

# Branching Out

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#### Dr. Jennifer H. Taylor to Address AAUW Carlisle Holiday Brunch

AAUW Carlisle Branch is delighted to feature Dr. Jennifer Taylor as the principle speaker for our gala December 8<sup>th</sup> Brunch meeting, speaking on the topic: "What will AAUW Look Like in the Near Future: An Exploration of Diversity and Intersectionality."

Dr. Taylor holds a Ph.D. in Psychology, specializing in Social Cognitive Neuroscience. A professor at Lock Haven University, she teaches courses such as Introduction to Psychology, Social Psychology, Drugs and Human Behavior, Sensation & Perception, and Physiological Psychology. Her primary interest is examining how prejudice and stereotypes influence the process of automatic categorization.

Among the programs Dr. Taylor has developed for Lock Haven University is an AAUW Student Organization. In keeping with AAUW's Campus Initiatives, she is helping to shape the lives of the next generation of women leaders. In April 2014 she presented a Public Policy Panel at the AAUW Pennsylvania State Convention in Gettysburg, PA, which has sparked our interest in bringing her into our 2018 programming. We anticipate that she will share her insight into how the values expressed in AAUW's new Strategic Plan, seen through the lens of Inclusion and Intersectionality, will affect and shape the look and feel of AAUW as it moves into the future, as well as her experiences with the AAUW Student Organization at Lock Haven.

Members of the Executive Boards of the Lock Haven University and Dickinson College AAUW Student Organizations will be guests at the Brunch, giving branch members the opportunity to get first hand impressions from these young women about their experience with AAUW and the issues that will be covered in Dr. Taylor's talk.

The December 8<sup>th</sup> Brunch begins at 10:00 a.m. with a social, mingling in the Social Hall East, Holland Union Building at Dickinson College, followed by brunch and Dr. Taylor's address to our members.

Pat Markowski Communication Chair

## RSVP by November 29<sup>th</sup>. \$25 See last page for details.

November 1	1:00 p.m.	<b>Public Policy Committee Meeting</b>	225 South West Street, Carlisle
November 5	1:00 p.m.	Book Group	Host Loretta Maddox
November 6		Election Day	
November 13	7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting	<b>Bosler Library</b> 158 West High Street, Carlisle
November 19	6:00p.m.	Market Cross Pub & Trivia Night	113 N Hanover St, Carlisle
December 4	7:00 p.m.	Warehime-Meyers Mansion Inn 94	305 Baltimore St, Hanover, PA 17331 4805 Carlisle Pike, New Oxford, PA 17350-9738
December 6	1:00 p.m.	Public Policy Committee Meeting	225 South West Street, Carlisle
December 8	10:00 am	Branch Luncheon Meeting	<b>Dickinson College</b> Social Hall East, Holland Union Building

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#### From the President

Have you seen the amazing press coverage AAUW Carlisle has received recently? Our public support of AAUW's mission, is getting noticed. We enjoyed three front pages in **The Sentinel**.

October 10 – Recap of the 199<sup>th</sup> Candidate Forum.

**October 13** – Minding the Gap by Tammie Gitt. This well researched, in-depth look at the gender pay gap in Cumberland County was sparked by Tammie attending the August 7 Black Women Equal Pay event.

October 15 – As a follow-up, Tammie Gitt explores the impact of the gender pay gap on student debt.

Our partnership with WGAL to hold and televise the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional Debate yielded much publicity for AAUW.

- Our logo and/or name was featured in every debate promotion.
- The week of the debate, an introduction of AAUW by Lori Burkholder and featuring an interview with me and video of the 199<sup>th</sup> Candidate Forum (while we were setting up) ran in all news segments.
- Debate moderators acknowledged the partnership and attributed two questions to AAUW.

You are a member of a vibrant, energetic AAUW branch. Our work can't be sustained without your involvement. Review the Volunteer Opportunities on page 7 and see where you can plug in. We are trying to provide opportunities with a variety of type and time commitments—recognizing interests and busy schedules. Don't see something on the list? Contact me and I will help design the opportunity that is just right for you. The work is fun and the women you meet and get to know are amazing.

