

AAUW – Spring 2003 Newsletter

Welcome Back!

We hope all of you had a restful and enjoyable holiday and are ready for a new year of exciting activities. The December holiday dinner at the Front Porch was delightful, and thanks to everyone, the Buffalo Auction brought in more money for our scholarship fund.

Our first meeting this spring will be Thursday, February 13, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Building, 818 South Church Street. As always, if you know anyone who is interested in AAUW, please bring them as a guest.

We would like to thank all those who helped with EYH. Marty and I received very gracious letters from Judith Iriarte-Gross thanking the Branch for helping to make this year's EYH a success.

We would like to thank especially Margaret Scott and Ayne Cantrell, who worked so hard to organize last November's Dessert Extravaganza, and to everyone who baked delicious deserts and helped with serving at the event, thank you! Thanks to this event, our branch made two named gifts to the Educational Foundation to honor Mattie Butler and Leola Fouts.

Our vice-president for programming, Maria Clayton, has worked hard to arrange an interesting Spring program and I'm sure that we will enjoy our speakers. Thanks Maria for all your hard work!

At the board meeting in January, the idea for a change in venue was presented. Due to the heavy schedules of many of our members, rather than meeting at the Farm

Bureau Building and having members prepare meals, we could meet at a restaurant for our meetings. This is something that we will put on the agenda to discuss with all members in our February meeting.

Don't forget that we will hold our annual book sale later this spring and still need books and volunteers.

Marty and I thank all of you for your continued support and we look forward to a great 2003!

Yuan-ling Chao, Co-President

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Spring Programs and Special Events

Unless noted otherwise, the Branch monthly programs take place from 5 –7 p.m.

February 13. Farm Bureau Building, 818 S. Church Street.

- Fitness and Wellness. Susan Tribble, SportsCom Staff.
- Donation: Hot Drink Mixes.

March 13

- The Discovery Center. Tara McDougal, Discovery Center Board President
- Donation: Toiletries and Cosmetics.

March 31-April 1

- AAUW Book Sale benefiting the Ruth Houston Memorial Scholarship. MTSU Keathley University Center.

April 4-6

- AAUW State Convention, Best Western Cedar Bluff Inn, Knoxville.

April 10

- Continuing Education. Valerie Avent, Life Long Learning Director, Continuing Studies Division, MTSU.

- Donation: Hot Drink Mixes.

May 8

- End of Year Dinner and Buffalo Auction
- Donation: Toiletries and Cosmetics

July 18-19

- AAUW State Leadership Conference, Montgomery Bell State Park.

The American Association of University Women promotes equity for women and girls, life-long education, and positive social change.

Congratulations

Mattie Butler will be one of four honorees recognized at the African American History Month Unity Luncheon at MTSU on Thursday, February 6th. This event will take place in the Tennessee Room at the James Union Building from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reservations may be made by sending a check for \$15 (\$7 for students) to Sherrie Murray, MTSU Multicultural Affairs, Box 88, Murfreesboro, TN 37132 by January 28th. For more information, call Ms. Murray at 898-5315 or Valerie Avent at 898-2462.

Ruth Houston Scholarship

A new recipient of the Ruth Houston Memorial Scholarship will be announced later this spring. Amy Staples will be issuing announcements about our scholarship soon, and working with a committee to review the applications. You or an interested student can contact her by phone at 898-2569 or by email at astaples@mtsu.edu.

Book Sale Time Again!

Our annual book sale will take place March 31 and April 1 on the first floor of MTSU's Keathley University Center. Proceeds benefit the Ruth Houston scholarship fund. You can bring books to our monthly meetings in February and March, and make arrangements to pick up or drop off books by calling Jan Leone at 898-5580 or 898-1718, or emailing her at jmleone@mtsu.edu.