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North Hills–McKnight Branch Newsletter

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Tozier's Tidbits

It's been a good year for North Hills-McKnight AAUW. And each of you had a part in the success of our branch. In order to build on this success, we will need your continued participation both in the planning and the carrying out of all our programs and activities. Program Vice President, Julie Makuta, is hosting our annual program planning meeting on Wednesday, June 13th, at 7 pm. All members are encouraged to attend and/or send Julie your ideas. In late August or early September, Public Policy Chair, Peggy Schmiedecke, will be leading our branch efforts in the Get-Out-The-Vote Campaign to engage and mobilize the millennial generation. Next March our branch will be holding our biennial fundraiser to raise monies for all branch philanthropic causes. We will need 100% branch participation in this effort. Please send your fundraising suggestions to Mary Eury. And plan to be part of a branch fundraising committee that will begin meeting in the early fall.

If anyone is interested in attending the AAUW-PA Summer Retreat in Lewisburg on Saturday, July 7th, look for the agenda and registration form in this issue of Viewpoints. This is a wonderful way to find out what is happening at the state level of AAUW. Since the retreat is held in conjunction with the state board meeting, I will be there from Friday to Sunday. Our branch is entitled to have two additional members attend free-of-charge.

Over thirty members enjoyed the food and fellowship at our May 23rd annual dinner. Kudos go to Julie Makuta for organizing a great meal in a great venue. Special thanks go to Mary Eury and Georgiana Likar for the table favors and decorations. Congratulations to our seven members who were recognized for their Membership Milestones. Congratulations also to charter members, Donna Carey and Linda Joy, who were AAUW Funds Named Gift Honorees. Shirley Peetz won the free dues raffle. And speaking of dues, if you have not yet renewed your membership for 2012-2013, please mail your \$70 dues check to Financial Officer, Linda Loewer right away.

Have a refreshing and wonderful summer. See you in September.

Linda Tozier, President

North Hills–McKnight AAUW International Dinner Group

All members are welcome to join this fun-loving group. Spouses and significant others are also very welcome. I need to know by August 1 if you are interested. At this time I am beginning to select the country/themes so any and all suggestions are appreciated. There is no charge for joining, and we share the dinner expenses evenly for each occasion. The only requirement is that you host a dinner for a minimum of 8 persons once during the year. About every 3 years, you will be the Head Hostess for one dinner meaning that you assemble and distribute the menus to all participants. I can help with the distribution, if needed, as I have everyone's email entered in my address book. At the beginning of August I will survey the group and announce the dinner dates. If at that time you are not available I will begin working around this to find the host homes. Your flexibility really helps me with the planning. By mid-August I will publish the dates, hostesses, head hostesses, and themes/country for each dinner.

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End of the year
Picnic at Bill
and Ann
Carlson's Home



Our Annual Dinner in Pictures



Linda Joy and Donna Carey, the two founding members of our branch were named 2011 Gift Honorees at the State Convention.



President Linda Tozier installing Cynthia Stewart as Membership Chair and providing her with a job description. :-)



Jennifer Jones, Julie Makuta, and Georgiana Likar with their special gift bags



Peggy Garbooshain, Ann Carlson, Shirley Teasley



New Members who were able to enjoy the evening
Gretchen Jerzek, Karen Jackson, Judy HaysDaw,
Jean DiMartino, Marilyn Loichinger

BRANCH CALENDAR

Enjoy your Summer while the Board makes plans for an exciting new year beginning in September!

June Happenings

6/11/12 Budget Meeting - Noon - LaRoche

6/12/12 Morning Book Group

Farewell to Manzanar

by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston

Reviewer: Joanne Ahlstrom

Hostess: Pauline Edison, 9:30 a.m.

6/13/12 Program Planning Meeting

Hostess: Julie Makuta, 7 p.m.

6/18/12 Evening Book Group

In the Garden of Beasts

by Erik Larson

Reviewer: Barbara Matthews

Hostess: Irene Lietz, 7:30 p.m.

July 7 – AAUW-PA Summer Retreat – 10 to 3pm –

Country Cupboard Inn, Lewisburg, PA

FINANCE REPORT

By Linda Loewer

5/1/12 Balance \$5121.88

Income \$ 568.48

Expenditures \$ 381.94

5/31/12 Balance \$5308.42

International Day of Peace Picnic
Barbara Mathews

SAVE THE DATE

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE PICNIC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2012

North Park -- Point Grove

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Bring a dish to share

Correction for Yearbook New Address

Linda Tozier

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Annual combined Board meeting at Ann Carlson's



NEW!

Kate and Tom Stuart have a new baby daughter

Peggy Schmiedecke earned her Human Resource Management, Masters of Science Degree

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU!

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS****Cindy Stewart****Membership Milestones Awards**

At the annual dinner, our branch had the opportunity to honor members who have attained significant years of membership in the North Hill-McKnight Branch. We are pleased to announce the following names/years of membership that were recognized on May 23, 2012.

35 years – Nancy Kay

30 years – Ann Carlson, Suzann Frishkorn, Marilyn Lanz, Shirley Teasley

20 years – Janette Kohr

15 years – Peggy Garbooshian

Collectively, that adds up to 190 years of dedication to advancing equity for women and girls! Congratulations to the above mentioned members from all of us. We look forward to ongoing opportunities in the future that include spending time together and strengthening relationships. Heartfelt thanks to you for your years of membership and service to our Branch.

Welcome New Member

We are pleased to announce another new member has joined our Branch. Please welcome **Joyce Donadee** and be sure to introduce yourself to her at a meeting/program in the fall. Thanks to Rosemary Prager for recruiting Joyce! Listed below is contact information for Joyce.

