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# Bethlehem Bylines Brief

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## *USED BOOK FAIR 2018*

*This is IT  
The month that Book Fair 2018 Begins!  
YEAH!!*

It's the beginning of a month-long process of helping to sort, move, organize and sell the thousands of books that pass through the pool building on Illicks Mill Rd. We really can't do it without you, and hope you will be able to step in and help.

**Please mark your calendars with the following important dates:**

**March 27, 2018** – Move in to the Pool Building. Volunteers with trucks, vans & cars needed to help move supplies & books from the storage unit to the Pool Building; volunteers needed at the Pool Building to assemble shelves, post signs, etc 9am until 11 or 12.

**March 28** – Kick-Off Koffee at 10 am in the pool building. Please join us as we get reacquainted, review some new and old procedures and begin sorting

**March 29-April 20** - Donations accepted.

**March 29-April 25** – Book sorting Monday - Saturday, 9-12 each day. No evening hours.

**April 26-April 30** – Sale dates

In previous years, we had the pleasure of meeting and working with our members as we prepare for our once-a-year event to raise funds for scholarships. We sincerely hope to see many of you at the pool building during this event.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us:

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610-865-4843

Rita Bergstrom, Co-Chair  
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610-365-2566

# Group Information

## **Paperback II Study Group**

.For March each person will pick a Classic book or Classic author and then bring a synopsis of their book to the meeting. We will meet at 7:30pm on Tuesday, March 20th at Joanne Wagner's home. Please call her if you are interested in attending this meeting.

Happy reading,  
Joanne Wagner

**AAUW Paperback I** New members are welcome.  
Please call Myra Saturen 610 974-9385..

## **Out-to-Lunch Bunch**

Our March hostess, Rita Bergstrom, has chosen the "Tucker Silk Mill" at 1247 Simon Boulevard (N107), Easton, near 13th Street. The menu features Australian food, prepared by a chef with a real Australian accent! You can look at their website by clicking this hyperlink: <http://www.tuckersilkmill.com/> Please join us at noon on Tuesday, March 20, by calling Rita at 610-365-2566 or emailing her at [ritabergs@netscape.net](mailto:ritabergs@netscape.net). The cut-off date for reservations is Friday, March 16.

-Jeanie Powers

## **Diversity: Deeds and Dialogue**

Members of this group come from the Bethlehem, Easton and Allentown branches to discuss issues around race, age, gender and more.

This group is concerned with social action as well as social justice. We meet the 4th Wednesday, of the month at 7:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact Rosemary Baker

**Mystery Paperback** On March 27 we meet at 4pm (note time change) at Mary's to discuss author Anne Cleves' Black Raven. For information contact Linda at 610-865-2087. : Linda Robertson.  
[LCRob123@PTD.net](mailto:LCRob123@PTD.net)

## **Bacchae**

Bacchae will meet again on **April 12--**at Jane Snyder's house with Joanne Wagner as co-hostess **May 10--** end of year dinner, place to be determined



## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Linda Lipkis resides in Bethlehem PA. Linda graduated from Lehigh University where she majored in English Literature. She is a Music Librarian. Linda has many interest; music, art, reading and politics.

Judy Smullen resides in Bethlehem, PA and graduated from Muhlenberg College where she was an English major and received her MA from Lehigh University in English as well. She is a retired teacher.

We welcome Linda and Judy to our Bethlehem Branch.

## The NOMINATING COMMITTEE Reports Candidates

The Nominating Committee announced that an election of officers for 2018-2019 will be held on April 17, 2018 at the "Sup and Sales" Branch meeting at the Memorial Pool Building on Illick's Mill Road.

The election will follow a light supper. The proposed candidates to share the position of Vice-President for Programs are Shirley Daluisio, Virginia "Ginny" Stanglein and Linda Robertson. Joanne Kelly agreed to stand for an additional term as Secretary. Candidates for the first term on the Nominating Committee are Olga Conneen, Judy Lappen and Louise Wisser.

Completing their second year on the Nominating Committee are Anne Hammersmith, Linda Robertson and Phyllis Wargo.

*The positions of President and President-elect are vacant.*

Respectfully, Joanne Wagner(Chair), Anne Hammersmith, Polly Hinder,  
Cinda Jensen, Linda Robertson and Phyllis Wargo.

