

Carlisle Branch honors five women at scholarship banquet



Left to right: Ciera Rhodes, Alexandria Shope, Lynn Finkenbinder, Alyssa Jones, Morgan Seifert

On April 25, four young women were awarded the AAUW Higher Education Scholarships and they were Alyssa Jones, Ciera Rhodes, Morgan Seifert and Alexandria Shope. Each received \$1500 through the generous donations from our branch members. Thank You!

This year a special memorial scholarship given in honor of branch member and former Carlisle Branch membership co-vice president, Joann B. Ketterer was awarded to Lynn Finkenbinder.

A special thank you goes to the scholarship committee members Cindy Sutton, Rosemary Smith, Barbara Allen and Marjorie Mowery. They worked as a team organizing and participating in the interviews over two days to accommodate the prospective candidates and their schedules.

A huge appreciation goes out to Marjorie Mowery, our AAUW Funds chair for her help in soliciting funds for our scholarships.

The members attending the banquet enjoyed learning about the educational and career goals of our talented winners and were inspired by their confidence, poise and outlook for the future.

Lillian Wong
Scholarship Chair

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs., June 1	Membership renewal due	Form on last page
Sat., June 3	5:30 p.m. Gourmet Dining	Marjie and Don Mowery
Mon., June 5	6:00 p.m. Book Group	Hoss 's on Carlisle Pike
Tues., June 6	6:30 p.m. Board Meeting	Bosler Library
Wed., June 7	1:00 p.m. Public Policy Meeting	Peggy Jennings
Sat., July 22	10am - 3pm AAUW PA	Genetti Hotel
	July 2017 Retreat	Williamsport, PA

Honoring Scholarship Recipients

Alyssa Jones, Ciera Rhodes, Morgan Seifert, Alexandria Shope, Lynn Finkenbinder

2017 HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Alyssa Jones is in her first year of Physician Assistant Program at Penn State Hershey College of Medicine, about to start clinical rotations in May. She believes her interests will be women's health and internal medicine. She is our third time recipient of the Higher Education Scholarship. She is also a graduate of Big Spring High School and Susquehanna University.

Ciera Rhodes is a nursing student at Wilson College. A graduate of Carlisle High School, she also holds a Biology degree from Wilson. Currently, working at Menno Haven while attending school, she is able to complement and integrate skills to become successful. She is very interested in holistic approach to medicine and patient care.

Morgan Seifert graduated from Cumberland Valley High School in 2015, and currently a sophomore at Penn State University pursuing an Elementary and Early Childhood Education degree. Her time is spread between working at a diner, in an after school program, as a nursery aide and volunteering at animal shelter. She has an interest in Special Education

Alexandria Shope, after graduating from Carlisle High School, headed to Kutztown towards a Communication Design degree. Not only is she working as a graphic design assistant, she lends her passion of art to various awareness and fund raising events. Her professors note that she consistently strives for excellence and holds herself to the highest standards.

JOANN B. KETTERER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is given in honor of branch member and former Carlisle Branch membership co-vice president, Joann B. Ketterer. A resident of Newville, PA, she was a Penn State University graduate and taught Home Economics at Shippensburg High School and the Adams County Extension Office. Active in the Pennsylvania and Cumberland County Farm Women, the Shippensburg Fair Exhibitors and the Future Home Economists of America, Joann was an enthusiastic supporter of the branch scholarship program.

We are pleased to award the Ketterer Scholarship to:

Lynn Finkenbinder, a graduate of Big Spring High School. She, like Joann, is enrolled at Penn State University majoring in Food Science, and is completing her sophomore year.

Lynn was a member of Future Farmers of America (FFA) and 4-H. She credits participating in 4-H for developing her self-confidence, leadership and speaking skills. Lynn has an interest in working for the Department of Agriculture

*Lillian Wong
Scholarship Chair*

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 14, 2017

National voting still open until June 14, 2017 11:59pm. See May newsletter for directions.

