

*AAUW North Hills-McKnight Branch
Fundraiser-Tuesday, March 24th
(no regular meeting this month)*

The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel



Join Judi Dench, Richard Gere, Maggie Smith and AAUW members and friends
on **Tuesday, March 24th** at this magical hotel.

SPECIAL MOVIE SHOWING at 7 p.m.

Cinemark North Hills, McCandless Crossing
Pre-event Activities begin at 5 o'clock in the afternoon at the nearby
Kearns Spirituality Center

(9000 Babcock Boulevard between UPMC Passavant Hospital and La Roche College)

Appetizers and Desserts, Wine, DVD Sale, Purse Sale, and 50-50 Raffle

Tickets: \$30

Mail checks payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW to:

Jane Depee
314 Haugh Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

For more information, call 412-364-6266/**Please RSVP by March 20th**
If you are unable to attend, a donation would be appreciated.

Proceeds benefit North Hills-McKnight AAUW Philanthropies and Activities



Tozier's Tidbits

Once every other spring, North Hills-McKnight AAUW conducts a more involved fundraiser to enable our branch to continue providing quality programming for our members and the North Hills community. The types of fundraisers our branch has sponsored have included rummage sales, yard sales, flea markets, book sales, virtual events such as teas to send Susie to college, theater productions, operatic performances and luncheons with dynamic speakers. This year's movie fundraiser on March 24th continues this tradition. Both the hour and a half pre-event party at the Kearns Spirituality Center and the private showing of The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel promise to be well-worth the \$30 price of admission. Invite your friends and family. We guarantee they'll have a great time. The participation of every member is essential for this event to be a financial success. Send your reservations to Jane Depee today.

This year's Nominating Committee is presenting a slate for three positions for 2015-2017 terms of office to be voted upon at our April 22nd branch meeting. Kudos to Katherine Keith (chair), Judy Daw, Linda Joy, Cindy Stewart and Anita Wurthner for a job well done. And congratulations to Michele Buford, Susan Banerjee, Betty Kroniser, Christine Ley and Janice Peischl for their willingness to accept leadership positions for the next two years. They will be installed at our May 27th Annual Dinner at La Roche College.

The AAUW-PA 86th Annual Meeting will be held in State College April 10-11, 2015. Regular registration ends April 3rd. AAUW-PA again is offering online registration: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AAUWAnnualMeeting2015> I plan to travel early Friday morning to arrive in time for the state board meeting and return home on Sunday. I promise to bring back to share with you news of all the exciting events. Three new state officers will be elected. In this issue of Viewpoints is the description of how to vote: online or by paper ballot. Whichever option you choose, it's important that each of us exercise our vote.

Do you have family members or friends who are graduating from college this spring? You can help them celebrate this accomplishment by giving them a free one-year national membership in AAUW through the Give-a-Grad-a-Gift program. It costs you nothing but offers a life-time of possibilities to the honoree. Please contact me for more information about how to do this.

Let's hope that the recent warmer weather continues through March so that Great Decisions can continue to meet each Saturday morning and that everyone can safely enjoy themselves on March 24th.

Linda Tozier, President

BRANCH CALENDAR

March Happenings

3/10/2015 Morning Book Group

Consecrated Dust

by Mary Frailey Calland

Reviewer: Mary Eury

Hostess: Jan Peischl

3/16/2015 Bookers of the Evening

Still Life with Bread Crumbs

by Anna Quindlen

Reviewer: Sina Murphy

Hostess: Bunny Roessing, 7:30 p.m.

3/24/2015 Branch Fundraiser

La Roche College, Kearns Center 5-6:30

McCandless Crossings Cinemark, 7 p.m.

3/26-27, 2015 Pittsburgh Humanities Festival

locations throughout the Cultural District

www.TRUSTARTs.org/SmartTalk or

412-456-6666



April Happenings

4/1/2015 Board Meeting, 6 P.M.

La Roche College, Buckman Room

4/3/2015 Deadline to Vote for AAUW-PA Officers

4/10-11/2015 86th Annual AAUW-PA Meeting

State College, PA

4/14/2014 Equal Pay Day Event

La Roche College

4/14/2015 Morning Book Group

Planning Meeting & Luncheon

Hostess: Donna Martin, 9:30 a.m.

4/20/2015 Bookers of the Evening

Empire of the Summer Moon

by S.C. Gwynne

Reviewer: Peggy Garbooshian

Hostess: Jane Depee, 7:30 p.m.

4/22/2015 Branch Meeting and Election of Officers

North Hills Photographic Road Show

Refreshments: 6:00 p.m.

