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North Hills–McKnight Branch Newsletter

November 2010

*Please Join us:
North Hills-McKnight AAUW
40th Anniversary Celebration*



When: November 17, 2010

Where: Ryan Room,
La Roche College,
Pittsburgh, PA

Refreshments: 6:45 pm

Branch Meeting: 7:00 pm

Program: 7:30 pm

Show your knowledge of AAUW by participating in a Jeopardy game featuring AAUW related questions following a presentation on the 2010 AAUW Mission.

AAUW North Hills-McKnight was chartered November 19, 1970



From the President

Receiving the information from our District meeting and the messages coming from national, I am again struck by the breadth and depth of our organization. We are a community of people committed to helping women. From Equal Pay Day — the symbolic point at which a woman's salary finally catches up to a man's earnings from the previous year, (April 20, 2010) to a membership drive which is targeting young women as they leave college and entering their chosen field. We are an organization at work; spend time on the web site to learn all of the work being done, WWW.AAUW.org. Here at the local level by presenting thought provoking and interesting information at meetings, providing outlets for our members to meet, discuss, have fun together, and connecting with schools either as watchdogs or resources we are telling the world that our organization is in the fore front of change.

The October meeting on Human Trafficking took a look at a social problem we are facing now in our world; only by being aware can we begin to tackle a problem. Partnering with Zonta gave us a chance to reach many. Listening to comments the meeting was a big success.

The November meeting while being a chance to celebrate the 40th Anniversary year of our Branch will also give us a chance to learn more about our national organization. Get ready for cake and a bit of mental competition.

We thought, in our program planning for the year, to try something a little different this year. In the past years we have not had a meeting in December due to the business of the month but this year on Dec. 3 we are hosting an opportunity to shop for something special from 10,000 Villages right here at La Roche College. Ten Thousand Villages provides vital, fair income to Third World people by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. Ten Thousand Villages works with artisans who would otherwise be unemployed or underemployed. This income helps

pay for food, education, health care and housing. Ten Thousand Villages is a nonprofit program of Mennonite Central Committee. We will not be having a formal meeting but simply a chance to gather, talk, shop, and help so bring your friends and come for Christmas, goodies and a chance to browse items from all over the world. Saturday, January 22, 2011, we have a morning meeting at the Caring Place in Warrendale. The Caring Place is an amazing program which provides support to children and their families who have lost a loved one. Mark your calendar for a 9:45 meeting and plan to join us.

And finally I encourage all of you to help by serving on the committee for the March Luncheon and fund raiser to be held at Wildwood Country Club on March 26. An organizational meeting will be held Nov. 15 at Panera's on McKnight Rd. at 9 AM.

-Sylvia



Rosemary Murphy, Sr. Matilda Kelly
Incentive GRANT RECIPIENT



Jane Depee awarding grant

BRANCH CALENDAR

November Happenings

11/9/2010 Morning Book Group

Billy Budd and Other Stories
by Herman Melville
Reviewer: Sandy Brown
Hostess: Mary Ann Betush, 9:30 a.m.

11/13/2010 International Dinner

Gulf of Mexico States

11/15/2010 Evening Book Group

A Soft Place to Land
by Susan Rebecca White
Reviewer: Peggy Garbooshian
Hostess: Ann Carlson, 7:30 p.m.

11/17/2010 Branch Meeting and Program

“Our 40th Birthday Celebration”
Jeopardy – AAUW style
La Roche College, Ryan Room, 6:45 p.m.

December Happenings

12/01/2010 Holiday Gathering

“10,000 Villages”
Refreshments: 6:45 p.m.
Program: 7:30 p.m.

12/14/2010 Morning Book Group

Christmas Potpourri: Show and Tell
Hostess: Cheryl Redmond, 9:30 a.m.



GLOBAL PROBLEMS, GLOBAL SOLUTIONS

Women & Children in the Millennium Development Goals

The annual Global Problems/Global Solutions Conference, co-sponsored by Chatham, Carnegie Mellon, Carlow, and Brothers Brother Organization, will be held at La Roche on Friday evening, November 12 and Saturday, November 13. Our principal speaker this year is Pulitzer-Prize winner, Sheryl Wu-Dunn, wife of Nicholas Kristof, and co-author of *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*. She'll speak on Friday evening, and this a don't-miss event to have her in Pittsburgh and in the North Hills. I hope AAUW will take advantage of this opportunity to meet Ms. Wu-Dunn and to have your copy of her book signed. Sr. Rita Yeasted

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER

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PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT

By Julie Makuta



The Paycheck legislation that men and women

Fairness Act is would ensure that receive equal pay for

equal work. The Act, if passed, will not only benefit women employees but places of employment as well. It will allow and encourage businesses to exercise fairer business practices and discourage them from pay discrimination as a means of cutting costs in the work place. Although employees filing pay discrimination complaints against their employers have to prove discrimination took place, other factors such as education and experience would take precedence over sex. The Act will also allow the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to gain access to information from employers and wage-related data. The information would benefit education and outreach efforts.

We still have a few weeks to try and push the Act through. Please call your Senator at 1-877-667-6650 and ask them to pass the Act. You can also make a donation to AAUW's Public Policy division which will aid efforts in passing legislation such as the Paycheck Fairness Act. To donate, visit www.aauw.org and select "Give to AAUW."

Information adapted from The Washington Post

Closing the wage gap: It's a matter of survival for working families

By Valerie Jarrett

Friday, September 17, 2010



Save the Date

Wine and Cheese Party
Saturday, January 29, 2011
Members and Guests

Ann Carlson has offered her lovely home for a Wine and Cheese Party for all members, their significant other and friends on January 29, 2011 7 pm to 10. Just be sure nothing else is put on that date. Mark your calendar now for a fun evening and watch for more information in the January Viewpoints.

