



Branch

Banter

DECEMBER 2016

ADDING HISTORICAL VALUE TO YORK COUNTY THROUGH CHANGE

WHEN: Tuesday, December 13 7:00 p.m.
6:15 p.m. Holiday Sales & Social Time Business meeting follows program

WHERE: York Alliance Church, 501 Rathton Road, York

PROGRAM: Joan Mummert is the President/CEO of the York County History Center which operates three museums, four historic buildings, a replica building, and a library and archive along with the care of 30 public murals.

With roots extending back to 1895, the York County History Center has repeatedly embraced change to attract audiences both young and experienced to its museums, and library & archives. In keeping with that tradition, and the vital role cultural institutions play by adding value to communities, the History Center is planning for a new future in a campus configuration beginning with the Colonial Complex and extending to the Met-Ed Steam Plant.

Joan will review the Center's extraordinary past and discuss its future goals and objectives to provide a cohesive point of entry to visitors and economic benefit to the city and county.

Carol Little & Linda Wolfe, Program Co-Vice Presidents

HOLIDAY GIFT SALES BY MEMBERS – 6:15 P.M.

Plan to come early and do some gift shopping. Gift items will be available from Judy Orcutt's note cards and artwork, Ruthe Craley's bracelets, Susan Baer's pocket notebooks, and books by Jeri Wood. Barbara Gold will have products from Rada: knives, peelers and dishcloths. A portion of their sales of 10% or more will go to Branch projects. Come out and support our members. As Judy said, "Bring your Christmas list and your moolah!"

**Inclement Weather? Check your email for a program cancellation.
(Those not on email will be contacted by phone.)**

Fragrance-Free Meetings Let's make our Branch meetings "fragrance free." Several members have allergies to perfume or strongly scented powders and deodorants. **So please remember, no perfume!**

FROM THE PODIUM

Wednesday morning, November 9th, I woke, after a restless night, with the theme from the original "Poseidon Adventure" movie running through my mind: "There's got to be a Morning After." Clinton, conceding the race to Trump stated, "We owe him an open mind." Trump, calling for unity in his victory speech stated, "I pledge to every citizen of our land that I will be president for all Americans." How do these statements affect AAUW? The organization's mission statement is that "AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research." As the country goes forward under the new administration, AAUW will continue its activities at the national, state, and local levels about accountability to the pledge, especially in regard to women, girls and working families. Perhaps the best way for all of us to move forward during the next four years is to do justice and to love kindness. In reality, we still have a lot of work ahead of us. Best Wishes for the holidays!

Carol Heintzelman, York Branch Co-President

USED BOOK SALE RESULTS

The Branch made \$361 from the Used Book Sale at the November Branch meeting! A big **Thank You** to all of you who donated books for the sale, who helped set up the books, and who bought books during the sale. The money goes to the Convention Fund that sends the incoming president(s) to the national convention every two years - a very worthy cause. Enjoy your new books!

Sue Zitnick

WRITE – READ – WRITE

REMINDER to members who signed up for this program: Please bring your books for the students, who wrote you a letter, to the December meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send your books with another member or deliver to Jean Quickel or Suzanne Robertson **before December 8**. Thank you to all who have participated this year. The students are always so excited to receive their books and your letters. If you have any questions, call Suzanne.

Suzanne Robertson & Jean Quickel, Write-Read-Write Co-Chairs

BANTER DEADLINE

December 18 is the deadline for articles for the January *Banter*.

SUNSHINE

If you know of an AAUW member who deserves a card due to illness, death in family, or thinking of you, please notify Linda Rupert.

BRANCH AWARDS

York Branch is given the opportunity to present three awards annually through the sponsorship of our State organization, AAUW-PA. The honorees are recognized in the AAUW-PA Yearbook, and members receive a certificate at the convention, which will be held in the Poconos this year.

The **Gateway to Equity Award** is given to individuals or organizations that have shown by action and philosophy that they advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy or research.

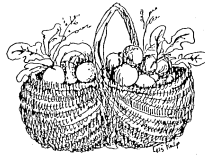
Member Making a Difference Award (formerly Branch Spotlight Award and Teal Award) is given to a member who has made a big difference in something important to the branch within the last year. This person need not be an officer or a committee chair.

Outstanding Woman Award

- She has provided meritorious service to the branch and the community over multiple years.
- She may not be the current president.
- The state allows two nominees.

Check the *Yearbook* for past honorees. Please submit your nominations **in writing by January 15**, and give examples of the person's accomplishments.

You may send an email or a note via mail to Lois Conaway. Thank you for your suggestions. A committee of past recipients will select the 2017 honorees.



SPRING MARKET FAIRE – MONDAY, MAY 1 – HOSTESSES NEEDED

The Spring Market Faire will be held on **Monday, May 1**. Homes and Chefs are selected, and now we need your help.

First, we need 30-40 hostesses to fill both the morning and afternoon shifts at the homes. *You can still tour the kitchens and serve as a hostess because your hostess badge gets you in without waiting in line!* Sign up at a meeting, or **call** or email Rita Meisenhelder.

We also need your financial support! Consider becoming an Angel, a Patron, a Sponsor, or a Friend. The Faire is only held every two years, and your donation, above the price of the ticket, is essential for our success. (Form included in this *Banter*)

Our goal is \$12,000, which finances scholarships and donations to the AAUW Fund over a 2-year period, so please help if you can.

Betty Hooker, Spring Market Faire Chair

BOOK GROUP I

Wednesday, December 21 1:00 p.m. Home of/Regrets: Lucy Stevens
Book: *Stoner* by John Williams.

BOOK GROUP II

Monday, December 19 1:00 p.m. Perkins Restaurant Regrets: Gayle Brass
Book: *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman Leader: Barbara Keith

EVENING BOOK GROUP

3rd Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. Books A Million Store Café Contact: Sue Zitnick

December 20: *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins. Rachel takes the same train every day. She feels like she knows the people she sees out the window at one of the stops along the way – until she sees something that changes everything. A thriller.
Book for January: *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman.

BRIDGE GROUP

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| Wednesday December 7 | 12:15 p.m. | Hostess: Anne McFeely |
| Wednesday January 4 | 12:15 p.m. | Hostess: Lois Kulp |

Please take note that the lunch-social time will begin at 12:15 p.m. Game begins at 1:00 p.m. New Bridge players and subs are always welcome to join the group. Call Lois Kulp for information.

GAME NIGHT

Game Night will be Sunday, December 11, at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Carol and Brad Little. Please let Carol know **by December 4** if you are planning to attend and to find out what to bring to the potluck. For more information, contact Carol or Karen Julian.

Kitchen Tour Support

_____ ANGEL (\$100 & up) 2 tour tickets, 2 recipe packs, 2 door prize tickets, 2 chances in a drawing for a special basket at the May meeting, name on ticket and in *Banter*

_____ PATRON (\$75) 2 tour tickets; 2 recipe packs, 2 door prize tickets, 1 chance for a special basket at the May meeting, name on ticket and in *Banter*

_____ SPONSOR (\$60) 2 tour tickets, 2 recipe packs, 2 door prize slips, name on ticket and in *Banter*

_____ FRIEND (\$35) 1 tour ticket, 1 recipe pack, 1 door prize slip, name in *Banter*

Return to Jean Quickel by December 31.

Mission Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Vision Promise

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Diversity Statement

AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.