YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A PRESENTATION BY

MARY FRAILEY CALLAND
author of
CONSECRATED DUST

Saturday, March 29, 2014
9:30 am - La Roche College
The Magdalen Chapel

All are welcome to attend this free event
Refreshments at 9:30 am - Program at 10:00 am
Gateway to Equity Award Presented
Women’s Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh

PLEASE INVITE GUESTS AS THIS IS OUR "SHAPE THE FUTURE" EVENT.
THOSE WHO JOIN THAT DAY WILL BE OFFERED REDUCED RATES AS SHOWN IN THIS NEWSLETTER.
Tozier’s Tidbits

North Hills-McKnight Branch is holding its second Shape the Future Event on Saturday, March 29th. Each person who joins AAUW at this public event will pay half price dues for the 2014-2015 AAUW year. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to invite guests with an associate or equivalent (RN) or higher degree from regionally accredited institutions. Yellow flyers were handed out to those members who came to our February branch meeting. If you need an invitation to give to a guest, you can contact Georgiana Likar. Or you can simply invite someone in person or via telephone.

What a perfect way to celebrate the end of Women’s History Month with a free lecture by Pittsburgh author Mary Frailey Calland. North Hills-McKnight Branch will be announcing our 2014 Outstanding Woman and Spotlight Award winners and our 2014 Gateway to Equity winner. Even if you don’t have someone to invite, please come for the fun, entertainment, food, and used jewelry food raiser. This event will take place in the Chapel Lobby and Chapel of La Roche College. You should enter via the chapel doors.

I want to close by saying some well-deserved “Thanks”. Eighteen members braved the cold and snowy weather on Feb. 26th to enjoy Georgiana Likar’s on-line presentation of the National Women’s History Museum. Thanks go to our 2014 Awards Committee (Marcia Coleman, Maryann Anderson and Sylvia Lynn) who will be presenting the 2014 winners of Outstanding Woman and Spotlight Awards on March 29th. Thank you to Peggy Schmiedecke for securing our Gateway to Equity winning organization. Thank you to this year’s Nominating Committee (Cindy Stewart (chair), Mary Eury, Dorothy Frayer, Peggy Garbooshian and Janice Peischl) for finding well-qualified candidates for Membership Vice President and Finance Officer. Thank you to Linda Loewer for making Great Decisions a yearly success. And a big “Thank You” is extended to each of you who continue to keep our branch vibrant in the North Hills community in so many ways.

Linda Tozier,
President

BRANCH CALENDAR

March Happenings

3/11/2014 Morning Book Group
All Standing
By Kathryn Miles
Reviewer: Cheryl Kirchner
Hostess: Anita Wurthner, 9:30 a.m.

3/12/14 Board Meeting
Hostess: Anita Wurthner

3/17/2014 Evening Book Group
The Sandcastle Girls
By Chris Bohjalian
Reviewer: Peggy Garbooshian
Hostess: Joyce Ruzanic

3/22/2014 Great Decisions, 9:30 a.m.
La Roche College Science Bldg, room 103
Topic: U.S. trade policy

3/25/2014 Great Decisions, 7 p.m.
La Roche College Science Bldg, room 107
Topic: U.S. trade policy

3/28/14 Human Trafficking Workshop
YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh, 11:30-1:30
Registration required: 412-391-5109 or advocacy@ywcapgh.org

3/29/14 Branch Membership Event
Speaker: Mary Frailey Calland, author of Consecrated Dust: A Novel of the Civil War North
9:30 a.m. La Roche College, Magdalen Chapel

April Happenings

4/2/14 Board Meeting
Hostess: Sina Murphy

4/7/2014 Evening Book Group
Drue Heinz Dinner & Lecture, 7:30 p.m.
Speaker: Ann Patchett

4/8/2014 Morning Book Group
Planning Meeting & Luncheon
Hostess: Donna Martin, 9:30 a.m.

4/21/2014 Evening Book Group
Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker
By Jennifer Chiaverini
Reviewer: Maripat Kwaczala
Hostess: Jane Depee

4/23/2014 Branch Meeting
Topic: Canine Companions
La Roche, Ryan Room, 6:30 p.m.

4/26/2014 International Dinner
Country: Turkey

Congratulations to Susan Banerjee who was one of five panelists with outstanding STEM careers who participated in the Fox Chapel Branch's annual Young Women's Recognition Night.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
By Cindy Stewart

According to the by-laws of the North Hills-McKnight Branch, a nominating committee of five members was appointed by the board of directors in February. Serving on the nominating committee were the following: Mary Eury, Dorothy Frayer, Peggy Garbooshian, Jan Peischl, and Cindy Stewart, chair.

This year, because it is an even numbered year, the offices of Vice President for Membership and Finance Officer are open. The committee met at Panera in Wexford on March 4th and prepared a list of nominees. The committee is pleased to announce the name of Maripat Kwaczala as a candidate for Membership VP and Katherine Keith as the candidate for Finance Officer.

Both names were presented to the board at the March 13th meeting and are included in this month's Viewpoints for membership review.

The candidates will be elected at the April meeting and installed at the May Dinner Meeting.

FINANCE REPORT
BY LINDA LOEWER

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JEWELS FOR DOLLARS
A Mini Fundraiser

Last call for all your jewelry that is stashed away in your jewelry box that you have not worn in years! One woman’s trash can be another woman’s treasure----especially when it costs so little.

As you know, we are having a jewelry sale as a mini fundraiser at our March 29th Shape the Future AAUW meeting. Bring your jewelry donations to any AAUW function between now and the 29th. Katherine Keith, Linda Joy and Jane Depee are collecting the items. Here’s hoping our jewels become dollars for our branch.