## Equal Pay Rally and Lobby Day - April 10, 2018

### Participate in Harrisburg or in Your Local District

#### Please register now for Equal Pay Lobby Day.

We are asking that one person, BPPC or branch president register all the members of your branch who are planning to lobby for equal pay on April 10 whether you are coming to Harrisburg or are planning to visit your representative's local office. Only the House is in session in Harrisburg on April 10.

Pennsylvania has some equal pay protections, but they are incomplete. Pennsylvania's act prohibiting discrimination in rate of pay because of sex was enacted in 1959. Amended in 1967, it substantially reduced the number of people covered, excluding anyone subject to the federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Our position this year is better than 2017 because pay equity legislation HB1243 has been introduced which meets almost all the items on the AAUW State Road Map for Pennsylvania Pay Equity. Unfortunately we have lost ground since last year when Pennsylvania was ranked 27th out of all the states and District of Columbia for pay equity.

This year we are ranked 29th.

Median earnings for men in Pennsylvania are \$51,780 compared to \$41,047 for women - an earnings ratio of just 79 percent.

As efforts stall at the federal level, we need to enact state legislation to help women and families at the local level.

American Association of University Women (AAUW)  
Women's History Month



a #metoo  
conversation

The discussion will focus on the historical aspect of sexual harassment beginning with the Anita Hill case, and lead the conversation up to the present day movement. We will also analyze how the “quiet storm became a raging storm,” how the media and entertainment world is shaping the conversation, and the impact it is having this time around

Wednesday March 28, 2018  
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.



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## ***AAUW-Bethlehem Book Fair Announcement*** ***Share with your Church, Synagogue or Club***

AAUW-Bethlehem Members, If your church or synagogue permits community announcements, Book Fair co-chairs Rita and Debbie ask you to submit this sample text for publication. Every bit of publicity AAUW-Bethlehem can get, helps Book Fair.

SAMPLE TEXT for e-mails to churches, clubs, community groups etc  
 AAUW-Bethlehem 56th Annual Used Book Sale

### Collection Days

AAUW-Bethlehem is collecting new and gently used adult and children's books, DVDs, and CDs at the Memorial Pool Building, 359 Illick's Mill Rd. If you have items you would like to donate, please drop them off Mondays through Saturdays, March 28 through April 20 between 9 am and noon. After hours, books may be left in the containers located outside the Memorial Pool Building.

AAUW turns book donations into dollars for college scholarships for high school seniors and women returning to college following an interruption to their education.

**This year AAUW-Bethlehem will award \$25,000 in scholarships.**



Planning for the 2018 Book Fair got underway with a meeting of the captains Debbie's house. .... I am just a volunteer, getting all the news for publishing.

***Great meeting.  
 Incredible Dedication!  
 Growing Anticipation !!  
 Feel the Sensation!!!!***

# *AAUW — BETHLEHEM BRANCH*

## *invites you for fun, food, facts*

### *May 19, 2018*

#### **Aa day out with friends visiting Philadelphia's newest attractions — BUS TRIP**

**Explore The Museum of the American Revolution** (opened April 19, 2017),.

**Enjoy lunch** at the historic **King George Inn**,

founded in 1681 on the banks of the Delaware River in Bristol,.

**Tour** the home of Pennsylvania's founder William Penn at **Pennsbury Manor**.

8:30 AM	Depart Enzo Travel, 3320 Airport Rd, Allentown, PA 18109
10.00AM	ETA Museum of American Revolution - self guided Films, Washington's actual War Tent, Exhibits, Gift Shop
12:15PM	Depart for lunch
12:45PM	3 course lunch including salad, dessert, iced tea, hot tea/coffee Choose entree:
	Filet of Sole stuffed with Crab Meat
	Grilled Flat Iron Steak with Wild Mushrooms
	Veggie Stuffed Pepper w Quinoa, Beans, Mango
2:15 PM	Depart for Pennsbury Manor, guided tour
4:45 PM	Depart for Enzo
6:30 PM	ETA

The cost of \$ 87.00 per person includes admission to Museum, 3 course lunch with tax and gratuity, admission and guided tour of Pennsbury Manor, bus, and driver gratuity.

