Homegrown Heroes: Pennsylvania Communities in the Civil War

Presented by Steve Anderson from the Pennsylvania Humanities Council

Wednesday, February 27th
In the Ryan Room at La Roche College
Refreshments: 6:30 PM
Meeting/Program: 7:00 PM
Tozier’s Tidbits

Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow. Hopefully spring is just around the corner. Thirty-five members and guests braved the snow showers to attend our January Branch meeting. Dr. Lisa Parker presented insight on the ethical ramifications of human genetics and on the life of Henrietta Lacks. All our branch programs this year have been excellent.

Have you filled in your 2012 AAUW Member Survey which was included in the Winter 2013 issue of your AAUW Outlook Magazine? If you’ve misplaced your magazine, you can complete the survey online at www.aauw.org/membersurvey2012. If you do not know your AAUW member number, please check with Cindy Stewart (our membership vp), Linda Loewer (our finance officer) or me. When I completed my survey, I enjoyed reflecting on the reasons why I joined AAUW and all the good things AAUW has done for women both locally and nationally. Surveys are accepted until April 2, 2013.

In January, the AAUW-PA board of directors approved a “vote by mail” process to be available for the April 2013 officer elections. Each member will receive instructions and a ballot in the Keystoner. To encourage voting, branch presidents have been asked to give branch members an opportunity to vote at a branch meeting. Presidents will then deliver the completed and sealed ballots in person at the annual state meeting on April 13th. There will be official ballots available at our February 27th branch meeting so that all members can vote and save the cost of mailing our ballots.

Planning for our April 27th Bi-annual Fundraiser Luncheon at the Chadwick is moving along. Please start inviting friends and family to come to hear Lawrence Likar, author of Eco-Warriors, Nihilistic Terrorists, and the Environment, present first-hand information about the many facts of climate change. It promises to be a great day.

Coming up in the next few weeks are two great opportunities to get together. On Wednesday, February 27th we can learn a little bit of history as Steve Anderson speaks about Civil War Homegrown Heroes. Come at 6:30 for refreshments, 7:00 for the meeting, and 7:30 for the speaker. On Saturday, March 2nd all members and guests can have a little bit of fun when Sina and Jim Murphy host our branch social from 7 to 10pm. Please see Sina’s invitation in this issue of Viewpoints.

Linda Tozier, President

Finance Report
By Linda Loewer

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BRANCH CALENDAR

February Happenings

2/12/2013 Morning Book Group
*In the Garden of Beasts*
By Erik Larson
Reviewer: Anita Fletcher
Hostess: Joanne Ahlstrom, 9:30 a.m.

2/18/2013 Speak Up Against Gender Violence
Carlow University, AJP 107, 4-6 p.m.

2/18/2013 Evening Book Group
*The Paris Wife*
By Paula McLain
Reviewer: Margaret Hartley
Hostess: Shirley Peetz, 7:30 p.m.

2/23/2013 Girls Coalition of SWPA
“Be Inspired”, girl activists Julia & Izzy
Stalton Squire, 9-12 noon

2/27/2013 Branch Meeting and Program
Speaker from the Pittsburgh Humanities Council

March Happenings

3/2/2013 Branch Social
Hostess: Sina Murphy, 7-10 p.m.

3/6/2013 Board Meeting
Hostess: Mary Eury, 7 p.m.

3/12/2013 Morning Book Group
*Clara and Mr. Tiffany*
By Susan Vreeland
Reviewer: Mary Eury
Hostess: Mary Eury, 9:30 a.m.

3/18/2013 Evening Book Group
*Caleb’s Crossing*
By Geraldine Brooks
Reviewer: Peggy Garbooshian
Hostess: Jane Depee, 7:30 p.m.

3/20/2013 Branch Meeting and Program
“Dress for Success”
Ryan Room, La Roche College

AAUW Spring 2013 Luncheon

The Chadwick-Route 19 Wexford Flats
April 27, 2013
Doors open at 11:00 AM
Lunch served at Noon
Cash bar available
Tickets: $35.00

"The Many Facets of Climate Change"

Speaker: Lawrence E. Likar
Author of *Eco-Warriors, Nihilistic Terrorists, and The Environment*
Chair of La Roche College Department of Justice, Law and Security
Retired FBI Special Agent

*Tickets are available to members, spouses, friends, etc. This topic will appeal to men as well as women.*

Please send your check before April 18, 2013
Payable to the North Hills-McKnight AAUW
430 Depee Avenue
Pittsburgh PA 15237

We are asking all members to help make this a success by helping with the Raffle Items:

1. Donate a new item(s) valued at $50.00 or more, i.e., coffee maker, cell phone, Nook/Kindle book, piece of jewelry, small electronics, etc.
2. Monetary donations to be used toward the purchase of such items.

Please contact me if you have any questions or wish to make a donation.
Thank you!
Georgiana Likar
724-934-0114; likar@comcast.net

GREAT DECISIONS

By Linda Loewer

The Great Decisions Foreign Policy Discussion Series continues with a discussion about NATO on Feb. 16 and 19. Our guest speaker will discuss an insider’s view of working within the organization and how the U.S. is involved.
La Roche College, Science Building, Room 108
Saturday at 9:30 am to 11:30am
Tuesday at 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Questions? Please email or call Linda Loewer: loewer@verizon.net ... 412-364-9427
Holiday Greens Sale was a Success  
By Joan Killinger and Sina Murphy

The Greens Sale was a success making a profit of $1,059, which was above our Goal. All of the money raised will go to our La Roche Incentive Grant.

