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Why are Moms Healthier in Australia? WHAMglobal Investigates

Over the years, the [Jewish Healthcare Foundation](#) (JHF) has traveled around the world to learn from the highest-performing healthcare systems and develop plans to improve care back in the states by adapting global best practices. Study tours to Israel, Korea, Japan, South Africa, and the U.K. have inspired JHF to launch demonstration projects that test new models of care, develop Champions programs that advance emerging workforce roles, and establish policy priorities that seek to demolish barriers to higher-quality, safer care.



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JHF's newest supporting organization, the [Women's Health Activist Movement Global](#) (WHAMglobal), is committed to

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identifying the root causes of maternal mortality and supporting mothers and families through the entirety of their care. When it comes to improving maternal health outcomes, Australia provides ample inspiration.

Compared to women in the U.S., Australian women live longer, spend less on health care, and receive exemplary maternal health services and supports. Australia's high-quality maternal care system is a key reason why its maternal mortality rate (5.5 deaths per 100,000 women, according to 2015 study published in *The Lancet*) is nearly five times lower than the rate in the U.S. (26.4 deaths per 100,000 women).

To learn more, WHAMglobal recently organized a two-week Australian study tour to meet with women's health experts in the healthcare and university systems, conduct site visits, and participate in the International Women's Forum (IWF) Cornerstone Conference in Melbourne.



Micahel Zilibowitz (center), a pediatrician in maternal and child mental health and representative from the New South Wales Ministry of Health, provides a tour of the Dalwood Children's Services' facilities. During the visit, the WHAMglobal study group learned more about Australia's approach to home visits and serving high-risk mothers and families.



WHAMglobal brought gifts: Australia-themed vests, similar to those worn by partners in Pittsburgh who raised awareness about maternal health during a recent March for Moms event. Pictured are (L-R): Belinda Brooks, a doula from the Australian Doula College; WHAMglobal study tour member Jennifer Moore, PhD, RN, executive director of the Institute for Medicaid Innovation; and Renee Adair, founder and director of the Australian Doula College.



The WHAMglobal group that traveled to Australia featured JHF staff as well as local and national leaders in women's health, healthcare delivery, finance, and policy, including Carmen Anderson, MA, director of equity and social justice at The Heinz Endowments; Carole Bailey, CPA, treasurer of the JHF Board of Trustees and owner of Bailey Management Consulting; Chloe Bird, PhD, a senior

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sociologist at the RAND Corporation; Debra Caplan, MPA, chair of the WHAMglobal Board of Directors, vice-chair of the JHF Board of Trustees, and interim CEO of Partner4Work; JHF Women's Health Specialist Kate Dickerson, MSc.; JHF President and CEO and WHAMglobal founder Karen Wolk Feinstein, PhD; Shelley Hirshberg, MA, ambassador for the Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement's HealthDoers Network; Ruby Holloway, MD, FACOG, an obstetrician and gynecologist at Baptist Hospitals of Southeast Texas; JHF Program Manager Mara Leff, MPH; Rhonda Moore Johnson, MD, MPH, senior medical director of medical management and quality at Highmark, Inc.; Jennifer Moore, PhD, RN, executive director of the Institute for Medicaid Innovation; Alan Weil, JD, MPP, editor-in-chief for Health Affairs; and JHF COO/CPO Nancy Zionts, MBA.

During meetings and site visits in New Castle, Melbourne, Sydney, and Tasmania, the WHAMglobal study group learned more about how Australia achieves better maternal health outcomes than the U.S. while delivering culturally-appropriate care. The WHAMglobal group visited leading providers, researchers, activists from maternal and child health-focused organizations, including the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality, Australian Doula College, Healthy Mothers Healthy Families, MUM for MUM (a home-based maternity care program), New South Wales Agency for Clinical Innovation, New South Wales Ministry of Health, Royal Hospital for Women, Royal Women's Hospital, St. John of God Mother Baby Unit and Perinatal Mental Health Research Unit, and Women's Australian Atlas of Health Variation. The group also had the pleasure of meeting with the Honorable Kate Warner AC, governor of Tasmania, and IWF co-founder Helen Rule.



