



# Branch

# Banter

**MARCH 2018**

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## **Alice Roosevelt Longworth Holds Her First Press Conference in 70 Years**

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, March 13** **7:00 p.m.**  
6:30 p.m. Social Time Business meeting follows program

**WHERE:** York Alliance Church, 501 Rathton Road, York

**PROGRAM:** Teddy's eldest daughter and cousin of Eleanor lived in Washington, DC, for 80 years. She was known for her style and wit, plus her fabulous networking, for decades. Alice lived to 96. She outlived two generations of Roosevelts. Her life involved 14 administrations. President Kennedy called her: "The Other Washington Monument!" Join us for an informative and entertaining evening.

*Carol Little & Rita Meisenhelder, Program Co-Vice Presidents*



**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!**

## **SLATE OF OFFICERS – VOTE AT APRIL MEETING**

We are pleased to present the following slate of officers for 2018. Election will be at the April Branch meeting.

- Co-Presidents: Carol Heintzeman & Marion Bowman
- Program Co-Vice Presidents: Joan Beekey & Suzy Hershey
- Membership Co-Vice Presidents: Flo Kachurak & Kay Roddy
- Secretary: Betty Hooker
- Assistant Secretary: Anne McFeely
- Finance Officer: Carol Anderson
- Assistant Finance Officer: Phyllis Sword

*Gayle Brass, Chair, Barbara Keith, & Nancy Smith, Nominating Committee*

## FROM THE PODIUM

About the middle of January, when the state was dealing with Arctic level air temperatures, a brochure for the 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of AAUW-PA arrived in my mailbox. It was heartening to see pictures of activities at the convention site – Seven Springs Mountain Resort – of golfing, Segway riding, horseback riding, rafting and water biking. The convention runs April 13-15 and the convention theme is “When Women Get Involved...the Conversation Changes.” One of the Sunday workshops deals with gerrymandering, which should be interesting in light of the recent State Supreme Court decision and the current maneuvering by both political parties over this issue. See everybody at Branch meeting and state convention! Take care!

*Carol Heintzelman, York Branch Co-President*

## WRITE READ WRITE



Happy Davis Elementary students receiving their letters and books!

## HONOR YOUR MOTHER, DAUGHTER, SISTER OR FRIEND WITH A DONATION!

To celebrate Mother's Day, York Branch is holding a Mother's Day fundraiser for the York Branch Scholarship Funds. This money will go toward the undergraduate and graduate scholarships, the Young Women's Leadership Conference, Community Projects, and AAUW Funds. Make your donation in honor of, or in memory of, your mother, daughter, daughter-in-law, sister, friend or some woman special in your life. For a minimum donation of \$25, you will receive a special card to give to your honoree. Also, you and your honoree will be listed in the Banter. We are all busy so this is an easy and meaningful way to raise money for our favorite causes – scholarships and advocating for women and girls.

Questions? Contact Betty Hooker or Sue Zitnick.

## **AWARD NOMINEES**

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

### **Arlene Martin – Member Making a Difference Award**

Arlene served as Finance Officer from 2014-2018. This was a job she had previously handled as York Branch Treasurer from 1990-92. Arlene has been particularly responsive to the Board's needs, redoing categories on the financials and clearly and patiently explaining the Branch's finances to the Board members as needed.

### **Lois Conaway – Outstanding Woman Award**

Lois served as Co-President of York Branch from 2015-17. She was the Program Vice President in 1980-82, and the Membership Co-Vice President from 2011-2012. Lois has been involved with numerous Branch projects and committees and has served on the Scholarship Committee since 1992!

### **Barbara Gold – AAUW-PA Special Honoree**

Barbara Gold joined York Branch in 1974, and she has been a whirlwind of activity ever since. Barbara served as Branch President (1989 to 1991) and as Treasurer (1980-1984) but one of her specialties is fundraising. Throughout the 1970's and 1980's, she was involved in numerous projects such as wine and cheese parties, kitchen tours, and talent auctions.

Barbara served as EF Chair for many years. Her proudest achievement was encouraging the Branch to establish the York (PA) Branch American Fellowship in 1993. Throughout the 1990's, Barbara inspired York Branch to raise \$100,000 to complete funding of the endowment; Endowment #0737 was fully funded in 2002.

Now Barbara is leading York Branch's GOTV drives, and she is serving as Education Chair. Under her leadership, the Branch is studying the issue of cyber charter schools; she drafted and presented a resolution on the topic at AAUW-PA's 2015 Convention.

