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North Hills–McKnight Branch Newsletter

April 2012

Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

La Roche College  
Ryan Room

## “Marcellus Shale”

An impartial presentation by  
Conservation Biologist,  
Andrew Mack

6:30 PM Refreshments  
7:00 PM Meeting/Program



## Tozier's Tidbits

The month of March ended on a gigantic high note with our Women's History Month program about two nineteenth century composers – Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel and Clara Wieck Schumann. Lucille Adkins, Charles Wilson and Demareus Cooper joined forces to present a very enjoyable narration and musical treat to the ears. Thank you Julie Makuta for your hard work in setting up both the program and the mystery bag fundraiser which netted \$250. Thank you to Cindy Stewart for making our Shape the Future membership drive a huge success. Welcome to our eleven new members. Look for their bios in the May and June Viewpoints. And thanks to each of you who helped that day by inviting guests, making displays, providing refreshments and supporting our branch with your presence. Congratulations to Audrey Parobeck, our 2012 Outstanding Woman.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> AAUW-PA Convention promises to be exciting. I hope some of you will plan to join AAUW members from across the state in Market Square at noon on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Equal Pay Rally. Wear your teal as we sing the song printed in this issue of Viewpoints. Convention attendees will be voting on both the proposed 2012-2014 AAUW-PA Public Policy Priorities and proposed one member/one vote changes to the voting procedure. Our Great Decisions program will be featured in Branch Highlights. Mary Eury and our board have made very nice goody bags to be given to all convention attendees.

April concludes with Andrew Mack's timely April 25<sup>th</sup> presentation on Marcellus Shale. The public is invited. Plan to come early so that we can start our business meeting promptly at 7:00 and the program at 7:30pm.

Linda

## BRANCH CALENDAR

### April Happenings

**4/10/12 Morning Book Group**  
*Planning Meeting & Luncheon*  
Hostess: Jan Peischl, 9:30 a.m.

**4/13/12 GOTV Training**

**4/13/12 Pay Equity Rally in Market Square, noon**

**4/13-4/15/12 83<sup>rd</sup> AAUW-PA Convention**  
DoubleTree by Hilton, Green Tree, PA

**4/16/12 Evening Book Group**  
*The Hunger Games*  
by Suzanne Collins  
Reviewer: Julie Makuta  
Hostess: Margaret Hartley, 7:30 p.m.

**4/25/12 Branch Meeting and Program**  
Marcellus Shale  
Presenter: Andrew Mack, Conservation Biologist  
Refreshments, 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting/Program, 7 p.m.

### May Happenings

**5/2/12 Board Meeting**  
Hostess: Georgiana Likar, 7 p.m.

**5/5/12 International Dinner**  
Theme: Cinco de Mayo

**5/8/12 Morning Book Group**  
*Writing Jane Austen*  
by Elizabeth Aston  
Reviewer: Sandy Brown  
Hostess: Barbara Matthews, 9:30 a.m.

**5/21/12 Evening Book Group**  
*Who Was I Suppose to Be*  
by Susan Perabo  
Reviewer: Irene Lietz  
Hostess: Peggy Schmiedecke, 7:30 p.m.

**5/23/12 Annual Dinner & Installation of Officers**  
La Roche College, 6 p.m.

**Save the Date**  
**Annual May Dinner**  
**Wednesday, May 23, 6 p.m.**  
**La Roche College**



Audrey Parobeck, 2012 Outstanding Woman, receiving a corsage from Sylvia Lynn



Audrey Parobeck showing off her new bookmark, a gift from the branch, in recognition of her Outstanding Woman Award. Onlookers are Sylvia Lynn & Dorothy Frayer, Previous Outstanding Woman Award Recipients

**GREAT DECISIONS FINAL REPORT**

By Linda Loewer

THANKS to all who joined us for interesting discussions about world affairs! With so many changes taking place in the world, I wonder what our topics will be next year. Here are a few of my predictions: North Korea, Middle East update, and Population Challenges. Watch for our 2013 meeting dates! Have a wonderful summer and thank you again!