(L-R): Debra Caplan, MPA, chair of the WHAMglobal Board of Directors, vice-chair of the JHF Board of Trustees, and interim CEO of Partner4Work; the Honorable Kate Warner AC, governor of Tasmania; and JHF President and CEO and WHAMglobal founder Karen Wolk Feinstein, PhD. The WHAMglobal study group attended a reception hosted by Warner that preceded the 2018 International Women's Forum Cornerstone Conference.

The WHAMglobal group learned that midwives, doulas, and community health workers are vital components of Australia's maternal health system, and that Australia looks to proactively address potential problems. At multiple points during pregnancy, mothers receive a thorough assessment and are assigned a risk level that activates needed physical, mental, and social services. Post-pregnancy, mothers receive a new assessment and risk level to best support the family unit.

"Australia has an impressive, comprehensive view of pregnancy, protecting both mother and baby—before delivery, during delivery, and after delivery," Dr. Feinstein says. "When they find risk, they wrap services around the family unit. They also emphasize the importance of, and actively foster, the mother-baby relationship. This study tour will serve as a catalyst for WHAMglobal's mission to address our nation's maternal and infant mortality crisis and advance maternity care which achieves the outstanding outcomes of Australia."

25th Princeton Conference Shows How Employers are Getting Active, Demanding Healthcare Value

The Princeton Conference annually convenes leaders from academia, industry, and government to discuss and debate pressing healthcare issues during an invitation-only event. Through interactive panels and presentations, attendees talk economics and policy across disciplines and party lines. JHF is a long-time sponsor of the Princeton Conference, which is organized by a planning committee that includes Karen Feinstein.



Karen Feinstein (at podium) explains some of the ways that employers are demanding and delivering value in health care during the Princeton Conference. Dr. Feinstein moderated a panel featuring (L-R, at the table): Robert S. Kaplan, PhD, senior fellow and Marvin Bower Professor of Leadership Development, Emeritus at the Harvard Business School; David A. Asch, MD, MBA, the John Morgan Professor and executive director of the Penn Medicine Center for Health Care Innovation at the University of Pennsylvania; and Vivian S. Lee, MD, PhD, MBA, president of health platforms at Verily.

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Dr. Asch focused on ways that health care could learn from other industries by adopting a philosophy of customer-focused design and rapid-cycle testing and implementation. He suggested that innovative employers that are getting into the health care space—including Amazon—could design health services and products for employees with a three-step validation process. That process centers on three key questions: does anyone want it, what will people do with it, and what are the outcomes of use.

The 2018 Princeton conference, which marked the 25th anniversary of the gathering, was held from May 22-24 at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Princeton University. More than 130 attendees took on topics that included activating employers to demand healthcare value, combating rising prescription drug costs, shaping the future of the healthcare workforce, making the business case for addressing the social determinants of health, and envisioning the future of Medicare and Medicaid.

Dr. Feinstein moderated a panel discussion that focused on ways that employers can lead the charge toward high-quality, value-based health care. The panelists included David A. Asch, MD, MBA, the John Morgan Professor and executive director of the Penn Medicine Center for Health Care Innovation at the University of Pennsylvania; Robert S. Kaplan, PhD,

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Dr. Kaplan shed light on employer opportunities to innovate in delivering health care to employees. He noted that large employers such as Boeing, GE, Lowe's, and Wal-Mart have created Centers of Excellence, directing their employees to the highest-rated providers for particular conditions across the country. Business groups on health have banded together, using their purchasing power and



The Princeton Conference is a unique, invitation-only event that gathers academics, providers, policy makers, philanthropists, payers, and administrators for highly interactive conversations on healthcare policy and economics.

employees in the form of higher premiums and deductibles. Some employers have incentivized healthy behaviors by lowering premiums, set up on-site clinics, and created Centers of Excellence for surgery and complex care. Dr. Lee said that employers can partner with clinicians to decipher and translate health data, stratify risk, and create purchasing specifications.

"Employers across the country are striking back," Dr. Feinstein notes. "They're tired of the 30-40% of health spending that's wasted, and they're trying new and different things. They're demanding efficiency, reliability, and safety. Essentially, they're creating their own high-value health systems by assembling or identifying superb individual components."

WHAMglobal, Community Partners March for Moms

On May 6, thousands of people packed neighborhoods for the 2018 Pittsburgh Marathon. May 6 also happened to be the date of March for Moms, a national campaign that rallied people from across the U.S. to demand higher-quality maternity care.