Make your check payable to Enzo Travel and mail with completed form below to Enzo Travel, 3320 Airport Road, Allentown, PA 18109 no later than April 4.

If we do not have 40 registrants by that date the trip will be cancelled. Invite friends, family, colleagues, neighbors! There are NO REFUNDS unless you find a substitute.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 87.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. included

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (used 5/19 only): \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (used for reminders and bus seat assignments):- \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRÉE CHOICES —

STUFFED SOLE \_\_\_\_\_;

FLAT IRON STEAK \_\_\_\_\_

VEGETARIAN PEPPER \_\_\_\_\_



*Shatter the Silence  
Stop the Violence*



# Take Back the Night

At Moravian College  
March 28th, 2018

Help raise awareness of and speak out against various forms of sexual violence, including harassment, assault, and dating violence.



March  
6pm: South Campus  
Shuttle Stop



Rally  
6:30pm:  
Pavilion

Moravian College encourages persons with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided please contact AAUV at [aauw@moravian.edu](mailto:aauw@moravian.edu) prior to any program, meeting, or event.



## PUBLIC POLICY and Moravian College Student Affiliates

The Public Policy Co-Chairs of our branch and the Moravian College Student Affiliates joined forces to present *How to Empower Women in a Climate of Hate* program on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at Moravian College, over 50 attended.. Dr. Colleen Clemens, Director of Women and Gender Studies, Kutztown University and Marlene Pray an education and training consultant served as panelists. Their comments focused on the following prompts:

What have you witnessed regarding the impact of hate at the personal and community level?

What role do allies play in terms of empowering women in this climate?

Share your best advice for dealing with confrontation. How are these responses empowering to women?

A lively and informative Q & A session followed their presentations.

We will be closing out our two-year term with a presentation at the AAUW-PA Annual Meeting in Somerset County. Our presentation will highlight the thematic programming done by our branch on Hate Crimes and Hate Crime Prevention over the past two years. We will also share strategies for adapting this programming format for other branches.

Moravian College Student Affiliate President  
Marisa Vinciguerra  
opens event



A mesmerized full house attended the joint program

Public Policy Co-Chairs  
Shelly Speirs and  
Stacey Zaremba  
with speakers  
Dr Colleen Clemens  
and  
Marlene Pray.





## *Spirituals, Songs and Stories*

Our March program was entitled "Spirituals, Songs and Stories" featuring acclaimed equity actress and singer Grace Spruiell Hochella. It was held on March 3 at Foy Hall and 120 people attended in spite of the snow the day before.

This program took the audience on a journey through the slave experience, starting with the travails of the slaves on ships during the "Middle Passage". Grace moved on to slave auctions where families were ripped apart, lynchings during the Jim Crow era (including graphic images), the Civil Rights Era and the present day. She noted that she had been privileged to meet the father of Martin Luther King, Jr., "Daddy King". Grace was accompanied on guitar and piano by Ken Purcell, and interspersed with her wonderful rendition of spirituals and slave songs were audience sing-a-longs such as "We Shall Overcome" and "Amazing Grace".

Comments after the program included "moved me to tears", "thought-provoking narrative", "inspiring music", "enlightening", "we were meant to be here".

The most disturbing of the images shown were a young child in a KKK outfit and a scene of the marchers in Charlottesville with tiki torches.

Ann Brown updated our membership display and there was a membership table in the lobby.

Thanks to Stacey Zarembo for facilitating our use of Foy Hall for free. The program costs were shared with the Allentown branch. A free will offering was held and \$305 was collected for AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund.



Grace Spruiell Hochella  
as supreme Storyteller and So-  
prano extraordinaire



Grace was accompanied on guitar and  
piano by Ken Purcell



Grace receiving a bouquet of flowers after  
her captivating performance

## **Research...Education ... Advocacy ... Philanthropy**

AAUW has been empowering women as individuals and as a community since 1881. For more than 130 years, we have worked together as a national grassroots organization to improve the lives of millions of women and their families.

***IF YOU ARE ON FACEBOOK, “like” and “follow” our branch page.***

***Then, share, share, share!***

Get the word out to your friends about all the great things AAUW does!

**@AAUWBethlehem**

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