Barbara is a tireless worker for AAUW and the York Branch. We deeply appreciate her enthusiasm, her leadership and her "can do" spirit.

### **Additional York Branch Honoree – Janet Misiolek – York Branch Special Honoree**

Janet joined York Branch in 1999. She was the Publicity Chair from 2000 to 2017! She worked very diligently to get publicity for the Branch. Her hard work and creativity helped us sell out of Spring Market Faire tickets on many occasions. Janet served as Membership Co-Vice President in 2014-15.

*Betty Hooker, Awards Chair*

## FROM BARBARA GOLD

As this is the three-month anniversary of learning to walk again, I would like to thank all those AAUW members who have supported me with visits, cards and calls.

In fact, I've thought a lot about AAUW, taking great pride in the fact that York Branch funded scholarship 737 which now awards doctoral scholarships at the national level every year, and the fact that York Branch gives a \$3,000 scholarship for a master's degree or higher to local women. I am proud of efforts with the Kitchen Tour to support women as they attend college.

The scholarship at the national level supports some doctoral scholars in science and medicine who work toward cures for cancer and Alzheimer's.

Here is an example of our reach exceeding our grasp. By giving local scholarships, we are trying to control our money. While this is a plus, does this show our true colors as university women? As college women, we should have a wide view of all issues. I am sure we can trust the national scholarship committee to make wise choices. And what would you think of us giving two graduate scholarships instead of our undergraduate scholarship(s)?

## BOOK GROUP I

Wednesday, March 21 1:00 p.m. Home of/Regrets: Linda Collison  
Book: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles  
Book for April: *The Circle* by Dave Eggers

## BOOK GROUP II

Monday, March 19 1:00 p.m. Perkins Restaurant Regrets:  
Book: *Lisette's List* by Susan Vreeland Led by Gayle Brass  
*\*Inclement weather: Call Perkins Restaurant to hear if meeting is cancelled.\**

## EVENING BOOK GROUP

3rd Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. Books A Million Store Café Contact: Sue Zitnick  
March 20: *Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers of World War II* by Liza Mundy. More than ten thousand women served as codebreakers during World War II. A strict vow of secrecy nearly erased their efforts from history. Research and interviews with surviving Code Girls brings to life this riveting and vital story of American courage, service, and scientific accomplishment.

Book for April: *The Radium Girls* by Kate Moore.

## BRIDGE GROUP

Wednesday March 7 12:15 p.m. Hostess: Karen Julian  
Wednesday April 4 12:15 p.m. Hostess: Anne McFeely

Bridge players and subs are welcome to join us at any time. Lunch social in the hostess's home begins at 12:15 p.m. and the game at 1:00 p.m. *This month, please RSVP to Karen and next month to Anne. Temporarily, Anne will provide information about Bridge as needed.*

## FEMMES DU JOUR – APRIL 5

The Femmes will be traveling to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre on Thursday, April 5, for a buffet and the matinee performance of *Show Boat*. **Please note this change. We will leave the Galleria parking lot at 11:00 a.m.** and arrive at the theatre for the 11:45 a.m. lunch buffet. The show begins at 1:15 p.m. (Sodas and alcoholic beverages are extra.) If you are willing to drive, please contact Betty Hooker.

## GAME NIGHT

Due to illness, the February Games Night has been postponed to March 25, 5:00 p.m., at the home of Brad and Carol Little. Please contact Carol to let her know you would like to come.

## GAME NIGHT – APRIL

Sunday, April 15, at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Toni and Bill Schreiber. Please contact Toni **by April 8** if you can come and find out what to bring to the potluck.

## LUNCH-A-MONTH

Join us on March 22, 1:00 p.m., at the cozy Conewago Inn near Manchester. Please sign-up at the February or March Branch meetings, or let Martha Fleischer know by **March 18** if you plan to attend.

## LUNCH-A-MONTH – APRIL

Please join us for April Lunch-A-Month on Thursday, April 19, 1:00 p.m., at the Blue Heron, 3320 E. Market St. RSVP to Barbara Bott **before April 18**.

*Thanks for your courtesy - if you cannot attend a lunch as planned, please let the hostess know so she can inform the restaurant.*

## SUPPER CLUB

Come celebrate the "luck of the Irish" on St. Patrick's Day at our Supper Club on March 17 at 6 p.m. at McFeely's home. We will have an Irish themed dinner. BYOB. RSVP to Anne McFeely **by March 7**. This dinner is open to all: singles, couples, first timers, good cooks and more relaxed cooks.

## BANTER DEADLINE

**March 24** is the deadline for articles for the April *Banter*.

*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.