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Middletown Newsletter

March 2015

Venue Change for March 9 Soup Supper & Branch Meeting

Members should make plans for an exciting evening March 9 as our program includes celebrating Middletown AAUW's 59th Annual Book Sale. Members will gather for the Soup Supper and Branch Meeting at 6:00 pm at Zion Lutheran Church, 10 N. Breiel Blvd, instead of at the book site. The recommended entrance to Zion Lutheran Church is the driveway across from the Central Avenue fire station. The doors under the portico will lead to our dinner meeting room. The dinner and program are aimed at celebrating and final preparation for the March 12-15 sale.

As part of the program, members are invited to the book sale site, 4481 Marie Drive in Kitty Hawk Plaza, at 5:00 before the dinner meeting or 7:00 after the business meeting. Come with plans to become familiar with the layout of the site, update your work schedule or perhaps work a little, get motivated for our biggest fundraising event, and do some early shopping.

The book sale committee, Libby Abele, Chris Buchert, Sharon Dowden, Tina Newlin, and others, have worked for months, securing and setting up the site and pricing and organizing thousands of books. Members can say "Thank you" and ensure a successful book sale by offering time and effort, now, and especially during the sale.

Countdown is on for the 59th Annual AAUW Book Sale!

Mark the dates of March 12-15, 2015 on your calendar.

If you haven't had the opportunity yet, please stop by on one of the workdays and check our inventory...we are "filled to the gills" with gently used books, children's books, puzzles, games, CDs, DVDs and you will have the first chance to purchase!

Workers are still needed for the actual sale dates and we appreciate all that you do. Sign-up sheets are available at the book site at 4481 Marie Drive, Kittyhawk Plaza and will also be available at the branch meeting on Monday, March 9 at Zion Lutheran Church. The book site will be open before and after the meeting as well.

Don't forget to tell your friends, relatives, and neighbors about the sale as this is our major fundraiser for the year which funds our scholarship program for area students.

The Book Sale Committee would like to thank all of you for your hard work and dedication to this project !!!! It is a huge undertaking, but our mission is so worthwhile.....so a great big hug and a pat on the back to each of you!

—Libby Abele

Calendar of Events

Monday, March 9

Soup Supper & Branch Meeting
6pm - Dinner at Zion Lutheran Church, 10 N. Breiel Blvd.

5pm OR 7pm - View Used Book Sale Site

4481 Marie Drive, Kittyhawk Plaza

59th Annual Used Book Sale

Thursday, March 12, 5pm-8pm

Friday, March 13, 10am-8pm

Saturday, March 14, 10am-6pm

Sunday, March 15, 12noon-5pm

Tuesday, March 17, 7pm

Voluntary Simplicity

Anita Shew's Home

Thursday, March 19, 7pm

Joy Luck Book Club

Jan Runkle's Home

56 Wiltshire Blvd. in Oakwood (Dayton)

Someone, by Alice McDermott

Monday, 23, 7-8:45pm

Board Meeting

MidPointe Library Middletown

Conference Room A

American Association of University Women

59th Annual Used Book Sale

Visit Our
New
Location!

March 12-15, 2015

Kittyhawk Plaza, 4481 Marie Drive, Middletown

Thursday, March 12

\$5 Pre-Sale

5 pm - 8 pm

Friday, March 13

10 am - 8 pm

Saturday, March 14

10 am - 6 pm

Sunday, March 15

\$6 Bag Sale

Noon - 5 pm

Fundraiser for College
Scholarships!

Promote Literacy!
Recycle!

Gently used books,
children's books,
puzzles, games,
CDs, DVDs

Books individually
priced - Cash only

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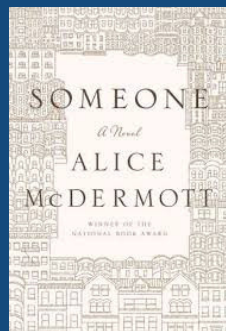
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"Joy Luck" Book Club

Thursday, March 19, 7:00pm
Jan Runkle's Home
56 Wiltshire Blvd. in Oakwood
(Dayton)

Someone, by Alice McDermott

National Book Award winner Alice McDermott has written this novel about an "ordinary woman...with an ordinary life," in which "scattered recollections—of childhood,



adolescence, motherhood, old age—come together in [a] transformative narrative, stitched into a vibrant whole...." It was named Best

Fiction Book of the Year in 2013 by Publishers Weekly and Kirkus Reviews, and is ranked a Notable Book by The New York Times and Washington Post.

Next Month's Book Club

Thursday, April 16
The Rosie Project
by Graeme Simsion

This international bestselling romantic comedy is said to burst with warmth, emotional depth, and humor. It features an the oddly charming, socially challenged genetics professor, Don, as he seeks true love. It was selected as The Big Read in Dayton, which is scheduled for March 1 – April 16. I was thinking we needed something lighter for the spring!

