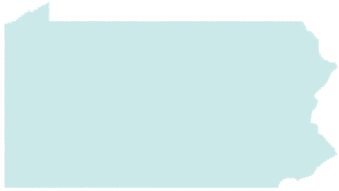


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Important Dates

- 6/15 Let's Read Math grant deadline
- 6/20-7/2 Association Convention
- 6/31 Board Evaluations due
- 7/1 Deadline for dues
- 7/14 PA Leadership Training Meeting
- 11/8 PA Governor's Conference for Women

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State Public Policy Initiative Mobilizing Women Voters in PA

Dot McLane, President

Public Policy - often we hear people speak of public policy, but what does that really mean? In *Wikipedia*, the definition is: "Public Policy is a course of action or inaction chosen by public authorities to address a problem. Public policy is expressed in the body of laws, regulations, decisions and actions of government." For AAUW, impacting public policy is one of the foundations of the organization.



One way to impact public policy is to exercise your right to vote. The state board has decided, for 2007-2008, to lead a state-wide initiative in public policy which would be to help the branches implement the Association *Woman to Woman Voter Turnout, A Manual for Community-Based Campaigns to Mobilize Women to Vote*. This manual was prepared and published by Association in 2006 and contains step by step information on how branches can maintain and grow the women's vote and maximize civic participation in their communities. The state will provide tools and training to the branches based on the information from the manual as well as other resources. The state will provide: a CD of the branch's county voting records, a listing of potential community collaborators, fact sheets on important topics (Working with Voter Registration Files, Building Coalitions, Registering Voters, Candidate and Issue Forums, Setting up Phone Banks, and Producing Voter Guides), and free regional training sessions on the topics included in the fact sheets. The hope is that branch members will learn the strategies they need to mobilize women voters in their community for the 2008 election and beyond. Participation of branch members will be optional, but it is our hope that every branch will participate in some manner.

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LEADERSHIP TRAINING MEETING

Saturday, July 14, 2007, 10 AM – 3 PM

The Country Cupboard Inn, Lewisburg, PA

The July Leader's meeting 2007 will include sessions on LEADERSHIP, PROGRAM, MEMBERSHIP and PUBLIC POLICY. Each session will contain basic nuts and bolts information, ideas, guidelines, and an opportunity to brainstorm with other branches. In addition updates on the State Convention and Association National Convention will be given. This year AAUW-PA is able to invite:

FOUR (4) BRANCH LEADERS from each branch at NO cost

Additional branch leaders are welcome at a cost of \$11 each for lunch

Registration information will be available in the Spring FYI and on the state website
Please plan to attend

What's It All About, AAUW?

Linda Haigh Tozier, MAR Director



The strategic process is an on-going joint effort between the Association and Educational Foundation Boards of Directors. Last October these joint boards adopted our new mission: "AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research." The boards created five task forces to address core issues identified in the strategic process: Vision, Membership, Organizational Structure and Governance, Internal Communications/Roll Out, and Due Diligence. These five task forces will share their reports at convention. The boards asked the Bylaws Committee to present proposals and amendments that address the structural issues identified during the strategic process. The proposed bylaws changes are posted on the AAUW website and published in the Spring/Summer 2007 *AAUW Outlook*. Please study the proposals. Please hold branch discussions about AAUW's future. Please share your ideas and suggestions on the AAUW website. And please *attend* Association Convention.

In 2005, AAUW – the Association, the Educational Foundation, the Legal Advocacy Fund, and the Leadership and Training Institute – committed to a focused, strategic alignment of programs with mission. "Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security" is the basis for all programming, which is the clearest expression of mission. Here are three pages from our website to assist you in your planning:

- www.aauw.org/newvision/index.cfm -This page gives an overall summary of the programmatic theme.
- www.aauw.org/newvision/Mission-BasedProgramResources.cfm - This page gathers in one spot the most pertinent and useful resources for program planning from across departments and from the resources already available on the website.
- www.aauw.org/newvision/Mission-BasedProgramExamples.cfm -Explore the examples from AAUW states and branches to stimulate your branch.

The AAUW Theme has a three-pronged thrust: (1) Campus/Higher Education, (2) Workplace Equity and (3) Community/Lifelong Learning.

