

## Annual Meeting Pictures and awards.



### Outstanding Woman of the Year

Sr. Rita Yeasted was named the Outstanding Woman of the Year at our May dinner. Her most significant contribution has been to our La Roche Incentive Grant. By selling more greens each year than all of our other members combined, she has enabled the grant to grow from \$100 in 1979 to \$2000 per year. She was honored last year for serving for 25 years as our Corporate Representative from La Roche College. Congratulations Sr. Rita!

### Branch Spotlight Award

This newer award is made to someone who made a significant contribution to the branch during this past year. Linda Tozier, our president for the past two term, was chosen. She volunteered to be the chair of our fundraiser in March 2015. She was eager to try a new approach to raising funds and awareness of AAUW by holding a movie night, complete with food and drink, raffles, and purse and DVD sales. It was very successful in raising over \$2600.



### MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

- 5 Years: Peggy Schmiedecke, Cindy Stewart
- 15 Years: Rosemary Praeger
- 20 Years: Janice Meade, Debbie Rosenfelder
- 25 Years: Sina Murphy
- 30 Years: Donna Martin, Sr. Rita Yeasted
- 50 years: Sylvia Lynn



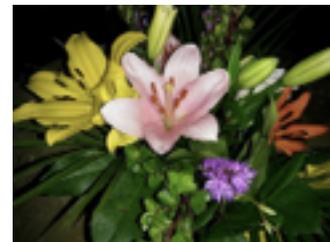
Thank you Linda for 4 great years!!



**Linda Tozier handing the president's gavel to Susan Banerjee and Michele Buford, Our Co-Presidents for 2015-2017**



**Christine Ley - Co-Secretary  
Betty Kroniser - Program V.P.  
Janice Peischl - Co-Secretary**



**May Financial Report**

**Beginning balance: \$7764.04  
Expenses: \$5  
Income: \$522.34  
Ending balance: \$8281.38**

Bags anyone? Rosemary Praeger, Linda Tozier, Betty Kronizer, and Anita Wurthner



## Tozier's Tidbits

As I write my last (36<sup>th</sup>) Tidbits, I am reminded of just how much AAUW means to me. Thank you doesn't seem to be enough for the friendships, support and caring this branch has afforded me since I moved to Pittsburgh in 1981. You've been there for me through my personal ups and downs. And for this I am very grateful.

The May 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner was a huge success. Thirty-eight members and guests enjoyed lots of delicious food and fun conversations. Sr. Rita Yeasted was honored as the 2015 Outstanding Woman. The Awards Committee selected me as the 2015 Spotlight Award Winner. (And because the state membership vp chairs the Spotlight Award) I'm probably the first spotlight winner in PA to sign her own certificate! Christine Ley won the free dues drawing. Maripat Kwaczala recognized the seventeen members who reached Membership Milestones. Linda Joy (charter member) sent a note of appreciation for what AAUW has given her over 45 years. Sylvia Lynn became our first 50-yr honorary life member. And I was presented with a lovely glass dish, engraved with the new AAUW logo. Thank you.

As we move forward with new Co-Presidents, I know that our branch will continue to grow and promote the AAUW mission. Have a wonderful summer.

Linda Tozier, Outgoing President

**CONGRATULATIONS to Suzanne Filiaggi Bridges for winning spots on the November ballot in both the Republican and Democratic parties for a 2 year term on the North Allegheny School Board.**

### **GIVE A GRAD A GIFT**

**Members can give a recent college grad - a friend, daughter, son, niece, nephew, granddaughter or grandson - a one-year AAUW national membership at no cost (\$49) value).**

**Go to <https://svc.aauw.org/join/gradgift.cfml>**

**Yes, men have been eligible for AAUW membership since 1987. And in 2005, AAUW voted to admit those with**



## Co's Corner

As your new Co-Presidents, Susan Banerjee and I would like to thank you for allowing us to serve and promote AAUW's mission in the North Hills/McKnight area. We are excited for the upcoming year to begin and hope you will feel our excitement as we travel on this journey of change together. We are determined to help our branch grow and continue to empower the next generation of female leaders!

As we begin our new roles as Co-Presidents, we would like to encourage all of you to remember what excited you about AAUW when you first joined and to embrace that excitement again as we look forward to a wonderful year of poignant programming and bonding activities. There are still some opportunities to serve on next year's board. Please contact me if interested.

We want to take a moment to thank our outgoing predecessor, Linda Tozier, for her wonderful example of leadership and heart. We are honored to be mentored by her and look forward to continuing her legacy of leadership and mission with AAUW. Thank you for your numerous years of service and we look forward to serving with you on this year's board.

If anything, AAUW has taught us both to stick together to those that build you up...and ladies...that's all of you! Thank you again for allowing us to serve as your leaders and let the good times roll! Look forward to seeing all of you in the fall! Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

Michele Buford, M.Ed, Ed.S, ABD

Susan Banerjee, Ph.D

"Efforts and courage are not enough without purpose and direction."  
— John F. Kennedy

## 2015-2016 Board Positions

by Michele Buford

Please let either myself or Susan Banerjee know if you do or do not want to continue in your current Board positions. As the new Co-Presidents, we want to make sure we honor those requests first before pursuing new members. Just contact us via email and mention that any members wanting to serve on the Board may contact us as well with their interests.

