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*the Newsletter of the Chillicothe, OH Branch
of the American Association of University Women*

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| Nov. 2 | OU-C Scholarship Breakfast for Recipients & Donors |
| Nov. 10 | Booth at the Altrusa Bazaar, 9 AM—2 PM |
| Nov. 15 | Branch Meeting at the Child Development Center, 6:45 PM |
| Dec. 4 | Board meeting, 5:00—6:30 PM |
| Dec. 20 | Holiday Party at the Pump House — Spouses and guests welcome. |
| Mar. 20 | "Human Library" event at Quinn Library (We are co-sponsors) |
| April 5-7 | State Convention in Newark, hosted by Southern District (us!) |

BRANCH MEETING

Thursday, November 15

6:45 - 8:30 PM

OU-C Child Development Center

Program: "Unlearning Indian Stereotypes"

Guest Speaker: Karla Hanson

6:45 PM Social and refreshments

7:00 PM Program

View a short video about stereotypes as portrayed in children's books and the media. Then learn about the Lakota People (part of the confederation of Sioux tribes who live in the Great Plains) as experienced by Karla while living among them. Bring a guest if you like.

8:00 PM Business Meeting



Food Security Project:

When asked, 17.7% of Ross County residents said they felt "food insecure" about being able to feed themselves and their families on a consistent basis. The Hunger Summit is working to create a long-range plan of coordinated service to local families. To tie in with Karla's presentation, we invite you to bring a non-perishable food item with you to the meeting. **Our goal?** To collect as much food as the weight of a **BUFFALO CALF** - 50 pounds. Be a part of the collection and see what happens. Will our communal effort be enough?

"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.

OUR NECKLACES FOR SALE AT HOLIDAY BAZAAR

If you attend the Altrusa Bazaar this weekend, be sure to visit our own booth! We'll be selling our handmade necklaces, earrings, and jewelry sets. We appreciate the members who will be working on behalf of our Branch—Rita Long, Mindy McGhee, Karen Rieder, and Barb Fabrey.

YEARBOOKS

If you have not yet picked up your 2012-13 Yearbook, please do so at Saturday's meeting. This will keep you informed and save the Branch the cost of mailing it to you. Questions? Call Karen Rieder or Theresa McAuliffe.

YEARBOOK ADDENDUM

Please print this page and paste these additions and updates in your book.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS



Virginia Taynor (left) receives a certificate from OU-C Dean Martin Tuck

Non-traditional student **Virginia Taynor** won the Ohio University- Chillicothe Spring 2012 Writing Contest by submitting a work she had composed for a poetry reading at OU-C.

Encouragement from both family and faculty members played a part in her contest entry. "This was the first time that I had shared my work with anyone other than Professor Pam Kraft," Taynor said. The lack of experience did not discourage Taynor, as she saw themes of inspiration pertaining to a rocking chair in both the contest and her own piece, *As I Ponder*. "That concept is that we all end up in a rocking chair, per se. Writing helps me see things from a different perspective and provides an outlet for me," Taynor said. At age 51, the Chillicothe resident was able to reflect on her own experiences as a basis for her winning poem. Taynor, a social work major, said that she realizes she has a lot of living left to do, and this realization prompted her to think of life's journeys. Congratulations, Jinny!



Julie Beaver, our newest AAUW Scholarship recipient, with Branch President at the September picnic. Congratulations, Julie!

Note: The Brown Bag Mystery Auction at the picnic featured 18 Bags of treasure and raised \$194. Thanks to all who participated.

DINNER GROUP NOW FORMING FOR THE COMING YEAR

Have you always thought about joining this Study Group? Well, now is the time to take action. Call Marcia Austin, coordinator. The group includes spouses and guests. Each participating member hosts one dinner party a year and organizes the menu for it. We meet from January—June.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account Balance: \$2,436.89

Book Sale Report:

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| Income | \$6,738.44 | |
| Expenses | \$730.76 | |
| Profits | \$6,007.68 | Wonderful effort, everyone! |

Liability Insurance: Our policy insures the Branch up to \$2 million. Our carrier changed this year and the premium went up \$10 to \$160. Cheap "peace of mind"

Fall Semester OU-C Scholarship Payment has been made.

OU Endowment: \$34,497.25

Donation received: A \$75 donation from a Friend of the Branch allowed us to pay three college students to help us move the last 400 books from a donor's home for next year's Used Book Sale.

HAVE YOU READ THE NEWEST AAUW REPORT?

Graduating to a Pay Gap: The Earnings of Women and Men One Year after College Graduation explores the earnings difference between female and male college graduates who are working full time one year after graduation. The report, which uses the latest nationally representative data, compares apples to apples by looking at the pay gap after controlling for various factors known to affect earnings, such as occupation, college major, and hours worked. It also examines one immediate effect that the pay gap has on many women: the heavy burden of student loan debt.

Report: [Download the full report](#) (PDF)

PowerPoint Presentation: Share the findings. [Download the presentation](#)

STUDY GROUP MEETINGS

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| Book Club: | 3rd Thursday, 9:30 am, rotating homes |
| Lunch Bunch: | 1st Wednesday, 12:30, Chillicothe Country Club |
| Drama Group: | 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 pm, Traditions |
| Bridge Club: | 1st /3rd Thursdays, 1 pm, rotating homes |
| Money Smart: | 2nd Thursday, 6:30 PM, Edward Jones Investments |
| Dinner Club: | Monthly, January—June, as arranged, rotating homes |

Study Group contact persons are listed in the Yearbook.