

BETHLEHEM BYLINES

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Randi Blauth, President

Linda Robertson and Cathy
Kotanchik, Editors

AAUW Value Statement

By joining AAUW we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Mission & Diversity Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to members to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national orientation, disability, or class.

Mark Your Calendar

June 9-12, AAUW Convention,
New Orleans

June 25, 5 pm, Joint Board Meeting

AAUW-Bethlehem Website
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Scholars Reception to Remember

The evening of May 14 was filled with anticipation as Branch members and guests packed the auditorium of Advent Moravian Church and were introduced to the twenty-two high school students and the five mature women students, returning to college following an interruption in their education, who were the recipients of the 2013 AAUW scholarships.

Eight of the seniors were from Freedom High School, twelve were from Liberty High School and two were from Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts.

AAUW-Bethlehem awarded more than \$26,000 in scholarships, earned from the proceeds of last year's Book Fair. Also, since 2003, AAUW-Bethlehem has administered the Senior Women's Club of Bethlehem Scholarship, which this year was awarded to Kourtney Palmer of Liberty High School. She will attend Penn State University. (See Page Four for photos of our 2013 scholars.)

Gateway to Equity recipient Professor Maria Teresa Donate of Northampton Community College received her award from President Randy Blauth and addressed the scholars, telling them about her own



President Randy Blauth (left) with Gateway to Equity recipient Maria Teresa Donate.

journey and her mentors and champions during her years gaining her degrees.

Donate emphasized the need for the scholars to always give of themselves and to 'pay it forward' by mentoring other young women and giving time—and dollars—to good causes.

She quoted philosopher *Kahlil Gibran*: "You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."

Linda Robbins reported on the 2013 Book Fair and Fran Bentkowski, chair of the Scholarship Committee, introduced the recipients.

Bacchae

Phyllis Wargo (610-797-9158)

We held our annual end-of-year dinner at Hampton Winds on May 9 and enjoyed the food, the wine, and the company. Joanne Wagner ordered the salmon entrée and we all enjoyed the table side preparation as it was flambeed! Not only was the "show" impressive, but so was the salmon according to Joanne.

We're preparing for next year, with our first meeting in September at Phyllis Wargo's. In October we'll have a local wine expert as a guest speaker to lead us through an explanation of and a tasting of a few wines of his choice. We're ready for summer but looking forward to next year's activities.

The Out to Lunch Bunch

Jeanie Boyda Powers (610-865-3543) We invite all AAUW members to our luncheons.

Diversity, Deeds and Dialogue

This inter-branch study group meets the fourth Wednesday. The next meeting will be July 3 at Ruth's. We will continue our discussion of gender identity and transgender issues. Our summer meetings will be July 24 and August 28. more information: contact Ruth at 610-509-9263 or email at rskoglund@rcn.com.

AAUW Bridge

had a successful season from October through May. Monthly Thursday sessions were held at Kirkland Village--lunch in the Marketplace Cafe, followed by bridge in the Sun Room. Looking forward to continuing in October, 2013. Anyone interested, please contact Shirley Daluisio, 610-866-7919.

President's Pen



Let's play a word association game. I say, "AAUW" and you say??? What's the first thing about AAUW that popped into your head? I say, "AAUW" again and you say??? Oh, one more thing: you cannot say Book Fair. You need to think of **other** AAUW activities or priorities. Let's do it one more time. What were the three things that immediately came to mind? Are those the things that interest you about AAUW? Can you name more than three?

We all join AAUW for different reasons. Many of us are retired and looking for new friends. Some of us are looking for new challenges. All of us want to protect and defend the progress that previous generations of women worked so hard to give us. What will we do for our daughters and granddaughters?

It's my belief that to attract interest in our branch, it's not enough to be known for one or two things. AAUW-National certainly gives us a wealth of ways to attract interest in a variety of areas. Do **we** do this? I have heard many comments about needing new members and along with that comes change and a willingness from all of us to contribute our time and energy to new endeavors. I have been making contacts with other leaders in the Lehigh Valley to see where we can make a difference in our community. We've already worked with the YWCA on pay equity issues, dinner dialogues, and the Race Against Racism. I think this is important for the future of our branch. Do you? Do you support working on AAUW public policy priorities such as Elect Her, STEM, pay equity, and human trafficking, to name a few. What will you do? What should our branch priorities be?