- (1) The research, *Behind the Pay Gap*, has continued to make news since its April 24th release. This year's ten **Campus Action Projects (CAP)** include ones at the University of Maryland and at Edinboro University of PA. The **National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)** will be held at American University June 7-9. The registration fee of \$350 includes housing and meals. Please encourage outstanding women students to apply. Branches, individuals, colleges and universities can provide scholarships by contacting Laura McCulty Stepp (lmstepp@aauw.org).
- (2) The **Pay Equity Resource Kit** can be downloaded from the website at www.org/issue_advocacy/actionpages/payequity.cfm. AAUW is partnering with Puget Sound Center with its National Girls Collaborative Project to increase the number of women in the STEM fields.
- (3) AAUW of Florida's **Financial Independence for Girls** program is available at aauw.org/financialLit/FIG.pdf. And the West Chester-Chester County Branch (PA) has received a Community Action Grant to spread the "**Let's Read Math**" project to branches in the Middle Atlantic Region. The EF Grant will provide training, books, teacher's guides, supplies and funding for interested branches. Many of you saw this presentation at our 2006 MAR Conference. If your branch is interested, please contact Project Director Graham Boose at GDBoose@comcast.net no later than June 15, 2007.

So do your research, express your opinions, come to Phoenix, and promote our MISSION.

AAUW-PA State Dues 2007-2008 Amount - \$10

All branches please send your state dues payments (payable to AAUW-PA) and membership forms to the new Finance Officer:

Margaret McGrath
617 W. Waldheim Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15215

SAVE THE DATE

**PA Governor's Conference for Women
Thursday November 8, 2007
Philadelphia**

Send your name/contact information to president@aauwpa.org if you want to be informed about registration information as it becomes available.

State Bylaw Changes

Deborah Roney, Bylaws Chair

First, a large thank you to all branch members who worked diligently over the last two years to bring their bylaws into compliance with the changes made at the Association level. We are now down to only five branches still needing to complete the process.

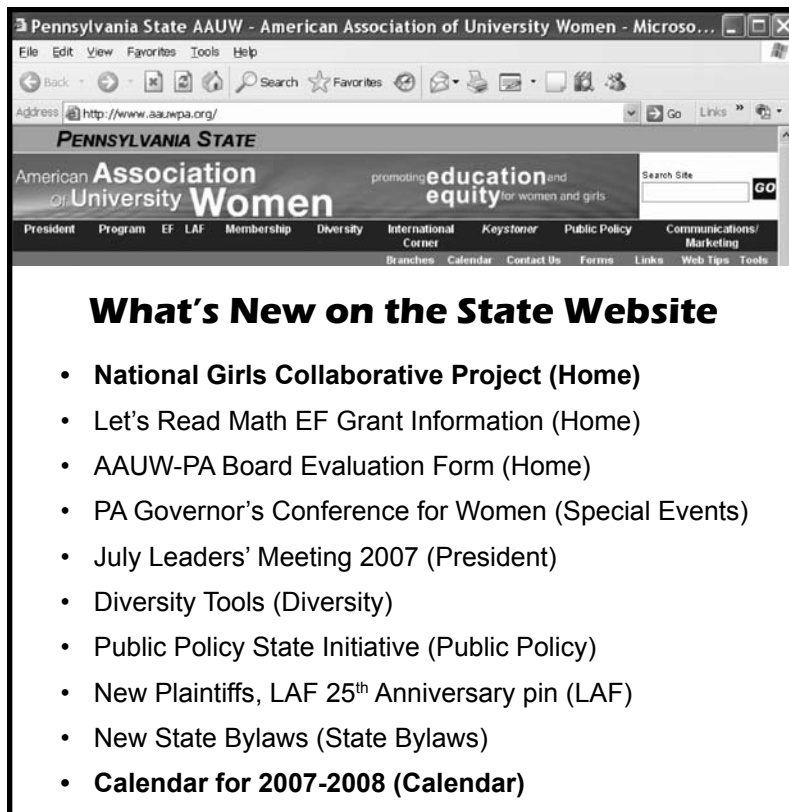
Second, at the state convention last month, the delegates passed all proposed changes to the AAUW-PA Bylaws. These are the following:

- 1) Changes that allow us to hold a state annual business meeting, to be held alternating between a convention in even-numbered years and a state leaders' meeting in odd-numbered years.
- 2) Changes to the size of the nominating committee to reflect the change in the number of districts in PA, and
- 3) Changes requiring state membership on the part of the elected and appointed officers of the state.

The complete, revised version is posted on the website: www.aauwpa.org.

Remember that all branches will be electing delegates to attend the state annual business meeting *every* year, whether that meeting is held in conjunction with a state convention or with a state leaders' meeting.

In 2010, if the state decides to continue this rotational cycle after the three-year trial period, all branches will at that time have to revise their bylaws to bring them into compliance with the state bylaws.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address <http://www.aauwpa.org/>. The page title is "Pennsylvania State AAUW - American Association of University Women - Micro...". The navigation menu includes: President, Program, EF, LAF, Membership, Diversity, International Corner, Keystone, Public Policy, and Communications/Marketing. Below the menu, the heading "What's New on the State Website" is followed by a bulleted list of links:

- **National Girls Collaborative Project (Home)**
- **Let's Read Math EF Grant Information (Home)**
- **AAUW-PA Board Evaluation Form (Home)**
- **PA Governor's Conference for Women (Special Events)**
- **July Leaders' Meeting 2007 (President)**
- **Diversity Tools (Diversity)**
- **Public Policy State Initiative (Public Policy)**
- **New Plaintiffs, LAF 25th Anniversary pin (LAF)**
- **New State Bylaws (State Bylaws)**
- **Calendar for 2007-2008 (Calendar)**

"Join AAUW!"