Presentation: 7:15 p.m.

La Roche College



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By Katherine Keith

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: Judy Daw, Linda Joy, Cindy Stewart, Anita Wurthner, and Katherine Keith, Chair,

This year, because it is an uneven numbered year, the offices of President, Program Vice President, and Secretary are open.

The committee is pleased to announce the names of following candidates:

Co-Presidents: Michele Buford and
Susan Banerjee.

Program V.P.: Betty Kroniser

Co-Secretaries: Christine Ley and
Jan Peischl

Thank you all for agreeing!

The candidates will be elected at the April meeting and installed at the May 27th Dinner Meeting.

DIRECTORY CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Cynthia Stewart
217 Monroe Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15229
412-364-3171 (h)
412-638-2712 (c)

LA ROCHE LITERARY SOCIETY

By Sr. Rita Yeasted

The final Literary Society presentation at La Roche will be Friday, March 27, at 7 p.m. in the College Square in the College Center.

The program, "Coal Country Tales," will feature Tawni O'Dell, who will read from her latest novel, "One of Us," and talk about her writing career. The author of five novels published in more than 40 countries, Ms. O'Dell was born in Indiana, PA. Her first novel, "Back Roads," became an Oprah Book Club selection and is currently being made into a movie, for which she wrote the script. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

Members Enjoying the February 25, 2015 Branch Event at the THE ART PLACE STUDIO



FINANCE REPORT

By Katherine Keith

Initial Balance:	\$2684.51
Income:	0.00
Expenses:	\$155.00
Ending balance:	\$2529.51



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

By Sylvia Lynn

Anchorpoint Counseling Ministry serves families and children through counseling services, mentoring and tutoring. Each year one of their biggest fund raisers is a book sale held in June. In order to make it successful two things are needed: Books and Volunteers.

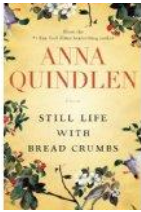
Volunteers can help sort books

If you are interested in helping call Dawn Tornese at 412-366-1300 or e-address asstoffice@anchorpointcounselingministry.org for times and directions. --



Bookers of the Evening

by Peggy Garbooshian



Bookers of the Evening will meet March 16 at 7:30 at Bunny Roessing's. Sina Murphy will review "Still Life with Bread Crumbs" by Anna Quindlen, "a marvelous romantic comedy!" Rebecca Winter is a heroine of "a certain age" who became famous – and wealthy – on a series of photographs chronicling her domestic life which become landmarks of feminist art. The most famous of these photographs is "Still Life with Bread Crumbs." For years Rebecca lived on the financial returns from reprints, licensing, etc. until the time that the money begins to dry up. Her career is going downhill her bank balance is shaky, and she opts to sublet her Central Park apartment for a dilapidated rented cottage in the countryside north of New York City. We want to know, is a second chance in Rebecca's future????



Fun Ways to Help with "A Night at the Movies"

by Linda Tozier

1. Send Jane Depee your \$30 check for the private Tuesday, March 24th Movie Showing of "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel and fun pre-event party.
2. Invite your family and friends to join you in supporting North Hills-McKnight at this fun event: movie, food and drink, fun – all this for \$30.
3. Donate your DVDs (oldies but goodies never go out of favor) for a DVD raffle. Give your DVDs to Maryann Anderson or Sylvia Lynn.
4. Give those gently used purses to Jan Peischl to be part of the purse sale which Anita Wurthner and Betty Kroniser are chairing.
5. Give those gift cards or free admissions to nifty places that you know you won't be able to use to Linda Tozier or Marilyn Lanz to be part of a gift bag raffle. Items should be valued between \$10 and \$25.
6. If you need someone to collect your donations, contact Linda Tozier. We will need to receive items by March 21st at the very latest.
7. If you are unable to attend, please consider sending a monetary donation to our Finance Officer, Katherine Keith.

North Hills-McKnight Branch holds one large fund raiser every other year. We need your participation in this 2015 event.

Thanks in advance for helping.

Equal Pay Day April 14, 2015 – Tabling Event

submitted by Peggy Schmiedecke

Location: La Roche College, in College Center Square (table same location as the Get out the Vote day). Table has been reserved.

Set up 11 a.m., event 11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Giveaways:

- Handouts: AAUW Quick Facts – Gender Pay Gap January 2015; The Gender Pay Gap: Pennsylvania; The Fight for Pay Equity: A Road Map
- Ordered from AAUW free 100 each stickers - *I am the face of Pay Equity* and *Pass the Paycheck Fairness Act. Received Graduating to Pay Gap* book 2014 version - 30 copies

Make an ask or two:

- Action Network - sign up
- E-Student Affiliate Member (e-SAM) paper sign-up. May also use computer.