**GRIPPING TALE!!**

By Sina Murphy

On Monday, April 16, Julie Makuta will be reviewing “The Hunger Games” by Suzanne Collins. Although this book was written for young adults, it has caught fire with older readers alike. The plot is tense and dramatic---a story of participants forced to eliminate their competitors in a battle where only one is a winner. Discussion will be held at the home of Margaret Hartley, 2925 Albine Drive, Glenshaw, Pa 15116. If you would like to join us, just give Margaret a call at 412-487-1496 or email her at [mchartley@comcast.net](mailto:mchartley@comcast.net).

**STAND AGAINST RACISM**

Submitted by Jan Peischl

The Stand Against Racism is a movement of the YWCA with the goal of bringing people together from all walks of life - across the country - to raise awareness that racism still exists.

The methodology of the **Stand Against Racism** is to bring together like-minded organizations that share in our vision of eliminating racism and celebrating the richness of diversity. By inviting community organizations to partner with the YWCA, they can maximize the outreach of this mission, attracting hundreds of thousands of participants.

Our branch has agreed to participate. Although the official date to take a stand is Friday April 27, 2012, we shall do a short presentation at our April 25th meeting. Come to get your Stand Against Racism button to wear on April 27th. Only 25 to give away.

Racism Hurts Everyone - Take a stand for Peace, Justice, Freedom and Dignity for all.



Karen Ahlstrom, Peggy Garbooshian, and Cindy Stewart at Shape the Future Event

<b>March 2012 Financial Report</b>	
3/1/2012 Balance	\$3329.62
Deposits	+ 326.00
Total	\$3655.62
Expenses	- 377.22
3/31/2012 Balance	\$3278.40

Our March **Shape the Future** Event Presenters



Narrator: Lucille Adkins



Vocalist: Demareus Cooper



Pianist: Charles Wilson

## Marcellus Shale Resolution

Submitted by Linda Tozier

The York branch is submitting a resolution for AAUW-PA to vote on during new business at our convention on April 14th. The resolution is as follows;

**Be it resolved, that the AAUW of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania endorses the following principles regarding Marcellus Shale:**

**The AAUW-PA supports the development of shale resources in Pennsylvania, provided it not be at the expense of the environment, public health and safety, or the welfare of the communities involved. All such permitted development should prioritize the value of water resources above gas resources. Permits should require essential impact studies by an objective panel. We support strengthened regulations, safe disposal of wastewater and adequate financing for the Department of Environmental Protection to monitor and enforce standards. Recent legislation undermines the power of local municipalities to manage where and when drilling will occur and necessitates closer evaluation and study by citizens and government. A "superfund" should be included to ensure that during and after shale development, any resulting environmental damage will be rectified.**

# CONGRESSIONAL VOTING RECORD

## How Do Your Senators and Representatives Vote?

Submitted by Peggy Schmiedecke, Chair Public Policy

View the *Congressional Voting Record* for the 112th Congress. Or copy this link into your browser:

<http://www.aauwaction.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/CVR112.pdf>

The *AAUW Action Fund's Congressional Voting Record* provides information on the positions of senators and representatives on the issues that are important to the Action Fund's mission.

The specific legislation included in the voting record for the 112th Congress was selected on the basis of AAUW's public policy priorities and principles as adopted at the AAUW convention in 2011.

This voting record provides information about senators' and representatives' co-sponsorship and votes on AAUW's issues — including economic security, education, and civil rights.

Find out the recent votes for your members of Congress. Or copy his link into your browser:

<http://capwiz.com/aauw/dbq/officials>

112th Congress, first session — [January 2011–December 2011 votes](#) (PDF)

And take a look at our past voter guides:

111th Congress Equal Pay Supplement — [January 2009–December 2010 votes](#) (PDF)

111th Congress — [January 2009–December 2010 votes](#) (PDF)

110th Congress — [January 2007–December 2008 votes](#) (PDF)

The voting records are neither endorsements nor a condemnation of any member of Congress. They reflect only roll call votes officially recorded on the floor of the U.S. Senate or House of Representatives. For more information, please contact the AAUW Action Fund at 202/785-7793 or [VoterEd@aauw.org](mailto:VoterEd@aauw.org).



