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# Bethlehem Bylines Brief

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## ***“WHAT NOW” : A Public Forum*** ***Examining Results of November General Election*** Everyone is Welcome

Presented by AAUW-Allentown and AAUW-Bethlehem



Mary Erdman  
League of Women Voters  
Fair Districts PA



Bill White  
Opinion Writer  
Morning Call



Megan Diskin Monahan  
Asst. Professor, History  
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**Saturday November 10, 2018**

Wesley Church Auditorium  
2540 Center Street Bethlehem, PA 18017  
Doors Open 9:45 am  
Program starts 10:00am

American Association of University Women is a non-partisan fact-based organization with a membership of more than 170,000 women. Our mission is to advance gender equity for women and girls through Research, Education and Advocacy.

**Our Vision is EQUALITY FOR ALL**

**SHAPE THE FUTURE EVENT: Join Today at Half Price**

National AAUW Website : [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)  
Questions about the event contact : [www.bethlehem-pa.aauw.net](http://www.bethlehem-pa.aauw.net)

## ***Your AAUW-Bethlehem Executive Team***

When last year's Nominating Committee proved unable to fill the office of President, members of the AAUW Bethlehem Board of Directors made the decision to follow the example of other Pennsylvania AAUW branches and share the responsibilities of President among an Executive Team of elected officers.

This year your Executive Team consists of Vice President of Membership, Anne Hammersmith; Co-Vice Presidents of Program, Shirley Daluisio, Linda Robertson, and Ginny Stanglein; Secretary, Jo Ann Kelly; Finance Officer, Linda Robbins; and, in an advisory role, Past President, Cathy Kotanchik.

This streamlined team started its work in July. The flexibility of a smaller group means meetings can be called whenever the need arises. Group Coordinators still have the opportunity to attend Executive Team meetings whenever they wish, but they are not expected to give up an evening every other month to a Board Meeting.

The replacement of the President by an Executive Team, however, does necessitate a change to our By-laws. At the end of October, you will receive in the mail a copy of the proposed new Bylaws, which have been submitted and approved by the PA AAUW Bylaws Chairperson. The new wording in **Article X: Officers**, begins: "In the event that no President is elected..." and will spell out the way the Executive Team is formed.

The Nominating Committee will still interview candidates for President, but the Branch will now have an alternate path to follow if no one accepts a nomination. You will have the opportunity to vote on these changes to our Bylaws by return mail or by bringing your completed ballot to the Holiday Luncheon on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact any Executive Team officer if you have any questions.

**Shirley Daluisio (VP, Program)**  
**Anne Hammersmith (VP, Membership)**  
**Jo Ann Kelly (Secretary)**  
**Cathy Kotanchik (Immediate Past President)**  
**Linda Robertson (VP, Program)**  
**Linda Robbins (Finance Officer)**  
**Ginny Stanglein (VP, Program)**



### **November 10 "What Now? Post-Election Evaluation."**

—Wesley Church Fellowship Hall. **Branch members wanted to arrive 9:30am to assist chairs/membership and refreshment tables set-up and as greeter . Also help need after event to help break down.** Event begins 10:00am. This event is **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** and a **SHAPE THE FUTURE EVENT**. Please Contact Shirley Daluisio, 610-866-7919 if you are attending and willing to help.

### **Wanted: Volunteer to keep our Branch calendar updated.**

We have a calendar on our website that will be more effective if updated with all of our meetings/study group/etc. Our volunteer calendar-keeper would add events, day, time, place and brief descriptions to the gmail calendar which will be linked to the calendar on the website. The most activity would happen in August when the Branch yearbook is published, with updating the specifics as they become available through the year. Cynthia Weber will get you started and will be available for questions. Please let Cynthia know if you are interested.

# Group Information

**Bacchae**: Bacchae will next meet on Thurs., Nov. 8th at 7:00. The location and name of hostesses will be listed later on our Bethlehem AAUW website. Group tastes and studies wine in all aspects. New members welcome.

**Best Sellers Book Exchange**: Each member purchases a recently published book, which is then circulated throughout the group on a monthly rotation. There are no meetings. New members welcome. Contact Margaret Mahoney 610-691-1835

**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. Using various media, the group examines the role of society in the problems of diverse populations (age, gender, race ability and religion). We meet the 4th Wednesday, of the month at 7:00pm. Join us for conversation and action. If you have any questions please contact Rosemary Baker [robaker356@gmail.com](mailto:robaker356@gmail.com)



## **Mystery Paperback**

***CALLING ALL MYSTERY LOVERS !!*** Do you enjoy solving mysteries? Discuss the solutions with like-minded readers and join our mystery book club. We read five books a year and new members are welcome. Our next meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 23, 1:30-3:00 PM, at Linda Robbins' house. We will discuss "Death at La Fenice", a Venetian mystery by Donna Leon. In January we are reading "Into the Water" by Paula Hawkins. That meeting will be at Marilyn Achey's house on Jan. 22, 1:30-3:00 PM. Contact Mary Dawson for more information. Join us!

