



THE A TO Z OF AAUW IN ZANESVILLE

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

June 18, 2017

Book Club, 3 PM, Brighton Presbyterian Church
Book: Footsteps in the Snow by Charles Lachman
Hostess: Mary Flanagan

July 16, 2017

Book Club, 3 PM, Brighton Presbyterian Church
Book: The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
Hostess: Diane Pavlik

August 20, 2017

Book Club, 3 PM Brighton Presbyterian Church
Bring 3-5 titles to "book talk" and determine next year's books
Hostess: Charlotte Cole

MARY JEAN BORLEY SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Scholarship Chairman Babette Wofter, Lexanne Lynch and Megan Bell

The committee received 27 applications this year and selected two recipients to receive the Mary Jean Borley Scholarship for 2017.

Megan Bell is a graduate student at the Ohio State University continuing to refine her skills as a teacher and secure a Master of Arts. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood/Special education from Brigham Young University. She has been working as a substitute teacher and a special education preschool teacher.

Lexanne Lynch is a new graduate of Tri-Valley High School. She plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in biology at Cincinnati University and ultimately attend medical school to become a pediatrician.

Both recipients and their fathers were guests at the May meeting at The Works.



Do you know any new college graduates? What better gift can you give than a FREE one-year AAUW membership! As an AAUW member you have the power to gift ANY number of free one-year AAUW memberships to recent college graduates. Give one, give 100, or give 1,000! Don't let this opportunity pass you by. Go to http://www.aauw.org/resource/give-a-grad-a-gift/ for details or contact our Treasurer Renée Spiker.

AAUW Diversity Statement

In principal and practice 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.



AAUW places stresses the importance of voting but only 5.4% of the membership voted in our last national election. Your vote is your voice and it needs to be heard now more than ever. Take a minute to cast your vote on policy issues you want AAUW to focus on for the next two years, who you think should be on AAUW’s Board of Directors for the next two years, and changes to AAUW bylaws including the membership requirement. Voting ends June 15 at 9 PM. Go to www.aauw.org and click on VOTE NOW. Your member ID and voter pin number were on the back cover of the last *Outlook*.

ZANESVILLE RECOGNIZED AT AAUW OHIO STATE CONVENTION

Four members of the Zanesville Branch attended the AAUW Ohio State Convention on May 5-6, 2017. The Branch received its 11th STARZ Award for all-around effort as a branch.

The Branch was recognized for Mission-Based Programming in the area of Advocacy for 2017 and Education for 2016.

The Branch also received the Daffodil Award for being inclusive in outreach and community involvement and a 3rd place Communication Star for branches with fewer than 50 members for the newsletter and web site.

The Southeast District won the “Race for Change” to raise money for the AAUW Ohio Fund. The 6 members of the District contributed more money than larger districts. The purse and gift cards donated for the silent auction brought \$50.

Reports on workshops will be in the next issue.

AAUW VP OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND ADVOCACY SAYS GOODBYE

by Lisa Maatz

After almost 15 adventure-filled years at the helm of AAUW’s policy shop, I wanted to share with you that I have announced my resignation as vice president of government relations and advocacy at AAUW. It’s been a great run; together we’ve enjoyed some wonderful victories and stood up to some difficult challenges. But now it’s time to plan my next adventure.

It has been an honor to represent AAUW on the national stage, and the privilege of my life to work with members like you who – in true AAUW fashion – don’t hesitate to speak truth to power when it matters most to women and girls.

As many of you know, AAUW’s new CEO Kim Churches will be officially on board as of June 1. Her strategic thinking, expertise, and enthusiasm are certain to inspire not only those already in the AAUW fold, but the next generation of AAUW members as well.

Lastly, rest assured that your wonderful AAUW policy team remains on hand and eager to keep the AAUW wheels of change moving forward, and is ready to storm Capitol Hill with you during the upcoming AAUW Convention Lobby Day. If you need to reach the team about policy matters, don’t hesitate to email them at advocacy@aauw.org.