Ann Pehle President

# AAUW CARLISLE STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

#### **Ad hoc Fundraising Committee**

Strategically look at branch fundraising needs and identify new ways to raise money. Outcome is a recommendation to the Board. Carol McAnulty, AAUW Funds Chair, will lead this project. Three to four meetings at day/time to be determined by participants. Looking for members to join committee.

<u>Diversity</u> Ann to appoint a Diversity and Inclusion Chair to the Board. (job description <a href="https://www.aauw.org/resource/branch-diversity-and-inclusion-chair/">https://www.aauw.org/resource/branch-diversity-and-inclusion-chair/</a>). If this interests you, please tell Ann.

Recognize girls excelling in math and science Programs of this type exist in other branches. Looking for a project leader to start investigating how we could implement here.

Conduct member survey

Markowski, Communications Chair, will
lead this project. Volunteer to be
project member. Perfect if you have
survey and/or SurveyMonkey expertise.

## Investigate holding Work Smart salary negotiation

workshop Nancy Sigrist and Kate Elkins, Public Policy Chairs will lead this project. Work will start in 2019.

Project members needed.

<u>Visit</u> https://carlislepa.aauw.net/strategic-plan/ for information on AAUW, AAUW Pennsylvania and AAUW Carlisle strategic plans. The Board recognizes that the best strategic plans reflect the input from all members. Please send your comments to aauwcarlisleinfo@gmail.com.

THE **BEST** benefit to AAUW members → Discount at Office Depot/Office Max → Can be used for non-AAUW purchases. → B&W copies 2.5¢ and Color .22¢

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#### P UBLIC POLICY UPDATE

#### Nancy Sigrist and Kate Elkins, Public Policy Co-Chairs

#### The 10th Congressional Debate

When Pennsylvania's Supreme Court changed congressional district boundaries earlier this year, the new 10<sup>th</sup> District was born and included Dauphin and parts of Cumberland and York Counties. It became apparent that both candidates would be unknown to most voters of this new district and we felt strongly that AAUW needed to help voters learn about their candidates prior to the General Election on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

So AAUW Carlisle went to work. We invited our sister branches in Harrisburg and York to participate. We had several plan revisions along the way. In the end, we walked where we had never tread before! In partnership with the local NBC affiliate, WGAL, we were able to bring to members of our community a *live televised debate* between the incumbent Scott Perry (Republican) and challenger George Scott (Democrat).



WGAL News Anchor Janelle Stelson and Political Reporter Mike Straub moderated, providing viewers a very professional and lively debate that focused on issues important to the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, the state and our country. Several of the selected questions reflected issues specific to the mission of AAUW and featured AAUW's research and advocacy for women and girls. The debate spotlighted several distinct differences between the candidates giving voters clear choices for November 6<sup>th</sup>.





Ann Pehle and Nancy Sigrist joined AAUW representatives Lee Johnson and Kathy Silks (Harrisburg) and Carol Heintzelman and Betty Hooker (York) at WGAL's studio in Lancaster to greet the candidates and support our media partners during the event.

For more information, use this link (<a href="https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/">https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/</a>) to find:

- 1. A more detailed accounting of the debate which has been posted to our website
- 2. WGAL's promotional video featuring AAUW, Ann Pehle's interview plus a few member cameos
- 3. The complete televised debate recorded



#### **Debate Watch Party at Bosler Library!**

Since the debate took place in Lancaster, we held a Watch Party at the Bosler Library where several AAUW Carlisle Branch members and several community members watched the broadcast together. At the conclusion of the debate, Cindy Sutton moderated an audience discussion about the debate and their reactions to candidate positions on the debated issues.

There were many AAUW Carlisle volunteers involved in planning, organizing and conducting all of the activities and events around the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional Debate. Thanks go out to Kate Elkins, Ann Pehle, Pat Markowski, Cindy Sutton, Gail D'Urso, Molly Shane, Nancy Sigrist, Rose Smith, Gay Walker, Jenny Johnson, Patty Stibitz, Linda Brunski and Mary Beth Ulrich for all of the hard work and participation!

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#### The 199th District Pennsylvania House Candidate Forum

On Friday evening, October 5<sup>th</sup>, approximately 40 community members of the 199th District arrived at the YWCA Carlisle to hear from their General Assembly Candidates. The event was organized and presented in collaboration between AAUW Carlisle and YWCA Carlisle.

