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North Hills–McKnight Branch Newsletter

October 2011

Girls Math & Science Partnership with Zachary Koopmans

**Wednesday, October 26th
Refreshments: 6:30 PM
Meeting/Program: 7:00 PM
La Roche College – Ryan Room**



Zachary Koopmans is the Program Development Coordinator for the Girls Math and Science Partnership (GMSP) at the Carnegie Science Center. As Program Development Coordinator, Zach manages, writes, and executes different types of STEM programming for a variety of audiences. He oversaw the Gaining Equity through Mathematics Program, funded through the Women’s Educational Equity Act (Title IX).

**Don’t miss this interesting and
interactive presentation!**

Tozier's Tidbits

Our opening meeting was a huge success. We certainly did a lot of meeting, greeting and eating. Almost fifty members enjoyed reconnecting with one another and reaching out to many La Roche faculty and students who supported our daylong book sale. It was great that seven prospective members, three new members and one student affiliate member all participated in the fun. We were very pleased to meet La Roche senior Amanda Yaklich (and her parents and faculty advisor) and to present her with the \$1500 incentive grant award. The book sale grossed \$381. Everyone present signed a petition encouraging Senator Toomey to endorse the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination (SaVe) Act. This petition (along with all other petitions submitted by Pennsylvania branches) will be delivered to Senator Toomey in DC by a member of the AAUW Lobby Corps at the beginning of November. Please accept both my thanks and that of the board for your contribution to the success of all the events on September 28th.

Our branch has never been one to rest on its laurels. The work and the fun continue with many October opportunities. The annual sale of holiday greens enables our branch to provide the Sister Matilda Kelly Incentive Grant each year. If you don't have a need for live greens, then please consider mailing your donation to Joan Killinger or Sina Murphy. The deadline for orders is October 27th. Please plan to attend our October 26th meeting to find out more about the Girls Math and Science Partnership (GMSP) at the Carnegie Science Center. Talk to Peggy Garbooshian about Let's Read Math and Mary Eury about how to join our newly formed branch STEM Committee. I would be thrilled if some of you would come with me to the AAUW-PA Western District Meeting on October 29th. To better understand the direction our branch should take in both the La Roche Incentive Grant and AAUW Funds, I have appointed a Philanthropic Task Force of three past presidents (Jane Depee, Marilyn Lanz and Sina Murphy) who will study this issue and make

recommendations to the board and the branch this fall.

Two leadership opportunities exist on our branch board. Due to an increased workload, our Co-Membership Vice President, Roberta Smiley-Betzler, will be resigning her board position. We thank her for the eighteen months she has served. Cindy Stewart has done a superb job with membership since July, but she really needs someone to work with her on this very important job. Please consider volunteering to co-chair with Cindy. I promise I can provide total support because I've done this job at several AAUW levels. The second position is Branch Historian. Because of the fine work of our branch photographers, we have an on-going digital pictorial history. I am looking for a "cut and paste" person to supplement the pictures with an actual paper record for our branch archives. (You probably figured out that the archives reside in the president's basement!)

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. National Mammography Day will be celebrated on October 21st. Please schedule your yearly screening and make me a happy camper. I am living proof that mammograms save lives.

AAUW will celebrate its 130th Anniversary on November 28, 2011. Happy Birthday!

Linda Tozier, President



AMANDA YAKLICH,
RECIPIENT OF OUR SISTER MATILDA KELLY
INCENTIVE GRANT

AND
JANE DEPEE
 WHO PRESENTED THE GRANT

By Helen Simonson
 Reviewer: Sigrid King
 Hostess: Shirley Peetz, 7:30 p.m.

BRANCH CALENDAR

October Happenings

10/5/2011 Board Meeting
 Hostess: Sylvia Lynn, 7 p.m.

10/11/2011 Morning Book Group
Pioneer Women: Voices from the Kansas Frontier
 by Joanna Stratton
 Reviewer: Suzann Frishkorn
 Hostess: Suzann Frishkorn, 9:30 a.m.