As for me, my last day is June 2. There is a month at the beach in my future, and some consulting and teaching after that as I plan my future exploits. I want to thank each and every one of our members and supporters, as well as the entire AAUW staff, for toiling in the trenches with me, for your collegiality and support, and for your continued good works moving forward. I can be reached at lisamaatz@gmail.com and also at [linkedin.com/in/lisamaatz](https://www.linkedin.com/in/lisamaatz). You can also find me on Twitter: [@LisaMaatz](https://twitter.com/LisaMaatz). Onward!

AAUW CHEERS

The CBS television show *Mom* opted to donate to Planned Parenthood instead of paying for an Emmy campaign this year. The \$250,000 donation is intended to encourage others to donate as well.



STUDENT DEBT IS A WOMEN’S ISSUE

On May 24, AAUW released a new research report, *Deeper in Debt: Women and Student Loans*. The report takes a close look at how student loan debt disproportionately affects women.

AAUW’s analysis of federal government data found that women are more likely to take on debt (44 percent of female undergraduates take on debt in a year compared to 39 percent of male undergraduates). Upon completion of a bachelor’s degree, women’s average accrued student debt is about \$1,500 greater than men’s, and black women take on more student debt on average than do members of any other group. Following graduation, women repay their loans at a slower rate than men, in part because of the gender pay gap.

AAUW advocates safeguarding and expanding Pell grants for low-income students, as well as providing nontraditional students the resources they need – on-campus child care, for example – to successfully complete college degrees. Solutions to the student debt problem should also include supporting income-driven repayment approaches that reflect borrowers’ realities.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON

President Trump’s Budget Proposes Massive Cuts to Education, Medicaid, and More

President Donald Trump’s newly released \$4.1 trillion federal budget seeks massive cuts to many executive departments and agencies, including the U.S. Departments of State, Labor, and Education. To offset increases to the U.S. Departments of Homeland Security and Defense, the president’s proposed budget cuts Medicaid by \$800 billion over ten years and eliminates 66

programs. This includes the proposed elimination of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program (OFCCP, which enforces civil rights with federal contractors) as well as the cutting of all Women’s Bureau regional offices, both of which would undermine equal employment opportunities. Although Pell grants are included in the president’s budget, the U.S. Department of Education, facing a 13.6 percent funding cut, would see staff reductions in the Office of Civil Rights; the elimination of subsidized student loans, campus-based childcare funding, and public service loan forgiveness; and a \$1.2 billion cut for after-school programs, many of which serve low-income students. Congress controls the purse strings, however, and will ultimately decide which budget proposals will become law.

CBO Report Finds House-passed Health Care Bill Would Leave 23 Million More People Uninsured

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) and members of the Joint Committee on Taxation (JCT) released a report estimating that the House-passed health care bill would reduce the federal deficit by \$119 billion, but would cause 23 million more people to lose coverage in 2026. The American Health Care Act (AHCA) would allow states to eliminate protections for people with pre-existing conditions and to change their requirements for covering essential health benefits including prevention screenings and emergency room visits. CBO projected that these changes would lower premiums for healthy people, but increase costs for the nation’s most vulnerable populations. The AHCA also threatens coverage of key services for women, such as maternity care and birth control coverage, and defunds Planned Parenthood, an organization that provides access to important preventative care for people of all genders. Republican senators voiced concerns over passage of the bill, citing major changes needed to gain a 50-member majority vote (Vice President Mike Pence is the tie breaking vote in such circumstances). AAUW opposes the House-passed version of the AHCA because it would weaken women’s access to affordable, quality health coverage and put the health, well-being, and economic security of millions of families in jeopardy.

