

## A Great Time at the Society Social

More than 80 members and guests attended the 7th Annual Society Social this spring at F&M Bank's Franklin Room. Participants enjoyed a lively social hour and a delicious dinner prepared and served by Chef Wendell Hensley and his staff. After dinner, motivational speaker and champion blind golfer David Meador captivated the audience with inspirational stories from his life and career, and anecdotes from his autobiography, *Broken Eyes, Unbroken Spirit: The Story of a National Blind Golf Champion*.



Speaker David Meador (center) shares a laugh with Woodward Library Society members Mac Edington (left) and Ernie DeWald.

A dozen lucky winners went home with raffle prizes that included a brand new putter, gift certificates for golf lessons and rounds of golf, APSU golf hats and a pen/keychain set, and four copies of David Meador's book. A big thank you to our host, F&M Bank, for once again allowing us to use their wonderful Franklin Room free of charge. Thanks also to Beachaven Vineyards & Winery for sponsoring the social hour, and to raffle prize contributors Eastland Green Golf Course, the River Club Golf and Learning Center, Jeff Vaughn of Swan Lake Golf Course, the Ann Ross Bookstore, and David Rikard of Total Lubricants for furnishing the putter. Special thanks and sincere gratitude to David Meador for sharing his wit, humor, passion, and wonderful storytelling with us.

## Committee Members Needed

The Society's three standing committees – Programs & Events, Membership, and Communications – are in need of new members. If you are interested in serving on a committee, please contact Joe Weber at 931-221-7613 or [weberj@apsu.edu](mailto:weberj@apsu.edu), or David Kanervo at 931-980-1776 or [kanervod@apsu.edu](mailto:kanervod@apsu.edu).

## It's Time to Renew Your Membership!

It's hard to believe, but APSU is already into the new fiscal year, and that means it's time to renew Society memberships. To renew, simply fill out the form on the next page, and mail it along with your check to the address listed on the form. Our goal this year is to raise at least \$11,600, in order to continue funding the two research databases we've sponsored for the past three years. Thank you for your dedicated and loyal support of the Felix G. Woodward Library and Austin Peay State University.

## Upcoming Events

Beginning Sept. 2, the Woodward Library will host an exhibit titled "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War." Created by the American Library Association and the National Endowment for the Humanities, the traveling exhibit is part of a series of programs to commemorate the sesquicentennial anniversary of the U.S. Civil War. Woodward Library is one of 200 libraries selected to host this prestigious national exhibit. Lectures, panel discussions, and other programming will take place along with the exhibit, which will run through Oct. 16. Watch your inbox or mailbox for event invitations.

## New Board Members Elected

At the spring meeting, Library Society members elected Benita Bruster to serve as vice president/president-elect. Other new Board members elected were Patty Orr (secretary), Aleeta Christian (treasurer), and Greg Kaufmann, Jennie Preston-Sabin, and Janet Wilson (directors).

Our sincere thanks and gratitude to outgoing Board members Judith Castleberry, Taylor Emery, Corinne Mabry, and John Butler. Your dedicated service and wise leadership are greatly appreciated and will surely be missed.



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Membership Renewal Information...

Details about membership levels are on the Library Society's webpage at http://library.apsu.edu/society/membership.html, or you may call the Library Director's office at 931-221-7618.

If you have already renewed your membership, thank you! We are sincerely grateful for your continuing support.



What a Great Year, by Allan Groves, Society President

As the year of my presidency draws to a close, I find myself wondering where the year went. My reflections on the past year only strengthen what I have come to know about the Woodward Library Society. The people involved are committed to making the APSU library the best it can be for all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members. And as is always the case, I got more out of the opportunity to serve than I could have ever put in. From meeting new people, working shoulder to shoulder with Board members to put on events, or hearing from the wealth of talented authors who shared their passion and works, I am indeed the one more enriched.

With the passing of the gavel to our incoming president, David Kanervo, it is my hope that the Board and all of our membership will get behind David and help him move our Library Society forward to bigger and better things: more quality entertainment and educational programs for our membership, more dollars for the betterment of the Felix G. Woodward Library, and more growth of the Society's membership base.

Thank you, Joe Weber, and your staff, as well as all the Board members for your support this past year. I look forward to continuing to support the Woodward Library Society in the years to come as an active member.

David Kanervo, Library Society President for 2015-16

The new president of the Woodward Library Society, David Kanervo, is a retired Austin Peay faculty member, having taught in the Political Science Department for 36 years before retiring in 2013. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, David served as the department chair for 15 years. David grew up in Waukegan, Illinois, and attended Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois, where he received a B.A. in Political Science. He earned his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. David and his wife, Ellen, also a retired APSU faculty member, reside in Clarksville. They have a daughter, Sarah, who lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee.



Dr. David Kanervo

Membership Renewal, July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

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