AUGUST 22, 2017

Branch meeting – annual “picnic” and silent auction

**LIEUTENANT COLONEL (R)
CAROL MCANULTY
JOINS CARLISLE BRANCH**

Lieutenant Colonel (R) Carol McAnulty may be familiar to those of us who attended the inspiring branch meeting on March 28th in which she and Dr. Neelima Parikh recounted their experiences during nursing missions in Haiti, Africa and India.

Lt. Col. (R) McAnulty is a Nurse Anesthetist at the Carlisle Regional Medical Center. Prior to moving into this position in 1995, she was an active duty Air Force officer stationed in medical groups in Nebraska, Georgia and Texas. As an officer in the U.S. Air Force Reserves from 1996 to 2006, she worked as a flight nurse on an Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron in New Jersey and was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Carol began her volunteer nursing work overseas on a mission to Haiti with Partners in Health in 2012, and in 2014 participated in a mission to Malawi in Africa with Operation Medical, a Hershey, PA based volunteer group of medical professionals. She recently returned from a medical mission to India with this group.

With all these military and medical missions in her professional portfolio, Carol also makes time for pursuing her other interests, which include gardening, tennis, cross country skiing, bicycling, and cooking. She and her husband, Paul, live in Carlisle, with two dogs, four cats, and a pond full of Koi.

AAUW's mission advancing equity for women and girls appealed to her so much that she decided to join the Carlisle Branch, and she is looking forward to attending meetings and contributing to the organization's success.

**AAUW-PA 2017 July Retreat
Saturday July 22, 2017
10 AM to 3 PM**

The Genetti Hotel and Suites
200 West Fourth Street, Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 326-6600
http://www.genettihotel.com/?_vsrefdom=google

**To register for the retreat, please sign up at
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017julyregistration>**

All interested members are welcome. AAUW-PA will pay all meeting costs for the first two members of every PA branch. Additional branch members and other AAUW-PA members will be charged \$20 to cover expenses. College AAUW-PA SAF, eSAF, and Student Organization members can attend at no cost. The conference registration deadline is Friday, July 1. For those planning to arrive on Friday, July 21st, we have reserved several non-smoking rooms that are guaranteed until July 1st. Please contact the hotel directly to book your room and mention the AAUW-PA meeting when you book it. Attendees are responsible for the cost of their room.

The summer retreat will focus on programming and how that impacts membership recruitment and retention, an area that all branches could use help with. The goal will be to offer different options for branches of all sizes and resources, both in their branch and community.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

AAUW Carlisle Branch has begun its Membership Drive for 2017-2018. A copy of the Membership Renewal Form can be found on the last page of this newsletter. When completing the form, please print clearly and provide all information requested. Mail the completed form and your check to the address listed on the renewal form. The deadline for dues payment and inclusion in the Yearbook is June 1, 2017. Should you have any questions, please contact the Membership Committee.

*Sue Royer
Carolyn Freberg*

PUBLIC POLICY – FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

This was a busy and successful year for Public Policy thanks to the dedication of the committee members, support of the Board, and volunteers. We registered the most Public Policy events/activities of any Pennsylvania branch—19 in total—and continued successful collaborations with the LWV, MomsRising, YWCA Carlisle and added Employment Skills Center.

The Public Policy committee really came to life this fiscal year. Meeting every month, we got to know one another, the public policy process, and the issues. Committee members also volunteered at various events and activities. Members: Didem Cal, Linda Figueroa, Linkey Green, Peggy Jennings, Virginia Mueller, Sue Royer, Nancy Sigrist.

Highlights of this year include three new projects. Topic Talks is a “book group” exploring public policy issues. Attendees read material prior to attending an informal gathering where a subject matter expert introduces the issue followed by group discussion. [Equal Pay](#) was the first topic. Another Topic Talks will be held in the Fall, and maybe we will sneak one in over the summer

[Know Your School Board Candidates](#) questionnaire is the second innovation. Fulfilling the AAUW mission of voter education and supporting public education combined with the knowledge that school board races are some of the least covered led us to.

this project of sending questionnaires to the candidates in Big Spring, Carlisle Area, Cumberland Valley, and South Middleton school districts. A voter guide for each school district was created