To capitalize on the already-packed streets, the Women's Health Activist Movement Global (WHAMglobal), JHF's newest supporting organization, arranged for Pittsburgh to become a sister city

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for March for Moms. The WHAMglobal team recruited community partners from across the region, and together they formed cheer teams along the route of the Pittsburgh Marathon. In Bloomfield, Homewood, Walnut Street, and the West End, WHAMglobal cheer teams educated the public about the country's unacceptably high—and rising—maternal mortality rate, and the challenges that women face in receiving quality maternal care.



Maternal health activists pack Walnut Street on May 6.



March for Moms volunteers in Bloomfield.



March for Moms volunteers of all ages sport bright orange vests featuring the participating community partners.



In Homewood, March for Moms volunteers break out pom-poms and bullhorns (left) and strike their best poses.



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In the West End, March for Moms was a family affair for JHF Senior Quality Improvement Specialist Anneliese Perry, MS (third from right) and Marketing and Community Engagement Specialist Scotland Huber, MS (far right).

The WHAMglobal team thanks the many community partners who stepped forward to March for Moms, including Allegheny Health Network's Center for Inclusion Health, Healthy Start, the Jewish Women's Foundation of Greater Pittsburgh, the Latino Community Center, Magee-Womens Research Institute, The Midwife Center, the National Council of Jewish Women Pittsburgh, Planned Parenthood of Western Pennsylvania, Repair the World Pittsburgh, the Squirrel Hill Health Center, and Women for a Healthy Environment.

On May 12, the WHAMglobal team returned to Homewood to spread awareness about maternal health during the Refugee and Immigrant Health and Wellness Fair.

JHF Sponsors Event with *Survivor Café* Author Elizabeth Rosner



Novelist, poet, essayist, and author Elizabeth Rosner (far right) at the Carnegie Library Lecture Hall on May 17.

Since the Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures Series began in 1991, JHF has had the pleasure of sponsoring an array of authors who visit the city to discuss their internationally-acclaimed works. The list includes luminaries like Siddhartha Mukherjee, Sheri Fink, Jared Diamond, Yann Martel, Michael Pollan, Andrew Weil, Atul Gawande, Laurie Garrett, Susan Love, Betty Friedan, Gail Sheehy, Andrew Solomon, and Susan Faludi.

On May 17, the Foundation sponsored a Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures event at the

Carnegie Library Lecture Hall that featured novelist, poet, essayist, and author Elizabeth Rosner. JHF sponsored the event in partnership with the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh and the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

Rosner is the author of *Survivor Café: The Legacy of Trauma and the Labyrinth of Memory*, which

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explores the intergenerational impact of genocide and war through accounts of her parent's experiences during the Holocaust, historical examples from across the globe, and cutting-edge brain research. Earlier on May 17, Rosner met with JHF staff to discuss Survivor Café and explain her process for crafting a compelling story.

JHF-Sponsored Fit with a Physician Program Featured in the Post-Gazette



Fit with a Physician champion and JHF board member Terry Starz, MD (center) leads an outing in Schenley Park on May 9. (Lake Fong/Post-Gazette)

In early May, Post-Gazette reporter Gary Rotstein joined a few dozen fellow Pittsburghers for an outing on Schenley Park's Panther Hollow Trail to learn more about managing health conditions and enjoy nature's splendor. You can [read about his experience](#)—which was part of the JHF-sponsored Fit with a Physician program—in the Post-Gazette.

Launched in 2017, Fit with a Physician provides an opportunity for seniors of all fitness levels and abilities to get active. Venture Outdoors develops programming for Fit with a Physician, while the Allegheny County Medical Society and UPMC Rehabilitation Services help to recruit

healthcare professionals who lead the events. Program outings focus on topics such as arthritis, diabetes, and heart health.

There are many Fit with a Physician events scheduled for the spring and summer, which are free for participants age 50 and older. Leaders of the initiative are looking to establish additional partnerships with community organizations and senior centers, with a goal of expanding programming for older adults of all physical capabilities.

You can learn more about upcoming Fit with a Physician events by visiting the [Venture Outdoors website](#). If you're interested in getting involved in the program, including ways you can help lead walks, email Mara Leff at leff@jhf.org or call 412-594-2579.