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AAUW Criticizes June 5, 2012's Procedural Defeat of the Paycheck Fairness Act

Senate Misses Opportunity to Support Women's Economic Security

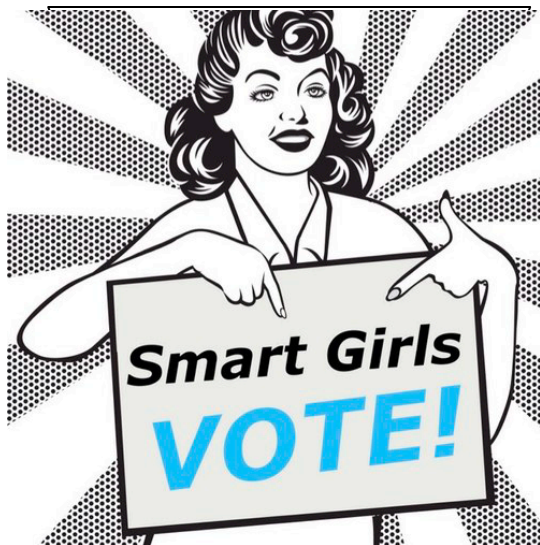
The American Association of University Women (AAUW) sharply criticized the June 5th procedural defeat of the Paycheck Fairness Act by a 52-47 vote in the U.S. Senate. The Senate's rejection of the bill comes after the House of Representatives voted 233-180 against considering the Paycheck Fairness Act last week, despite widespread support of the legislation from the White House <http://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2012/06/01/equal-pay-equal-work> and many ordinary Americans committed to basic fairness and equality. The bill was introduced by the Senate's trailblazing dean of women, Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD). The House version was introduced by longtime equal pay champion Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT).

"This was a missed opportunity for the Senate to do the right thing for women and the nation," said AAUW Executive Director Linda D. Hallman, CAE. "When women are paid less, it hurts them and their families, and it undermines the U.S. economy. How lawmakers can turn down this commonsense economic policy is truly a mystery."

By some estimates, women could lose up to \$1 million over a 40-year career because of the pay gap. In higher-paying fields such as law, the disparity can result in even greater lifetime losses. Individual choices can affect the gender pay gap, but these choices are not the whole story — and, of course, these "choices" themselves are constrained by stereotype and discrimination.

"Equal pay should not be a partisan issue. In fact, before the Senate took up the Paycheck Fairness Act in 2010, equal pay was something on which we could all agree. Previous bills brought to the floor with the goal of equal pay for equal work passed with bipartisan votes — until now," said Lisa Maatz, AAUW director of public policy and government relations. "Women feel the sting of unfair pay all the time — at the grocery store, at the gas station, and in retirement. This isn't political to them; it's just common sense. And it's that kind of kitchen-table economics that women will take with them to the polls in November."

The Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 3220) would have deterred wage discrimination by closing loopholes in the Equal Pay Act of 1963 and barring retaliation against workers who disclose their wages to co-workers. Currently, employers can penalize and even fire employees for talking about their salaries.



WATCH

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dSIF-O7EWxA&feature=youtu.be>

The 2012 election is a chance for AAUW and our allies to clearly show that we will seize and protect our rights, to remind Congress and the public that women will be heard — and we will be heard. That's why AAUW is doubling our effectiveness by focusing on women's voices and women's votes, and that's why we're part of the HERvotes coalition to focus on preserving women's advances and rights that are now under threat.

Stay tuned for more information on our upcoming efforts on the Get-Out-The-Vote Campaign.

NORTH HILLS-MCKNIGHT AAUW DUES FORM FOR 2012-2013

Membership includes national, state, and branch dues at the same rate as last year. Dues are \$70 (National-\$49, State-\$10, Branch-\$11) (\$46 tax deductible)

_____ Put an X here if you want an extra directory. Add \$2. Write check for \$72.

**Make check payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW and send it by June 15, 2012.
Mail CHECK and FORM to: Linda Loewer 132 Circle Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237**

Branch Directory Information: Enter as you want it printed.

Name _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work _____

Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Degree Earned _____ Major _____ College/Univ. _____

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AAUW PA Summer Retreat Agenda
Saturday, July 7, 2012
10am-3pm

Best Western Country Cupboard Inn
Route 15N, Lewisburg, PA 17837
570 524 5500

Agenda:

10-10:30 Welcome and Greetings (Coffee and pastries will be served)
10:30-11:30 Envisioning the future for AAUW-PA and branches
11:30 – 12:15 Visibility for branches and AAUW in PA
12:15-1:15 Lunch Buffet at Country Cupboard Restaurant
1:15-2:15 Amanda Holt – A personal story of Making a Difference in the
PA Legislative Reapportionment Process, and Lessons Learned
2:15-3 "Give/Get" Branch Sharing
3pm Wrapup, Evaluations, Safe Trip Home

REGISTER by Saturday, June 23. All interested branch members are welcome. AAUW-PA will pay all meeting costs for the first two members of each branch; additional branch members and other AAUW-PA members will be charged. \$20 for food. (National members pay \$30).
Have a long drive or want a mini-vacation? As a courtesy, we have blocked several non-smoking rooms until June 15. Please contact the hotel to book and guarantee rooms.
Mention AAUW PA for room availability; however attendees are responsible for their room payments.

- Please register me for the July 7 AAUW-PA Summer Retreat

Name _____ Branch: _____
Email _____ Phone _____

☐ Enclosed is \$20 for food cost

☐ I will be one of two attendees from my branch

Email to Leslie Wachob at Aauwpafinance@gmail.com or mail to her at:
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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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