Thank you to Nancy Sigrist, Peggy Jennings, Virginia Mueller, and Carol McAnulty for representing AAUW at the Carlisle Area School District candidate forum

The third new project was delivering a [Work Smart workshop](#). With a fabulous committee (members*) and volunteers, this huge project went off smoothly. Barb Attivo, Doreen Baringer, Mary Berwick*, Vicki Carl, Shirley Gehringer*, Kathleen Gorak, Linkey Green*, Mary Long, Pat Markowski, Don Mowery, Virginia Mueller, Phyllis Orenyo*, Sue Royer*, Molly Shane*, Darlis Simonton*, Patty Stibitz, and Cindy Sutton*

Go to the [Public Policy](#) page on our website for a complete list of this year’s activities for Equal Pay, GOTV and Title IX. Big thank you to the volunteers who registered voters, delivered Title IX resources, and presented at Topic Talks. Donna Bickford, Kathleen Brennan, Gail D’Urso, Carolyn Freburg, Kathleen Gorak, Katie Green, Loretta Maddox, Phyllis Orenyo, Molly Shane, Ann Shover, Patty Stibitz, Cindy Sutton. .

*Ann Pehle,
(Past) Public Policy Chair*

BOOK GROUP

The Carlisle Branch Book Group is open to any member of the Carlisle Branch. Books for 2017 a 2018 will be chosen Monday, June 5th. Our selections, chosen by a majority of the members present, include a long book as our summer read (for discussion in September), Classic, Mystery, Diversity, Women's History and several of general interest. We try to choose books that are available in a variety of formats - hardback, paperback, ebook (purchase or from the library) and CD. The books for 2017 - 2018, discussion dates and times and hostesses will be published in the Yearbook as well as the Newsletter.

Please consider joining us for one of our discussions - even if you have not read the book. You just need to let the discussion hostess know that you will be joining us by the Friday before the Monday discussion.

If you have any questions, please call or email Wendy Armour Dickinson. (717-514-3322, warmourdickinson@hotmail.com)

*Wendy Dickinson
Book Group Chair*

EXPLORING AAUW



UNDERSTANDING OUR ORGANIZATION THE RICH TRADITION OF AAUW RESEARCH

AAUW has a 132-year tradition of publishing research to debunk the myths surrounding issues related to women and girls. In 1885, the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (first name for our organization) issues its first research report in conjunction with the Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor. The report, *Health Statistics of Women College Graduates*, establishes that, contrary to popular belief, women's health is not adversely affected by attending college. It was thought we couldn't have babies and seek a college degree!

The AAUW mission is not ambiguous about the importance of research. Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. My first introduction to AAUW was through the 2008 research, [*Where the Girls Are: The Facts about Gender Equity in Education*](#). Research topics over the years include bullying and sexual harassment; campus sexual harassment and assault; general education practices; STEM in education and employment; community colleges; gender pay gap; women in leadership

This year's research was released on May 24th. [*Deeper in Debt: Women and Student Loans*](#) explores the student debt crisis, finding that it isn't just an economic problem — it's also a gender problem, costing women even more than men. The research finds that women hold a whopping 64 percent of all U.S. student debt, or a total of \$833 billion compared to \$477 billion held by men. And although a college degree generally leads to higher earnings, women with college degrees are still paid 26 percent less than men with college degrees. The result is that women shoulder student loans longer than men, with black and Hispanic women facing particular financial hardship.

Fun fact-- for the class of 2015, Pennsylvania is the second highest debt state--\$34,798 per student.

No AAUW research would be complete without solid recommendations. All research is free to the public and includes the report, executive summary, panel launch event (it was fabulous and available for viewing); and PowerPoint presentation. The reputation of AAUW research is that it is thorough and unbiased and therefore is often quoted. Definitely a reason to be proud to be an AAUW member.

Ann Pehle

FROM PAST PRESIDENT:

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your president for the past two years.

It was a steep learning curve for me but fortunately I have had a wonderful board and supportive members to help me along the way.