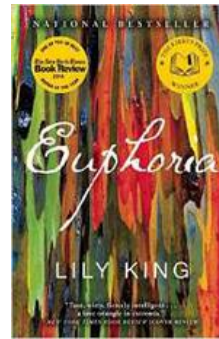
BITS AND PIECES

- The Trump Administration significantly expanded the so-called global gag rule. AAUW **issued** a statement opposing the rule, which prohibits funding to any foreign health organization that provides any abortion-related services.
- In a statement **issued** by the White House on Women’s Health Week, President Trump expanded his support for paid family leave to fathers.
- A report **estimated** that President Trump’s tax plan would cut taxes by more than \$15 million a year for the top 400 earners, totaling \$6 billion in tax cuts.
- GOP women in the House cited sexism as the reason why many of them are **retiring or running for higher office** instead of aiming for leadership positions in their party. Women comprise less than 10 percent of House Republicans and no woman has ever filled any of the top three leadership positions in the party.
- The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission **reached** a settlement with insurance broker Brown & Brown, Inc. The company was charged with violating Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 when it rescinded a job offer to a woman after learning of her pregnancy.
- Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) **introduced** the Keeping Girls in School Act on Thursday. The bill, which will allocate \$35 million to help girls around the world get an education, is intended to put the mission of Michelle Obama’s discontinued Let Girls Learn program into law.
- The Oregon Equal Pay Act of 2017 is headed to Gov. Kate Brown’s (D-OR) desk after unanimous passage. AAUW of Oregon members worked tirelessly to ensure that a strong bill made it through the legislative process, even earning a shout-out on the Senate floor from Republican Deputy Leader Tim Knopp (R-Bend), who referenced AAUW’s decades of work on the issue along with the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (AAUW’s predecessor) and its 1896 report on pay equity.

ADELANTE BOOK CLUB TITLES

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Euphoria
By Lily King

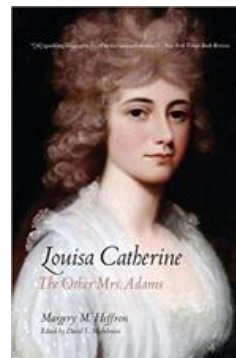


“English anthropologist Andrew Bankson has been alone in the field for several years, studying a tribe on the Sepik River in the territory of New Guinea with little success. Increasingly frustrated and isolated by his research, Bankson is on the verge of suicide

when he encounters the famous and controversial Nell Stone and her wry, mercurial husband, Fen. Bankson is enthralled by the magnetic couple, whose eager attentions pull him back from the brink of despair. Ultimately, the three young, gifted anthropologists find themselves caught in a love triangle that threatens their bonds, careers, and lives. Set between World War I and World War II and inspired by events in the life of revolutionary anthropologist Margaret Mead, *Euphoria* is an enthralling story of passion, possession, exploration, and sacrifice.”

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Louisa Catherine: The Other Mrs. Adams
by Margery M. Heffron



“Louisa Catherine Johnson Adams, wife and political partner of John Quincy Adams, became one of the most famous women in the United States when her husband assumed office as the sixth president in 1825. Shrewd,

intellectual, and articulate, she was close to the center of U.S. power over many decades, and extensive archives reveal her as an unparalleled observer of the politics, personalities, and issues of her day. Louisa left behind a trove of journals, essays, letters, and other writings, yet no biographer has mined these riches until now. Margery M. Heffron brings Louisa out of the shadows to offer the first full and nuanced portrait of an extraordinary first lady. Louisa’s sharp insights as a tireless recorder provide a fresh view of early American democratic society, presidential politics and elections, and — indeed — every important political and social issue of her time.”

**RAISE OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE
HELP GROW THE AAUW ACTION NETWORK**

AAUW provides a trusted voice in statehouses across the country. But we can always be louder. Let's add to our Action Network - the cornerstone of AAUW's e-advocacy efforts - so we can increase the drumbeat for education, equal pay, paid family leave, and so much more. Action Network sends subscribers urgent e-mail notices to easily contact their elected representatives through the Two-Minute Activist tool.

Sign up at <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/two-minute-activist/>

You don't need to be an AAUW member to join so ask your friends as well. Together we can make a difference. You provide the voice, we'll provide the megaphone.