Shape the Future Membership Event
by Cindy Stewart

On Saturday, March 29th, a special program featuring a book talk by author Mary Frailey Calland will be held in the Magdalen Chapel of La Roche College. The program begins with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and is open to the public. Please invite people to attend and hear the excellent presentation of the author of Consecrated Dust.

Because this is a special membership drive, any new member who joins that day receives 50 percent off national, state and local dues. In addition, the membership is good for fifteen months. National dues are tax deductible. For a total of $35, a new member can support the mission of AAUW in promoting equity issues for women and girls.

There will be a membership table set up with brochures and a guest/referral list for anyone who wishes to join. This special event is a wonderful way to grow our membership, so please support it by coming an inviting a friend or two.

A STORY OF LOVE AND SURVIVAL
By Sina Murphy

On Monday, March 17, at 7:30 pm, the Evening Book Group will meet to discuss “The Sandcastle Girls” by Chris Bohjalian. This critically acclaimed author has written a beautiful, frightening, and unforgettable romance with a complicated historical event exposing the reader to the Armenian genocide and its multigenerational consequences. Peggy Garbooshian will be leading the discussion and will also be hosting the meeting at her home.
Gateway to Equity Award
By Peggy Schmiedecke

The AAUW North Hills-McKnight Branch will honor the Women’s Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh (WC&S). We selected WC&S because its mission is to advance the safety and well-being of victims of intimate partner violence and prevent and respond to intimate partner violence through social change.

AAUW’s support of the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act comes directly from our public policy program, which advocates for “freedom from violence and fear of violence in homes, schools, workplaces, and communities.” And we put those words into action. It takes major strides — not just baby steps — toward ending domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking against women and men.

Everybody counts and we must do more to ensure everyone’s safety. The advocacy work done through exertions of WC&S of Greater Pittsburgh supports our Branches advocacy efforts with VAW projects. The award will be presented at our Branch meeting on March 29, 2014.

Morning Bridge Celebrates
St. Patrick's Day

Ann Carlson, Sina Murphy, Peggy Garbooshian

and

Mardi Gras

King Cake

Sina Murphy, Deborah Hackney
AAUW-PA Annual Meeting Registration Form*—April 11-13, 2014
AAUW-PA 85th Annual Meeting, Wyndham Gettysburg, 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA 17325  (717) 339-0020

*For ONLINE REGISTRATION OPTION, VISIT:  https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2014AnnualMeetingRegistration

Name_________________________________Branch_____________________First-time Attendee? ____
Address______________________________________   ________________________________________
Email__________________________________Phone__________________________________
Special Needs: Dietary ________________Physical _____________ Need a roommate?  ___Fri  ___Sat
Please indicate your status:  ___Branch member  ___Branch President  ___State Board Member
___College/University Rep.  ___ Student Affiliate  ___Guest/Friend

For planning purposes, please indicate which sessions you will attend. The complete agenda is on page 9.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11
___Walking Tour of Gettysburg - 3:00—5:00pm  ___Dinner (voucher) for hotel dining room - 5:00—7:00pm
___Gubernatorial Candidate Forum - 7:00pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 12
___Continental Breakfast 7:45—8:45am  Concurrent Sessions II - 2:00—2:45pm
___ Concurrent Sessions I - 9:00-9:45am  SELECT ONE:  ___Sister to Sister
SELECT ONE: ___Public Policy Priorities ___Updates on Public Policy Initiatives
___STEM Initiatives

Concurrent Sessions III - 3:00—3:45pm
SELECT ONE: ___AAUW: College Students' Perspectives
___Book discussion

Dinner (Select one): ___Pan seared Filet of Salmon ___Rosemary-Lemon Breast of Chicken
___Vegetarian (Chef’s Choice)  ____Gluten Free (Chef’s Choice)

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
$79 by March 10th, $95 afterwards
• Fri. night hotel meal voucher
• Sat. breakfast, beverage service
• Sat. night reception hors d’oeuvres
• Meeting expenses
• AAUW-PA Yearbook

INDIVIDUAL COSTS
___Friday walking tour ($5)
(also payable onsite)
___Saturday lunch ($30)
___Saturday dinner ($40)
___Sunday breakfast ($20)

CHECK TO AAUW-PA
$79/$95 Registration
___Individual Costs
TOTAL COST*
* excludes hotel reservation; contact hotel on your own

HOTEL RESERVATIONS—To make a room reservation, call (717) 339-0020 and mention AAUW-PA, or visit http://www.wyndham.com/groupevents2013/MDTGE_AAUWPA/main.wnt, Room Charge/night = $119.00 + tax double occupancy.  Rooms will only be held for AAUW-PA through 3/14.

CONFERENCE RESERVATIONS & DEADLINES
Early Bird Registrations with registration form and full payment must be postmarked by March 10, 2014.  Regular Registrations must be postmarked before April 4th.  Onsite registration will be available with a $15 late fee.  Registration is cancellable with full refund if AAUW is notified by April 4th.  Include a stamped, self-addressed postcard or your email address for registration confirmation.  Questions?  Contact Sherry Crassweller at (814) 237-3861 or (814) 574-2400, aps@psu.edu.  Use “Annual Meeting 2014” in the e-mail subject line.

Send registration form and check made payable to AAUW-PA to:
AAUW-PA c/o Sherry Crassweller, 2264 Charleston Drive, State College, PA 16801
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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because equity is still an issue