This spring, JHF will launch the second year for several other components of its Senior Connections for Recreation and Exercise programs which includes partnering with AARP to recruit ambassadors who can promote outdoor activity and accompany seniors on outings. The Allegheny County Parks

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Foundation is also gearing up to launch its web-based mapping tool, ParkLink, that will help seniors of varied physical abilities navigate local parks and engage in exercise and recreation programming.

These recreation and exercise programs are components of JHF's larger *Senior Connections* initiative. *Senior Connections* aims to strengthen a suite of service opportunities for older adults in western Pennsylvania and beyond, including transportation and housing, exercise and recreation, geriatric-friendly health care, nutrition, and caregiver supports.

Create the Health System You Want—Join the Health Activist Network

Since it launched in 2017, the [Health Activist Network](#) has united health professionals from Pittsburgh and beyond to jump-start policy and care delivery improvements. Now, there are even more ways for health activists to connect, collaborate, and act.

Members can join or create action groups to meet fellow activists, discuss policy solutions, and learn about upcoming advocacy opportunities. They can also sign up for the [Health Activist Biweekly](#) to receive local and national news updates about the Health Activist Network's three main focus areas: strengthening the adolescent behavioral health safety net, reducing maternal mortality and perinatal failures, and removing waste from the health system and reinvesting the savings in services that improve health.

Do you want to share your advocacy work, or learn more about other Health Activist Network members who are leading change? Check out the new Activist Spotlight series. In our latest feature, we catch up with 2017 Jonas Salk Health Activist Fellow [Heather Tomko](#), who's working to create a more accessible community for all Pittsburghers.

You can also engage with the Health Activist Network on [Twitter](#) (@HealthActivists), [Facebook](#) (@HealthActivistNetwork), and [YouTube](#).

The Health Activist Network is managed by PRHI, and is funded by the DSF Charitable Foundation and JHF.



2018 Summer Interns Arrive



JHF Senior Quality Improvement Specialist Stacie Bonenberger, MOT, OTR/L leads 2018 JHF summer interns Abisola Olaniyan and Rachel Goldberger through an exercise designed to improve teamwork and communication. Also pictured are summer interns (back, L-R): Paul Herrington, Vaishali Shetti, and Kylea Covaleski.

In late May, JHF welcomed eight emerging, multidisciplinary healthcare leaders who are participating in the Foundation's 2018 summer internship program. Over the next ten weeks, the interns will get an introduction to JHF's history and mission; explore the foundational principles of healthcare safety and quality; and advance JHF's current initiatives related to digital health innovations, maternal health, and seniors. A few of the interns will also participate in JHF's upcoming Patient Safety Fellowship, which focuses on the emerging field of health improvement science.

The 2018 summer interns include Kylea Covaleski, a dual MPH/MSW student at the University of Pittsburgh who also participated in the 2017 summer internship program and has continued to support JHF's senior-focused initiatives; Janelle DeBaldo, a communication management student at the University of Dayton; Rachel Goldberger, a dual MPH/MSW student at Pitt;

Paul Herrington, studying healthcare policy and management at Carnegie Mellon University; Victoria Kulli, BSN, an MHA student at Pitt; Abisola Olaniyan, MD, MPH, a doctoral student in behavioral and community health sciences at Pitt; Eva Rosen, an organizational studies major at the University of Michigan; and Vaishali Shetti, a graduate student in medical product engineering at Pitt.

AIDS Free Pittsburgh Hosts HIV PrEP & RAPID Community of Practice Event

On May 3, more than 30 healthcare professionals from [AIDS Free Pittsburgh](#) (AFP) partners convened at the University of Pittsburgh to share their experiences with developing and implementing programs to spread awareness of and access to the HIV prevention medication [Pre-exposure prophylaxis](#) (PrEP), and rapidly link newly diagnosed HIV-positive individuals to care. The event focused on communication strategies and practice changes that support PrEP uptake and rapid linkage to care.

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Dianne L. Pettis, CRNP, provides an overview of the Allegheny County Health Department's STD Program during the HIV PrEP & RAPID Community of Practice Event on May 3.

AFP is a coalition of government agencies, healthcare institutions, and community-based organizations committed to reducing new cases of HIV by 75% and eliminating new AIDS cases in Allegheny County by 2020. AFP is financially supported by Allegheny Health Network's Allegheny Singer Research Institute and UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside, and is managed by JHF.