Jane Snyder-Membership VP

The AAUW-PA Convention was an outstanding event, with excellent speakers, exciting workshops and time to celebrate our successes and friendships. A caucus was held for younger and new members Friday night. It was also attended by longstanding members, leading to a wonderful exchange of ideas concerning membership recruitment, retention, and strategy. This year's Younger Member Convention Scholarship winner was Meghan Godorov from the Allentown Branch, whose input was very insightful. A Saturday afternoon Membership Workshop offered a lot of recruitment advice from a panel: Davorka Sabljak, Membership VP Elect, talking about recruiting younger members; Linda Robbins, Diversity Chair, offering suggestions for increasing diversity; Susan Nenstiel, Communications Chair, introducing the new State Membership Tool Kit; and myself, presenting ideas for branch programming and projects.

AAUW branches across Pennsylvania deserve credit for all the dedication and enthusiasm they have shown in their membership recruitment and retention efforts. The greatest increase in membership of all small branches was the Towanda Branch with a 31.58% increase; for medium sized branches, Philadelphia Branch with a 34.78% increase – the largest increase in the state – and, for the large branch category, Doylestown had the greatest increase with a growth of 22.11%.

2006-2007 was a very good year. Many branches successfully used the Association Shape the Future and Member Get a Member Campaigns to bring in new members. Many small, rural branches committed themselves to continuing on, dedicated to AAUW's mission and to the public policy projects they perform for their local communities. In every district, new and continuing interbranch councils met to share ideas and plans, strengthening their efforts by building a more dynamic regional base. And across the state, AAUW-PA is proud to announce that in this past year, more than 33% of our branches increased their membership, while many more sustained their numbers. I am so glad I can finish my term as your State Membership VP with such a positive report. I would like to thank the board and all the branches for the privilege of serving you and for all the support and encouragement you gave me. I am deeply grateful for this wonderful experience.

AAUW Programming Challenges

Amota Duvall, VP of Programming



This is the time of the year when the VP for Programs gets the exciting task of gathering information about potential

programs for their branch for the coming year. In June or July, at a board meeting for the outgoing and incoming branch boards, these potential programs can be discussed and a schedule set. The more women who give input, the better the programs will be.

When I attend AAUW branch meetings, I expect more than what I get out of other women's groups. We can throw on our red hats and go have fun. We can sing or garden. When I come to AAUW meetings, I expect to learn something (as well as having fun with marvelous women.)

AAUW has a mission. Your programming will be successful when you plan with the mission in mind. Where can you look for programming ideas? (Let's see: higher education and campus life, workplace

equity, and community lifelong learning.) Check around your local area. Have you had anyone speak who has benefited from EF or LAF? Have you sponsored a college woman to attend the annual conference for Women Student Leaders? Who is concerned about equity in your neighborhood? Are you giving a Gateway to Equity Award next March 8th? You might want to have that individual or representative of the group share with the whole branch.

You can invite one of the Leaders on Loan from the State Board. The list of this year's presenters and their topics will be on the web site soon and sent to the presidents and VPs of Programming. You can also invite the current President of AAUW-PA, Dot McLane, to speak to your branch once during her two-year term of office.

You have vast resources at the click of a mouse to help plan the programs for the coming year. The Association web site is full of information. A one-sheet list of suggestions in three strands has just been published. Ideas are posted on the AAUW-PA web site. I would love to

include more ideas of programs from the 50 branches in Pennsylvania. Everyone seems quite interested in the theme, Education as Gateway to Women's Financial Future. Banks and financial organizations are eager to help. West Chester/Chester County Branch has a model that I will put on the web site. This model program could be used with or without a financial expert in attendance.

If after checking out your own area (and the programs of near-by branches), the AAUW-PA web site, and the Association web site, you still need inspiration, send me an e-mail and I will get back to you.

Thank you to each of the branches that put me on your mailing list (paper or e-mail). I hope to be sharing more broadly the topics of your many wonderful programs. I can be reached through the AAUW e-mail, program@aauw.pa.org, or send me paper at RR 2 Box 184, Towanda, PA 18848.

In the next *Keystoner*, you will find information about Leaders on Loan and the program grants.

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics for Women and Girls National Girls Collaborative Project

Dot McLane

AAUW is a co-recipient, along with the Puget Sound Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology, of a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to fund the National Girls Collaborative Project (NGCP). The NGCP seeks to broaden the participation of girls and women in all fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) by supporting research, dissemination of research, and extension services in education. A primary goal of the NGCP is to facilitate collaboration among projects so that they can share resources, work together, and learn from one another.

