast

### **Program: "Women Wear Many Hats"**

A Day of Learning & Mentoring —  
Female Power, Career Choices, Being Leaders

Special Guests:

Jo Ann Benseler & Rush Rogers - Be WISE

*Be WISE campers* (past and present)

Ross County Middle School Girls

Prizes for "Most Interesting" Hats

## **Continue the Annual Book Sale - PRO**

We encourage people to read!

We recycle books in the community.

We put books into the hands of people who can't afford to buy them and in classrooms. *(1,400 this year)*

We raise \$5,000—\$6,000 annually from non-members in order to accomplish our educational goals.

Intensity of the sort & sale days is worth only doing one big fundraiser annually.

Great opportunity for Branch members to collaborate and see each other!

We are still building up our OU Endowment Fund.

We have a book storage facility, thanks to Martha Rittinger.

Trinity Church trusts us.

No one gives orders, yet all the work gets done.

We know the best way to organize the Sale and hall.

We have many repeat customers who anticipate the Sale.

Children enjoy their Reading Buddies (Stuffed animals).

We don't spend the year pre-sorting books as some branches do.

There is interest in local/Ohio authors.

We promote books as gifts. *(Choice Books)*

Nearly every member works Sort and Sale days!

## **Discontinue the Annual Book Sale - CON**

We handle unhealthy molds, dust, dirty books

8 days of non-stop moving, sorting, boxing books

8 days of staffing the sort and sale days

Need for reliable, strong workers to move heavy tables and books at both ends of the Sale!

Calvary Church access codes didn't work when we went to pick up loaner tables

Responsibility of securing Trinity Hall each day, especially when we leave

Need more storage than the workshop can hold

Members get tired as the week progresses.

Some barrels require twice-daily emptying.

Must move barrel books into storage, then to the hall

Watching very good books go for recycling

Some children are unsupervised as parents shop.

365 days of book deposits on Jody's porch (even though she does not mind moving them to the workshop)

Damage to church walls or floors possible

One donor wanted his books back.

We could make more money on textbooks and old books by selling to book vendors beforehand.

Is this the best way to raise money for our educational goals?  
i.e. Is the expense of time and energy worth it?