Your board of directors will be discussing branch priorities at our June 25th meeting. **Call or e-mail one of us and let us know your thoughts before the meeting:**

Randi Blauth

Myra Jones

Lynn Bittner

Olga Conneen

Yvonne Payne

Fran Bentkowski

Trisha Moller

Stacey Zaremba

Cynthia Weber

Linda Robertson

Joan Jones

Shirley Daluisio

Linda Zimmerman

Ruth Skoglund

Bernie Gardiner

Linda Robbins

Susan McNamara

Randi Blauth

Public Policy Compiled by Bernie Gardiner AAUW and Advocacy

Advocacy isn't just about AAUW lending our name to an issue or speaking up on Capitol Hill. Advocacy is about AAUW members and all citizens concerned with equity being knowledgeable and aware of the current status of important issues.

For more information on our advocacy efforts, select a policy topic below or see [AAUW's Federal Policy Agenda](#).

For further information on how you can influence the debate, visit [AAUW's Action Network](#).

Civil Rights

AAUW advocates for equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse society.

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[Federal judicial nominations](#)

[Hate crimes prevention](#)

[Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender issues](#)

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[Economic Security](#)

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[Work-life balance](#)

[Pay equity](#)

[Retirement security](#)

[Health care](#)

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AAUW supports a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity, and diversity.

[Career and technical education](#)

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[Higher education](#)

[No Child Left Behind Act](#)

[School vouchers](#)

[Single-sex education](#)

[Science, technology, engineering and mathematics \(STEM\) education](#)

Updates on AAUW's work to support pay equity legislation and other vital issues are at www.aauw.org/takeaction. Become an active participant and a voice for change with the Two Minute Activist or call 202-785-7793 or e-mail advocacy@aauw.org.



Paperback I

Polly Hinder (610-865-0358) We meet the third Thursday at 7:30 pm. At the June dinner, we will discuss Tatiana de Rosnay's *A Secret Kept*. We welcome new members.

Paperback II

Debbie Spinney (610-865-4843) May 21 we will meet at the home of Linda Zimmerman and Debbie Spinney will lead a discussion of *Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner. New members are always welcome.

Paperback III

Barbara Myers (610-867-5222) On May 1 at 1 pm at Barbara's home Jane Snyder leads a discussion of *Brooklyn* by Colm Toibin.

Mystery Paperback

Linda Robbins (610-264-4416) On June 4, we meet at the restaurant in the Best Western Route 512 to choose the reading for the next season. Call Linda to make your reservation by June 2.

Current Book Exchange Group

Margery Gotshall (610-866-7746) The next rotation will start in September, so call Marge by August 1 to report the title of your best seller and become a part of a group that circulates books on a monthly basis.

Member in the News

Sharon Lee-Bond promoted to full professor (Biology) at Northampton Community College.

Fellowships & Grant Recipients Announced

AAUW's 2013–14 fellows and grantees have been selected! These 245 women from around the world are pursuing graduate studies and community projects that benefit women and girls. Find out which [remarkable women](#) from your area have joined the ranks of AAUW's prestigious awardees, and invite them to speak. E-mail connect@aauw.org for assistance.

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AAUW National Election

All voting will take place online unless a member sends a specific request to AAUW for a paper ballot. Online voting is open through 9 pm June 10, 2013.

To vote online, you must use your member number and a PIN number. The PIN was mailed to members with the Spring/Summer *AAUW Outlook* and also e-mailed to members recently.

