March 8

8th International Women’s Day
Lancaster’s Largest Celebration for International Women’s Day!

Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology
Jones Dining Hall
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Join countless organizations, community groups, and individuals for keynote speaker, followed by breakout sessions all afternoon addressing the Social, Economic, Political and Cultural impact women have right here in our community as well as around the world! This will be an inspiring day of learning, collaboration, and connection you do not want to miss. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. Come explore how we can collectively

Be Bold for Change!

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Celebrating International Women’s Day

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#TSCTWomensDay

GIVE GIFTS. GIVE HOPE. CHANGE LIVES.

12/09/2017
SAVE THE DATE

GIFTS THAT GIVE HOPE
Welcome 10-11
Dr Amanda Kemp, “Put Down the Master’s Tools: Building Multiracial Women’s Movements” What are the rules of engagement as we create authentic relationships and alliances across the color line? How can we avoid harming each other and go from playing it safe to playing it real? Dr. Kemp shares about the strategies of the H.E.A.R.T. that allow people to meet each other where they are and to grow into their awesome potential. Amanda Kemp is the author of Say the Wrong Thing Stories and Strategies for Racial Justice and Authentic Community. A Visiting Scholar at Franklin & Marshall College, she is also a nationally touring spoken word artist and founder of Theatre for Transformation.

4:45-5:30
Keynote Closing Session: Rose Morrisroe, author of “No Secrets Between Us” Rose has dedicated her life to her calling; raising awareness, body safety education, and prevention in order to protect the most innocent citizens…our children. “Our Greatest Weapon in the Battle against Child abuse is knowledge.”

5:30-6
Dinner break, networking, marketplace vendors, exhibits.

6:00-7
(Adjournment) Readers’ Theatre: *Sandy Asher & Tricia Nabors of New Choices Career Development Readers’ Theatre

**“New Choices . . . New Beginnings . . . “ is a montage of life stories compiled by Lancaster author and playwright Sandy Asher from participants in the New Choices Career Development Program. Co-directed by Lydia Brubaker and Joanna Underhill and co-sponsored by Creative Works of Lancaster, the performance is meant to raise awareness of the transformative effects of New Choices workshops for women determined to overcome instances and change their lives for the better. Workshops have been held at program headquarters, the YWCA, and Lancaster County Prison.

VENDOR/INFO TABLES
CASE/Lancaster County DA Office, Imagine Goods, Assets/Womens Business Center, Light on a Hill, Clare House, Thaddeus Stevens Womens’ Center, DoTerra Oil, Revolution, Naomi’s Ministry, MENA, VOM, Ruby Taylor, Dining for Women, “Grace Goes to Prison,” Amanda Kemp, Simply be your Magnificent Self

FOOD
HumanKind Water, Javateas, Urban Olive, Isabelle’s Cuisine, Upohar/Global Flavors Catering*, SugarWhipped* (*Food truck)

Food will be available for purchase from 12-6, following the 1st breakout session and participants are welcome to visit the marketplace/info exhibitors in Jones Conference room, adjacent to the Jones Cafeteria throughout the day between the hours of 12-5:30 AND PLEASE VISIT THE DELICIOUS FOOD TRUCKS outside Jones Cafeteria!!!
Witness to Innocence: Domestic Violence

Aging out of the Foster Care Exhibit put together by the Junior League of Lancaster

Immigrant Experience-Mennonite Central Committee

Room # 201: Jodi Conklin

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
Pati Fry - World Vision advocate, sharing her experiences in a refugee camp in Iraq & Jordan and her continued volunteer work in the US welcoming refugees to Lancaster County.

12:30-1:30 PM
Melanie G. Snyder, Director, RMO for Returning Citizens; Author, Grace Goes to Prison, and TEDx speaker (“Breaking Out of Prison Thinking”): Melanie will present an overview of trauma, its connections to health and mental health risks and addiction, along with hopeful new research on resilience and healing.

1:45-2:45 PM
LOAH/BIRD: social enterprise and the role of that in transforming the women who reside at BIRD ministries following incarceration and are then employed at “Light on a Hill” candles

3:00-4:00 PM
Georgiana Staley, EdD - Program Director at Community Services Group: Intro to Recognizing Mental Health Issues, to include a basic overview of mental health signs and symptoms, opportunities for additional education, and how to access community resources
Room # 203: Marian Pontz

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
*Eleanor Isaacson; Surviving WW2 in Germany (Eleanor will also have a display with pictures at the back of the room)

12:30-1:30 PM
*Timbrel Adidala, founder of Lush Bazar: Lush Bazaar is a socially conscious fashion brand. Our main goal is to empower, and connect underprivileged women in India, that are talented in stitching, and needlecraft work, with disadvantaged women in the United States of America, that are talented, determined, and willing to empower themselves. Inspiring women (and men) through fashion, and their stories of strength and beauty-- People, before profit.
This is our FASHION EMPOWERMENT MOVEMENT. DO YOU WANT TO JOIN?