I think our Branch has been a perfect example of what a Branch should be. We have gone out into the community and worked with other organizations to fight for equal pay, empower girls and young women through our Student Organization at Dickinson, our partnering with the YWCA and our work with local school districts to give them the tools provided by Title IX. We also participated in the Read and Feed summer program as well as sponsoring a young woman for Camp Invention. We have taught women how to negotiate their salary through the Work Smart Workshop. And we have provided 5 outstanding young women with scholarships to help them become women who excel.

In doing these, any many other activities, we have educated ourselves through excellent programs, attending workshops and conventions and sharing informative and fun community events. We are truly an example of the mission of this organization and I am so proud to be a part of it.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity.

Linkey Green

THOUGHTS FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

AAUW Carlisle is fortunate to have a legacy of strong Presidents. Recently, Cindy Sutton told me "I just concentrated on starting things" and indeed she planted the seeds of change. Linkey Green's persistence, leadership, and vision of what the branch could become brought the garden to life. Linkey's love and passion for AAUW is radiant and infectious. Thank you, Linkey for your dedication and guidance through these wonderful past two years.

I am honored to be your new President and hope to extend the legacy. I found AAUW Carlisle at the right time in my personal journey. Recently retired and a new Pennsylvania resident, I was beginning to explore options for getting involved when I met Cindy Sutton. That was April 2015. To join a mission based organization supporting the issues I believe in was an easy decision. The combination of public policy, philanthropy through scholarships, educational meetings, and great members make AAUW Carlisle the perfect place for me. It is my pleasure to announce that Nancy Sigrist is the new Public Policy Chair. She served on the committee her entire first year of membership and led the Topic Talks project.

Have a great summer. Keep updated on what is happening by visiting our website (<http://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/>) liking our Facebook page (AAUW Carlisle PA Branch) and watching for emails. Looking forward to seeing you on August 22nd. Watch for the newsletter published in early August for details.

Ann Pehle

As a token of appreciation upon the completion of the outgoing President's term, the Branch shall purchase a book to be placed in the Bosler Library with an appropriate honor plate. The book selected should reflect the interests of the outgoing president while meeting the needs of the library. The presentation will be made at the last branch meeting of the fiscal year and the title of the book published in the June newsletter. The book is *Veterans: Faces of World War II* by Sasha Maslov.

2016 - 2017 AWARDS



Branch Awards given at State Convention:

Achievement Award in recognition of per capita giving of \$46.09

Achievement Award in recognition of total giving of \$3,365

AAUW PA Public Policy Award in recognition of Notable Advocacy Efforts

Previous Awards:

The Outstanding Women award went to Ann Pehle. She received the award at State Convention.

The Gateway to Equity Award this year went to our Student Organization at Dickinson and to Robin Scaer at the YWCA.

The Named Gift Honoree Award for 2017 goes to Mary Long who has tirelessly and efficiently maintained our financial records and maintained an up-to-date list of members. Mary has served as Finance Officer for the past 3 years. .

The Member Making a Difference Award is given to Didem Cal on behalf of the Branch members. An Army wife, new to the area, Didem has gotten our branch involved with several local organizations and their activities as well as serving on the Branch Public Policy committee for which she has graciously opened her home for committee meetings and hosted our first ever Topic Talks event. Didem's husband will be posted to a new position in Canada so she will be moving this summer. We were lucky to have her if only for one year.

WANTED - BRIDGE PLAYERS

The AAUW Bridge Flight is in need of bridge players. If you play bridge yourself, or know of a friend or neighbor that plays bridge, please invite your friend/neighbor to be a part of our group or consider becoming a member yourself. Beginners are welcome. Even better if you have a partner.

How it works:

Prospective player, male or female, does not have to be a member of AAUW.

A \$25 donation is made by each member to the AAUW Scholarship Fund.

A new player and partner will be assigned a team number.

A schedule of play will be set for the upcoming year.

If your team is listed first, you or your partner will host the team you are to play for that month. The next month a different team will host you and your partner. Each time there will be just one table of bridge.

Games will be played on a mutually agreed upon date and usually begin at 1:00 pm. Twenty hands of bridge are played during the afternoon. Scores are sent to me.