10/17/2011 Evening Book Group
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
 by Rebecca Skloot
 Reviewer: Jane Depee
 Hostess: Sina Murphy, 7:30 p.m.

10/19/2011 Forum on Sexual Exploitation and Prostitution
 (sponsored by YWCA and Zonta)
 7-8:30 p.m., NA Senior High School

10/26/11 Branch Meeting and Program
 "STEM" (Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)
 Refreshments, 6:30 p.m.
 Meeting/Program: 7 p.m.

10/27/2011 Greens Deadline

10/29/2011 Western AAUW-PA District Meeting
 Butler County Community College, Cranberry Center
 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

November Happenings

11/2/2011 Board Meeting
 Hostess: Peggy Garbooshian, 7 p.m.

11/8/2011 Morning Book Group
Anthill
 by E.O. Wilson
 Reviewer: Shirley Teasley
 Hostess: Mary Ann Betush, 9:30 a.m.

11/9/2011 Arts & Entertainment Trip
Teutonium Club

11/11/2011 Arts & Entertainment Trip
Fabergé at the Frick

11/16/11 Branch Meeting and Program
 "Women's Spirituality Through Providence Colored Glasses"
 Refreshments, 6:30 p.m.
 Meeting/Program: 7 p.m.

11/21/2011 Evening Book Group
Major Pettigrew's Last Stand

HeLa Cells and Their Origins

By Sina Murphy

The Bookers of the Evening will meet on Monday, October 17, at 7:30 pm to discuss "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot. Jane Depee will lead the discussion about this fascinating true story about a dying black woman's cancer cells and how these cells lived on and spawned a multi-billion dollar industry and became a foundation of modern science. The meeting will be held at the home of Sina Murphy, 1901 Lake Marshall Drive. If anyone would like to be a guest, please give the hostess a call.



FINANCE REPORT

By Linda Loewer

9/1/11	Starting balance	\$5010.50
	Sept. income	<u>212.00</u>
	Balance	\$5222.50
	Expenses	<u>2003.73</u>
9/30/11	Balance	\$3218.77

Memorial Book Sale

In honor of Carol Cooper

Book lookers/buyers: Nora Bell, Marilyn Lanz, and
 Carol Higgins

Book Seller: Sandy Brown



Current Events Interest Group

By Pauline Edison

Several members have expressed an interest in starting a Current Events discussion group. If you think you would like to join please email (pedison60@hotmail.com) or call 412 366 6246. If there is enough interest we should arrange an organizing meeting to discuss how to set up the group. There are certainly plenty of current events to discuss and our varied experiences and expertise will help us to have interesting discussions. I hope we have enough people to make this new AAUW group an exciting endeavor. I will be out of town Oct 4th – Oct 18th so replies will be after I return.



Maripat Kwaczala, Nora Bell, Lois Grillette

Save the Date

By Anita Wurthner

A visit to the Teutonia Mannechor (German Club) for a buffet lunch is planned for Wednesday, November 9, 2011. We went there a few years ago and our members and guests really had a good time. There were rave reviews about the food. The cost for the buffet is \$12.25 –this includes the buffet, a soft drink or coffee and tax. Alcoholic drinks are extra.

We will meet at the Teutonia Mannechor at 11:30am. The Club is located on 857 Phineas Street, Pittsburgh, on the North Side. Car pooling can be arranged. Please contact Anita Wurthner – 412-486-5161 – with your reservation and for more information. Directions will be sent at a later time.