A central feature of the NGCP is the **Program Directory** (www.pugetsoundcenter.org/ngcp/directory/index.cfm) which lists organizations and programs that focus on motivating girls to pursue careers in STEM. The directory contains program descriptions, resources available within each organization, program and/or organization needs, and contact information. The directory can be searched by program name, organization, city, state, and/or program focus. All organizations offering programs in the STEM area are encouraged to **register that program** on the NGCP Program



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From the Desk of the Communications Chair

Susan Nenstiel

Congratulations to all of the branches who participated in the Gateway to Equity Program. Individuals and organizations across the state, which serve the arts and girls-at-risk and provide programs so girls reach their full potential, were honored.



AAUW-PA presented its second annual Gateway to Equity Award to Sondra Myers, a Senior Fellow for International, Civic and Cultural Projects at the University of Scranton. From 1993 to 1995, Ms. Myers served as special assistant to the chairman at the National Endowment for the Humanities. Prior to joining the NEH staff, she served from 1987 to 1993 as cultural advisor to Pennsylvania Governor Robert P. Casey.

Myers is past chair of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, past president of the Federation of State Humanities Councils, and founding president of Citizens for the Arts in Pennsylvania and the State Arts Advocacy League of America. She is former chair of ArtTable, Inc., Washington Chapter, a member of the Public Education Committee of the American Bar Association, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Centre for Creative Communities in the United Kingdom. Ms. Myers served on the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts from 1980 to 1985. She has been a member and vice chair of the Board of Trustees at the University of Scranton (PA) and a trustee of the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. She is the co-executive producer of *The Courage to Care*, a documentary film about rescuers of Jews during the Holocaust, which was nominated for an Academy Award in 1986.

Here are the branches and Gateway to Equity Awardees for 2007:

Allentown	Sharon Lee Glassman
Beaver Valley	The Women's Center of Beaver County
Butler	Kate Folmer and the Unity Project
Carlisle	Cheryl Cook
Eastern Delaware County	Jean Fleschute
Fox Chapel Area	The Girls as Grantmakers
Harrisburg	Promise Place
Indiana	Indiana County League of Women Voters
Johnstown	Barbara Zaborowski
Lansdale	Rosemary Welsh
Lock Haven	Lynn Cruse and Michele Terry
Pocono Area	Women's Resources
State College	Center County Youth Service Bureau's Stormbreak Youth Program
Susquehanna Valley	Sue Mathias
Towanda	Abuse and Rape Crisis Center
Valley Forge	Laurel House
Washington	Washington and Jefferson College
West Chester-Chester County	Girls Exploring Tomorrow's Technology (GETT)
York	Jacqueline Martino

Public Policy

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Information on how to participate in this initiative will be provided to branch leadership, starting in late summer/early fall, in mailings, on the state website (www.aauwpa.org) and over the AAUW-PA Public Policy Network listserv (see sign up form on page 6 of this issue).

At the conclusion of the project in June 2008, we will be asking for feedback from participants to determine if the project was successful or could be improved for future use. Please consider participating in this project.

For more information on the Woman to Woman Voter Turnout manual and a free download, visit www.aauw.org/issue_advocacy/voter_ed/Woman-to-WomanVoterTurnout.cfm. Copies of the manual are available at ShopAAUW (www.aauw.tranguard.com/short.asp?tgs=1212756:10973176&cart_id=&item_id=485) at a cost of \$4.95 for members and \$19.95 for non-members.

"The public policy program underscores AAUW's mission of promoting equity and education for all women and girls."

You can find this information as well as how the public policy priorities are developed at www.aauw.org/issue_advocacy/principles_priorities.cfm.

NEW!

AAUW-PA Public Policy Brochure

Get copies for your branch now by contacting the Public Policy Chair:

Roberta Warshaw
PO Box 537
Mt. Gretna, PA 17064
femdem1@aol.com

Roles in AAUW

Anita Duvall, VP Programming

I have just completed compiling the evaluations from the state convention recently held in Scranton. I was most surprised to see that many of you think that the convention in the spring and the leadership meeting in July are just for the elected leaders of the branches. These events are for everyone who has the interest in and passion for who we are and what we stand for.

Our organization is changing as the whole way people can

communicate is changing. Society is becoming less directed from the top and needs the thoughts and ideas of as many people as possible. If you have the energy and passion, we have two new initiatives for you. When you join either or both of these list serves, you will be able to exchange ideas with other passionate women. The first, the State Theme Team, is for those of you interested in promoting programs advancing the AAUW mission and the theme Gateway to Economic Security. The second opportunity to get involved is for those who want to be advocates promoting Equity and Education for all Women and Girls. Use the forms below to sign up for these opportunities.