# The Equal Pay Song

to the tune of "The Caissons Go Rolling Along"

New Lyrics for AAUW-PA

Music by Edmund L. Gruber

**Lively march tempo**



1. Un - ex - plained and un - fair in - equ - al - i - ty is there Wom - en's pay gap is  
 2. Eq - ual pay for e - qual work, be - ne - fits and all the perks, Fair\_\_ wa - ges should  
 3. It's not right, be a - ware, wo - men's pay\_\_ gap is there, Cau - sing hard - ships in



still go - ing strong. Choose a field, choose a job, Doe - sn't  
 not be a quirk. Full-time work, part-time too, should be  
 our sen - ior years. E - qual pay ev - ery day would chase



mat - ter, we get robbed. Wo - men's wa - ges are craw - ling a - long.  
 paid what's fair and due, Should - n't mat - ter if it's me or you.  
 po - ver - ty a - way And the fut - ure could be with - out fear.



For it's sev'n - ty sev - en cents to a dol - lar earned by men, Shout out the  
 For it's time\_\_ for\_\_ change in the wor - king world you see, Wom - en's pay\_\_ af -  
 For it's sev'n - ty sev - en cents to a dol - lar earned by men, Shout out the



num - bers loud and long! To let them know that pay  
 facts our fam - i - lies! So where - e'er you go be\_\_  
 num - bers loud and long! To let them know that pay



e - qui - ty is slow, and that wo - men de - serve e - qual pay.  
 sure to let them know That\_\_ wo - men de - serve e - qual pay.  
 e - qui - ty is slow, and that wo - men de - serve e - qual pay.

**AAUW-PA Presents:**  
**Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Training**  
**Friday, April 13, 2012**  
**Pittsburgh, PA**  
***No fee, but registration required!***

**9am-11:30 AM: Get Out the Vote Training Part 1**

This session includes voter turnout techniques, methods to recruit volunteers and to build coalitions, information on registering voters and preparing voter guides. Box lunches will be provided for participants.

This session will be held at a downtown Pittsburgh location to be notified to participants prior to the session.

**Noon: Pay Equity Event**

This event will be a rally in Market Square Pittsburgh (pending permit) to sing an Equal Pay Song, Distribute "The Simple Truth" and pay gap pins, and generally to raise awareness of the pay gap.

**1:15pm-4:35 pm: Get out the Vote Training Part 2**

This session will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton, Greentree, Pittsburgh. It will include information about millennial women, and the need to educate and mobilize the millennial generation. The campaign "It's My Voice, I will be heard" is planned to engage millennials, and training will include steps for planning and targeting the campaign. It will also discuss issues and candidate forums, public relations, and what comes next.

*This workshop is provided by a public policy impact grant from AAUW, and national staff will make the presentations.*

**Registration is open to all interested; you need not be an AAUW member to attend.**

**Registration by email is preferred.** Please send an email to: [mcgrathaauwpa+gotv@gmail.com](mailto:mcgrathaauwpa+gotv@gmail.com) with the information below.

- Your name:
- Your email address:
- Your phone:
- Which session(s) will you be attending

Part 1: 9am-11:30

Pay Equity

Part 2: 1:15pm – 4:35 pm Doubletree Hotel

Do you have any dietary restrictions or accessibility issues?

AAUW-PA members may also register as part of their convention registration.

