Meeting and Activities

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018
Location: Ryan Room, La Roche College

Women’s Empowerment Speaker: Kelley Clouser

Looking at the year ahead, we will focus on women helping women, women in leadership, and women’s health. To kick-off our program schedule, we will discuss inspiring new trends and uplift some of our branch’s interest groups.

9:30 A.M. Refreshments and Social Time
10:00 A.M. Speaker
10:45 A.M. Meeting

Morning Book Group
Tuesday, September 11, 9:30 a.m.
Home of Mary Ann Betush
Book: The Alice Network by Kate Quinn

Evening Book Group
Monday, September 17, 7:00 p.m.
Home of Anita Wurthner (Club House)
Book: Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng

IPODS
Sunday, September 23, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Home of Deborah and David Hackney
Theme: Football Fans

Lunch Bunch
Friday, September 21, 12:30 p.m.
The Abby – European Pub
4635 Butler Street, Lawrenceville, PA

Bridge
Every Thursday morning, 9:30 a.m.
Meets at various homes
Contact Linda Joy

Peace Picnic
Sunday, September 23, 3:00-5:30 p.m.
Point Grove – North Park
This is an AAUW sponsored event.

Viewpoints

President’s Message

September days have the warmth of summer in their briefer hours, but in their lengthening evenings a prophetic breath of autumn chill is in the air. Fall holds its own unique meaning for every individual. It could be the coming of cooler days to some. While others, think of tailgating and football. To the younger individuals, it means back to school. Those who are passionate about nature, enjoy this time of year. Something as simple as a season change holds so many meanings to so many different individuals.

WHAT DOES THE FALL SEASON MEAN TO YOU?

For our Branch September represents the start of the 2018-2019 year. I would like to welcome everyone back for another exciting year for of our branch. During the summer many of our members have been busy supporting our many causes. In addition, we have been diligently working on our fall fundraiser, “For the Love of Books”. The event will take place on Saturday, Oct 6, 2018 where you will be able to meet three local female authors. Plan to come early in order to get a jump on your holiday shopping with all the exciting vendors we will have.

When you receive your new branch directory, please take some time to look over the exciting programs that we are offering for the 2018-2019 year. Our meetings are open to the public, so please feel free to invite friends and potential members to these meetings. Our varied interest groups have been planning activates for the year also. Participation in our many activities is a great way to meet members of our branch.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our opening meeting on Saturday, September 15th. We will be gathering at 9:30 AM in the Ryan Room at La Roche University for the social meeting and program. The business meeting will begin at 10:45 AM. What a privilege it is for all of us to be part of such a wonderful and productive organization. Debbie
State Programs Updates

Last fiscal year, the AAUW-PA Board announced two State Programs—Deeper in Debt and Draw the Lines. These were meant to be held as community events—not branch meetings—to boost your reputation in your communities and attract members.

At the July Board meeting, it was decided to discontinue Deeper in Debt and focus on Draw the Lines. Draw the Lines refers to drawing Congressional and State House and Senate district lines. It is a multiyear, nonpartisan civic education and engagement project managed by The Committee of Seventy that offers a statewide public mapping competition to engage citizens in fixing the bug in the operating system of democracy—gerrymandering. As with Fair Districts PA (FDPA), AAUW-PA signed on as an endorsing organization with Draw the Lines. Holding a Draw the Lines community event is a terrific vehicle for your branch to introduce AAUW to a broad audience in your community. Work alone or in coalition with FDPA or other organizations.

Please let us know if this is something members of this branch are interested in?

National and State Updates

AAUW National is proud to be launching our new strategic plan—Beyond Aspirations: Advancing Equity for Women and Girls. The plan ensures that AAUW is 100 percent mission-focused

Labor Day: What it Means

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.
Public Policy

Advocating is as simple as finding a cause that matters to you and uniting people to take action toward that common cause. As AAUW members, we share a mission of empowering women and girls. Individually and collectively we have the attitudes, values and knowledge, talents, skills and experience to be effective advocates. Each of us can do something.

Here are three easy ways to advocate for women and girls:

✓ Track and share your public policy activities. Complete an activity event form before the event and an event form afterwards so our branch gets credit for your contributions.