Are you interested in promoting **PROGRAMS** advancing the AAUW mission and the theme **Education as the Gateway to Economic Security?**

Then join the **AAUW-PA State Theme Team**

Provide your contact information below and you will be added to a national and state listserv that will keep you informed about programs involving AAUW's Mission and Theme. You can help to contribute to these programs and/or promote their implementation in Pennsylvania branches.

Name: _____

Branch: _____

e-mail: _____

Send to: Dot McLane, president@aauwpa.org AND Anita Duvall, program@aauwpa.org OR AAUW-PA State Theme Team c/o 103 Green Spring Circle, Lansdale, PA 19446

Do you want to be an **ADVOCATE** promoting **Equity and Education for all Women and Girls?**

Then join the **AAUW-PA Public Policy Network**

Provide your contact information below and you will be added to a state listserv that will keep you informed about developments in national and state AAUW public policy issues and opportunities to take an active role in your community and state

Name: _____

Branch: _____

e-mail: _____

Send to: Dot McLane, president@aauwpa.org AND Roberta Warshaw, publicpolicy@aauwpa.org OR AAUW-PA Public Policy Network c/o 103 Green Spring Circle, Lansdale, PA 19446.

2007 Susan K. Nenstiel Humanitarian Award Winner

Margaret “Peg” Anderson



Peg Anderson (left) receives the award from Susan Nenstiel

Established in 1997, the Susan K. Nenstiel Humanitarian Award honors the one Pennsylvania AAUW member whose personal commitment to AAUW extends to her branch activities as well as her community contributions. She exemplifies the “complete AAUW woman.”

Our winner’s story spans two centuries. Born in Ohio in 1915, Margaret “Peg” Anderson learned two early lessons: the importance of working for a better world for all persons and the importance of education. When Peg graduated from college, she could either be a teacher or a nurse. Wanting to be neither, Peg enrolled in business school and went to work for Sun Oil. She later married and moved to a farm in Chester County where she began her life-long volunteer career.

Her desire for a better world helped Peg to build some firm foundations in her community. She became a repeat

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My First Convention

Stephanie Johnson

*First Timer Scholarship Winner,
VP Membership, Pittsburgh Branch*

I think that the first timer award is something special because, as a member coming from a distance to a state convention in one of the smaller cities in a big state, I found the award helpful in getting me to attend.

Taking the six hour drive to Scranton, Pennsylvania was well worth the trip. As I arrived in the city, the first item that caught my eye was the Lackawanna Sign on the beautiful, nostalgic train depot.

My arrival at the AAUW Pennsylvania Convention was moving. I met many professional women who have been in the organization for decades and some, like myself, for just a year.

I attended several workshops. The first workshop discussed how to lobby effectively. This was “Make Yourself Heard” by Bobbie

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Diversity Corner

Linda Robbins, Diversity Chair



Convention is over and a new nominating committee has been formed to elect your state board members for 2008-2010. I have been asked repeatedly why the current and past boards have not been more diverse. My answer has always been “because no one has nominated these women.”

Now is the time for you to explore your branch to find candidates that fit the description and ask them to accept nomination for a seat on the state board.

You may nominate someone for President or Program Vice-President or suggest candidates for appointed offices as listed in your *Keystoner*.

We need your help; the future of AAUW is in your hands.

Girls Collaborative Project

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This includes programs offered by AAUW branches, the Girl Scouts, YMCA/YWCA, schools (primary and colleges), or any other community group whose program serves girls, or girls and boys, in any grade(s) from K through 12.

AAUW’s role in the NGCP is to establish regional liaisons in each region of the US. In the Middle Atlantic region there are two regional liaisons, the liaison for Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey is Dot McLane (215-362-3805, dotmlane@comcast.net). Eventually a Regional Collaborative organization will be established in the Middle Atlantic Region, the purpose of which will be to hold regional conferences and forums and to award mini-grants to programs in the region. To find out more about the project and to monitor its progress, go to the NGCP website at www.pugetsoundcenter.org/ngcp/index.html and sign up for the NGCP e-newsletter www.pugetsoundcenter.org/ngcp/resources/newsletter.html. Remember to register any programs your branch offers and spread the word to all organizations that offer programs in STEM so they can also register. The more programs registered the more powerful the database becomes.

Nenstiel Award *continued from page 7*

president of the West Chester County League of Women Voters and helped establish the local YWCA. She promoted school integration and in an effort to end racism, joined the Community Action Board and the Human Relations Council. She hosted inner city kids for the Fresh Air Fund and International students and adults. Peg was a member of the school board and researched a book about her township. To this day she still volunteers at the historical society.