Cast Your Ballot

2013 Scholars



Back from left: Jennifer Truchan, April Lugo, Grace Hargrove, Claire Labanz, and Morgan Lukievics
Front from left: Gabrielle Schantz, Priscilla Ruilova, Paige Dolci, Jessica Mulligan, Elizabeth Mammen, and Rachel Wilson



Alexa Deemer (left) and Kaelee Alpha

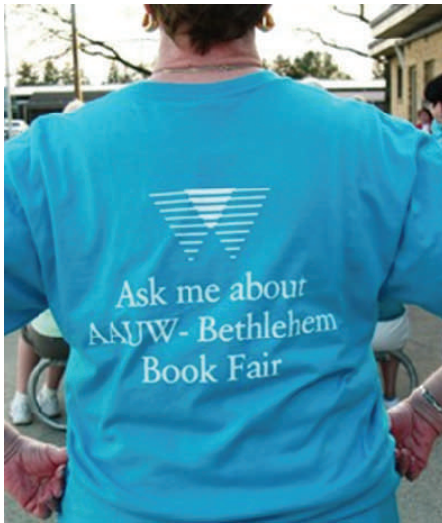


Back from Left: Susan Amidon, Katelyn Chambers, Cassadra Field, and Paige Gross

Front from Left: Kourtney Palmer, Lalitha Adury, Kryzel Bonifacio, Michelle Cardona, & Gina Guerriere

2013 Book Fair is a Memory

The fifty-first annual AAUW-Bethlehem Book Fair is now a memory - a



fond one at that. The bulk of the work was done from March 18 through April 22 when generous friends, neighbors, AAUW supporters, and readers donated their books, CDs, DVDs, and videos. Every item coming in through the door had to be sorted by category, carried to the proper location, and placed in display boxes. Since we never knew what to expect from donors, we were often surprised when we opened their containers. It was like a daily birthday opening gifts! Our Captains opened and closed the building each day and they made sure that the books were

brought in from the cold even on Wednesday evenings and weekends. Our sorters moved all 50,000 books one at a time and our lifters and carriers moved the boxes of books throughout the building. Our drivers delivered boxes to and from the site daily and our Section Chairs and their assistants actually organized and priced every, single item.

On April 23, we were proud to open our doors to the public and to display our well-organized collections for easy shopping. And shop they did. On Preview Day the line of people willing to pay a fee to enter first stretched down the entrance walk, and on Half-price Day and Bag Day the line stretched all the way out to the parking lot! We heard so many people comment how easy it was to find what they were looking for and how surprised they were to see so many books. Thanks to the efforts of our Publicity Chairs we had many first-time visitors as well as our "regulars" who return year after year. The sales people were more than happy to ring up sale after sale after sale... always with a smile and a "Thank you for supporting AAUW".

Yes, indeed, a fond memory. It was a pleasure to attend the Scholarship Reception to congratulate the fine young women who received scholarships from our Book Fair profits. There is no question that all the weeks of work by so many branch members and their husbands and steadfast community volunteers make a difference. Maybe next year will be the year you will get involved in this worthwhile endeavor. Mark these dates on your 2014 calendar collections begin March 17 and the 52nd annual Book Fair begins April 22.

Will we be able to beat our gross sales of \$38,702? We are already gearing up for yet another memorable sale!

Linda Robbins
Linda Zimmerman

Our Condolences

To Myrna Sims on the death of her husband Sam on May 13.

Documentary Viewing

If you haven't already seen **The Invisible War**, do so now! This is an important film that all U.S. citizens should see!

President Randi is willing to have a house party to view the documentary. Call her if you're interested. Let's take action soon.

AAUW-PA SUMMER

RETREAT REGISTRATION

July 13, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Best Western Country Cupboard Inn
Route 15N, Lewisburg, PA 17837
AAUW-PA PA will pay all meeting costs (including lunch) for two branch members. Additional attendees cost \$20/person. Registration deadline is July 6.

Online Registration:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JulyMeetingRegistration>

Paper Registration:

Please mail to Susan Donahue,
AAUW-PA Finance Officer, 600
Brighton Drive, Hatfield, PA 19440
Questions? Contact Susan:

aaupafinance@gmail.com,
(215) 412-4095

For information call (570) 524-5500.

At the AAUW-PA Annual Meeting, we agreed to support "a moratorium on leasing and drilling for natural gas in PA's state forests and parks. We endorse legislation that will protect state lands." The State Forest Oil and Natural Gas Moratorium Act was introduced as House Bill #950 by Greg Vitale and 32 co-sponsors. This act will impose an moratorium on additional leasing of state forest lands for the purpose of natural gas drilling, exploration or development.