Faberge: The Hodges Family Collection
The Frick

Friday, November 11 10:30 am

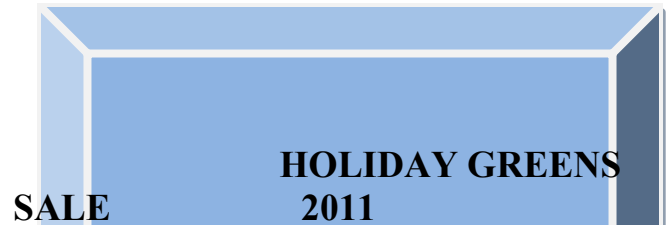
Tour and lunch at the Frick Cafe


Tour: \$10.00 per person

12 spaces only

Deadline: Monday, October 17

Checks to Ann Carlson



It is hard to believe, but the Holidays will soon be here. We hope this year's Holiday Greens Sale will help simplify your decorating ideas and gift giving. This traditional fundraiser is the perfect opportunity to purchase quality wreaths and other greens, fresh from the Pacific Northwest. If you truly do not need or want to purchase any greenery, we encourage you to contribute to this fundraiser by sending in a donation.  ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of the profits go to our annual La Roche scholarship. An order form is included in this month's Viewpoints. Additional order forms, as well as glossy/colored fliers, will be available at the October branch meeting. All orders must be received by **Thursday, October 27.**

You may bring your completed order form to the branch meeting or send it to Joan Killinger, 2611 Autumnwood Drive, Glenshaw, PA 15116. Payment may be made when you pick up your order, except for Gift Items. Please include payment for all Gift Items with your order. All checks should be made payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW. If you have any questions, please call Sina Murphy at 724-443-9163 or Joan Killinger at 412-486-2919



SEPTEMBER BRANCH MEETING



Shirley Teasley



Pauline Edison, Julie Makuta
Peggy Schmiedecke, Anita Wurthner



Peggy Schmiedecke, Peggy Garbooshian, Joan Killinger

AFTERNOON TEA AT ALEXANDRA'S TEA ROOM



Such Lovely Ladies!

AAUW Pennsylvania

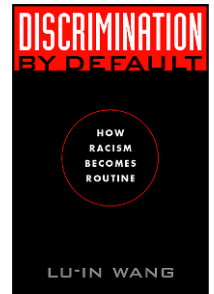
Western District Meeting **Saturday, October 29, 2011** **10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Butler County Community College Cranberry Center
250 Executive Dr.
Cranberry Township, PA 16066

**All branch members
are invited to attend!**

Agenda

- **Gender Bias and Discrimination** as it relates to the AAUW report, *Why So Few? Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics*
 - Dr. Lu-in Wang, Professor of Law, University of Pittsburgh, and author of Discrimination by Default: How Racism Becomes Routine
- **STEM Initiatives in Western Pennsylvania**
- **AAUW and AAUW-PA Update**
 - Margaret McGrath, AAUW-PA President
 - News from AAUW National Convention
 - New AAUW-PA voting procedures under consideration
 - AAUW-PA Facebook initiative
 - Linda Tozier, AAUW-PA Membership Vice President
 - Janice Barrington, AAUW-PA Program Vice President
 - AAUW-PA Convention, Radisson Hotel Pittsburgh (Green Tree)
 - Opportunities to participate
- **Celebration of Branch Accomplishments**
 - Share and celebrate your branch success stories



2011 HOLIDAY GREENS SALE



Please use the order form below. You may bring your order to the October Branch Meeting or send it to Joan Killinger, 2611 Autumnwood Drive, Glenshaw, PA 15116. All orders must be received by Thursday, October 27. Payment may be made when you pick up your order, except for Gift Items. Please include payment for Gift Items with your order. All checks should be made payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW.

Name _____ Telephone # _____

<u>QUANTITY</u>		<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
_____	22" Noble Fir Wreath (W2)	19.00	_____
_____	10 ft. Western Cedar Garland (G3)	20.00	_____
_____	Holiday Centerpiece (C5)	16.00	_____
_____	28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W3)	29.00	_____
_____	22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W4)	20.00	_____

Individual Direct Delivery Gift Items:

_____	22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W4M)	37.00	_____
_____	Western Cedar Gift Garland (G3M)	42.00	_____
_____	Gift Centerpiece (C5M)	33.00	_____
_____	28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W3M)	40.00	_____
_____	Cone Gift Basket (N7M)	30.00	_____
_____	Evergreen Gift Set (EGM)	69.00	_____

Please provide the following information for EACH of your Gift orders and staple it to the order form.

From: _____ Telephone: _____

Send to: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Message: _____ Gift Item Sent: _____