Thank you to all those who purchased greens and also to those who made a donation to the Fund Raiser. A special thank you to our usual top sales person, Sr. Rita Yeasted.

Thanks for Ringing the Bells  
Submitted by Jan Peischl

The North Hills Community Outreach is very appreciative of the volunteers who rang the bells at the Red Kettle location at the Gibsonia Walmart. $867.94 was collected on the three days in December when we participated. NHCO, as a service unit of the Salvation Army, will receive 90% of the monies collected. Special thanks to Joanne Ahlstrom, Peggy Garbooshian, Sigrid King, Janette Kohr, Marilyn Lanz, Irene Leitz, Sylvia Lynn, Barbara Matthews, Jan Peischl, Cindy Stewart, Nell Sutherland, and Linda Tozier who braved the rain and cold for this worthy cause. During the course of this year’s campaign over $7,900 was raised. That’s our best year EVER. Your efforts are helping NHCO realize the vision that no one in Northern Allegheny County is cold, hungry or alone.

The Paris Wife  
By Sina Murphy

On Monday, February 18, the Bookers of the Evening will be meeting to discuss “The Paris Wife” by Paula McLain. This evocative story is a portrait of being in Paris in the 1920s. It’s a tale of ambition and betrayal which captures the love affair between two unforgettable people: Ernest Hemingway and his wife Hadley. Margaret Hartley will be leading the discussion at the home of Shirley Peetz at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating committee is pleased to present to the membership of the North Hills-McKnight Branch AAUW, the following slate of officers to be considered at the March Membership meeting.

President - Linda Tozier  
Program VP - Georgiana Likar  
Secretary - Anita Wurthner

The committee thanks each of you for this chance to serve our great organization.

A member wishing to submit a name for consideration at our meeting, please come with permission from your nominee.

LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

By Anita Wurthner

Thank you to those of you who have donated books for the sale. We have a wide variety of wonderful books collected so far but could use more.

As you may know, at our luncheon this year, we will have gently used books for sale. The book sale will be similar to a mystery bag sale-- each book will be wrapped and will be a surprise. If the book you receive is one you already read or not to your liking, you can swap with other guests at the luncheon and go home with something new to read.

So please look through your books and consider donating. We would appreciate new or gently used books--fiction or non-fiction-- preferably with a copyright of 2002 or later. They can be hardback or paperback.

You may give your donations to Sina Murphy, Mary Eury, or Anita Wurthner anytime now and until Friday, April 19, 2013
Early-bird registration for the 28th annual National Conference for College Women Student Leaders is open!

Encourage women student leaders to attend this fantastic, skill-building conference that motivates young women to become the leaders of tomorrow!

Students will meet the inspiring Women of Distinction.

NCCWSL is proud to announce Katie Miller and Reshma Saujani as two of our 2013 Women of Distinction Award recipients! In 2010, Miller made headlines when she resigned from West Point due to “don’t ask, don’t tell,” which prohibited gay men and women from serving openly in the military. Saujani is the founder of Girls Who Code, an organization that educates, inspires, and equips girls with skills and resources to pursue opportunities in technology and engineering. Find out more about our amazing Women of Distinction!

Students will hear from amazing keynote speakers.

Students will be inspired by Nina Godiwalla, CEO of MindWorks and the best-selling author of Suits: A Woman on Wall Street — described by the New York Times as the Devil Wears Prada of investment banking.

But what if students can’t afford to go?

Five scholarships are available from AAUW-PA. Scholarships cover the early-bird registration fee of $395 (which includes all programming, housing, and five meals.) For an application form, go to http://aauw-pa.aauw.net/connect/collegesuniversities/. Applications are due March 12, 2013, to Cathy Wieland, AAUW-NCCWSL, 43 North Grant Street, Palmyra, PA 17078, or by email to cathywielandaauw@verizon.net.
Speak up against Gender Violence

Feb. 18, 4-6pm
Carlow University, AJP 107

Bystander Intervention Strategies-Why and How

Breakout sessions:
• Intervention Part II
• Interrupting Hurtful Language
• Bystander Empathy
• Social Technology

FREE T-shirts and light refreshments for all participants

“If someone needed help, would you KNOW HOW?”

Free and open to the Public.

In association with
Speak Up Week
Presented by:
LGBT&Allies
Carlow AAUW and...

Questions? Irene Liets • ialiets@carlow.edu • (412)678-8839
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A FRIENDLY GATHERING

(NO REASON---NO EXCUSE---JUST A FUN TIME AND GOOD COMPANY)

BRING YOURSELF, SPOUSE, SIGNIFICANT OTHER, FRIEND, ETC., ETC.

DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 2
TIME: 7-10 P.M.
PLACE: 1901 LAKE MARSHALL
GIBSONIA, 15044 (HOME OF SINA MURPHY)
RSVP: 724-443-9163 (SINA)
OR SINAMURF @YAHOO.COM

OTHER STUFF: Please bring your own drink and a snack/appetizer to share.

Casual dress.
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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Association Website: www.aauw.org
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because equity is still an issue