Welcome to Our Newest Member

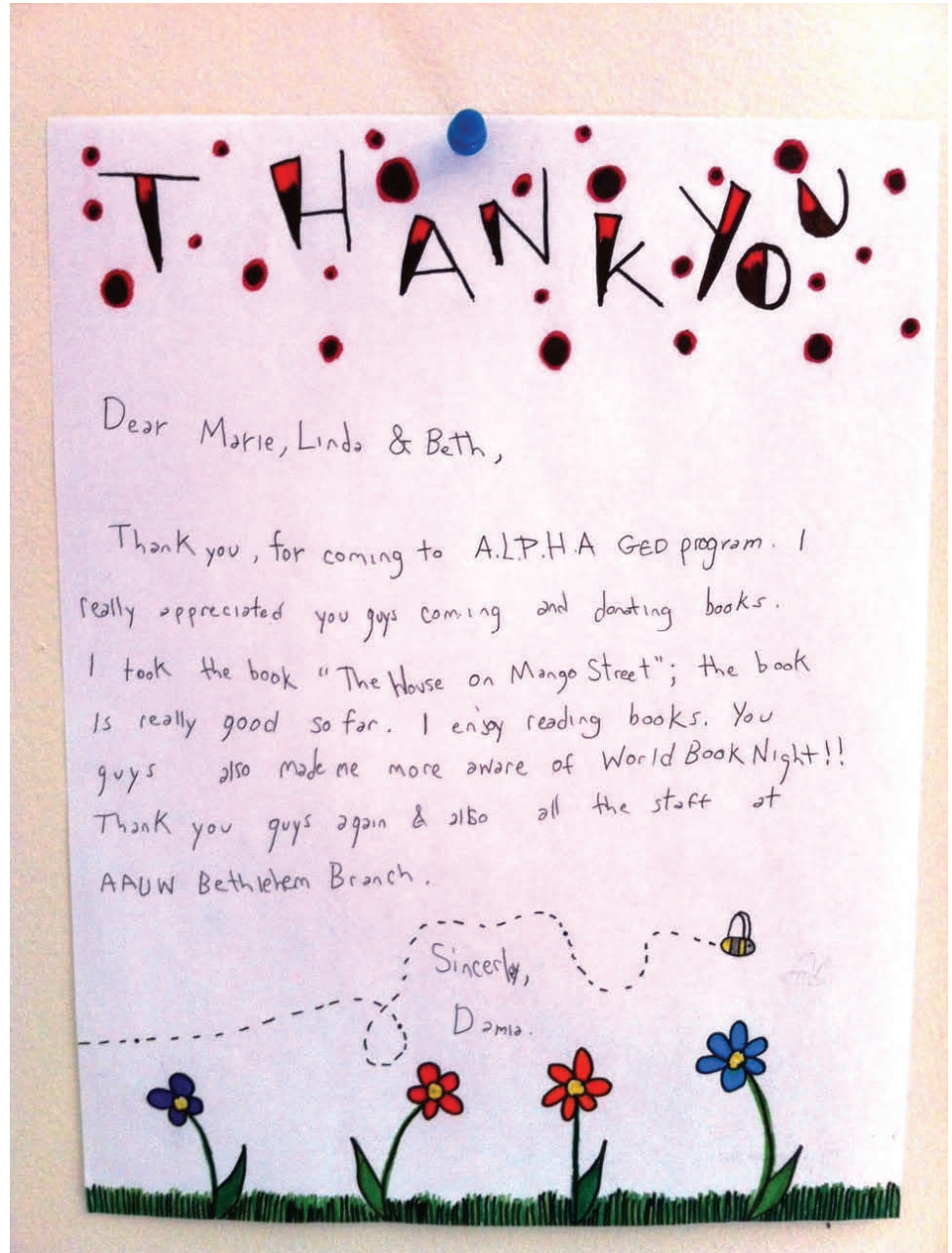
Pamela Reinholz earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Delaware (1984). Please seek out and greet all our newest members this summer. An offer of coffee or lemonade on the porch is a friendly gesture.

Book Fair Sets Record!
Co-chairs Linda Robbins and Linda Zimmerman report that the sales from this year were just shy of \$40,000.



Happy customers Terry and Bridget on Bag Day.

World Book Night Thank You Note



An illustrated letter from the happy recipient of a book during the World Book Night distribution.