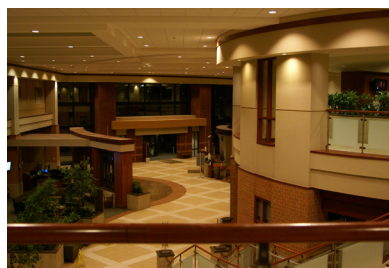


Virginia Palmer, Middletown Branch President

Even though our small group discussion groups are flourishing and important committee work is proceeding, a March-only visitor to our branch would surmise that we're all about the Book Sale. And that's as it should be as the 59th annual iteration of our biggest fundraiser of the year is upon us. Representing AAUW Middletown in the community over the past two years, I've discovered that people who don't know anything else about us DO know about the book sale.

Libby Abele, Chris Buchert, Sharon Dowden, and Tina Newlin deserve applause, hugs, medals, and our deepest gratitude for spearheading this event. They've had a loyal crew helping them on Tuesdays and Saturdays (and some Thursdays) since we signed the lease last fall. They're looking forward to participation from even more branch members, and possibly even our state president, March 12-15.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will read about our March branch meeting, which will take place on the Monday before the sale opens on Thursday. You have the opportunity to tour and shop before and after our soup supper, which will be held away from the book sale site due to space constraints. Be sure to drop by Kitty Hawk Plaza before or after enjoying soup and sides at Zion Lutheran Church.



Pictured in the middle:
Carol J. Turner, President
and CEO of Atrium Medical
Center with various hospital
administrators took
members on an exclusive
tour of the hospital including
the ER, OT/PT Rehab and
Oncology areas.

April Program Preview



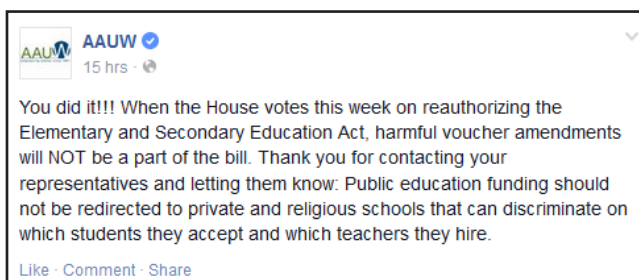
At our April branch meeting we will have the opportunity to hear about how our contributions to AAUW national philanthropies are put to use in our own backyard. Victoria Appatova from UC-Clermont will be here to tell us about her student mentoring project funded by an AAUW national Campus Action Grant. The meeting will be at First United Methodist Church.

Getting to Know You

Joyce Lehman grew up in Kentucky and graduated from Northern Kentucky University. She has been teaching and tutoring special education children ever since. Currently she teaches Special Ed at Middletown Middle School (7th grade! Never a dull moment!) Her two children are Katie who works in a mission in Thailand (some of our members have been able to purchase handicrafts made by some of the Thai women) and Robb who works at AK Steel and is working on an MBA. She says "I am very blessed to know such incredible women in AAUW and call them friends".

Janie McCauley is a Senior Legal Analyst at First Data Corporation in Blue Ash, a global payment technology solutions company. She received her B.A. in English from Manchester College, an M.A. in English from Indiana State University and her J.D. law degree also from Indiana University. Janie and her husband David enjoy supporting the arts in Middletown --you will see them often at South Main events where they live, the Pendleton and the Art Center. She says "I joined AAUW especially because I support its mission of promoting equity and education for women and girls."

Emily Pheanis graduated from The Ohio State University with a Bachelors in Science, Education Major. She is also a graduate of The Miami University with a Masters in Educational Media. She was employed by Edgewood City Schools in Trenton as a classroom teacher, library/media specialist, and a reading intervention instructor. She recently retired from Edgewood with 39 years experience and is filling her time with volunteering at Atrium Hospital, playing on a Trivia Team, working as an Elder at First Presbyterian Church, enjoying Bible study groups, reading, traveling, yoga, and of course, participating in AAUW! Emily has two married children, both CPAs. Allison lives in Columbus and Tyler lives in Hoboken, NJ. She is the proud grandmother of Xavier and Makayla. She has relished the experiences in this organization and appreciates the opportunities for continued personal growth as well as reaching out to the community.



VOLUNTARY SIMPLICITY

Special Invitation
You are invited to attend
Voluntary Simplicity
Tuesday, March 17, 7pm

The meeting will be held at Anita Shew's home, 409 Curryer Road, Middletown. The program will be "Taking steps to enhance the food experience". Brad and Marge Kochunas will share their food journey using voluntary simplicity and sustainability principles in growing, purchasing, and preparing food. If you are curious about voluntary simplicity this would be a good meeting to attend, consider this a "special" invitation. RSVP to Anita at 513-424-4734 or a.shew@icloud.com.



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