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Branch	Issue	Date	Description
Allentown	Coalition Building		Easton, Bethlehem, and Allentown all participate in the Lehigh Valley Women's Advocacy Coalition
Allentown	GOTV	27-Sep	Voter registration event registration at Cedar Crest College. We worked together with the Political Science Club, its faculty advisors and students.
Beaver Valley	GOTV	24-Sep	GOTV posters at our annual Kitchen Tour urging those attending to be sure and vote. Plus we handed out the buttons "It's My Vote" and "The Power of One Vote."
Bethlehem	Coalition Building	10-Jun	Community One Read planned by Interbranch Diversity Group - Easton and Bethlehem
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Bethlehem	Economic Security	5-Nov	Community One Read Saturday, November 5, 2016 at Northampton Community College's Gates Center Alumni Hall, on Homelessness in the USA and the Lehigh Valley The AAUW Diversity Group and the Bethlehem NAACP invited all members of the Lehigh Valley to share in a Community One Read learning more about homelessness and what can be done to solve the problem. The discussion was facilitated by Danilo Velez, Director of Social Services, Allentown Corps, Salvation Army. Members of the panel: • Kristine Blasco of the 6th Street Shelter • Jim Byrnes of the Allentown Rescue Mission • Janice Thomas of the Third Street Alliance • Cordelia Miller of the NAACP • Sean Searfass and Johnny Welch of the Valley Youth House
Bethlehem	GOTV	25-Aug	AAUW and LWV Information table at Northampton Community College's annual Quadfest
Bethlehem	GOTV	27-Sep	Northampton County Community College registered voters in the campus student union
Bethlehem	GOTV	2-Nov	public program entitled Women, Minorities, and the Vote. Dr. Julie Gallagher, Associate Professor of History, Penn State Brandywine, and Dr. Kimberly Adams, East Stroudsburg University, presented about the history behind women and minorities earning the right to vote and how recent court decisions and state legislatures are affecting those rights.
Bethlehem	GOTV	8-Nov	coordinated the AAUW Student Affiliates who walked student voters to the polls every 30 minutes
Bethlehem	GOTV	Aug/Sept	Voter Registration and Education events at Northampton Community College
Bethlehem	GOTV		worked with Moravian College Student Affiliates to register over 150 people to vote
Bethlehem	Other	10-Jul	branch members attended the NAACP Bethlehem Peaceful Protest
Bethlehem	Other		monthly newsletter also contains a public policy corner every month where we feature various policy related information for education, awareness and opportunities for action. In addition, July-November we featured state and national information on GOTV for our members to read and get involved.

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Carlisle	Equal Pay	20-Mar	Topic Talks -- book-club for public policy issues. Sent materials to read prior to meeting. Guest speaker provided 15 overview of topic. Then general discussion.
Carlisle	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Two members attended rally and lobby day in Harrisburg
Carlisle	Equal Pay	23-May	Event with MomsRising to acknowledge Moms Equal Pay day
Carlisle	GOTV	24-Sep	voter registration at Harvest of the Arts with LWV and Dickinson College AAUW student organization
Carlisle	GOTV	27-Sep	voter registration at Employment Skills Center for National Voter Registration day with LWV and Dickinson College AAUW student organization
Carlisle	GOTV	25-Oct	Partnered with MomsRising to send postcards to "not likely to vote" persons in swing states.
Carlisle	GOTV	5-Apr	Launched Know Your School Board Candidates questionnaire project with school board candidates in Big Spring, Carlisle, Cumberland Valley and South Middleton school districts. Results will be published to general public.
Carlisle	GOTV	9-May	Co-sponsor Carlisle school board candidate forum with LWV and YWCA
Carlisle	Newspaper	20-Oct	GOTV LTE published in The Sentinel
Carlisle	Newspaper	25-Oct	GOTV LTE published in Shippensburg News Chronicle
Carlisle	Start Smart/Work Smart	18-Mar	Held Work Smart workshop.
