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North Hills–McKnight Branch Newsletter

May 2011



The Very Very Month of Our Annual AAUW May Dinner

Shannopin Country Club

May 25, 2011 at 6:00 PM

Reception, Dinner, Installation of Officers, Milestones in Membership!
Who knows what other festivities we have lined up for you!!!

We have a choice of

Orange Roughy, English Style - a simple presentation with light bread crumbs, lemon, and white wine

or

Chicken Luma with spinach, feta cheese, portabello mushrooms, and a sherry cream sauce
Let Anita Wurthner or Peggy Garbooshian know about special diets - vegetarian, gluten free

All dinners are \$32.00 - Guests are welcome!

Meals are served with salad, potato, vegetable, dinner roll, and dessert

Coffee, tea, and iced tea are included and a cash bar is available

Please send your check, payable to North-Hills McKnight AAUW, indicating your entrée choice on the memo line of your check by Friday, May 20th to

Anita Wurthner, 2545 Red Oak Court, Allison Park PA 15101

Directions: At the intersection of Rochester and Sewickley Oakmont Roads (Sir Pizza), turn left onto Rochester Rd. Just past the Rochester Inn keep right and continue for about 2 miles. You will have gone through the light at Mt. Nebo Pointe (Mt. Nebo Rd, Target), and the light at the ramps for I 279, (You can also come north on I 279 from the city and take the Camp Horne Exit - continue with the following directions). At the next set of lights, turn left onto Gass Road, go past the Home Depot and Giant Eagle, and turn right onto Ben Avon Heights Rd. Go to the top of the hill and at the stop sign turn left onto New Brighton Rd. There is a green Shannopin sign and arrow. At the next stop sign, about 0.1 mile, turn left onto Canterbury Rd. It is 0.1 miles to Shannopin. Continue to the portico for valet parking or make a **left** into the upper parking lot to park yourself. There is a short set of stairs that will take you to the entrance.



From the President

I am excited about our new officers for the next two years, knowing that our organization is going to be in good hands and ready to move forward. We will install Linda Tozier as President, Julie Makuta as Program VP, and Jennifer Jones as Secretary at our Annual Dinner on May 25, at the Shannopin CC. Plan to attend and spend time with friends. Send your reservation to Anita Wurthner as soon as you can.

Our guests at the Luncheon on March 26th from the North Hills Art Center brought and displayed pieces which were very interesting. Good conversation happened around the display area. The North Hills Art Center schedule of classes can be found at www.northhillsartcenter.com. Check out their offerings.

At our May meeting we will be voting to gift a scholarship of \$100 to the North Hills Art Center to be used for art class scholarships for children in their program who may need assistance. I am excited about this idea which was proposed months ago by Anita Wurthner as an extension of our March Luncheon program. I hope you like this idea and will be ready to vote a hearty yes.

May 17 is Election Day and I am confident that each and every one of our members will be at the polls casting their vote. Go knowing the candidates and what they stand for because the only way we can make a difference is be active and informed.

PLEASE VOTE.

While we are talking about voting, your ballot for AAUW should have arrived in your mail box. You can mail in your ballot or you can vote on line beginning May 1. On the top of the ballot you will see two numbers, which you will need if you plan to vote on line. Again this is your chance to steer the future of AAUW so please take the time to fill in the ballot and send or go on line and click. It is easy and we are fortunate to be members of an organization which allows every member to have a vote in decision making.

Our program on Teens and Drug use was very informative. Here is the web site: www.drug-alliance.org. Take some time to look at the information available on the website and share it with others. This societal problem needs many eyes looking at it if we are ever going to find a solution.

Sylvia



Dr. Al Wille
Asst. Supt. Pine Richland School District,
Consultant and Grant Writer for the
Alliance Against Drugs
Guest Speaker at April Meeting



Members visiting an Alpaca Farm

BRANCH CALENDAR

May Happenings

5/10/2011 Morning Book Group

Picking Cotton: Our Memoir of Injustice and Redemption

By Jennifer Thompson-Cannino

Reviewer: Barbara Matthews

Hostess: Sandy Brown, 9:30 a.m.

5/16/2011 Evening Book Group

The Girl Who Fell from the Sky

By Heidi W. Darrow

Reviewer: Irene Lietz

Hostess: Casey Smiley, 7:30 p.m.

