

Viewpoints

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North Hills-McKnight Branch Newsletter

September 2012

Meet and Greet: Back From the Summer!



Wednesday, September 26 6:00 PM La Roche College, Ryan Room







Enjoy good food, meet new members, and reconnect.

Tozier's Tidbits

Welcome back to another exciting year for AAUW. In this presidential election year our branch is participating in the AAUW Get-Out-The-Vote (GOTV) campaign in several ways. North Hills-McKnight member Irene Lietz was instrumental in organizing a screening of the fine documentary Miss Representation at Carlow University on September 13th from 6 to 8 pm. Peggy Schmiedecke, our very capable Public Policy Chair, is organizing voter registration drives at La Roche College on September 17 and 25 (from 10:00 to 2:00) and phone banks for the 15237 zip code on October 10 and 25. Irene Lietz has set up voter registration at Carlow University on September 17th and phone banks for the 15213 zip code on October 4 and November 1. Our branch has signed on as a Friend of the Good Politics Forum, sponsored by the LWV on September 20th, from 5:30 to 7:15 pm at the Rivers Club in Oxford Center. And for our October 24th branch meeting, Program VP Julie Makuta has booked a LWV speaker whose topic is Election 2012.

The second emphasis for this branch year will be our biennial fundraiser to raise monies for all branch philanthropic causes. The planning for this event is beginning NOW. We need 100% branch participation in this effort to ensure its success. If we are to continue awarding the Sister Matilda Kelly Incentive Grants and supporting AAUW Funds (such as the Legal Advocacy Fund, the Public Policy Fund, the Educational Opportunities Fund, the Leadership Programs Fund and the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund) we need to have a major fundraiser every other year. In an effort to get started, I am hosting a fundraiser planning meeting on Friday, September 21st from 10:00 am to noon. Please call me to volunteer to be part of the planning for this event which is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th. And please order holiday greens or give a contribution if you can't purchase live greens.

I hope to see many of you at the September 26th "Meet and Greet" (and Eat) which begins at 6:00 o'clock with appetizers and desserts provided by the branch Board. During the social hour, plan to catch up with old friends, make some new friends and find out about all the great activities our interest groups are offering this year. The business meeting will begin at 7:00 pm with the introduction of Incentive Grant recipient Julie McVay. What a great way to start the year!

Linda Tozier, President



BRANCH CALENDAR

September Happenings

9/11/2012 Morning Book Group

The Story of Beautiful Girl by Rachel Simon

Reviewer: Judy Metheny
Hostess: Shirley Teasley, 9:30

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9/13/2012 Miss Representation, Carlow Univ., 6-8 p.m.

9/17/2012 Evening Book Group

The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson Reviewer: Debbie Rosenfelder

Hostess: Ann Carlson, 7:30 p.m.

9/20/2012 Good Politics Forum with Paul O'Neil

Rivers Club, 5:30-7:15 p.m.

9/21/2012 Planning Meeting for Branch Fundraiser

Hostess: Linda Tozier, 10 a.m.

9/22/2012 International Dinner

Theme: Julia Child's 100th Birthday Dinner

9/23/2012 International Day of Peace Festival

Point Grove in North Park, 3-6 p.m.

9/26/2012 Branch Meeting and Program

La Roche College, Ryan Room "Meet and Greet: Back From the Summer" Social, 6 p.m. Meeting, 7 p.m.

October Happenings

10/7//2012 Board Meeting

Hostess: Georgiana Likar, 7 p.m.

10/9/2012 Morning Book Group

The Greater Journey
by David McCullough
Reviewer: Suzann Frishkorn
Hostess: Suzann Frishkorn, 9:30 a.m.

10/15/2012 Evening Book Group

The Weird Sisters
by Eleanor Brown
Reviewer: Maripat Kwaczala
Hostess: Barbara Matthews, 7:30 p.m.

10/24/12 Branch Meeting and Program

"Election 2012" Refreshments, 6:30 p.m. Meeting/Program: 7 p.m.

THE GREAT MIGRATION

By Sina Murphy

On Monday, Sept. 17 at 7:30 pm, at Ann Carlson's house, Debbie Rosenfelder will kick off the Bookers of the Evening discussion with a review of "The Warmth of Other Suns" by Isabel Wilkerson.

Ms. Wilkerson, a Pulitzer-prize-winning author, chronicles one of the great untold stories of American history, the decades-long migration of black citizens who fled the South for northern and western cities in search of a better life. She tells this story through the lives of three individuals. This is a fascinating and informative narrative of an important part of our country's history. All members are welcome.