Carlisle	Title IX	12-Oct	delivered Title IX resources to Camp Hill school district
Carlisle	Title IX	15-Nov	CRDC follow-up email to Cumberland Valley school district
Carlisle	Title IX	15-Nov	CRDC and Title IX resources email to East Pennsboro school district
Carlisle	Title IX	15-Nov	CRDC and Title IX resources email to West Shore school district
Carlisle	Title IX	5-Dec	CRDC follow-up email to Carlisle school district
Carlisle	Title IX	5-Dec	CRDC and Title IX resources email to Mechanicsburg school district
Carlisle	Title IX	17-Dec	CRDC and Title IX resources email to Shippensburg school district
Carlisle	Title IX	21-Feb	spoke at Cumberland Valley School Board meeting about importance of Title IX and CRDC statistics for sexual harassment and gender based bullying.
Doylestown	GOTV	18-Sep	voter registration at Delaware Valley University
Doylestown	Other	11-Sep	Shape the Future Prospective Members Tea
Easton	Coalition Building		Easton, Bethlehem, and Allentown all participate in the Lehigh Valley Women's Advocacy Coalition
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Easton	Economic Security	15-Apr	Members will be attending a Tax March
Easton	Equal Pay		Five branch members attended the Equal Pay Day Rally and Lobby Day in Harrisburg
Easton	GOTV	Aug/Sept	Voter Registration and Education events at Northampton Community College
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Erie	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Letter to editor on Equal Pay Day in Erie Times News
Erie	GOTV	17-Sep	voter registration
Erie	GOTV	3-Nov	Women vote LTE in Erie Times News
Erie	GOTV	19-Nov	Branch meeting open to the public, at no cost, on EXTRAORDINARY TIMES, EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION which featured Dr. Renee Lamis who analyzed the Nov. 8th election.
Erie	Redistricting Reform	6-Apr	co-sponsoring Fair Districts workshop on Gerrymandering

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Erie	STEM	6-May	TechSAVVY workshop at Edinboro University
Fox Chapel Area	STEM	8-Mar	tenth career achievement night for Fox Chapel Area School girls (this year it was high school girls - we alternate years between H.S. and Middle School)
Harrisburg	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Members attended rally and lobby day in Harrisburg
Harrisburg	GOTV	15-Sep	Harrisburg Branch participated, along with nine other local women's groups, in a GOTV activity at the Harrisburg Area YWCA. The program, "Our Stories, Our Voices", consisted of women sharing their stories about why they vote.
Harrisburg	GOTV	17-Sep	Member education. At the fall luncheon and branch meeting, the Public Policy Committee shared a display of informational materials about voting, which were prepared by the League of Women Voters, with the membership. A member of the Public Policy Committee was the featured speaker at the luncheon
Harrisburg	Newspaper	22-Oct	submitted When Women Vote LTE to Patriot News
Harrisburg	Other		Published articles in branch newsletter, The Connection, on Higher Education Expenses, Women in Leadership, the AAUW Public Policy Program and a Legislative Update on SB 3/HB 77. We also published articles about the GOTV event Our Stories, Our Voices, the Women's March and the Equal Pay Day Rally. One more article on Title IX is planned for the May Connection.
Hazleton	GOTV	12-Sep	voter registration
Huntingdon	GOTV	18-Oct	panel discussion entitled Running for Office: Women's Perspectives and the Importance of Voting. Panel featured women who had run for and/or won local office and students from Juniata College who had won positions in student government.
Huntingdon	Other	21-Jan	Members attended Women's March
Indiana Co	Education	24-Sep	community event with Susan Spicka (Education Voters PA) speaking
Indiana Co	GOTV	27-Oct	collaborated with the Indiana County LWV and held a candidates night on October 27. Eight local and State politicians were present along with over 100 community members. The event was broadcast on our local radio station and received press coverage in the Indiana Gazette.
Johnstown	GOTV	6-Oct	voter registration at Cambria County Library
Johnstown	Redistricting Reform	22-Mar	"Mapping Matters!" Two excellent speakers from Fair Districts PA
Lansdale	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Members attended rally and lobby day in Harrisburg
Levittown-Lower Bucks	Equal Pay		Members attended rally and lobby day in Harrisburg
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	20-Sep	voter registration at Bucks County Community College
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Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	22-Sep	voter registration at Pennsbury High School

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Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	26-Sep	voter registration at Bucks County Community College
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	13-Oct	candidate forum -- We asked 35 questions about basic human needs, jobs and education, health and safety, and energy and the environment At the end of the event the candidate for the 8th Congressional district in PA said "These were the most thorough list of questions today. Many of these issues have been missing from the campaign. I am grateful for this opportunity to address these issues."