AAUW-Bethlehem 2013-2014 Dues Renewal Form
Please Complete Paying Your Dues by May 15, 2013

Dues for 2013-2014 total \$75. Of this amount, \$16 stays with the branch to support programs and activities; \$49 (of which \$46 is tax-deductible) goes to National in support of advocacy work for women's equity and graduate level scholarships; and \$10 goes to AAUW-PA.

Please complete form and mail to Treasurer Myra Jones, who can answer questions about the availability of partial dues assistance (**a member must re-apply annually**). You may choose to make installment payments as indicated.

Response Form for 2013-2014 Dues

Make checks payable to **AAUW-Bethlehem** and mail to Myra Jones at 2229 Main Street, Bethlehem PA 18017-3700. (telephone 610-865-3419)

NAME: _____

First

Last

ADDRESS: _____

Number & Street

City

State Zip & 4

Telephone: Home _____ Work/Mobile _____

Email: _____

College(s): _____

Name

Degree

Graduation Year

Name

Degree

Graduation Year

Interests: _____

Payment of \$75 Dues: _____ Enclosed

Annual fee for non-member study group participant is \$20.

Dues must be paid to the AAUW-Bethlehem Treasurer by May 15 for member information to be included in the 2013-2014 Yearbook.

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**Senator Patrick J. Toomey: 502 Hart
Senate Office Building, Washington,
DC 20510 (202-224-4254) or 1150
South Cedar Crest Blvd, Allentown,
PA 18103 (610-434-1444)**

**Rep. Charles W. Dent: 2455
Rayburn House Office Bldg.,
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6411) or 3900 Hamilton Blvd., Ste.
207, Allentown PA 18103 (610-770-
3490)**

State Legislators

Sen. Lisa M. Boscola: 458 Capitol Building, Senate Box 203018, Harrisburg, PA 17120-3018 (717-787 4236) or 559 Main ST, Suite 270, Bethlehem, PA 18018 (610-868-8667)

**Rep. Robert L. Freeman: 207 Irvis
Office Building, Box 202136,
Harrisburg PA 171202136 (717-783-
3815) or 215 Northampton ST,
Easton, PA 18042 (610-253-5543)**

Rep. Steve Samuelson: 34 East Wing, Box 202135, Harrisburg PA 17120-2135 (717-705-1881) or 104 E Broad ST, Bethlehem PA 18018 (610-867-3890)

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2013 World Book Night Event



Cathy Kotanchik packing World Book Night 'Books for the Troops' at Judith's Reading Room.

The Bethlehem Branch was chosen to be a "Group Giver" by World Book Night (WBN) USA. We received 12 boxes of books, plus an extra unclaimed box left at the Bethlehem Library. We organized Book Giving Parties at The Mollard Hospitality Center (New Bethany Ministries), the GED class (Program for Women and Families, Allentown), and Manor Care at Westgate. Any leftovers were packed up for the sailors on the USS George H. W. Bush with the help of Cathy Lieber at Judith's Reading Room.

Thirty book titles were chosen for WBN by an independent panel of librarians and booksellers. The authors of the books waived their royalties and the publishers agreed to pay the costs of producing the specially-printed WBN books. The books were shipped to local book sellers and libraries. AAUW-Bethlehem chose 12 different titles to give to our 4 recipient groups.

Susan McNamara organized volunteers from the Branch and Book Fair friends to pick up boxes of books and attend our 4 events. The Book Giving Parties were terrifically successful. Marie Boltz, Linda Herkalo, and Beth Rosenfeld delivered 80+ books to The Program for Women and Families. One GED student, in a touching thank you note to the AAUW members, said he had never owned a book before. Two of the most popular titles with the teenagers were *The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros and, in Spanish, *La Casa en Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros. Several students took the English version for themselves and the Spanish version for a parent or grandparent.

Susan McNamara, Barbara Subber, Olga Conneen, and Kathy Kahler distributed 60+ books to New Bethany Ministries South Bethlehem. The clients were a bit skeptical about why someone would be giving away books, but when they heard the AAUW members explain the WBN program, they were very enthusiastic. The YA novel, *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan, and *Glaciers* by Alexis M. Smith, were particularly popular. New Bethany Ministries has requested that we "do it again next year, please!"