Great Decisions

By Linda Loewer

Here's some exciting news! Our Great Decisions topics for 2013 are in! Just in time to mark off your Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings in February and March! Take a look at the topics we'll be discussing

The Future of the Euro
Egypt
NATO
Myanmar and Southeast Asia
Humanitarian Intervention
Iran
China in Africa
Threat Assessment

This is going to be an exciting year, full of great speakers and interesting topics! Questions? Please contact Linda Loewer at loewer@verizon.net.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE
PLANNING MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
10 O'CLOCK
HOME OF LINDA TOZIER
(CALL 412-369-5770 FOR DIRECTIONS)

WE NEED YOUR CREATIVE IDEAS.
WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE
OUR SPRING FUNDRAISER A
SUCCESS.

NEW MEMBER SOCIAL

By Cindy Stewart

A new member "get together" was held on Thursday, August 9th from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm at Bravo/McKnight Road. Small bites and beverages were enjoyed by nine of our new members and several board members. There was plenty of conversation, laughter and sharing of information as everyone got to know each other! The social was a great opportunity for new members to find out about our Branch in a small group setting.

Membership Update By Cindy Stewart



Let's extend a warm welcome to our newest North Hills-McKnight member, Joanne Kovach. Joanne has recently returned to the Pittsburgh area from Texas where she was involved with AAUW. Be sure to introduce yourself to Joanne at the next meeting/event. Below is Joanne's contact information.

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International Day of Peace Festival

Sunday, September 23, 2012 3—6 p.m. Point Grove on Lakeshore Drive, North Park



Fun for the Whole Family! Colorful Procession of World Flags Please bring a dish to share for a 4:00 buffet

For more information call 412-367-0383 or email pnpp@verizon.net



FINANCE REPORT

By Linda Loewer

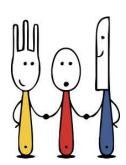
July 1,	2012	Ba	lance	\$3054.26
Income		_	+ 1213	5.38
Balance			\$4267	.64
Expenses			- 2163	<u>8.00</u>
7/31/12	Balance	;	\$2094	.26
Income			+ 35	0.00
8/31/12	Balance	;	\$244	4.26
Assets:				
AAUW Funds:			\$3843	3.03
Savings Acct:			\$323	7.70
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New Contact Information

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REMINDER

Linda Tozier's new e-mail address is linda.tozier@verizon.net



INTERNATIONAL DINNER GROUP

September 22, 2012 Julia Child's 100th Birthday

November 3, 2012 Thailand March 23, 2013 Greece May 11, 2013 Italian

June 8, 2013 Hawaiian Picnic

Good Wishes to two members who are recovering at home: Lois Grillette who had surgery on September 6th and Heather Dills who broke her femur in late July.

Branch Collaborates with La Roche - Student Government Association (SGA)

By Peggy Schmiedecke

On the morning of August 24th during the move-in day activities for freshmen Peggy Schmiedecke joined the SGA table. Together they provided unregistered students a handout and info on the Sept 17 & 25, 2012 voter registration drives at La Roche College. These drives are a joint effort between SGA and AAUW. The drives will take place from10am-2pm each day at La Roche in College Square. AAUW volunteers have been mobilized. We have room for a few more. If this is an activity that you have an interest in, there will be a sign up sheet at the September 26th Branch meeting.



SISTER MATILDA KELLY INCENTIVE GRANT WINNERS SELECTED

The Sister Matilda Kelly AAUW Incentive Grant is part of our branch's effort to encourage women to complete their undergraduate college education. This year for the first time, we were able to award two of these grants. Each winner will be given \$2000. More than 20 rising junior or senior female La Roche students applied for these awards. The winners were Kristin Collins and Julie McVay.

Collins is a senior, majoring in Psychology with a minor in Criminal Justice and plans to graduate next May. She is a student in the New Castle Program and was selected for membership in Psi Chi, the international honors society in psychology.

McVay is also a senior and intends to graduate this December. She has just recently earned her Associate's Degree in Radiologic Technology and is completing her Bachelor of Arts degree in Medical Imaging. Her long term goal is to obtain specialized radiological training in mammography.

The large number of applications we received this year were the direct result of Peggy Schmiedecke's suggestion that the information be sent to women students electronically, and Julie Makuta's continued efforts to make this happen. Many thanks to both of them.

The selection committee this year did a remarkable job of reading the numerous applications and selecting such outstanding women. They were Peggy Garbooshian, Jennifer Jones, Sylvia Lynn, Donna Macsuga, Cindy Stewart, and Jane Depee. Kudos to each of you.



HOLIDAY GREENS SALE - 2012



It is hard to believe, but the Holidays will soon be here. We hope this year's Holiday Greens Sale will help simplify your decorating ideas and gift giving. This traditional fundraiser is the perfect opportunity to purchase quality wreaths and other greens, fresh from the Pacific Northwest. If you truly do not need or want to purchase any greenery, we encourage you to contribute to this fundraiser by sending in a donation. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT of the profits go to our annual LaRoche scholarship.