Games are played in October, November, December or January, February or March, April, and May for a total of six games for the year.

June and September all members have lunch together at a local restaurant and then play bridge. Prizes are awarded to each team in June for high month score and the top three total scores for the year.

Contact: Mary Berwick 717-249-6768
maryberwick6@gmail.com

2017-2018 Board Members

Elected Officers

President – Ann Pehle

Membership VPs – Carolyn Freberg, Sue Royer

**Program VPs – Carmen Eiserman,
Kathleen Gorak**

Finance Officers – Barb Attivo, Mary Long

Secretary – Cindy Sutton

Past President – Linkey Green

Committee Chairpersons

Communications/Interviews — Pat Markowski

AAUW Funds — Marjie Mowery

Historian — Rosemary Smith

Newsletter – Phyllis Orenyo

Webmaster – Ann Pehle

Public Policy — Nancy Sigrist

Scholarship – Lillian Wong

Yearbook – Carmen Eiserman

C/U Liaison – Becky Hammell

Interest Group Coordinators

Book Group – Wendy Armour Dickinson

Bridge Flight – Mary Berwick

Community Activities – Don Mowery

Gourmet Group – Wendy Armour Dickinson

Branching Out is published August to June by the AAUW Carlisle (PA) Branch. Articles and photos should be submitted to Phyllis Orenyo at cporenyo@yahoo.com or 249-8473 by the 20th of the month. The Board welcomes questions at aauwcarlisle@aol.com. The branch website is: <http://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/>.





AAUW Carlisle (PA) Branch
MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Spouse/Partner Name: (optional) _____
Email Address: _____
Preferred Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____
Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

Joining or Renewing membership of Carlisle Branch

☐ New Member ☐ Renewing Member ☐ Life Member ☐ Honorary Member
☐ Changing from Member-at-Large
☐ Transferring from Another Branch Name/location of branch: _____
☐ Dual Member Name/location of primary branch: _____

Education (Complete if new to Carlisle Branch or update/correct Branch Yearbook information)

I am a graduate holding an associate, baccalaureate, higher degree, or equivalent (RN) from a nationally accredited institution.
Degree, Year, Major, College/University, State (Please list all.):

Annual Dues (July 1 - June 30)

Regular Member	\$72	(\$49 National (\$46 tax deductible) + \$10 State + \$13 Branch)
Paid Life member	\$23	(state and branch dues)
Dual Member PA Branch	\$13	(branch dues)
Out of state Dual Member	\$23	(state and branch dues)
Honorary Member	\$13	(branch dues)

Any over payment of the dues will be deemed to be donations to the Carlisle Branch operating funds.

Mail form and dues (payable to AAUW Carlisle Branch) to:

Finance Officer
AAUW - Carlisle Branch
P.O. Box 815
Carlisle, PA 17013

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Summer Lunch & Learn 4 Kids



Teacher led activities for Kids ages 5 to 22 with healthy snacks and full lunches from

Project SHARE's KITCHEN also take home nutritional **"Power Packs"** for the weekends including a "Southsider" Volunteer to help our kids!

- Construction: Putting it All Together
- Famous Bridges & Buildings
- Nature: Animals on Land, Sea & Air
- Other Worlds: To Infinity & Beyond
- Diversity and Celebrating Variety
- Senses, Perception & Viewpoints
- The Arts: Making a Beautiful World
- Homes & Habitats

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
June 19—*August 3rd
***Middlesex: 8:30 to 12noon**

A **FREE** Program for
Kids Ages 5-12

5 Area Locations

- ___ LeFort Elementary
- ___ The Farmstand
- ___ Carlisle Church of God
- ___ New Life In Mt. Holly
- X Middlesex Elementary



Details @: <https://projectsharepa.org/summer-feeding-program/>

OR SIGN UP ON-LINE 24/7: timesignup.com/projectsharepa

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

This activity is not sponsored by the Carlisle Area School District nor the Cumberland Valley School District.

Building a better summer for our kids:



The Eagle Foundation



United Way of Carlisle & Cumberland County

