

# Viewpoints

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# **AAUW TEA**

At the Johnston House Tea Room Mars, PA

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

11:00 AM

Please join us for the final meeting of the year and installation of new officers.

If you would like to attend, please mail a check (made out to North Hills-McKnight AAUW) to

Julie Makuta – 150 Skylark Drive, Glenshaw, PA 15116.

RSVP no later than May 10<sup>th</sup>.



# **Tozier's Tidbits**

April was a wonderful month for the North Hills-McKnight Branch. On April 13<sup>th</sup> our branch received the following awards at the AAUW-PA Annual Meeting: Increase in membership (10.26%), Branch Highlights (for our Martin Luther King, Jr. activities), and our two voter registrations drives in the Get-out-the-Vote Project. On April 27<sup>th</sup> nine months of planning and hard work culminated in raising over \$3000 at the Spring Luncheon and Fundraiser. Kudos go to Chair Georgiana Likar and her wonderful luncheon committee. And many thanks go to all members of our branch who participated in so many ways.

There are two times we should vote this May. We all can exercise our right to vote in the May 21<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania primary election. The information about how to find out what's on the ballot in your municipality can be found in this issue of <u>Viewpoints</u>. In odd-numbered years, AAUW elects new national officers and votes on proposals to the AAUW Public Policy Program and proposed amendments to the AAUW Bylaws. The special convention issue of <u>Outlook</u> lists the seven proposals to our Public Policy Program, one proposed amendment to our Bylaws, and biographies of the seventeen candidates. To vote on-line between April 15 and June 10, go to <a href="https://www.aauw.org/onevote">www.aauw.org/onevote</a>, click on Vote, and log in with your member ID and password. If you never have registered with the AAUW MSD, you will be prompted to create a password. Next enter the voter PIN # printed on the back of <u>Outlook</u> just below your member ID. Hooray – you have accessed your electronic ballot!

The Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> Tea at the Johnston House promises to be a fun way to conclude our AAUW program year. Please send your reservations to Julie Makuta by May 10<sup>th</sup>. We thank Julie Makuta (Program VP) and Jen Jones and Catelyn Hillegass (Secretaries) for serving as officers for the 2011-2013 term. And we congratulate Georgiana Likar and Anita Wurthner who will be installed as Program Vice President and Secretary for the next two years. Cindy Stewart (Membership VP) and Linda Loewer (Finance Officer) continue in their offices for another year. On May 28<sup>th</sup> everyone is invited to gather at the McKnight Road Panera's at 11:00 am for a program planning meeting. If you have a great idea for a program and can't make the meeting, please share your thoughts by email with Georgiana (<u>likar@comcast.net</u>).

I will close by thanking each of you for your support for the past two years. Our branch is strong because we care about each other and we care about the AAUW Mission. Through AAUW we will continue to make a difference in the lives of women and girls in our community and across the nation.

Línda Tozier, President

### **BRANCH CALENDAR**

## **May Happenings**

#### 5/11/2013 International Dinner

Theme: Italian

#### 5/14/2013 Morning Book Group

Rules of Civility
By Amor Towles

Reviewer: Mary Ann Betush Hostess: Mary Ann Betush, 9:30 a.m.

#### 5/18/2013 Tea & Installation of Officers

Johnston House Tea Room Mars, PA, 11 a.m.

#### 5/20/2013 Evening Book Group

State of Wonder
By Ann Patchett
Reviewer: Linda Loewer

Hostess: Debbie Rosenfelder, 7:30 p.m.

#### 5/21/2013 Primary Election

#### 5/21/2013 Release of New Research Report

on Community Colleges

#### 5/28/2013 Program Planning Meeting

Location: McKnight Panera's

(Bring your ideas or send to Georgiana Likar)

11 a.m.

### June Happenings

#### 6/5/2013 Joint Board Meeting

Hostess: Peggy Garbooshian, 6 p.m.

#### Before 6/10/2013 Vote on-line

for AAUW National Policies and Officers

#### 6/11/2013 Morning Book Group

State of Wonder By Ann Patchett

Reviewer: Joanne Ahlstrom Hostess: Pauline Edison, 9:30 a.m.