Manor Care, Westgate residents enjoyed the opportunity to get together to choose books and discuss the joys of reading. Randi Blauth, Norma Ferguson, Kathy Stephens, and Ruth Skoglund gave out 50 books. *Favorite American Poems in Large Print*, edited by Paul Negri and *The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith were popular titles. Our volunteers had such a wonderful hour at Manor Care, that they have considered returning for a book discussion event.

AAUW Program Survey 2012 - 2013
Choose to Take Survey on Survey Monkey at
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3TB9YYS>

Circle the AAUW programs you attended this past year **and** circle Yes or No if you found it informative and/or enjoyable.

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|---|-----------|
| a. Women and the Power of the Vote | Yes or No |
| b. Don't Judge a Library By Its Cover | Yes or No |
| c. Shedding Light on the Homeless Problem | Yes or No |
| d. Cultural Potluck Dinner | Yes or No |
| e. Moravian Student Affiliate program | Yes or No |
| f. Miss Representation film | Yes or No |
| g. Supper sort | Yes or No |
| Author Joyce Hinnefeld | Yes or No |
| Scholarship reception | Yes or No |

2. Did you find the follow-up activity sheets helpful? Yes or No

3. Please indicate whether you liked the program location and if not, please note any problems at the end of the survey.

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| Northampton CC - main campus | Yes or No |
| Bethlehem Area Public Library | Yes or No |
| Wesley United Methodist Church (Center Street) | Yes or No |
| Northampton CC - South Side campus | Yes or No |
| PBS/Channel 39 | Yes or No |

Consider -- facilities clean and well lit, access, sufficient parking, etc.

4. Did you attend any of the mini-meetings in January? Yes No

5. Would you like to see them continue? Yes No

6. Do you prefer:

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Saturday mornings? | ___ Yes | ___ No |
| Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm or 7 pm? | ___ 6:30 pm | ___ 7 pm |
| Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm or 7 pm? | ___ 6:30 pm | ___ 7 pm |
| All of the above? | | |

7. Would you like to serve on the program committee? Yes No
 Add your name at the end of the survey if you said yes.

Please list any suggestions for ideas or speakers for future programs:

Write any comments about the programs:

Mail to Olga & Trisha; 119 Pine Top Trail; Bethlehem PA 18017-1727 by June 15th .

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**New Report From National
Women in Community
Colleges:
Access to Success**

More than ever before, women are relying on community colleges for higher education and workforce preparation. This report recommends policies and practices to help women succeed in community colleges. In particular, we find that child care is a critical issue for student mothers. Women also need more support for pursuing opportunities in STEM and other male-dominated fields. With increased attention and improved outreach to women students, the nation's community colleges can build on their legacy of providing educational opportunity to all. The issues this report addresses are of particular concern to women at community colleges, but improving outcomes for women will benefit everyone. Download the full report at www.aauw.org/resource-women-in-community-colleges.

Book Recommendation

If you need pointers in any type of negotiation, if you have a child or granddaughter who is going to be negotiating a first-time job position or asking for consideration of a raise, then run, don't walk to the store to buy Linda Babcock's book *Ask For It: How Women Can Use the Power of Negotiation to Get What They Really Want* (Bantam Books, paper, 2008, \$14). This could be the best buy you ever make. Remember "Nice girls don't ask, but smart women do." The book is a practical and empowering resource, invaluable to anyone looking to gain an advantage at the negotiation table.

AAUW Bethlehem 2013-2014 Awards and Recognition

OUTSTANDING WOMAN: To a member of a branch for meritorious service to the branch and to the community over multiple years.

At the April AAUW-PA Convention **Linda Robbins** was recognized as the **Outstanding Woman** of AAUW-Bethlehem. She was recognized for years of significant participation with the Book Fair and for her service to the State Board.



TEAL AWARD: For a recent-term contribution by an unsung branch hero or a branch member exemplifying the spirit of AAUW. This new award honors a member who made a big difference in something important to the branch within the last year.

Cynthia Weber received the Teal Award, which is given to a member who has had great impact on branch programs and activities. Cynthia redesigned the branch website and chairs the committee that researches rare books for the Book Fair.