**Paperback I**: Paperback Book 1 study group is reading Lost and Found by Jacqueline Sheehan on October 18<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the home of Marie Boltz, 1850 Felicity Lane, Hellertown at 7 PM. . New members are welcome. In this group, members choose and read same paperback book of various genres for discussion at meetings. For directions call 610-868-2511. Thanks. Froy

**Paperback II**: Tuesday, October 16th @ 6:00pm, PPBII Book Group will be meeting at the Palmer Branch ( 1 Weller Place, Easton, 18045) 610-258-7492 of the Easton Public Library to meet author- MaryAnn McFadden. Ms McFadden wrote the book "The Cemetery Keeper's Wife" which we will read prior to meeting the author. If you are interested in attending this meeting you MUST contact Shirley Daluisio @ (610)866-7919 to pre-register before the meeting. There is No charge to attend but you MUST pre-register. Happy Reading Thank you, Joanne Wagner, PPBII leader

**Study Group Paperback II held their first meeting of the year on Sept. 18 at hostess Shirley Daluisio's home Debbie Spinney led a lively fun discussion of THE ICE CREAM QUEEN OF ORCHARD STREET by Susan Jane Gilman. Members enjoyed delectable flavors of ice cream and gelato!**

*photo: Shirley Daluisio as the Ice Cream Queen of PBII Study Group... TOTALLY FABULOUS HOSTESS.....*



**Out-to-Lunch Bunch** The Out-to-Lunch Bunch will get together at "Mint Gastropub", 1223 West Broad Street, Bethlehem, on **October 16** at noon. Our hostess, Debbie Spinney (610-865-4843), will accept reservations until October 13. If you'd like to see their menu, the link is [bethlehemmint.com](http://bethlehemmint.com) .

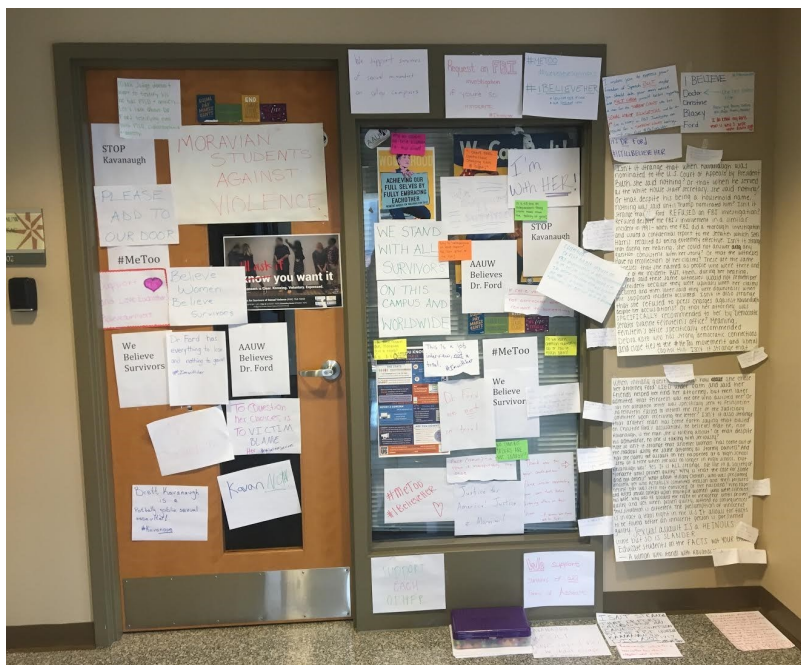
**This will be our last third Tuesday event, since we will change to SECOND Tuesdays, starting in November. Please note this on your schedules - We love having you with us! -Jeanie Powers**

## AAUW Moravian College Student Group

The AAUW Student Group at Moravian College gets a packed house for their first meeting of the year.