Peg joined the West Chester-Chester County Branch in 1973 because AAUW's mission and her personal mission were much alike. A loyal member who worked on several major initiatives and fundraisers, Peg also attended the yearly United Nations meetings in New York City in the late 1970's. Programs and initiatives which Peg developed or spearheaded are ongoing today.

Politicians, educators and activists know Peg by name and the fine work she has done and is still doing. Like our AAUW founding mothers, Peg has dropped "little drops of water and little grains of sand" everywhere." Her "can-do" attitude makes Peg a role model for what we

can do both in/for AAUW and in/for the community.

Peg is not only an activist and community volunteer. After age 60, she illustrated her belief in the importance of education by taking college courses in world geography, Africa and linguistics. Peg attributes much of her 91 years of living to a positive outlook on life and good health. She says, "What is most important in all the work I've done, I have not been the most important person. A lot of people were working with me for the same goals." She's enjoyed all she's accomplished for fun as a "Mover and Shaker" for the rights of others.

Peg exemplifies the balance and persistence needed to accomplish both short term and long term goals. As a widow, she still lives on the family farm and advocates for others. This candidate's lifelong work to promote AAUW's mission through all her activities, to draw more women to AAUW, and to provide networking opportunities with other community groups makes her deserving of the 2007 AAUW-PA Susan K. Nenstiel Humanitarian Award.

First Convention

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Warsaw and Kathy Quinn. How to make contacts on a political level and taking another member with you were the main focuses. It is also important to have a passion for what you are lobbying on so you can deliver it with a passion.

The second workshop I attended was "Different Ages, Different Stages." This I found very interesting because it consisted of a panel of four that discussed variables that affect membership potential: age, race and interest. They discussed possible book discussion groups and going to companies that may give the information to their retirees. Having interesting projects and sticking flyers on cars were other ways of getting possible members. Finding another group to support builds a reciprocal relationship. This I found to be the most helpful to me. Having mentoring groups, such as graduates and working members in their fields, was another idea.

The keynote speakers both evenings spoke of equality and equity. I found this to be very cohesive and appropriate to the broader picture of AAUW mission.

Impact Awards

1st State College

"Challenging Science Investigations"
An enrichment program for middle school girls

2nd Fox Chapel Area

"Young Women's Recognition Night"
Honors middle school girls excelling in math and science

3rd North Hills McKnight

"Martin Luther King Breakfast"
A collaborative project with 14 other community groups

Honorable Mention

West Chester-Chester County

Effective use of the "Power of One Vote"
campaign materials and AAUW Public Policy issues

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Newsletter Awards

Large Branches

- First Lansdale
Editor: Janice Arrowsmith
- Second Harrisburg
Editor: Janet C. Widoff
- Third Allentown
Editor: Rosemary T. Cuzzolino

Medium Branches

- First Bethlehem
Editor: Linda C. Robertson
- Second West Chester
(tie) *Editor: Pam Gallimore*
Fox Chapel Area
Editor: Patricia Kennedy
- Third Susquehanna Valley
Editor: Nancy O. Craig

Small Branches

- First Carlisle
Editor: Marjorie Mowery
- Second North Hills-McKnight
Editor: Patricia Sand
- Third Huntingdon
Editor: Devona Van Nest

Our thanks go out to the nine women who helped out as judges: Rosemary Bosler, Graham Boose, Pam Daveler, Jane Herwig, Toni Hoffman, Linda Robertson, Kathy Shaginaw, Sally Stevenson, and Kristin Sullivan.

★ ★ AAUW-PA Honor Roll 2006-2007 ★ ★

Educational Foundation

Total Contributions 2006

Allentown	\$12,191.50
State College	\$10,045.00
Philadelphia	\$6,204.00
York	\$5,500.00
Doylestown	\$5,284.00
Murrysville Area	\$4,500.00
Reading	\$3,612.00
Lansdale	\$3,295.00
Harrisburg	\$3140.00
Eastern Delaware County	\$2,222.00

Per Capita Giving

Elk County	\$167.50
Murrysville Area	\$91.83
Allentown	\$78.15
Philadelphia	\$66.70
State College	\$63.17
York	\$49.54
Doylestown	\$45.55
Eastern Delaware County	\$35.83
Lancaster	\$28.94
Lock Haven	\$25.88

Total PA Contributions: \$74,042.50

HONOREES

(Formerly the Named Gift Honorees)

- Allentown – Linda Friscia-Oppe, Jane Wrigley Snyder, Susan K. Nenstiel
- Bethlehem – Cathy Barrett
- Carlisle – Viginia Schweiter
- Erie – Linda Mae Collin
- Fox Chapel – Linda Klingensmith, Nancy Weinstein, Margaret McGrath, Betty Lou Dell
- Harrisburg – Janet Widoff, Dr.Carol Howard, Patricia Blakney, Toni Lee Neikens
- Johnston – Kay Kusibab
- Lansdale – Janice Arrowsmith, Andrea Tanner, Suzanne Franks, Juanita Strohecker, Cindy Bourgeois, Shirley Elrod
- Valley Forge – Charlotte Rowland, Karen Wellin, 50th anniversary of the Branch
- West Chester-Chester County – Barbara Leone