AAUW Funds Named Gift Honorees: The Branch recognized Susan McNamara and Linda Robertson by naming our contribution to AAUW Funds (endowment) in their honor.

June 10 is the 50th Anniversary of the Equal Pay Act

At 50 years old, the *Equal Pay Act* is the keystone law for equal pay — and it's in bad shape. The law is outdated, contains too many loopholes, and quite simply, hasn't worked as well as we need it to. That's why Congress needs to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 84/H.R. 377). In the meantime, the president should issue an executive order to implement part of the *Paycheck Fairness Act*.

AAUW Moravian College Student Affiliates (SAG) Work to Affect Pay Equity

April 9 marked 2013's Pay Equity Day, which recognizes the disparity in average salary between women and men.

Moravian's AAUW SAG worked with students in the Psychology of Women class, the Bethlehem and Easton branches of AAUW, and the Bethlehem YWCA to spread awareness and catalyze change for pay equity.

SAG and Psychology of Women students had an information table in the HUB on Pay Equity Day, where they handed out quizzes that tested and educated on the statistics and legislation related to pay inequity. They also gave out equal pay pins to raise awareness. People who stopped at the table also got to see the real-world statistics of pay inequity in action. The students working the table handed visitors cards that assigned a race and sex for each visitor, who was then given an amount of candy that simulated the pay gap. For example, visitors assigned as Asian-American men were given eight pieces of candy, but visitors assigned as Latina women were given only one piece of candy.

Kate Cohen '13, who led the Pay Equity Week committee, says it was important for the students providing information to recognize the wide impact that pay inequity has on everyone. "It is important to care about pay equity because it doesn't just affect women. It affects people of color, families, and males as well. Pay equity isn't just a women's issue, it's a social issue," she said.

The students hosted the table on April 11, at an "Unhappy" Hour at Bethlehem's Steelstacks. The Unhappy Hour, coordinated by AAUW and the YWCA, symbolized the unhappiness women feel around the pay gap. Guests were encouraged to wear red in support of women, who are always financially "in the red" compared to men. All women wearing red were given a discount on their drinks equivalent to the pay gap between women and men.

On April 19, Linda Robertson, of AAUW- Bethlehem, led a Pay Negotiation workshop at Moravian that was open to all students. One of the leading causes of the pay gap, in addition to workplace discrimination, is social pressure on women not to negotiate their salaries. Robertson's workshop helped teach the attendees what is necessary to successfully negotiate their salaries in job offers. The event drew more than 30 students.

The pay equity efforts also included a more direct activism in contacting local elected officials. AAUW-Bethlehem and the YWCA drafted a proclamation that was sent to local mayors asking for a greater commitment to pay equity in the Lehigh Valley, which AAUW-Bethlehem's research shows is among the ten locations with the widest pay gaps in the United States. The mayors of Bethlehem, Allentown and Easton signed the proclamation, which was officially revealed during Unhappy Hour. Moravian students also joined AAUW and the YWCA in visiting the Lehigh Valley's four congressional representatives to discuss pay equity.

Steve Delturk '13

Moravian College AAUW Student Affiliate Group News

AAUW—Moravian SAG received the Omicron Delta Kappa *Organization of the Year* award. SAG's faculty advisor and branch member, Stacey Zaremba, received the *Helping Hands* award for her enthusiastic guidance of our student group.

2012 AAUW FUNDS

TOTAL GIVING

State College - \$8,515
Allentown - \$6,573
Makefield Area - \$5,538
York - \$4,350
Valley Forge - \$4,225
Doylestown - \$4,195
Bethlehem - \$3,450
Harrisburg - \$3,092
Lansdale - \$2,644
Fox Chapel Area - \$2,111

Total PA branch fund contributions to AAUW National in 2012 reached \$61,757, up almost \$6,000 more than 2011.

Gun Violence Resolution Passed at State Meeting

AUW-PA charges PA elected and appointed officials, local, state and federal, to work together for the benefit of the community in the common goal of promoting safety and reducing gun violence and gun deaths. We propose that laws, regulations, and related enforcement be prudently strengthened to promote safety of all individuals. We advocate nationwide studies on the root causes and consequences of gun violence so that the nation can change the prevalence and culture of such harmful behaviors.

AAUW

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