



North Hills Pittsburgh (PA) Branch

# Viewpoints

## Branch General Meeting

The American Association of University Women (AAUW)  
North Hills Pittsburgh Branch  
Proudly Presents an Evening With Jon Delano

Wednesday, November 29, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.  
La Roche College  
9000 Babcock Boulevard Room SC 103  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

**"Campaign 2018: Make or Break for Trump & the GOP?"**



### JON DELANO

Money & Politics Editor, KDKA-TV  
Columnist, Pittsburgh Business Times  
Adjunct Professor of Public Policy &  
Politics, Carnegie Mellon University's  
Heinz College

As one of Pennsylvania's respected commentators, Jon is recognized for his ability to analyze complex issues and make them understandable to any audience. Having worked in both government and the private business world, practiced law, reported on radio and television, written extensively, and taught at the graduate school level, Jon's combined experiences allow him to speak with some authority about governmental, political, and economic issues.

Think of a well-recognized, award-winning analyst in Pennsylvania who combines years of "inside experience" on Capitol Hill with the perspective of the private sector and life outside the Washington Beltway, and one name leads the list: Jon Delano.

Open to the public  
Please RSVP: [northhillsAAUW@gmail.com](mailto:northhillsAAUW@gmail.com)

### President's Message



Thanksgiving is the time to be thankful, a time to remember and to embrace those who enrich our lives. We gather on this day with family or friends to be thankful for what we have, for the family we love, the friends we cherish, and for the blessings that will come.

Thanksgiving is more than the festivities, it gives us time to ponder upon what lessons we have learned and how we can spread happiness around, to look back at all the great memories and good people who came into our lives.

#### What are you thankful for?

Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, marks the beginning of the Holiday Season. What does this mean? For some it can have religious meaning as the birth of a savior, while for others of the Jewish faith it represents Hanukkah or the "Festival of the Lights." For those of African descent it represent the holiday of Kwanza that celebrates their heritage.

There are those that see this season as a time of giving and receiving gifts. While others are turned off by the sheer commercialization of the season. Others revel in the feelings that gift giving can provide them.

#### What does the Holiday Season mean to you?

For many people the holidays are a time of joy. It is a time of celebration and a time for family. You feel good inside and energized. You revel in the abundance of the year. Many look forward to Christmas and the Holidays. They are searching for the peace and contentment that can be found in the silence of a manger scene.

Some chose to serve and give to others in the community. It could mean standing on a street corner ringing a bell (red kettle). It is the feeling of giving and serving their fellow man that gives them the feeling of peace and abundance.

#### What gives you that feeling of peace and abundance?

We encourage each of our members to use this as a time of reflection on a year of tireless execution of our missions, all too numerous to mention, and as a time of renewal and hope for success, health, and happiness in the New Year. By promoting our mission we make a difference.

As we look forward to this special time of year and look back on another year gone by, Betty and I want to extend our sincere thanks for your efforts and your support of our important missions. Let's continue our success in 2018.

Did you know from November 1<sup>st</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup> there are approximately 29 holidays observed by 7 of the world's major religions. Whatever holiday you celebrate, Betty and I wish you a Happy Holidays & a prosperous New Year!

Debbie & Betty





**Tuesday Morning Book Group** starts at 9:30 a.m. Please let the Hostess know if you are coming.

November 14, 2017— “Cod” by Mark Kurlansky

Hostess: Sandy Brown

Reviewer: Deborah Hackney

**Bookers of the Evening** starts at 7:00 p.m. Please let the Hostess know if you are coming.

November 20, 2017— “The Language of Flowers” by

Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Hostess: Barbara Matthews

Reviewer: Katherine Keith



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## Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

12:30 p.m.

The Spice Affair—Indian Cuisine

8 Brilliant Ave., (Aspinwall) Pittsburgh, Pa.

## Next IPODS Get-Together

Saturday, November 11, 2017 Veterans Day

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Hostess—Maryann Anderson



**AAUW-PA November Highlights**

Mark your calendars for Equal Pay Day 2018 which will be April 10, 2018.



AAUW\_PA is asking members to reach out to local legislators while they are in their district offices over the holidays. Ask them to support HB1243, the most comprehensive pay equity bill.