Engage Passers-by:

Have at least one person in front of table inviting them to table. Have a good “stopper line” Are you worth 22 percent less? – We are now in the Red!

Cookies – call into Beattie Tech to make sugar cookie with either 22% on it or red icing – tying to the message that we are now in the Red. Debating on selling the cookies (\$1 to guys and .75 still thinking about this). Cookies will be funded by the mini-grant.

Student Volunteers – Emailed One Youth, Julie Makuta will ask e-SAM, Julie also is assisting with looking into getting some Student Government Assoc. members to help.

AAUW Volunteers – Could use two or three to come in shifts. Please contact Peggy Schmiedecke if you are available to help pschmiedecke@comcast.net

Note: This program will be supported by our Mini-Impact Grant and it will fulfill the public policy issue that we stated in the application. Peggy will get copies of the handouts, sticker giveaways, sign-up sheets with clip boards, table banner, table cloth, and cookies.

NORTH HILLS-MCKNIGHT AAUW DUES FORM FOR 2015-2016

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

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 \$70. If you pay by MAY 27th, you will be entered **ONE time** for the free membership drawing.

Make checks payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW and send it by June 15, 2015. Mail check and BRANCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION FORM TO: Katherine Keith, 130 Woodbine Lane, Mars, PA 16046.

Branch Directory Information: enter as you want it printed.

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Degree(s) earned: _____

Major(s): _____

College/University: _____

You may bring your CHECK and THIS FORM to the April 22nd branch meeting or to the May 27th Dinner meeting.

COMMUNITY CINEMA

by Peggy Schmiedecke

A Path Appears: Episode Two

Please join The Girls Coalition of SWPA and WQED Pittsburgh for a FREE Community Cinema screening of A Path Appears: Episode Two. The segment focuses on the importance of early education for children, and explores the link between lack of access to resources and education, and poverty.

View the trailer. <http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/path-appears/film.html>

The screening will be followed by a panel discussion including staff from Save the Children who were involved in the film and representatives from Pittsburgh's early childhood and housing communities. Dinner will be provided!

WHEN: Tuesday, March 31st, 2015

WHERE: WQED Studios, 4802 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

COST: FREE!

For more information and to register, <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/wqed-and-girls-coalition-host-a-path-appears-screening-and-discussion-tickets-15602133401>

THE HOMESTRETCH: Screening and Discussion

Please join The Girls Coalition of SWPA and WQED Pittsburgh for a FREE Community Cinema screening of The Homestretch.

The Homestretch follows three homeless teens as they fight to stay in school, graduate, and build a future. Each of these smart, ambitious youths - Roque, Kasey, and Anthony - will surprise, inspire, and challenge audiences to rethink stereotypes of homelessness as they work to complete their education while facing the trauma of being alone and abandoned at an early age. While told through a personal perspective, their stories connect with larger issues of poverty, race, juvenile justice, immigration, foster care, and LGBTQ rights.

Doors open at 6:00pm, with the film showing shortly after and a short discussion to follow. Dinner will be provided.

WHEN: Tuesday, April 7th, 2015

WHERE: WQED Studios, 4802 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

COST: FREE!

For more information and to register, click **HERE.** <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/wqed-and-girls-coalition-host-the-homestretch-screening-and-discussion-tickets-15893559063?aff=erellivorg>

Nominations and Elections Committee Report

April 2015 Candidates for Election at Annual Business Meeting

Barbara Price, AAUW-PA Nominations Chair

AAUW-PA Program Vice President



Sandy Homel

Sandy has been an AAUW member since the mid 70s in three different branches. She was Chair of an Educational Issues Conference and received an AAUW Educational Named Gift Award. She has served on fundraising, policy and issues committees and chaired the Bucks County Women's History Award committee. She is currently Doylestown Branch Program Vice President. Sandy has certification in math, English and secondary education and a PhD is in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. She has been an Assistant Superintendent and Director of Secondary Education. She is currently an Adjunct Professor at Temple University.

AAUW-PA Membership Vice President



Cathy Wieland

A member of the Lebanon Valley Branch since 1971, Cathy has served her branch as Treasurer and President, and has served AAUW PA as Administrative Director and Secretary. She feels AAUW plays a crucial role in advancing equity in education, economics, and other areas in the lives of women and girls, and is excited to help branches with Membership. Cathy received a B.S. from Shippensburg University and an M.S. from Temple University. She taught high school mathematics and is now an office manager in a chiropractic practice.