**BE ON THE  
LOOKOUT FOR  
UPDATES ON  
THIS GROUP !!**

Activity  
Advocacy



## **AAUW Students at Moravian BELIEVE SURVIVORS and ARE AGAINST VIOLENCE**

Invited students to add their voices on our office door  
Hearing was played at The Diversity House on Thursday  
FYI- Some of the comments posted  
were against Dr. Ford and in support of Judge Kavanaugh

**We left everything up as an example of free expression**



## AAUW Moravian College Student Group Fall Semester Activities

On September 25<sup>th</sup> (National Voter Registration Day) we partnered with NextGen at a tabling event in the HUB to register students to vote.

Love Your Body Day (10/18), an all day event aimed towards self-love, acceptance, empowerment, and changing perceptions on Eurocentric beauty ideals through informative and interactive tables in the HUB during the day and a collaborative event on campus that evening.

We will be conducting an Escalation Workshop on 10/19 that trains and teaches college students how to recognize and intervene signs domestic violence. Working in collaboration with the YWCA of Bethlehem's Week Without Violence. The program is a component of the One Love Organization.

HAAUWLOWEEN (10/26), a Halloween themed event with PSA's on the topic "what's spookier than challenging social norms?" followed by an evening bonding activity/Halloween party with club members in the Diversity House.

For November, we are planning a LatinX/Women of Color Pay Equity Day, a pay equity "bake sale" in the HUB which marks the point in the year in which Latina women bridge the pay gap

### THE PAY GAP SCHEDULE

Jan (white men)—> April (white women)—>  
Aug (black women)—>November (latina women)

#### Executive Team

Emma Hutchman (President)  
Bettyjo LaBare (Vice President)  
Alyssa Flannery (Secretary)  
Hunter Runge (Treasurer)

Dr Stacey Zaremba (Faculty Advisor)

## **BOOK FAIR .....NEVER STOPS.....**

Although it was a hot, rainy summer, it did not stop your Book Fair Coordinators from thinking and working on the 2019 BF.

The summer was busy handling emails from community members who had books to donate immediately because of their move or a family member's move. A trip to New Jersey resulted in securing several boxes of books; Shirley Daluisio dropped books off at Rita's house for storage until BF, and other emails and phone calls have been answered with additional books stored in the rented BF storage shed.

Within the next month, the 2019 BF committee will be formed. An email will go out to the previous section chairs, and others who have a pivotal role in helping with BF, asking if they will be able to continue as a BF volunteer. The goal is to have a full committee before the new year. If you are interested in becoming a part of the 2019 Book Fair, contact Debbie or Rita.

Enjoy the photos and get excited for another AAUW Book Fair.

Book Fair Coordinators.  
Rita and Debbie



What's in these boxes .... Could it be ??

Why yes, Book Fair Books!!!

## **One Woman's Response to the Membership Requirement Opinion Piece in Sept BBB**

I believe that it is possible to have an organization who has a vision of equality with a membership requirement, or commonality. Education is the key to the success of AAUW.

We were formed by women who demanded to be educated, in 1881.

When I joined AAUW I knew that all of those before me had dealt with the struggles of gaining that education. As an AAUW member I support the vision of AAUW, whole heartedly. I demand access for women to every level of society, equitable. But like a SAT requirement for acceptance at a university or a NFL player that needs talent, I feel a member of AAUW... any race or gender accepted needs to fulfill an education requirement. — Beth Corroda

## AAUW Bethlehem Branch Happenings.....

### September 15 Brunch

Membership table from Interbranch Brunch with Allentown and Bethlehem AAUW welcomes attendees. This table provides information on our Branch and shares research and education materials, from AAUW National, available for all..

#### Join me in thanking Ann Brown

She is our Bethlehem Branch Busy Bee who diligently works on our display.

**THANK YOU ANN !! Great job !**



Below: A full house for AAUW PA President Ann Pehle's presentation on the AAUW Strategic Plan at the brunch.



### October 3...TRUTH FOR WOMEN Program

October 3, Truth for Women's director Kim Checkeye gave the Branch members and guests a hard-hitting, sometimes shocking overview of the clients that her agency serves. Checkeye told us that human trafficking is the second largest criminal industry in the world with 20.9 million victims annually – mostly women and girls. Sex trafficking earns \$99 Billion a year.

When asked what we could do as individuals, Checkeye said we can shop at My Sister's Closet, an upscale boutique located in Park Plaza (Suite 103) across from Paneras on the Bath Pike. The sale of their gently used clothing supports the program. The Truth House, a safe living space for up to five persons at a time, always needs volunteers who will bake and/or deliver meals; lead craft sessions, cover a shift during a staff meeting (staff always are on-site); or purchase gift cards for residents to shop as they prepare to re-enter society. More information at 610-866-5755 or <http://truthforwomen.org/>



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all the great things AAUW does!

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