**PA Campaign for Paid Family Leave Insurance**

If you know anyone willing to record their story of either benefiting from employer paid leave or to obstacles of not having paid leave send their stories to [carey@wgfpa.org](mailto:carey@wgfpa.org). For more information go to [www.PaidLeaveforPA.org](http://www.PaidLeaveforPA.org)

A new film entitled *Zero Weeks* will be coming out in November.

**AAUW-PA Lobby Corps**

When women's voices are heard it changes the conversation. AAUW-PA would like members to be a consistent presence with our state legislators. AAUW-PA is asking branches to identify members of their branch who may be willing to commit to visiting at least one of their Harrisburg legislators either from the House or Senate at their local office this year.

AAUW-PA would like to find an AAUW member to become the Lobby Corps liaison for each state House and Senate district represented in their branch. Find more information on the AAUW-PA Lobby Corps at <http://aauw-pa.aauw.net/lobby-corp/>

**Save the Date:**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast  
Monday, January 15, 2018  
Keynote Speaker: Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi

**Finance Report**

October beginning checking balance: \$1,616.60

Income: \$600.00

Expenses: \$204.96

Ending balance: \$2,011.64

*Submitted by Katherine Keith*



## Bell Ringing for North Hills Community Outreach

By Jan Peischl

North Hills Community Outreach has again requested our help to ring the Salvation Army bells throughout the month of December. As a service unit, NHCO will receive 90% of the monies collected. The Red Kettle will be at the Walmart, Gibsonia on Rt.8 and at Kuhn's on Ferguson Road.

It is more fun to ring with someone, so plan to ask a friend to join you. If not, let me know and I will ring with you.

I have reserved the following times at Kuhn's: (need 2 people per time slot)

**Friday, Dec. 1, 4- 6 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.**

**Saturday, Dec. 2, 12 - 2 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.**

One person has already signed up for the 4-6 slot on Friday.

If these times are not convenient, other times are available during the month of December. Two hour shifts on Thursdays and Fridays from 4-8, Saturdays from 10-8. Please let me know if another location, day or time is better for you and I will sign you up if that slot is not already filled.

Please let me know by Friday, Nov. 17th. I need to release the reserved time slots if we have not filled them so that others can sign up.

Remember to wear warm clothes, gloves and scarves, etc. You can bring a folding chair and/or mat to stand on.



## THE LUNCH BUNCH GOES TO THE PINES FOR CHRISTMAS

Please come and socialize with other members of our branch at the Pines Tavern Inn on Saturday, December 16 at 11:30a.

The Pines offers a special Chef's tasting menu at Christmas time that includes soup or salad, an entrée, and dessert for \$18. The restaurant is always beautifully decorated and will be certain to put you in the Christmas spirit.

Please let Anita Wurthner know if you plan to attend by Dec 7 so that we can give the Pines an exact number so that can accommodate our group.

Anita Wurthner  
Lunch Bunch Coordinator

**Usborne Books & More** is a children's book company featuring fiction and non-fiction titles for kids ages birth through high school. There are chapter books, workbooks, illustrated classics, wipe clean books, activity books, and so much more! From now through the end of November, Julie Makuta will be donating her full 25% commission to our branch on all purchases made using this website:

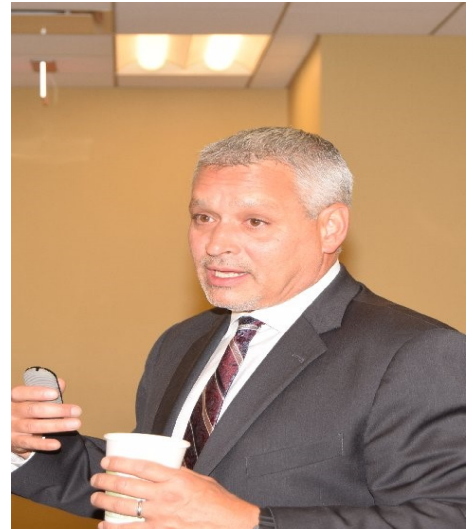
<http://r6751.myubam.com/816971>.

Please email her at [book.nook.jams@gmail.com](mailto:book.nook.jams@gmail.com) for recommendations based on the ages and interests of the children in your lives. Start Christmas shopping early while helping our branch raise money!





AAUW Students running a Breast Cancer Awareness table



October Speaker



Julie Makuta displays her books at the October AAUW Meeting.



October IPODS

**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**