AAUW-PA Finance Officer



Susan Donahue

Susan is currently serving as AAUW-PA Finance Officer. At AAUW Lansdale, she is the Co-Chair of Excellence in Writing and previously served two terms as the branch's Finance Officer. Susan represented her branch at the 2009 National Convention and has been a regular attendee at state meetings/conventions. The Lansdale branch honored Susan with their 2008 Emerging Star award and 2009 Outstanding Woman. Susan works as an adoption consultant and volunteers through the United Way VITA program preparing taxes for low income individuals. She holds a BS in Accounting from Millersville University and a MBA in Health Care Administration from Temple University.

AAUW-PA 2015 Election Voting Instructions

OPTION 1: ONLINE VOTING

Instructions: Click on the link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/AAUWelection2015>

Online voting is available now through midnight, April, 3, 2015. The initial screen will include instructions and three boxes asking for voting confirmation information to verify that you are a current paid AAUW-PA member and that you are not voting multiple times. Click on the next box to bring up the actual ballot.

OPTION 2: PAPER BALLOT VOTING

Instructions: Clip out official ballot and vote. Place ballot in a small unmarked envelope and seal. Insert blank envelope into a larger envelope (#10) and seal. On the back of the larger blank envelope, print your name, sign your name below and print the name of our branch.

Insert larger blank envelope into another envelope and mail to Nominations Chair at address printed below.

AAUW-PA ELECTION PAPER BALLOT – 2015-2017

(Please mark choices with an "X.")

Program Vice-President Nominees:

☐ Sandy Homel ☐ Other _____

Membership Vice-President Nominees:

☐ Cathy Wieland ☐ Other _____

Finance Officer Nominees:

☐ Susan Donahue ☐ Other _____

Mail ballot to Barbara Price, Nominations Chair, 133 Liberty Drive, Langhorne, PA 19047

Your mailed ballot must be received no later than **Friday, April 3, 2015**, in order for it to be valid and counted. Thank you!

AAUW-PA 86th Annual Meeting Registration Form*—April 10-11, 2015

Ramada Conference and Golf Hotel, 1450 South Atherton Street, State College, PA 16801
(814) 238-3001, www.ramadasc.com

***To register for the meeting online, visit:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AAUWAnnualMeeting2015>

Name _____ Branch _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Status: ___ Outstanding Woman ___ Spotlight Award Winner ___ First-time Attendee ___ Branch Member
___ Branch Officer ___ State Board Member ___ College/University Rep ___ Student Affiliate ___ Speaker
___ Check here if you don't want your name/email included on the List of Attendees (for future networking).

For planning purposes, please indicate which sessions you plan to attend.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

- ___ 5:30pm—Dinner (soup, sandwiches, fresh fruit)
- ___ 6:00pm—National AAUW Update
- ___ 6:45pm—College Student Panel
- ___ 7:45pm—Penn State Creamery ice cream and campus drive-by tour (transportation provided)

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

- ___ Continental Breakfast 7:30—8:45am
- ___ Concurrent Session 1 (9:00—10:00am) — Human Trafficking
- ___ Concurrent Session 2 (9:00-10:00am) — Voter Rights

Lunch (Select one): ___ Chicken Breast/stuffing ___ Crabcakes/red potatoes
___ Vegetarian (Chef's Choice) ___ Gluten Free (Chef's Choice)

MEETING COST: —\$55 postmarked by April 3rd (includes all meals)

—\$65 after April 3rd and up through the meeting day

Attendees need to make hotel reservations on their own—see information below.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS—To make a room reservation, call (814) 238-3001. To receive the AAUW-PA rate,

registration must be done over the phone. **Room Charge/night = \$79 + tax for a double occupancy.**

Rooms will only

be guaranteed for AAUW-PA through March 23rd. After this date, guests who have not reserved may call in and

reserve their room and receive the group rate, if there are still rooms available.

CONFERENCE RESERVATIONS & DEADLINES

Mailed registration forms must be postmarked by **April 3rd**. Onsite registration will be available with a \$10 late fee

added (\$65.00 instead of \$55.00). Registration is cancellable with full refund if AAUW is notified by **April 3rd**. 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 2015" in the e-mail subject line.

Send registration form and check made payable to AAUW-PA to:

AAUW-PA

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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Branch Website: <http://northhillsmcknight-pa.aauw.net>

CONNECT2AAUW: 800-326-2289 or connect@aauw.org

Association Website: www.aauw.org

State Website: www.aauwpa.org

VIEWPOINTS

North Hills-McKnight Branch

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because equity is still an issue