✓ Be an informed citizen and AAUW member. A good source of information about our organization’s viewpoints is https://aauw-pa.aauw.net/policy/

✓ Prepare to take action. Sign up for mobile Two-Minute Activist by texting the word “AAUW” to 21333 (and encourage others to do likewise).

✓ Take action. For example, contact legislators to inform them about issues that matter to you.

Here are four issues on which the AAUW currently encourages members to take action:

• AAUW opposes the nomination of Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court. Please read the statement from AAUW CEO Kim Churches, which outlines the criteria for AAUW’s position.

• AAUW encourages voter registration and education. National Voter Registration Day is September 25. The last day to register is October 9 for municipal elections on November 6.

• AAUW supports pay equity for women. It supports two bills in the Pennsylvania State legislature: SB 1200 and SB 1201; although they believe HB 1234 is the best. Equal pay day for Native women is September 27 and Equal pay day for Latina women is November 1.

• AAUW supports paid family leave. Two bills at the federal level to follow are Senator Kristin Gillibrand’s Family Medical Insurance Leave Act (the Family Act) and Senator Marco Rubio’s Economic Security for New Parents Act. Of interest at the state level is the recently released Pa. Department of Labor and Industry Family Leave Report.

I look forward to knowing and working with you on these issues and others over the next year! You can contact by telephone at (412) 656-3109 or by email at photowriter56@verizon.net
For the love of books

Saturday, October 6, 2018 10:00am - 2:30pm

The North Hills Pittsburgh Branch is pleased to announce our first annul visiting authors event “For the Love of Books”. Three talented women Authors will speak Kathleen George, Ph.D. Natasha Garrett, Ph.D. and Rosemary Hanrahan, M.D

Where: La Roche College, 9000 Babcock Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Cost: $ 40 dollars

Why. To raise funds for our scholarship and to support our mission for women and girls

Our event will start with coffee/tea and Danish will you visit the many vendors and silent auction

- Doors open at 10 AM coffee/tea and punch with Danish (time to spend viewing vendors and silent auction )
- 11-12:30 Authors
- 12:30-1pm book signing more time with vendors
- 1PM tea /tea sandwiches, salad and deserts
- 1-2 (time to spend browsing vendors and silent auction
- 2 pm prized announced

How to register: Reservations required by 28Sep18

To purchase tickets: Make checks out to AAUW North Hills Pittsburgh and mail to: Betty Kroniser 920 Camelot Drive, Pittsburgh PA 15237 Include your email address to receive an email confirmation.

Our Branch Goal is to have 80-90 people attend this event

HELP US REACH THIS GOAL
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE festival

“THE RIGHT TO PEACE — BELONGS TO EVERYONE”

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 3 - 5:30 PM NORTH PARK - POINT GROVE, LAKESHORE DR

SPONSORS: Pittsburgh North People for Peace, North Hills Anti-Racism Coalition, La Roche College, League of Women Voters of Greater Pittsburgh, Muslim Association of Greater Pittsburgh, North Hills Ebony Women, Inc., AAUW North Hills Pittsburgh, Sisters of Divine Providence, and local high school students

Everyone welcome! Information www.pnpp.northpgh.org 412.760.9390

Peace Picnic update:
This year’s picnic will have a slightly new format.*We have invited students from local high schools to have an opportunity to voice their opinions of peace in their lives.*Finger food will be available throughout the picnic rather than the traditional buffet. Information tables, a food demonstration and Henna painting have been planned. Dancers from the Philippines and African drummers have been invited.*The traditional and moving flag ceremony will conclude the picnic.
August IPOD gathering at the home of David and Pauline Edison

2018 HOLIDAY GREENS SALE

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 College Grant.

An order for is included in this month’s Viewpoints. Additional order forms, as well as fliers, will be available at the September Branch meeting. All orders must be received by Friday, November 2, 2018.

You may bring your completed order form to the branch meeting or send it to Sina Murphy, 1901 Lake Marshall Drive, Gibsonia, PA 15044. 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 Pittsburgh AAUW. If you have any questions, please call Sina Murphy at 724-443-9163 or email her at sinamurf@yahoo.com
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MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW ASSOCIATION AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

To advance gender equality for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

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