While the Republican Candidate, Barb Gliem, declined to participate, the audience heard the views of Sherwood McGinnis, Democrat and Chuck Boust, Libertarian on a wide variety of important Cumberland County and Pennsylvania issues as Robin Scaer, Executive Director of YWCA Carlisle and Forum Moderator, asked questions crafted by AAUW volunteers. For complete details of the evening that include a link to coverage by The Sentinel, go to the AAUW Carlisle Branch website at <a href="https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/public-policy/get-out-the-vote/">https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/public-policy/get-out-the-vote/</a>.

Many thanks to the AAUW Carlisle volunteers who worked to make this forum a great success. Kate Elkins led the team from beginning to end. Marybeth Ulrich, Cherry France, Missy Breckenridge, and Amy McKiernan did an excellent job in researching and developing the comprehensive candidate questions. Ann Pehle, Gail D'Urso and Nancy Sigrist gave additional support at the event. We also greatly appreciate our members who attended to learn more about the candidates prior to the November General Election!

Nancy Sigrist and Kate Elkins Public Policy Co-Chairs





#### Collecting Donations for Carlisle C.A.R.E.S. at December 8 Meeting

We will be collecting TOILET PAPER to donate to Carlisle Cares, a non-profit agency which serves the emergency needs of those who are homeless in our community. This program provides overnight shelter for both single men and women via a rotating network of churches in Cumberland County. There is also a family shelter which cares for families with children under 18. As you can imagine, everyone everywhere needs toilet paper all the time. So we are asking you to help alleviate the problem by contributing rolls of "TP" which will be collected at our December 8 monthly meeting. If you cannot attend that meeting please call or email Linda Figueroa to pick up your donation at your home. Her number is 717-643-0887 or <a href="https://links.com/links/links.com/links/links.com/links.com/links/links.com/links/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links.com/links

Please put your roll(s) of toilet paper in garbage, or other bags with handles, for easier carrying. Please help our community by showing how generous we can be towards those among us who may be suffering and/or down on their luck. Thanks so much in advance!!

Linda Figueroa Public Policy Committee

## **ATTENTION!!!**

RESERVATIONS for December 8<sup>TH</sup> Brunch Meeting DUE by **November 29<sup>th</sup>**SEE LAST PAGE FOR DETAILS!

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#### **Meet New Members**

#### Judith (Judy) Gilroy

Judy is a native of the area, born in Shiremanstown, and a graduate of Cedar Cliff High School. She has lived in various places in the Upper Allen area, and now resides in Mechanicsburg to be near her mother who is now in a nursing facility.

Judy attended HAAC and later transferred to Shippensburg University, earning a B.A. in Political Science. She then attended and graduated from Dickinson School of Law. She spent her career with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry as Assistant Counsel for Unemployment Compensation Review, reviewing decisions in unemployment compensation disputes.

Judy enjoys genealogy and history, and is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She also loves to travel, and has journeyed to many world-wide destinations, including Mexico, the Caribbean, Germany, Italy, France, Athens, Istanbul, Spain and Morocco, and Israel and the Holy Land.

Her early interest in Political Science continues as she follows local and national politics. Judy also volunteers to work on campaigns for candidates currently running for office. Her interest in AAUW was piqued by the many Public Policy activities undertaken by the Carlisle AAUW Branch. She looks forward to participating in future Public Policy initiatives.

#### **NEW MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION**

Judith Gilroy judithgilroy@aol.com 717-802-1362 Sandy Patsolic spatsolic@embargmail.com 717-513-3145

## **Congratulations!**

Robin Fidler, AAUW Carlisle member, received Cumberland County Historical Society Distinguished Service Award at their Annual Meeting & Dinner on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. She said, "The Historical Society has had a very special place in my heart ever since I moved to Carlisle and although I generally hate singling out one person for recognition, I do feel honored to receive this award." Congratulations Robin!