If you have any difficulties with the email, please leave a message at 412-656-5097

**Registration Form  
AAUW-PA: Building a Powerful Network**

AAUW-PA Convention and 83rd Annual State Meeting, DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Pittsburgh, Green Tree

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Needs: Dietary \_\_\_\_\_ Physical \_\_\_\_\_ First  
 Time at AAUW-PA Convention Yes No Circle if 2011-12: Outstanding Woman

Check the items below that you will attend:

**FRIDAY ACTIVITIES:**

- \_\_\_ Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Part 1 9:00-11:30 am
- \_\_\_ Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Part 2 1:15-4:45 pm
- \_\_\_ Pizza Party 6:00-7:15 pm
- \_\_\_ Town Hall 7:15-9:00 pm

CONVENTION STATUS:  
(Indicate appropriate categories)

- \_\_\_ Branch President
- \_\_\_ College/University Rep
- \_\_\_ Member-at-Large
- \_\_\_ State Past President
- \_\_\_ State Board Member
- \_\_\_ Student Affiliate

**SATURDAY ACTIVITIES:**

**Workshop Session I—select 1**

- \_\_\_ A. AAUW Topics 8:00-8:45 am  
(membership, fund raising, archives)
- \_\_\_ B. "Hear My Voice on My Issues" 8:30-9:30 am  
(Marcellus Shale, education, campus safety, pay equity)
- \_\_\_ C. Chat Groups (circle one) 8:00-9:00 am  
Coffee with Carolyn (AAUW President)  
Finance  
Facebook  
Website  
Poster discussions

**Send Registration Form with your check made payable to AAUW-PA to:**

**AAUW-PA Convention  
c/o Sherry Crassweller  
2264 Charleston Drive  
State College, PA 16801**

**Discount and Refund/Cancellation Policies**

In order to assure that we are able to meet our contractual obligations, the following policies are in effect:

- ✓ Early Bird Registrations with full payment must be postmarked before **March 25, 2012**, to qualify for the discount.
- ✓ A discount for students in post-secondary education is available to individuals who can show a current tech school/ college/ university ID.
- ✓ Registrations with full payment must be postmarked before Friday, **April 4, 2012**. Forms and payments postmarked after that date must be completed onsite with a \$15 late fee.
- ✓ Registrants making cancellation requests by March 30 will receive a 90% refund; on or before April 4, 50%. Refund requests received after April 4, 2012, cannot be honored, and failure to attend will result in forfeiture of fees. (You may send a substitute branch member in your place.) All approved refunds will be issued after the convention.

**Workshop Session II—select 1**

- \_\_\_ D. Internet and Social Media 9:00-9:45 am  
Security and Tip
- \_\_\_ E. Branch Success Sampler 9:45-10:45 am
- \_\_\_ F. Chat Group (circle one) 9:00-10:00 am  
Bylaws changes  
STEM initiatives  
Finance  
Poster discussions

**Workshop Session III**

- \_\_\_ E. The College Connection 10:00-10:45 am

Registration Type:	Early Bird	Regular	
Registration	\$65	\$75	\$ _____
Student (with student ID)	\$25	\$30	\$ _____

**Meals:**

___ Friday Pizza	\$ 8.00	\$ _____
___ Saturday Awards Lunch, Buffet	\$26.00	\$ _____
___ Saturday Keynote Dinner—Choose 1		
Chicken Florentine	\$33.50	\$ _____
Mediterranean Primavera Pasta	\$33.50	\$ _____
___ Sunday AAUW Funds Breakfast	\$23.00	\$ _____
Total Enclosed		\$ _____

To obtain confirmation of your registration, please include a stamped, self-addressed postcard or your e-mail address. If you have any questions, contact Suzanne Kerlin at 814-237-5251 or 814-360-1177, [suzkerlin@aol.com](mailto:suzkerlin@aol.com); or Sherry Crassweller at 814-237-3861 or 814-574-2400, [aps@psu.edu](mailto:aps@psu.edu). Please use "Convention 2012" in the subject line.





**MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW ASSOCIATION AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

*AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.*

**MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND**

*LAF provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.*

**AAUW MEMBERSHIP**

*AAUW, founded in 1881, is open to all graduates who hold an associate's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.*

**AAUW DIVERSITY STATEMENT**

*In principle and practice AAUW values and seeks a 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.*

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State Website: [www.aauwpa.org](http://www.aauwpa.org)



# VIEWPOINTS

**North Hills-McKnight Branch**  
**Georgiana Likar, Distribution Manager**  
**10150 Grubbs Road, Wexford, PA 15090**

because equity is still an issue

