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CAMPUS CONNECTIONS: HOW AAUW IS IMPACTING DICKINSON STUDENTS

On Tuesday, Oct. 25th, Margot Abrahams, Angelica Mishra and Maddie Jones will give us some insight into the effects of the AAUW Student Organization (SO) on campus life at Dickinson College. During this panel discussion these young women will share the activities of the AAUW SO and their plans for future projects. This Student Organization was formed in the fall of 2015.

Margot Abrahams is from Mamaroneck, NY and is a member of the class of 2017. A Women & Gender Studies major, she is the President of AAUW and serves on the Prevention, Education, and Advocacy Center (PEAC) Council. Margot also serves as a Student Interviewer and is involved in dance.

Madeleine (Maddie) Jones, Class of 2019, is Vice President of AAUW. Maddie is majoring in Environmental Studies and International Studies. Maddie's current hometown is Stuttgart, Germany. While at Dickinson she is a Treehouse (Center for Sustainable Living) Resident.

Angelica Mishra hails from Mount Laurel, NJ and is a member of the Class of 2019. Angelica is the Secretary of AAUW and is a Student Supervisor in the Dickinson College Cafeteria. Her major is Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies.

Come meet these amazing young women and join us for an upbeat and informative meeting.

Linkey Green
Program Chair

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon., Oct 3	7:00 p.m.	Book Club	Carmen Eiserman
Sat., Oct 8	6:30 p.m.	Gourmet Group	Mary & Bill Berwick
Tues., Oct 25	7:00 p.m.	Branch Meeting	Holland Union Building

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ann Pehle and I attended AAUW State Convention last April and it was most informative. Hopefully over the next few months, we will be able to share some of the neat ideas we learned. One of the programs was to have a panel presentation from a student affiliate. Our October program will be just that - a panel of young women from the Dickinson Student Organization (SO) which was formed last year. I hope many of you will attend and bring your questions for these students who are the future of AAUW.

On another note, I would like for members who may have an injury, illness, death in the family or other issue to please let either Kathleen Gorak or me know. Also, please let us know if your information may be shared with the Branch members so that cards may be sent and support given if wanted and needed. We need to support each other.

Linkey Green

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

The Public Policy committee just formed and will meet the first Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm beginning October 5th. Committee members are Didem Cal, Linda Figueroa, Linkey Green, Nancy Sigris, Peggy Jennings, Sue Royer. If you are interested in AAUW Public Policy initiatives, even if you are just curious, please join us. Contact Ann Pehle (annp71@comcast.net or 795-4969) for more information.

*Ann Pehle
Public Policy Chair*

Did you notice the changes to the website?
Do you think it has the right information for a prospective member?
For you, a member?

Share your thoughts, opinions, ideas with Ann Pehle as she works with committees to update the AAUW-Carlisle website.



The Carlisle Branch is happy to welcome four new members as we begin our 2016/2017 year! Many of us got to meet Dr. Peggy Jennings, Didem Cal, Helen Davenport, and Betty Hippert at the August social. Two biographies introducing these talented women are included in this month's newsletter, and two will be included next month.

DR. PEGGY JENNINGS

A long-time resident of the Carlisle area, Dr. Peggy Jennings earned a B.A. in History and Psychology from DePauw University, Indiana, an M. Ed. in Counseling and Student Personnel Services from Miami University of Ohio, and a D. Ed. in Higher Education Leadership from Indiana University at Bloomington.

Peggy spent 15 years as a gifted support teacher at Carlisle High School, and more than 20 years as a college administrator for student affairs. She filled the position of Associate Dean at Dickinson College for five years.

Now retired from academic life, she has recently established her own business as a private college administrative counselor, working with high school students and their parents to develop strategies for pursuing a course of study that supports their career and life goals.

Peggy is the mother of two children: a son, Drew, who lives in the Harrisburg area with his family; and a daughter, Hazel, who resides in San Francisco with her husband. Peggy herself has recently re-married.

Even though she is a new member of AAUW, she is already an active contributor as a volunteer on the Public Policy Committee, working to support the association's public policy goals.

In her spare time, she is an avid antiques collector.

BETTY J. HIPPERT

Betty is a California girl who followed her husband, Colonel Ralph Hippert, to the Carlisle area in 1973 after he joined the War College.

A former AAUW member in California, Betty earned a B.A. in Liberal Arts at the University of California, and an M.A. in Early Education at Shippensburg University.

With a group of volunteer Army wives and mothers, she developed a pre-school curriculum for the children of service personnel assigned to the Carlisle area. Starting out as mostly a baby-sitting enterprise, over the next several years, this group of women encouraged the army to formalize this day care concept, selling them on the benefits of such a program to recruiting and retaining officers and enlisted personnel. Their advocacy paid off, and Betty eventually became the Director of the Carlisle Child Development Center, a position from which she retired in 1990. Today this resource continues as the Moore Child Development Center, serving children pre-school through the 6th grade.

Betty has a son who lives in California and a daughter who lives in Allentown, PA. Living with her is her companion, a long-haired Chihuahua named Mija.

A former painter, Betty was a long time member of the Carlisle Art Association. She is also an avid Bridge player, and is looking forward to participating in the AAUW Carlisle Branch's Bridge Flight, headed up by Mary Berwick.

*Pat Markowski
Interviewer*

BOOK GROUP

The November Book Group discussion will be held Monday 7 November at 7 pm in Side Room 204-205 of the Holland Union Building. This is a complete change in plans. We will discuss *Orphan #8*, an historical fiction novel, by Kim van Alkemade. We will be joined by the author, Dr. Kim Alkemade.

In 1919, four year old Rachel Rabinowitz is placed in the Hebrew Infant Home where Dr. Mildred Solomon is conducting medical research on the children. Dr. Solomon subjects Rachel to an experimental course of X-Ray treatments that establish the doctor's reputation while risking the little girl's health. In 1954, Rachel is a nurse in the hospice wing of the Old Hebrews Home when elderly Dr. Solomon becomes her patient. Realizing the power she holds over the helpless Doctor, Rachel embarks on a dangerous experiment of her own design. Before the night shift ends, Rachel will be forced to choose between forgiveness and revenge. The novel is inspired by true events.

Kim van Alkemade was born in New York City and spent her childhood in suburban New Jersey. Kim attended college in Wisconsin, earning a doctorate in English from UW-Milwaukee. She is a professor at Shippensburg University and lives in Carlisle. Her creative nonfiction essays have been published in literary journals including Alaska Quarterly Review, So To Speak, and CutBank. *Orphan #8* is her first novel.

This discussion is open to the entire branch. If you will be able to join us, please RSVP to Wendy Armour Dickinson by Friday, 4 November. Please call or text 717-514-3322 or send an email to warmourdickinson@hotmail.com.

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Book Group – Wendy Armour Dickinson
Bridge Flight – Mary Berwick
Community Activities – Don Mowery
Gourmet Group – Wendy Armour Dickinson

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