Legal Advocacy Fund

Top 10 Branches

Total Contributions 2006

State College	\$10,075
Philadelphia, Inc.	\$1,425
Doylestown	\$975
Harrisburg	\$750
Allentown	\$692
Bethlehem	\$600
Eastern Delaware County	\$544
York	\$520
Valley Forge	\$500
Makefield Area	\$500

Top 10 Branches

Per Capita Contributions

State College	\$63.36
Philadelphia, Inc.	\$15.32
Eastern Delaware County	\$8.77
Doylestown	\$8.41
Pottstown Area	\$8.33
Corapolis-Sewickley	\$7.50
Butler	\$7.31
Harrisburg	\$6.52
Washington	\$5.81
Valley Forge	\$5.32

Total PA Contributions: \$19,707.83

AAUW-PA Outstanding Women 2007

Allentown	Rosemary Cozzolino	Huntington	Eldbjorg Dubbel
	Nancy Zeigler	Johnstown	Loretta Ciupak
Beaver Valley	Bonnie Reyes	Lansdale	Joanne Bidwell
Bethlehem	Nancy I. Disario	Levittown-Lower Bucks County	Kathy Barniskis
Bradford	Dr. Holly Spittler	Lock Haven	Diane Whitaker
Butler	Jill Roth	Makefield Area	Carol Dubas
California	June Pajerski	Murrysville Area	Susan Greenberg
Carlisle	Maria Bartoli	North Hills-McKnight	Rosemary Prager
Clarion	Sarah Siegel		Anita Wurthner
Doylestown	Patricia Thomas	Philadelphia, Inc.	Cora Turpin, Ph.D.
Eastern Delaware County	Dorothy Sulzer	Pittsburgh	Winifred Carr
Easton	Toni Hoffman	Reading	Patricia Callahan
Erie	Kathryn Knoblauch Felion	Scranton	Ethel Breuche
Fox Chapel Area	Linda Klingensmith	State College	Chriss Schultz
Franklin County	Barbara Montgomery	Susquehanna Valley	Pam Mauger
Greensburg Area	Janny Jameson	Valley Forge	Susan Norris
	Priscilla Richardson	Washington	Amy Ross Braden-Manko
Harrisburg	Mary Louise McDowell	West Chester-Chester County	Barbara Leone
Hazleton	All Hazleton Branch Members	York	Lilah Haxton

Let's Read Math EF Grant Funds Available for Branches

Graham Boose, Project Director

The West Chester-Chester County Branch (PA) is pleased to announce that it has received an Educational Foundation Community Action Grant to spread *Let's Read Math*. The grant is for the period July



1, 2007-June 30, 2009, and is structured to support a limited number of Pennsylvania and Middle Atlantic Region AAUW branches in starting up the successful Let's Read Math program developed by Dr. Claire Passantino of the Makefield Area PA Branch.

The Let's Read Math program makes mathematics concepts interesting and fun for primary children and adults by utilizing children's literature with embedded math themes that build both literacy and numeracy in children. The program is suitable for small groups of primary children (4 or 5) through a group of 20 or so. Multiple groups can be run simultaneously and it is age-adaptable.

The Let's Read Math program can be used successfully as a one-time event – such as in a Family Night at an elementary school – or as a series of events at a summer day camp, after-school program or library. An AAUW branch can be the hands-on facilitators of the workshops, or they can project manage other organizations that want to implement the program, such as a Girl Scout Council or YWCA. As few as two persons can present a workshop.

Dr. Passantino originated the program through the Makefield Area AAUW and subsequent workshops were undertaken by the West Chester-Chester County Branch and the Eastern Delaware County Branch. For more information on the program visit www.letsreadmath.com.

The current EF Grant will provide training, books, teacher's guides, supplies, and funding for interested branches. There is no one set way to implement the program, so branches will decide how they want to use the materials.

If your branch might be interested, please contact Project Director Graham Boose, Co-President of the West Chester-Chester County (PA) branch, by **not later than June 15, 2007. This is not a commitment to participate, but an inquiry for information.** Graham's contact information is GDBoose@comcast.net (preferred) or 610-431-7701. Please provide a contact name, branch name, and phone number when you email.

