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Newsletter of the Chillicothe, Ohio Branch
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Jan. 2015

Jan. 1-31

Jan. 13

Jan. 24

Month to establish goals for 2015

Board Meeting @ 4:00 pm, Atwood House on Overlook

Branch Program: AAUW Program Chair

January AAUW Program
Saturday, January 24, 2015
9:30 am—11:30 am at the OU-C Child Development Center
Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share

Jo Dye, Ohio State AAUW Program Chair

Begin the year by sharing your plans for 2015!



Rosemary M. Houf 1918-2014

Rosemary Houf was a 50-Year Golden Member of AAUW. She served as President of the Chillicothe Branch from 1974-76 and served on other committees during her time as a member of the Branch. Rosemary was active in many community organizations.

Rosemary was a 50 plus year member of the First Presbyterian Church where she was an elder and served as president of the Old Rock Guild and Presbyterian Women in addition to serving as a Sunday school teacher and Cub Scout den mother.

She had served as president of the Chillicothe Civic Theatre, Ross County Mental Health Association and was former board member of the Chillicothe-Ross County Library. She taught English for ten years at Smith Junior High School and had been a reporter for the *Springfield Daily News*

A memorial service will be held at the beginning of the January 24th AAUW Branch meeting.

"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.

NEWS FROM THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The Stay at Home Tea

Members have contributed \$387 to the Eleanor Roosevelt fund . We have very supportive members.

Girl Power II

AAUW will be forming a team in January to organize the program for the April 25th event. The day is one of learning and mentoring: female power, career choices, and being leaders. The program is geared for girls in grades 5-8.

If you have ideas for the day or want to be part of the planning session, please let me know.

AAUW State Visit

Jo Dye the Ohio AAUW Program chair will be at the January 24th meeting at the OU-C Child Development Center. Please plan to join us and share the local work as well as learn about women issues in the State of Ohio.

MONTHLY STUDY GROUP SCHEDULE

- 1st: Tues, Jan. 13, 4:00 PM, Board meeting
 Wed, 12:30 PM, Lunch Bunch
 Thurs, 1:00 PM, Bridge Club
- 2nd: Tues, 7:00 PM, Drama Group
 Wed, Noon, Money Smart at 28 N. Mulberry St
- 3rd: Thurs, 9:30 AM, Book Club
 Thurs, 1:00 PM, Bridge Club
- 4th week: Branch meeting, see newsletter for day & time
- Last week: Wed, 6:30-8:30 PM, Paper Magic

Good Reads From, AAUW Book Discussion Group

| Date | Book | Author | Hostess |
|-------------|---|---------------|--------------------|
| 9-18-14 | <i>Catcher in the Rye</i> | Salinger | Nilufer Woods |
| 10-16-14 | <i>Night in Shanghai</i> | Mones | Theresa Herrnstein |
| 11-20-14 | <i>Salt Fat and Sugar</i> | Moss | Jody River |
| 1-15-15 | <i>Goldfinch</i> | Tartt | Jody River |
| 2-19-15 | <i>The Invention of Wings</i> | Sue M. Kidd | Jody River |
| 3-19-15 | <i>The Accidental Universe</i> | A. Lightman | Nilufer Woods |
| 4-16-15 | <i>Grapes of Wrath</i> | J. Steinbeck | Theresa Herrnstein |
| 5-14-15 | <i>The Loudest Voice in The Room: How the The Brilliant Bombastic Roger Ailes Built Fox News— And a Divided a Country</i> | G. Sherman | Marge Howell |



SUNSHINE GREETINGS



**American Association of University Women
Celebrating Our 63rd Anniversary
1951—2014**

Over the years, 12 members have reached their 50-Year Golden Membership!

33 members have served as Presidents.

AAUW Ohio Events --Mark Your Calendars

6th Annual Ohio Human Trafficking Awareness Day

Sponsored by Rep. Teresa Fedor

January 15, 2015

Freedom a la cart lunch \$10 per person

Ohio Statehouse Atrium

8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Reservation January 9th call Claire Childers at: 614.644.6017

AAUW Ohio Annual Convention and Ohio Equity Day

May 1-3, 2015

Women & Girls Getting Real

Embassy Suite Hotel

5100 Upper Metro Place

Dublin, OH 43017

STEM EDUCATION

Our society tells women they don't belong in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. Toys made for girls reinforce rigid, highly gendered stereotypes that encourage only boys to build or engineer. There are scarcely any female role models at the top of STEM fields. And even kids' clothing still proclaims that girls are bad at math.

At almost every step of the STEM education ladder, we see girls walk away. By seventh grade, most girls have lost interest in these fields, and few high school girls plan to pursue STEM in college. Those who do will likely be a minority in their programs and aren't likely to find much support in their studies. The few remaining women will graduate to a workforce that is historically unfriendly to women. Stereotypes, gender bias, and the climate of academic departments and workplaces continue to block women's participation and progress.

But the low number of women and girls pursuing STEM fields is not a status quo we can live with. It has significant implications for women's financial security, economic growth, and global innovation.

AAUW is committed to encouraging women and girls to pursue STEM.