PrEP can reduce the chances of becoming infected by HIV by more than 90% if taken daily. The linkage to care protocol, called RAPID (Rapid ART Program Initiative for HIV Diagnoses), was developed by the San Francisco Department of Public Health to connect

newly diagnosed HIV-positive individuals with antiretroviral treatment within two days. Both quality improvement initiatives are key strategies in achieving AFP's goals.



Nationally-acclaimed columnist and podcaster Dan Savage.

AIDS Free Pittsburgh Sponsors Live Dan Savage Podcast

Pittsburgh City Paper and AIDS Free Pittsburgh have partnered to sponsor a June 21 event with activist and nationally-syndicated columnist Dan Savage. He will host a live taping of his popular podcast, The Savage Lovecast, at 7:30 PM at the New Hazlett Theater (6 Allegheny Square E, Pittsburgh, PA 15212). City Paper's Lynn Cullen will emcee the event, which will also feature a Q&A session with Savage and a performance by Dreams of Hope, a Pittsburgh-based organization that supports and produces LGBTQ+ art.

To learn more and purchase tickets, visit cooltix.com.

AIDS Free Pittsburgh Co-Sponsoring Pittsburgh's 1st HIV Biomedical Awareness Event

AIDS Free Pittsburgh, Allies for Health + Wellbeing, and several other community organizations are

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co-sponsoring Pittsburgh's first annual HIV biomedical awareness event: "Hotter than July: Torrid Tracks, Steamy Thoughts." The event, which will take place on July 1 from 3-8 pm at the Ace Hotel



(120 S. Whitfield Street, Pittsburgh PA 15206), will honor those living with and affected by HIV and educate the community about advancements in prevention and treatment that can end the epidemic. The event will feature a dance party, food tastings prepared by local chefs, free HIV and STI testing, and on-site healthcare professionals who can answer questions about HIV prevention and treatment.

To learn more, visit the [AIDS Free Pittsburgh website](#).

Foundation's HPV Vaccination Initiative Featured at International Conference



JHF Quality Improvement Specialist Deborah Murdoch, MPH at the Academic Pediatric Association's Advancing Implementation and QI Science for Children's Healthcare conference, held in Toronto on May 4.

In 2014, JHF launched a community-wide campaign to increase uptake of a proven, yet vastly underutilized cancer prevention tool: the Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine. Over the next three years, the campaign blanketed the Pittsburgh region with that cancer prevention message through outreach and education sessions in practices, community organizations, and schools; and toolkits and communications materials for providers, parents, and teens.

On May 4, JHF Quality Improvement Specialist Deborah Murdoch, MPH shared insights from the Foundation's HPV Vaccination Initiative during the Academic Pediatric Association's Advancing Implementation and QI Science for Children's

Healthcare conference in Toronto. Murdoch presented a poster during the conference, which attracted an international group of clinicians, nurses, educators, epidemiologists, researchers, and

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public health practitioners.

Karen Feinstein, Public Stakeholders Committee Bring the Consumer's Voice to NBME

Since 1915, the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) has developed tests and tools to ensure that healthcare professionals are prepared to deliver quality care to patients. The NBME's Public Stakeholders Committee, which includes Karen Feinstein, helps to ensure that these assessments reflect the needs and concerns of today's healthcare consumers.

On May 10, Dr. Feinstein and the 12 other national leaders who comprise the Public Stakeholders Committee met at the NBME's offices in Philadelphia, PA. During the meeting, the committee discussed how the NBME can engage healthcare professionals and the public around pressing issues that include eliminating healthcare disparities, improving end-of-life care, strengthening patient-provider communication, treating mental health conditions, and increasing price transparency.

The Public Stakeholders Committee is a subset of the larger, approximately 80-member NBME, which features academics, government representatives, licensing professionals, and community advocates. In 2015, Dr. Feinstein was elected to a four-year term as a member-at-large of the NBME.



The Foundation's HIV/AIDS team spruces up the garden at The Open Door, Inc. on May 7. Pictured are (L-R): Program Associate Ashley Chung, MPH; HIV/AIDS Project Director Richard Smith, MSW; AIDS Free Pittsburgh Health Services Coordinator JT Stoner, MPH; AIDS Free Pittsburgh Project Manager Julia Och; Program Coordinator Sue Steele; and Chief Financial Officer Charles Morrison, JD, CPA.