## HATS OFF To ANNA BELLE FEW Awarded the Northern Star Lifetime Achievement Award from Crisis Center North

Anna Belle has provided vision and dedication to Crisis Center North for the past 37 years. There are few who can say that they have committed such a substantial amount of time in their life to a cause. Her involvement has varied; however, most notably, Anna Belle was involved in the planning and formation of the organization, early on, striving to meet the needs for abused women in our community. In addition, she was an active volunteer, providing assistance on the hotline and further, spent 13 years aiding survivors in filing for protection orders at family court. Today, she continues to raise funds and give her support and guidance to the Center when consulted. Anna Belle was quoted in a 2012 Tribune Review article as saying, "This was the most meaningful volunteer job I have ever done." Because of her shared vision, determination, and compassion with the Center's other founding mothers, Crisis Center North continues to serve the needs in the community that they identified so many years before.



Board President Patty Hefner presents Anna Belle Few with the Northern Star Lifetime Achievement Award

### June Happenings

#### **6/9/2015 Morning Book Group**

*The Orphan Train*

by Christina Baker Kline

Reviewer: Marilyn Loichinger

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

#### **6/15/2015 Bookers of the Evening**

*Mambo in Chinatown*

by Jean Kwok

Reviewer: Deb Rosenfelder

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

#### **6/19/2015 Last day to vote in AAUW National Elections**

### July Happenings

#### **7/11/2015 AAUW-PA Summer Retreat**

Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Location: Country Cupboard Inn  
Lewisburg, PA

#### **7/20/2015 Bookers of the Evening**

Planning Session

Hostess: Peggy Garbooshian, 7:30 p.m.

## Liberty 5K Run/Walk

### Join the battle against human trafficking

All proceeds from the race benefit *Living in Liberty*, a non-profit organization committed to rescuing and aiding victims of human trafficking by providing basic needs such as food and housing, as well as therapy and emotional support.

**Saturday, July 18, 2015**

**North Park Boathouse**

*Registration begins at 8 a.m., race starts at 9 a.m.*

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Online by July 17

\*Register online at [www.livinginliberty.org](http://www.livinginliberty.org)

# 2015 AAUW Day at Chautauqua

**Date: Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**Host: AAUW Branch of Jamestown, NY**

**Theme: Boys Will Be Boys – Then Men**

**Speaker: Wes Moore, author of “The Other Wes Moore”**

**Place: Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, NY ([www.ciweb.org](http://www.ciweb.org))**

**Time: Lecture 10:45 a.m. at Amphitheater; Ticket good from 9 am – 8 pm**

**Cost: \$35.25/person plus \$27.25 for lunch in the historic Athenaeum Hotel’s Parlor**

**Total: \$62.50 (Make check payable to AAUW Jamestown Branch.)**

To make a reservation, please fill out this coupon and mail a check made out for the total amount to: AAUW Jamestown Branch.

Include your email address, so confirmation of your reservation can be sent to you.

All orders must be prepaid.

AAUW Day at Chautauqua costs \$62.50 per person and includes lunch.

Mail your coupon and check to Barb Russell, 2702 Salam Drive, Ashville, NY 14710.

Please email questions to [barbararussell@mail.sunyjcc.edu](mailto:barbararussell@mail.sunyjcc.edu).

You can order ticket OR meal, only.

Parking (\$8.50) is paid directly by you at the parking lot.

Check Meal selection: Traditional Cobb Salad (w/grilled chicken breast) \_\_\_\_\_;

Citrus Baked Cod with tomato & garlic cream sauce, roasted asparagus/basmati Rice Pilaf: \_\_\_\_\_;

Penne Pasta with Crimini Mushrooms (roasted tomatoes, peas, parmesan cream sauce: \_\_\_\_.

(All meals come with iced tea, lemonade, coffee, hot tea and chef’s choice of dessert.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AAUW Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of enclosed check: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

If ordering for more than yourself, supply the other names in your party, their branch affiliations, and their meal selections. (Deadline for reservations is Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015)

## Wes Moore, author, The Other Wes Moore !

The author of The Other Wes Moore, a tale of two boys from Baltimore with the same name but very different fates, Wes Moore is a youth advocate, Army combat veteran, social entrepreneur and the host of “Beyond Belief” on the Oprah Winfrey Network. In Spring 2014, PBS premiered “Coming Back With Wes Moore,” on which Moore served as executive producer. The series covered the personal lives of soldiers returning from war as they attempted to reintegrate back into society.!

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Johns Hopkins University, Moore studies International Relations at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, then served a combat tour of duty in Afghanistan with the 1st Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division.

As a White House Fellow, Moore served as special assistant to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Moore serves on the board of the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, the Johns Hopkins University Board of Trustees, the Valley Forge Military Academy and College Board of Trustees and the Phi Theta Kappa Foundation Board of Trustees. He is the founder of STAND! that through Johns Hopkins works with Baltimore youth involved in the criminal justice system.!

Go to and to learn about Chautauqua Institution.

**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)

**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.**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree(s) earned: \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

### 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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State Website: [www.aauwpa.org](http://www.aauwpa.org)

# VIEWPOINTS

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because equity is still an issue