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	2-Nov	Made a presentation to Girl Scout troupe about why it is important to vote using the Jolly Rancher demonstration to illustrate how few people vote and make the decisions for the rest of us. Also used the graphic from the Bucks County Voter Tool Kit showing the other offices up for election this year besides the president and how these offices directly affect us. This is the note we got from one of the leaders. "I can not thank you enough for coming tonight to teach my girls more about the election process and encourage them to GOTV! They all took away so much information tonight and I was so very impressed with their knowledge. I am convinced they knew more than many of the adults I know. They really enjoyed your presentation. I appreciate you taking the time from your busy schedules to meet with us tonight and help me educate them. " In addition the girls all earned two merit badges as a result of our presentation. I think this is a great way to train future voters, plus they will go home and tell their parents. Each girl also got a It's My Vote I Will Be Heard tattoo and sticker.
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	3-Nov	LTE Philadelphia Inquirer
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	6-Nov	Women vote LTE in Bucks County Courier Times
Levittown-Lower Bucks	GOTV	4-Feb	Sponsored HOW TO RUN FOR LOCAL ELECTED OFFICE' FREE SEMINAR with The Women's Political Network- Bucks County Chapter in cooperation with the League of Women Voters of Bucks County
Lock Haven	Coalition Building	17-Feb	Co-sponsor The Vagina Monologues
Lock Haven	Legislative	22-Feb	Postcard writing party to legislators on various issues.
Lock Haven	Other	21-Jan	Members attended Women's March
Murrysville Area	GOTV		Voter education. Informational column to our local newspapers informing voters about who is being elected on the National, State and Local levels; the Westmoreland County Election Bureau phone number, email address, and website; deadlines for registering or changing registration to vote; and deadline and procedure for securing an absentee ballot.
NEMCO	GOTV		Barbara Price spoke at NEMCO branch meeting

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North Hills Pittsburgh	Coalition Building	24-Aug	Collation Building with League of Women Voters Naturalization Ceremony and GOTV AAUW NHP Maripat Kwaczala and Katherine Keith attended the Naturalization ceremonies held Assisted in being one of the first to "Welcome" newly sworn citizens. Help new citizens to register to Vote and become acquainted with local elected officials by distributing Voter registration forms and Facts for Citizens Guides
North Hills Pittsburgh	Coalition Building	18-Sep	International Day of Peace Celebration planning committee: Pgh. N. People for Peace, NH Anti-Racism Coalition, League of Women Voters Gr. Pgh., La Roche College, Muslim Assoc. of Gr. Pgh, NH Ebony Women Inc. AAUW NH Pgh. This day was established in 1981 by the UN General Assembly and set annually for September 21 with the intention of having the entire world observe a full day of peace and nonviolence. The International Day of Peace Festival is held in North Park.
North Hills Pittsburgh	GOTV	19-Sep	Voter registration on La Roche Campus in collaboration with the AAUW Student Organization at La Roche
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North Hills Pittsburgh	GOTV	15-Oct	Training and education regarding GOTV presented by Peggy Schmiedecke at the AAUW PA W. PA Annual Meeting
North Hills Pittsburgh	Legislative	22-Oct	Member Education: Women & Politics - Panel Discussion of three women who are involved in politics answered our questions about how/or if their gender played a part in their campaigns or election to office. Our honored panelists were: Heather Arnet - CEO, Women and Girls Foundation and 2015 candidate for Pennsylvania State Senate, Suzanne Filiaggi - North Allegheny School District Board of Directors, and Kim Zachary - Councilperson - Town of McCandless
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North Hills Pittsburgh	Legislative	6-Dec	Legislative - CEDAW Ordinance 2016-0905 had a unanimous vote. Pittsburgh City Council passed legislation to create a Gender Equity Commission, discourage gender discrimination across city government and commit Pittsburgh to a treaty against such prejudice. About 30 organizations including the League of Women Voters of Greater Pittsburgh, the Women’s Law Project, AAUW North Pittsburgh and AAUW Fox Chapel backed the effort. Peggy Schmiedecke attended the City Council Meeting. Next step establish a Commission on Gender Equity with the power to execute a City wide Gender Analysis. The goal will be to identify where the City can contribute to ending gender bias in areas of Economic Development, Education, and Violence Against Women.