Foundation's HIV/AIDS Team Volunteers at The Open Door, Inc.

On May 7, the Foundation's HIV/AIDS team spruced up gardens and applied a fresh coat of paint to some apartments at The Open Door, Inc. Founded in 2004, The Open Door, Inc. provides safe, affordable, and supportive housing services and representative payee services to HIV-positive individuals in the Pittsburgh region.

JHF provides quality improvement training and coaching to The Open Door, Inc. and other AIDS Service Organizations across Pennsylvania through the Minority AIDS Initiative, which links HIV-positive

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individuals to medical and social services. In 2016, The Open Door, Inc. won a Fine Award for Teamwork Excellence in Health Care for its representative payee program.



Anne Newman, MD, MPH

JHF Board Trustee Anne Newman Named Distinguished Professor at Pitt

JHF congratulates Board Trustee Anne Newman, MD, MPH, for recently achieving the rank of Distinguished Professor at the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Newman is the chair of the Department of Epidemiology, the Katherine M. Detre Endowed Chair of Population Health Sciences, and director of the Center for Aging and Population Health at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health. An internationally-recognized expert on the epidemiology of aging and disease prevention, Dr. Newman was also recently appointed clinical director of the Aging Institute of UPMC and the University of Pittsburgh.

Congrats, Grad!



JHF Global Health Associate Hanifa Nakiryowa, MID receives her diploma during an April 26 graduation ceremony at Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum.

JHF congratulates Global Health Associate Hanifa Nakiryowa, MID, who recently earned her master of international development-human security studies degree from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs. She celebrated with classmates, family and friends during an April 26 graduation ceremony at Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum.

Before she joined JHF to advance women's health initiatives, Nakiryowa had already built an internationally-recognized reputation as a health activist. She founded the Center for Rehabilitation Survivors of Acid Violence, which promotes human services for acid attack survivors in Uganda and advocates to prevent future attacks in the country. She has also contributed to fundraising, advocacy, and awareness-building efforts for the Acid Survivors Foundation Uganda, and

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worked to enhance maternal and child health as a program monitoring and evaluation specialist for the UNICEF-FBO partnership program in Uganda.

Karen Feinstein, Other Notable Pittsburghers Share Favorite Poems



(L-R): Duquesne University President and Professor of Law Ken Gormley, JD; Joanne Rogers, a concert pianist and Chair Emerita of the Board of Directors of The Fred Rogers Company; Ted Pappas, producing artistic director of Pittsburgh Public Theater; Karen Feinstein; and Anne Martindale Williams, principal cellist of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

Since 2005, Autumn House Press has invited a select group of “Notable Pittsburghers” to share their favorite poem on stage as part of an annual benefit event. On May 7, Karen Feinstein took part in the 2018 “Autumn in Spring” event at the Duquesne Club, reciting “Nancy Hanks” by Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benét. The 2018 lineup also featured Duquesne University President and Professor of Law Ken Gormley, JD; Ted Pappas, producing artistic director of Pittsburgh Public Theater; Joanne Rogers, a concert pianist and Chair Emerita of The Fred Rogers Company Board of Directors; and Anne Martindale Williams, principal cellist of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

Autumn House Press is a Pittsburgh-based, independent literary publishing house that is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year.

Reel Teens Special on Mental Health Wins High School Emmy



In 2017, JHF teamed up with a variety of community organizations to fund “The Reel Teens: Breaking the Stigma of Mental Illness,” a multimedia program produced, directed, and hosted by local teens that explores issues of youth anxiety and depression. The 30-minute program, which originally aired on FOX 53 last spring and is available on [The Reel Teens Pittsburgh YouTube page](#), helped to advance JHF’s community-wide

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initiative to strengthen adolescent behavioral health services and supports.

Recently, the Reel Teens took home a prestigious honor for their groundbreaking work: A 2018 Emmy High School Production Award for the Mid-Atlantic region. The Reel Teens won in the long-form category of the awards, earning recognition over top high school productions from across Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.

The Reel Teens program was presented by Steeltown Entertainment Project with support from JHF, Allegheny County, LEAD Pittsburgh, Stand Together, and The McGuinn Family Foundation.

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