#### Sandra (Sandy) Patsolic

A resident of the Carlisle area since 1973 when she and her husband moved from western Pennsylvania, Sandy has a history of service to both Carlisle and Harrisburg. Sandy attended California State University of Pennsylvania, earning a B.S. in education, specializing in English. After a brief period of substitute teaching, she took position as a 9th grade English teacher at St. Patrick's in Carlisle. She pursued an advanced degree at Shippensburg, earning an M.S. in Education and a Reading Specialist Certification. In the early 90s she pursued a Principal Certification, and subsequently served as a Principal in the Harrisburg School system. Sandy's service to Cumberland and Dauphin Counties was not only in traditional teaching roles. While at Harrisburg, she managed a 4-million dollar Federal grant aimed at increasing College and Career Awareness. Under this program, she enlisted the assistance of local colleges and universities, including Shippensburg, to introduce students from 7<sup>th</sup> grade through high school to career possibilities and the courses of study that could help them to reach their goals. She also worked as a caseworker, counselor and teacher in a Dauphin County prison, coaching male inmates in life skills through the LASER program. Sandy also serves on the Board of Trustees for Claremont Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, raising funds to purchase and implement programs to improve the life of residents. Sandy is also on the board of St. John's Episcopal School.

Sandy and her husband (Retired Army) are parents to two grown daughters: Lindsey, who lives in Doylestown, and Jessica, a surgeon and Major in the Army, stationed in San Antonio, TX. They have three grandsons, aged 7, 5 and 2 years.

Encouraged to attend an AAUW meeting by members of her swim group at the YMCA, Sandy was a guest at the August Social and subsequently joined the Carlisle Branch. She is looking forward to our speakers' programs, and widening her circle of acquaintances in the area.

Pat Markowski Communication Chair

# Share why you joined AAUW Carlisle in a sentence or two.

Our webpage needs more quotes <a href="https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/membership/">https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/membership/</a>
Send your sentences for quotation to aauwcarlisleinfo@gmail.com

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#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Vicki Carl, Community Activities Chair

# Join AAUW Carlisle members and guests for fun activities this Fall!



**November 19, Monday:** Dinner at the Market Cross Pub in Carlisle at 6 p.m. The Pub has a menu full of comfort food, classic pub dishes, and more. At 7, we will participate in a trivia competition as a team. Check out their website here: <a href="http://marketcrosspub.com">http://marketcrosspub.com</a>, and their lunch/dinner menu here: <a href="http://marketcrosspub.com">Market Cross</a> <a href="http://marketcrosspub.com">Pub Menu</a>

**December 4, Tuesday:** We are booked for a private tour of the Warehime-Myers Mansion and its famous Christmas decorations in Hanover at 10 a.m. Construction on the mansion began in 1911 for Mr. Myers of the Hanover Shoe Company and was built by an architect from Philadelphia. The home features marble floors, a solarium, a basement bowling alley, forty trees adorned with Christmas decorations, and art-encased windows on its enclosed porches. After the tour, we will visit the Inn 94 restaurant for lunch. My contact at the mansion recommended Inn 94, and spoke highly of their crab cakes. *The lunch menu for Inn 94 is available here: Inn 94 Lunch Menu* 



**FOR ALL EVENTS**, please RSVP to Vicki Carl at (717)-514-3399 or <u>victoria.carl15@gmail.com</u> and let us know if you need a ride. See you there!

Vicki Carl Community Activity Chair

#### **Become a Stream Team Volunteer**

AAUW Carlisle member, Holly Smith, is the program manager for the LeTort Stream Studies program, a collaboration between Carlisle Area School District (CASD) and Audubon Pennsylvania to provide 2nd, 5th and stream ecology field experiences for seven elementary and two middle schools. She is seeking volunteers to assist with field trips to the streams in late April through May 30. Complete information can be found at <a href="https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/2018/10/21/1693/">https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/2018/10/21/1693/</a>. Not just for AAUW members--Open to everyone, so please share. For more information, contact Holly Smith at <a href="https://eaudobon.org">hsmith@audobon.org</a>.

### The Geography (and Psychology) of a Sweepstakes Scam Presentation

Learning about scams and how we are tricked to participate, at the September branch meeting, was simultaneously fascinating and terrifying. Many attendees asked Holly Smith for her presentation. It is now posted at <a href="https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/monthlymeetings/">https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/monthlymeetings/</a>. Scroll down to bottom of the page.