5/25/2011 Annual Dinner & Installation

Shannopin Country Club

6 p.m. Gather for Festivities

June Happenings

6/1/2011 Board Meeting

Present and Incoming Board

Hostess: Peggy Garbooshian, 6 p.m.

6/14/2011 Morning Book Group

My Life in France by Julia Child

Reviewer: Joanne Ahlstrom

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

6/20/2011 Evening Book Group

The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story

By Diane Ackerman

Reviewer: Barbara Matthews

Hostess: Kate Stuart, 7:30 p.m.

July Happenings

7/18/2011 Evening Book Group

Planning Session

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

BOOKERS OF THE EVENING SELECTION

By Sina Murphy

The Evening Book Club will meet on Monday, May 16, at 7:30 pm at the home of Casey Smiley. Irene Lietz will be reviewing the novel, "The Girl Who Fell from the Sky" by Heidi Darrow. Rachel is an 11-year-old girl who is the daughter of a Danish mother and a black G.I. She is the sole survivor of a tragic family accident. This is the story of a young woman who tries desperately to learn what actually happened that fateful day and at the same time to find out where she belongs. It's a gripping tale that keeps you wanting to turn the page to see what really happened and how Rachel must deal with the knowledge of that event so long ago.



Ann Carlson with her friends!

NEW OFFICERS



Linda Tozier, Incoming President
Jennifer Jones, Incoming Secretary
Sylvia Lynn, Outgoing President



FINANCIAL REPORT

By Linda Loewer

4/1/11	Balance brought forward	\$4506.35
	Deposits \$2654.00	
	Balance	\$7160.35
	Expenses \$123.38	
4/30/11	Balance	\$7036.97
Savings Account balance:		\$3229.75



Pauline Edison modeling an Alpaca Hat



Membership News

By Irene Lietz

Welcome to our new student member! Some of you were delighted to meet Catelyn at our March luncheon. Here is her information:

Catelyn Hillegas

School address: La Roche College

9000 Babcock Blvd, Box 5089, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Home address:

1461 Salco Rd, Berlin, PA 15530

Phone: 814-233-6686

Major: Marketing and Management

Help us with Student Members!

Member Peggy Schmiedecke has joined the membership committee in a special role: student membership! She is our branch expert on how student membership works and its benefits, which she is exploring with our new student members. Several students are in the “thinking stage” about membership, weighing whether they can fit it into their busy lives. If you know any student who is considering membership, please let Peggy Schmiedecke or Roberta Smiley-Betzler know. With your help, we’ll answer their questions, discuss the benefits, encourage them to join and connect them to what will keep them members long past graduation!



North Hills-McKnight Outstanding Women



Dorothy Frayer – 2009
Sylvia Lynn – 2010
Cheryl Redmond - 2011



North Hills McKnight AAUW Outstanding Woman - 2011
Cheryl Redmond
Submitted by Sylvia Lynn

When we asked Cheryl's husband for a bio to use for the submission application he sent us the following which was so good and so moving we used it in its entirety on the application. He wrote.

Cheryl is a doer! She accomplishes by a combination of intellect, focus, high energy, morality, caring about and sensitivity to people. Trained as a classical musician, she loves all music genres. Although retired as a piano teacher after 35 years, she continues to use her teaching skills to help others to learn quilting, sewing, duplicate bridge, forestry, and gardening. Following training through Penn State University, she became a Pennsylvania Forest Steward and is active in promoting sustainable forestry.

Her life-long love of learning has manifested itself in many forms:

She has embraced technology and has used computers to aid her many interests for more than twenty-five years. She is quick to adopt technological innovation and shares her knowledge with others. She creates digital Photo year books for our Branch.

She has created quilts to honor service men. Her interest in learning about places, people, cultures and natural history is evident in her extensive travels. She has visited nearly all US States and Canadian Provinces, more than thirty-five countries, and all seven continents. Cheryl has used her photographic skill and artist's eye to produce photo books and slide shows to share her travels with friends and family.

She enjoys the challenge of learning new languages. A native of Canada, she learned French in school and while studying music in Montreal. She learned a bit of German while living in Heidelberg, a smattering of Japanese while traveling there, and a bit of Greek to aid travel to the Aegean. She learned Icelandic to communicate with relatives in the land of the Vikings and most recently has immersed herself in learning Spanish.

She has served as Membership chair, taught bridge lessons to members, hosted numerous events at her home, presented at three meetings for the branch.

We are very proud to honor her as Outstanding Woman of the year and gifted her with a small photo book and a corsage.

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