1:45-2:45 PM
Bethany Smith, director & founder of NIMBY “In Her shoes” Interactive exhibit on human trafficking

3:00-4:00 PM
*Assistant District Attorneys:
Susan Moyer - Chief of Appeals/Legal Services
Susan Ellison - Chief of Domestic Violence Unit
Karen Mansfield – Senior Trial Attorney, Chief of Sexual Assault / Child Abuse Unit
*They will be giving a joint presentation on Sexual Assault/ Domestic Violence/Sexting (pornographic image sharing),
PLEASE NOTE THIS SESSION WILL LAST 1.5hr (3-4:30)
Room # 207: Annie Coletto

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
*Jessica King & Melissa Baez of ASSETS: tools and resources to start and grow women-owned businesses and social enterprises

12:30-1:30 PM
* Debbie Brink of Women for Middle East HOPE, providing hope for the Hopeless. A look at the needs and issues women of the Middle East and North Africa face on a daily basis. Does religion or culture play an influential role? How can women in the west be informed and make a difference?

1:45-2:45 PM
Deb Halsey with A Woman’s Concern & Mary Steffy with Nurse Family Partnership “Pregnancy, Life & Health: The Choices we Make.”

3:00-4:00 PM
Michelle Kime & Aiyana Ehrman, of Imagine Goods: empowering women coming out of trafficking/exploitation with economic opportunity
Room # 301: Jocelyn Engle
Publisher, Lifestyle/Leisure Publication Group
Engle Printing & Publishing Co., Inc. &
Revolution Director of Marketing

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
*Cheryl Dellasega, author & professor at Penn State Hershey College of Medicine; founder of “Club & Camp Ophelia.” “The Power of Female Relationships.” It would be about the negative and positive potential of connections between women of different ages and at different stages of life.

12:30-1:30 PM
Sonya Syrylo, MA is a Clinical Supervisor at Retreat at Lancaster County, an inpatient substance abuse facility in Ephrata, PA. Sonya will present on behalf of Retreat Premier Addiction Treatment Centers a discussion on “Women and Addiction: Be Bold and Break the Silence”. Participants will discuss the effects of addiction on the female demographic, barriers women face in seeking treatment, and how Retreat continues to provide services to better serve females suffering from this disease. Current trends and special treatment considerations regarding women will also be discussed

1:45-2:45 PM
*Lisa Landis Blowers: WJTL Kids Cookie Break: sharing about her Womens Vision Trip with Rafiki Africa to focus on the needs of the women in Alendu, Kenya.

3:00-4:00 PM
*PANEL: Food insecurity & Hunger Free Lancaster:
Brenda Buescher Health Promotion Specialist, Lancaster General Health/Penn Medicine
Kim McDivitt Executive Director (Power Packs Project & Hunger Free Lancaster)
Becky Svendesen (Lancaster County Gleaning Project)
Jennifer Powell (Director of Development and Community Engagement the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank)
Room # 303: Cath Forney

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
Beth Valentin: Thaddeus Stevens graduate and TEDx presenter
Mary Ross: Director of Womens Center

12:30-1:30 PM
*Christine Pfau Laney, Legal Systems Advocacy Attorney, DVS from Penn Legal
Zippy Ngnrama from Healthy Beginnings Plus, on their experiences with domestic violence and helping victims obtain the proper legal protections while considering cultural influences

1:45-2:45 PM
Panel: Aging out of the Foster Care system: Moderated by Dr Karen Rice: chair of the Social Work Dept at Millersville University and director of the Learning Institute
Megan Sundberg with the Junior League of Lancaster’s Aging out of the Foster Care Team
Jessica Laspino of CASA

3:00-4:00 PM
Stephanie Van Deusen, Executive Director of Tamar Speaks: The Process of Building Safe Communities with Traumatized People
Room # 307: Roxanne Foura/ Jackie Weaver

11:15 AM-12:15 PM
* Anne Schober: Educational Speaker, Founder of Connections Count, and Author of “Heart Prints”: Writing to Heal - the power of using writing to tell your story

12:30-1:30 PM
Ruby Taylor & Violet Baldwin
Empowering Girls & Women to Embrace Their Beauty & Bodies Founder of For Black Girls, Ruby L. Taylor, M.S.W. will shed light on the power and needs to celebrate black girls beauty and Violet Baldwin will expand on beauty and body image for all.

1:45-2:45 PM
Donna Styer & Cynthia Stauffer co-authors of “Girls & Women-Simply be your Magnificent Self! 9 Tips to Empower Her with Courage, Confidence, and Authenticity”

3:00-4:00 PM
Roxanne Foura  BA, LMT
A wellness advocate with DoTerra, Roxanne will be sharing how DoTerra is working to prevent and modify human trafficking worldwide