#### AAUW friends,

Thank you all for your prayers, cards, flowers, meals for David and the myriad of other things you dear AAUW friends have done during this period of illness of mine. You will never know how much your support has meant to me. I look forward to the time I will be back with you again. I am so thankful for you.

With much love, Linkey

P.S. Have been spreading the info about our scholarships among the nurses who are still working on their degrees.

Thank you to the following members who brought David Green meals while Linkey was in the hospital. Kudos to Linda Figueroa for being the spark.

Nancy Sigrist Carolyn Freberg
Vicki Carl Robin Fidler
Jenifer Johnson Loretta Maddox
Marjie Mowery Cherry France

Carol McAnulty

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# AAUW Carlisle 2018-2019 Board Members

#### **Elected Officers**

President - Ann Pehle

Membership VPs – Sue Royer, Gail D'Urso

Program VPs - Kathleen Gorak, Mary Brunski

Finance Officers – Barb Attivo, Linda Brunski

**Secretary** – Cindy Sutton

Past President – Linkey Green

#### **Standing Committee Chairs**

**AAUW Funds** – Carol McAnulty

**Communications** – Pat Markowski

Community Activities - Vicki Carl

**Historian** – Rosemary Smith

Interest Groups – Wendy Armour Dickinson

**Newsletter** – Shirley Gehringer

Public Policy - Nancy Sigrist, Kate Elkins

Scholarship - Lillian Wong

Social Media - Ann Pehle

Yearbook - Carmen Eiserman

#### **Special Committee Chair**

95th Celebration Coordinator – Becky Morgenthal

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Articles and photos should be submitted to Shirley Gehringer at <a href="mailto:shirleygehringer@gmail.com">shirleygehringer@gmail.com</a> by the 20th of the month. Include the word newsletter and month in the email subject.

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## **Volunteer Opportunities**

If interested, please contact the appropriate Board member. (time commitment)

#### **Projects** (point of contact)

- Join the ad hoc fundraising committee to explore branch fundraising needs and new ways to raise money. (Carol McAnulty, AAUW Funds Chair)
- Serve on the Board as Diversity and Inclusion Chair. (Ann Pehle, President)
- Join the Conduct Member Survey project team. (Pat Markowski, Communications Chair)
- Join the **Work Smart** project team. (Nancy Sigrist and Kate Elkins, Public Policy Chairs)
- Serve at Project Chair or join Recognize girls excelling in math and science. (Ann Pehle, President)

#### Membership

- Greet members/guests as they arrive to branch meetings (30 min prior to meeting)
- Call members to follow-up periodically (2 hours per month)
- Write notes to welcome new members (2 hours per month)
- Assist with gathering member interests (Various)

#### Historian

- Take photos at meetings, events for archive and website.
   Use Office Depot discount card to print photo; submit reimbursement; send via email to Social Media lead.
   (Various)
- Organize items for archive. (Various)
- Harvest photos from Facebook and website and print. Use Office Depot discount card to print photo; submit reimbursement. (Various)

#### **Programs**

Be the Audio/Visual expert at branch meetings.
 Understand the Dickinson equipment; assist speaker before meeting begins. (30 minutes prior to branch meeting.)

#### **Interest Groups**

• Start a second dining group. (Various)

#### **Community Activities**

 Research ideas and assist with organizing an event. (Various)

#### 95th Anniversary Celebration

 Participate in the planning of our year-long celebration. (Various)

#### General

 Branch photographer to take photos at meetings and events. (Various) Page 8 Branching Out



# HOLIDAY BRUNCH

# Saturday, December 8, 2018

Social Hall East, Holland Union Building
Dickinson College

10:00 am Social and Speaker
11:15 am Brunch followed by brief Business Meeting

## MENU

Chicken with Parmesan Rice

Boneless, skinless chicken breast with the flavors of garlic & roasted red pepper served over creamed parmesan baked rice.

Green Beans Dinner Roll and Side Salad Warm Apple Crisp

# Brunch cost: \$25.00

Reservations and Checks due November 29th

<b>Dietary Restriction</b> (if applicable)	\$25 per person
Total Check Amount	
	Total Check Amount

Make check payable to: AAUW Carlisle

Mail to: Kathleen Gorak, 1101 Stratford Dr., Carlisle PA 17013