GREENS ORDERED

By Sina Murphy

The greens order has been placed, and delivery is expected during the first week in December. Notification of arrival and when pickups can be made will be sent via email. We have ordered a few extra garlands and wreaths, if you missed the deadline. If you are interested in one of these extras, please let Joan Killinger or Sina Murphy know. We're anticipating another successful fundraiser!

BOOKERS OF THE EVENING

By Sina Murphy

On Monday, November 15, Peggy Garbooshian will be reviewing "A Soft Place to Land" by Susan Rebecca White. This lovely novel traces the lives of two sisters who are suddenly torn apart after the shocking and sudden loss of their parents. It is a story of sisterhood complicated by resentment, anger, and jealousy. Discussion will take place at the home of Ann Carlson at 7:30 pm. Guests are always welcome.



Great Decisions To-Do List

By Linda Loewer

Here's a short list to help you prepare for our 2011 Discussion Series:

1. Write Great Decisions meeting dates on your 2011 calendar! Either 9 Saturday mornings starting January 29 or 9 Tuesday evenings starting Feb. 1.
2. Read current news items about our topics (so plentiful and not hard to find)!
3. Watch a movie that's related to our discussions, such as "Egalite for All: Toussaint Louverture and the Haitian Revolution."
4. Check out a book or 2 from the library on a topic you're unfamiliar with, be it non-fiction or literature.
5. Reflect on ways any of the topics have affected your life. If you're willing to share, we're willing to listen!

And, as a reminder, here are the topics we'll be discussing:

Rebuilding Haiti
 U.S. National Security
 Horn of Africa
 Responding to the Financial Crisis
 Germany Ascendant
 Sanctions and nonproliferation
 The Caucasus
 Global Governance

Spirituality Series

Shaler North Hills Library

By Jan Peischl

Our member Sister Rita Yeasted will be a guest speaker as part of the series on *Spirituality in Our Modern World: How We Can Stay Connected?* This is an opportunity to learn about religions of the world and how they can be a part of our modern world. The Wednesday series begins Oct. 27 and includes a Presbyterian pastor, a Buddhist monk and a Catholic priest as speakers. Sr. Yeasted from La Roche College will present at 7 PM on December 8

Speakers and Guests from our combined meeting with Zonta Pittsburgh North, October 2010



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A Representative from Zonta



Roberta Smiley-Betzler



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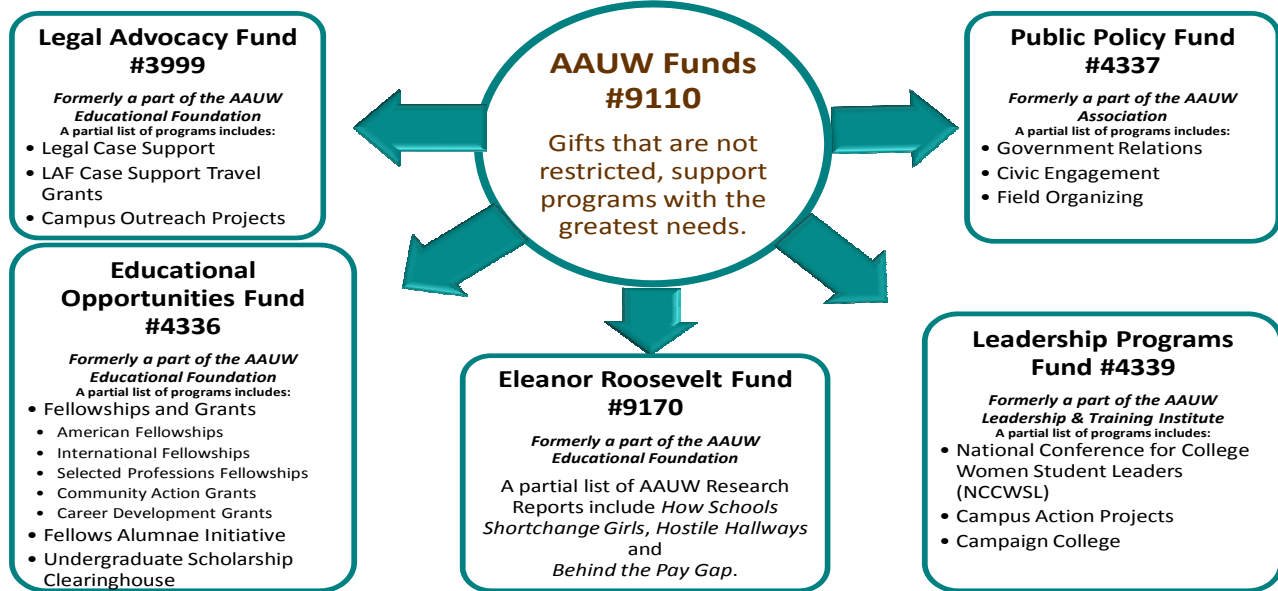


Members and Guests

Note from Sylvia:

December 1 North Hills McKnight AAUW is hosting a Christmas open house at La Roche College with items from 10,000 Villages displayed for sale. We need Cookie bakers and hostesses. If you are able to help, please call Anita Wurthner.

AAUW Funds Diagram



This is a summary of the programs that are supported with tax-deductible gifts to AAUW Funds. Those who are passionate about a specific fund can designate their gift by making the check payable to AAUW Funds and writing the name or fund number of their preference on the check or accompanying document.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW ASSOCIATION AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, 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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because equity is still an issue

