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Jonelle Prether Darr

AAUW Harrisburg has named Jonelle Prether Darr as Community Woman of the Year 2016. Jonelle has served as the Executive Director of the Cumberland County Library System since 1992. In that position she has worked successfully to expand and improve library services through computer and Internet technologies, as well as increase staff and library efficiencies by centralizing support services. Most recently, she led a 6-month community-based public dialogue with Cumberland County decision makers, stakeholders and community residents about the county's needs for library services, how services are funded, and future roles for libraries.

As a librarian, Jonelle has been active in a variety of statewide and multi-state professional organizations. She served as President of the Pennsylvania Library Association, President of PALINET (a multi-state library cooperative now known as Lyasis), chair of the Association of Pennsylvania Public Library Systems, and a board member of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council. She will be honored at AAUW Harrisburg's May 5th meeting.