A Distinguished Life: *Jennifer Polo* Makefield Area Branch

Jennifer has been gallantly fighting the baffling blood cancer, non-Hodgkins follicular lymphoma. She went from being a healthy vibrant mother of two young boys, to a perplexed, fatigued, oncology patient who did not fit the usual profile for this insidious disease. Yet she triumphed. After educating herself in this disease, she endured 6 months of chemotherapy and Rituxan antibody treatment. She lost her hair and had sleepless nights trying to piece together the puzzle of this new life. She had the loving support of her husband and her adorable boys as well as the rest of her family and friends. She endured more chemotherapy and had harrowing experiences of various life threatening reactions to the drugs.

Jennifer wanted to take back control of her life. She had always toyed with the idea of doing a triathlon and after going through the trials and tribulations of her chemotherapy and Rituxan therapy; the thought of a triathlon didn't seem scary at all. Jennifer underwent a rigorous training and met other amazing cancer patients who were part of Team Survivor, each with her own cancer story. It all paid off when she crossed the finish line of the Danskin Women's Triathlon in September 2006. Along the way she and her family also found the time to do several walk-a-thons to raise money for follicular lymphoma research.

"Take That, Cancer!" was her mantra. She was a champion and she wanted to continue to compete in triathlons. However, one week after her fantastic finish line, she took her routine three month scan and she found out that the cancer had returned. In real championship fashion, she has started chemotherapy again and is part of a new clinical trial. She has a glorious spirit that is a true inspiration to all of those who know and admire her. As Jennifer says, she has races to run, training to do and finish lines to cross. Her goal is to hear her doctor say that "We've figured this out..." and that will be the best finish line of all. She is our heroine. *(Submitted by Carol Dubas, Makefield Area Branch)*

Distinguished Members AAUW-PA 2006-2007

Bethlehem Branch

Lisa Boscola – Current State Senator 18th District; former State Representative

Butler Branch

Maggie Stock – Mayor of Butler

Fox Chapel Branch

Maryanne Barnes – Presenter National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO); past Director of NAWBO

Nancy Weinstein – Pennsylvania Association for Gifted Education (PAGE) Parent of the Year Award

Indiana Branch

Dr. M. Dorcas Clark - The new Women's Imaging Pavilion at the regional medical center named in Dr. Clark's honor to recognize her years of service to the community

Sara Steelman - First woman to serve as state representative for the 67th district (1999-2002).

Carol Hanna - First woman judge in Indiana Court of Common Pleas

Lock Haven Branch

Pamela Blesh – Named Alpha Alpha State Woman of Distinction 2005 by The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for Key Women Educators

State College Branch

Dianne Taylor Gregg – Democratic Party County Chair

West Chester-Chester County Branch

Barbara McIlvaine Smith – Democrat Elected to Pennsylvania State House of Representatives edging out Republican Shannon Royer in the 156th legislative District, which means the state House of Representatives will belong to Democrats for the first time in 12 years

In Memoriam AAUW-PA 2006-2007

Bethlehem Branch

Naomi de Neufville Boyer (2006) – 63-year member

Marjorie Werry Foy (2006)

Rosalind Abercrombie Shields (October 2006) – Member 1996-2003

Katherine S. Van Eerde, Ph.D. (2006) – Member 1998-2005

Jane Brewer Winkler (2006)

Marjorie Cousley Winkler (2006) – 58-year member

Carlisle Branch

Jeanne Bowers – former Branch President, Outstanding Woman, EF Honoree

Clarion Branch

Eleanor DeWald Moore (October 2006) – life member

Erie Branch

Margaret Schumacher

Charmaine Weigel

Anne Kloss – Branch President 1976-78

Fox Chapel Branch

Ann Feddersen (September 2006)

Betty Willison (February 2005) – founding member

Bertha Swank (December 2004) – founding member

Indiana Branch

Dr. Carroll Young (September 25, 2006) – AAUW member since 2002; professor of Spanish at Indiana University of Pennsylvania; internationally known scholar in Afro-Spanish Literature

Dr. Anja Olin-Fahle (November 23, 2006) – AAUW member since 2002; professor emeritus of Anthropology at Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Lansdale Branch

Emma Jane Correll (January 18, 2007) – Lansdale AAUW Branch Scholarship created in her honor

Lebanon Valley Branch

Jean Dohner (October 2006) – co-Membership Vice President

Lock Haven Branch

Jayne Arnone – Educator and member since 1998; scholarship to be named in her honor in the school district

State College Branch

Marian Bigelow Davison, EdD (June 2006) – Member 1948-2006; 50-year Honorary Life Member

Helen E. Buchanan Meahl, DED (April 2006) – Member 1954 to 1960 and 1964-1006; 50-year Honorary Life Member

Martha Cox O'Neill (February 2006) – Member since 1954

Washington Branch

Miriam Siegel (2006) – Honorary Life Member

West Chester-Chester County Branch

Hilda Fell (October 13, 2006) – Honorary Life Member, Chair of branch Scholarship Committee and Literature Group for many years