#### 6/17/2013 Evening Book Group

Fahrenheit 451: A Novel By Ray Bradbury Reviewer: Irene Lietz

Hostess: Sina Murphy, 7:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

#### 8/5/2013 BUDGET MEETING

HOSTESS: Linda Loewer

7 p.m.

#### Give-a-Grad-a Gift

AAUW members can give a recent graduate a free 1-year national membership in AAUW at no cost. Give a free membership to anyone who has graduated in the last year, who has earned an associate, baccalaureate or higher degree, who is not currently a regular member of AAUW. AAUW estudent affiliates will automatically receive GGG upon graduation. Contact either Cindy Stewart or Linda Tozier for a copy of the application form.



#### MAY MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

BY Cindy Stewart

We are thrilled to announce our branch has two new members! Please welcome

Katherine Keith and Ursula Lesic.
Katherine found us on our website and has participated in Evening Book Group and Great Decisions. Ursula was recruited by Catelyn Hillegass and joined at the April Luncheon Fundraiser. We hope to see them both at the May Tea where you can introduce yourself and get to know them. Listed below is the information to include in your branch directory.

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katherine@keith.org

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#### CONGRATULATIONS TO

#### SYLVIA and JERRY LYNN

who were honored at The White House on April 24<sup>th</sup> for their volunteer assistance in the Hurricane Sandy cleanup last fall.



# WHAT'S ON YOUR BALLOT FOR THE MAY 21<sup>ST</sup> PRIMARY ELECTION?

If you'd like to know what's on the ballot for your polling place, go to <a href="www.alleghenycount.us/elect">www.alleghenycount.us/elect</a>
Select the polling place indicator, put in your street address. A bullet will appear to find your congressional district (in case you can't remember it) and what's on your ballot

# STATE OF WONDER

The best-selling author of "Bel Canto," Ann Patchett, has written another provocative novel, "State of Wonder." The evening book group will meet on Monday, May 20, at 7:30 pm to discuss her new book which is set in the Amazon rain forest---a gripping adventure story and tale of aspiration and exploration. The discussion will be led by Linda Loewer and Debbie Rosenfelder will be hostess at her home.

### WATCH PARTY FOR AAUW'S NEWEST RESEARCH REPORT, MAY 21<sup>st</sup>

In May, AAUW will release its latest research report, **Women and Community Colleges: Access to Success**. The report, which highlights two key barriers to women's success at community colleges, is the perfect opportunity for branch members to join together to watch the live-streamed research report launch event on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 21, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST</u>. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Linda at linda.tozier@verizon.net.



Sina Murphy supporting "Stand Against Racism" Day April 26, 2013

# 2013 SPRING LUNCHEON

By Georgiana Likar

The 2013 Spring Luncheon was a huge success! We received raved reviews about both the venue and beautifully decorated room at The Chadwick. Three thousand (\$3,000) dollars was raised. Many thanks to everyone who helped with their time, talent and treasures.

The pictures below were taken by Ann Carlson and arranged by Georgiana Likar. What a nice collage.



#### NORTH HILLS-MCKNIGHT AAUW DUES FORM FOR 2013-2014

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, 2013.  Mail CHECK and BRANCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION FORM to:  Linda Loewer 132 Circle Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237	
Branch Directory Information: Enter as you want it printed.	
Name	
Address	
City	Zip Code
Home Phone	Work
Cell Phone	Email
Degree Earned	Major
College/Univ.	

# **Rejoin NOW for greatest raffle chances!**

Now is the time to renew your North Hills-McKnight Branch membership. This qualifies you for our *free membership raffle drawing*. If you pay your dues by the end of **APRIL**, you will be entered **TWO times** for a drawing that will refund the full \$. If you pay by **May 18**<sup>th</sup>, you'll be entered **ONE time** for the free membership drawing.

You may bring your CHECK and BRANCH DIRECTORY FORM to the APRIL 27<sup>th</sup> luncheon or the MAY 18<sup>th</sup> Tea.

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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.

#### BRANCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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because equity is still an issue