North Hills Pittsburgh	Coalition Building	16-Jan	17 th Annual Celebrate the Dream -Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast at La Roche College program and scholarship presentation in collaboration with North Hills Anti-Racism Coalition
North Hills Pittsburgh	Coalition Building	19-Jan	N.O.R.T.H. (Neighboring Organizations Responding Together for Hope) Collaboration of over eight organizations having conversations around current issues and common concerns regarding justice and dignity for all. Katheryn Keith, Maripat Kwaczala, Mary Eury, Cindy Stewart and other members attending as part of one of the other organizations.
North Hills Pittsburgh	Other	21-Jan	Women’s March – Washington, DC Pittsburgh Sisters March Women’s March – Albany
North Hills Pittsburgh	STEM	April - Nov	La Roche College - Press Release on STEM Savvy, emails to 250 teachers, 200 posters mailed to school, Remake Learning Website, Carnegie Science Center web this marking promoting STEM Savvy each stating that AAUW North Hills Pittsburgh is a supporting organization.
North Hills Pittsburgh	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Equal Pay – table event on La Roche Campus. 8 members of the AAUW Student Organization along with Peggy Schmiedecke, Linda Tozier and Cindy Stewart provide info and signed up new students for SO.
North Hills Pittsburgh	Equal Pay	13-Apr	Peggy Schmiedecke attended AAUW Student Organization Meeting and did a presentation on Equal Pay Day for students.
North Hills Pittsburgh	Education	26-Apr	Gateway to Equity, Recipient Maria Searcy, Parent-in-Education (PIE), Consultant, PA Dept. of Ed. Maria joined the school district’s Equity Advisory Panel, became an A+ Schools Parent Ambassador, was elected committee woman in the 25th Ward and volunteered for the Title 1 State Parent Advisory Council (PA Department of Education). She works to increase parent involvement in schools and tips to help reduce marginalization of parents and community advocates with activism for equity work in and to improve public education.

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North Hills Pittsburgh	STEM	13-May	La Roche College STEM Savvy program will be held for students in 7 th -12 grade. AAUW North Hills Pittsburgh is supporting La Roche College how is hosting event. Members will volunteer at the event and the Branch will fund the t-shirt given to students.
Pittsburgh	Equal Pay	4-Apr	Attended the rally and lobby day in Harrisburg for the first public policy event of this reconstituted branch.
Reading	Education	8-Apr	Panel discussion on college education at scholarship banquet.
State College	GOTV		Branch voter education.
State College	Newspaper		formed a subcommittee focusing on education issues. We research issues and write pieces reflecting branch views. One was published in the local paper, the Centre Daily Times, over Labor Day weekend. We are now working on charter school issues, and hope to have an op-Ed piece ready shortly after the new year.
State College	Economic Security	12-Apr	Partnered with Penn State AAUW and the Penn State Financial Literacy Center to put on a workshop to educate college-aged women on how to take charge of their finances and career. https://financialliteracy.psu.edu/financial-literacy-whats-in-it-for-women/
Valley Forge	GOTV	October, 201	voter registration at Paoli Library
Valley Forge	Other	March, 2017	Branch program - "Diverse Energy Sources, Production and Policy"
Valley Forge	Redistricting Reform	April, 2017	Branch program with Fair Districts PA speaker - "Gerrymandering: The Partisan Manipulation of Electoral Districts for Political Gains"
West Chester-Chester County	GOTV	April	Town Hall Women's Forum on the campus of West Chester University
West Chester-Chester County	Other	22-Sep	Barbara Price delivered speech about public policy
West Chester-Chester County	Other	27-Jan	Members attended Women's March
York	GOTV	1-Sep	letters to high school principals urging voter registration for 18 year old students
York	GOTV		two GOTV activities in the community (Galleria Mall)
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York	GOTV		registered voters at Penn State York in Fall 2016