An order form is included in this month's Viewpoints. Additional order forms, as well as glossy/colored fliers, will be available at the September and October branch meetings. All orders must be received by **Monday, October 29.**

You may bring your completed order form to the branch meeting or send it to Joan Killinger, 2611 Autumnwood Drive, Glenshaw, PA 15116. Payment may be made when you pick up your order, except for Gift Items. Please include payment for all Gift Items with your order. All checks should be made payable to North Hills-McKnight AAUW. If you have any questions, please call Sina Murphy at 724-443-9163 or Joan Killinger at 412-486-2919.



Get Out the Vote (GOTV) – Call to Action

By Irene Lietz & Peggy Schmiedecke

We are in the process of establishing a Campaign Team for a GOTV Phone-Bank effort targeting registered female 18-30 year old Constituents in La Roche College's zip code 15237 and Carlow University's zip code 15213 who did not vote in 2008 or 2010.

We plan to due 4 days of phone-banking (using cell phones together at a site). The first call will be to establish contact and the second to follow-up with reminder information. We will provide scripts and call lists. Each day will be 5-8p.m. including 30 minutes of training (it's easy), 2 hours of calling, and breaks (with pizza or other).

The dates we have identified are:

October 4 & November1 (at Carlow)-inviting Chatham and Fox Chapel AAUW October 10 & October 25 (at members' homes in North Hills) inviting La Roche and Fox Chapel

We are doing a kick-off at the September North Hills branch meeting September 26th as well of the screening of "Miss Representation" at Carlow, September 13th.

At our September Board Meeting Ann Carson volunteered her home as the site for the October 10^{th} date. We also have Cindy Stewart as our first volunteer caller for the 10/25 date.

Here is a list of volunteer opportunities:

- ➤ Volunteer Hostesses Home for the October 25th date
- ➤ Volunteer Callers Ten to twelve callers for 10/10 & 10/25(invite a friend to join us) or join Carlow on 10/4 or 11/1
- ➤ Volunteer Coordinator helps recruiting and reminds volunteer participation
- ➤ Voter File Coordinator ideally two people who are comfortable manipulating data in a spreadsheet or database
- ➤ Public Relations Coordinators work with La Roche Courier (Peggy has contact info) and Carlow Newspaper (Irene has contact info)

TUESDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP 2012-2013

Date	Reviewer	Book & Author	Hostess
September 11, 2012	Judy Metheny	The Story of Beautiful Girl by Rachel Simon	Shirley Teasley
October 9, 2012	Suzann Frishkorn	The Greater Journey by David McCullough	Suzann Frishkorn Anita Fletcher, Pat McCue
November 13, 2012	Judy Sparlin	The Imperial Cruise by James Bradley	Sandy Brown
December 11, 2012	Barb Matthews	This I Believe Edited by Jay Allison	Marilyn Lanz
January 8, 2013	Sandy Brown	The Postmistress by Sarah Blake	Linda Joy
February 12, 2013	Anita Fletcher	In the Garden of Beasts by Erik Larson	Joanne Ahlstrom
March 12, 2013	Mary Eury	Clara and Mr. Tiffany by Susan Vreeland	Mary Eury
April 9, 2013		Planning Meeting & Luncheon	Jan Peischl
May 14, 2013	Joanne Ahlstrom	State of Wonder by Ann Patchett	Mary Ann Betush
June 11, 2013	Mary Ann Betush	Rules of Civility by Amos Towles	Pauline Edison

BOOKERS OF THE EVENING 2012-2013

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September 17, 2012	Debbie Rosenfelder	The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson	Ann Carlson
October 15, 2012	Maripat Kwaczala	The Weird Sisters by Eleanor Brown	Barbara Matthews
November 19, 2012	Sigrid King	Much Ado About Nothing by William Shakespeare	Nora Bell
January 21, 2013	Sina Murphy	Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption by Laura Hillenbrand	Maripat Kwaczala
February 18, 2013	Margaret Hartley	The Paris Wife by Paula McLain	Shirley Peetz
March 18, 2013	Peggy Garbooshian	Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks	Jane Depee
April 15, 2013	Cindy Stewart	The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference by Malcolm Gladwell	
May 20, 2013	Linda Loewer	State of Wonder by Ann Patchett	Debbie Rosenfelder
June 17, 2013	Irene Lietz	Fahrenheit 451: A Novel by Ray Bradbury	Sina Murphy
July 15, 2013		Planning Session	Peggy Garbooshian

2012 HOLIDAY GREENS SALE



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Name Teleph	one #		
QUANTITY	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
22" Noble Fir Wreath (W2)	19.00		
10 ft. Western Cedar Garland (G3)	20.00		
Holiday Centerpiece (C5)	16.00		
28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W3)	29.00		
22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W4)	20.00		
Individual Direct Delivery Gift Items:			
22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W4M)	37.00 `		
Western Cedar Gift Garland (G3M)	42.00		
Gift Centerpiece (C5M)	33.00		
28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (W3M)	40.00		
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Evergreen Gift Set (EGM)	69.00		
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North Hills-McKnight AAUW Check Request

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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.

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