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AAUW West Chester-Chester County Branch

Meeting: October 13th, 2021:

at 2:00 p.m. at Thornbury Farm,

1256 Thornbury Road, West Chester, PA

AND

at 7:00 p.m. on ZOOM

In an effort to respond to member requests for another in-person event and to be sensitive to the needs of working members, this meeting will be held outdoors at Thornbury Farm at 2:00 p.m. and will also stream on ZOOM at 7:00 p.m. with a recording of the guest speaker.

In the event of inclement weather (temperature or precipitation) the meeting at the farm will be moved to ZOOM at 7:00 p.m., so please keep your calendars clear for both times! A decision regarding venue will be made on Tuesday, October 12.

Speaker: Tonya DiPilla

Associate Director of Development and Communication,
Canine Partners for Life

Canine Partners for Life breeds and trains service dogs to assist people with mobility problems or medical conditions such as seizures, diabetes and certain heart conditions. Service dogs have enabled clients to attend school/college, engage in a career, and lead a fulfilling life. Tonya will speak to us about how service dogs are trained and share examples of clients who have achieved their educational and professional goals as a result of having a service dog. **The presentation will feature a live demonstration by a fully trained service dog.**

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Letter from the President

It was a welcome celebration to gather as a group in the beauty of an outdoor facility. The powers that be smiled on us holding back threatening rain, allowing us to meet. For a few hours we could (almost) forget that a pandemic kept us from socializing for the past 18+ months. Regardless, we will not be deterred. Covid will not stop a group of strong, focused, and determined women from supporting and helping women achieve their best!

When Megan Ervine, Volunteer Coordinator from Home of the Sparrow, spoke I could not help but think that by the hand of fate, anyone of us could potentially be in need of support. Empathy and understanding tough situations that some women may face is the first step of helping to address those challenges. Home of the Sparrow, our partner organization, astounded me when Megan shared that they supported 819 women last year. Clearly they recognize and understand the needs that some women in Chester County face, and they are succeeding in addressing and helping those women avoid the pitfall of homelessness. Such a task seems Herculean, but Megan explained they have many donors. We will join those donors to make a difference.

I have a favorite book from my childhood entitled, "If Everybody Did" (Jo Ann Stover). Its moral is

if each one of us did something positive that would be everybody and the world would be a wonderful place. Within our branch, everybody does! Your incredible generosity amazes me, but even small acts of kindness and contributions, will impact the women supported by The Home of the Sparrow, as well as the other organizations we support.

I look forward to engaging presentations, such as the Canine Partners for Life, in October, and success in supporting our mission: the coat drive for Home of the Sparrow, our pecan fund raiser, and Laundromat Library League book collection to name a few. Further details on some these activities are found in this newsletter.

I am grateful that I can assist rather than need to be assisted. And I thank you in advance of what we as EVERYBODY will accomplish this year.

Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together. - Vincent van Gogh

At times, it must seem overwhelming, but step-by-step each one of us hopes their challenges can be addressed. It requires thoughtfulness, sincerity, and generosity.

Deb Liczwek



Photo credit and write-up by Cathy Palmquist.

Returning and new officers and board members were introduced at the September meeting held at beautiful Thornbury Farm, including (seated from left) Kim Glavin Co-Vice-President of Membership, Janet Kane and Deb Liczwek, Co-Presidents, and Trish Alfano, Co-Vice-President of Membership. Also introduced were Peggy Staarman (standing (from left), Community Outreach, Beryl Goldman, Co-Vice-President of Programs, Suzy DeGeorge, Finance Officer, Jean Shervais, Recording Secretary, Eva Kaufmann and Mimi Jones, Community Outreach. Other leaders, (not pictured) include Patricia Schultz, Corresponding Secretary, and Jean Speiser, Co-Vice-President of Programs.

Canine Partners for Life: October Program

-- Janet Kane

Our speaker at the October 13th branch meeting will be by Tonya DiPilla, Associate Director for Development and Communication at Canine Partners for Life (CPL). Tonya will present information about the role of service dogs in helping recipients attain educational and professional goals while leading rich lives.

CPL is a wonderful organization with a mission to raise and train full-service dogs to assist recipients with mobility challenges and medical issues such as diabetes, seizure disorders, and heart conditions. They also provide home companions to clients who need emotional support such as children on the autism spectrum and veterans with PTSD. The dogs are bred and whelped at the CPL campus in Cochranville and spend their first year being raised in either a community home or one of the Pennsylvania state correctional institutions. Following their first year of training and socializing, they come into the CPL kennel program on campus and begin to learn advanced skills such as opening doors, retrieving specific objectives, and “go pay”, which is a command for

the dog to take the client’s wallet and bring it up to the sales counter.

Service dogs are provided at no cost but recipients must be able to afford vet and food bills. The cost to raise and train each dog is approximately \$30,000. Each dog is followed throughout its life and recipients are supported through additional training opportunities to ensure that their dog is providing the support most needed.

CPL dogs have enabled recipients from all over the country to continue their education or employment and lead a much richer life. For example, a recipient, who has a dog to alert her to an oncoming seizure, will now feel much more confident in her ability to attend college or hold down a job. A recipient who has assistance with mobility may now feel free to travel.

Please join us for our October 13th meeting, either in person, weather permitting, or in the recording of the session on ZOOM. Tonya will demonstrate with a CPL dog and you will be amazed to see what it can do!!

Home of the Sparrow “Pick a Coat” Tree



Megan Ervine, (right), Volunteer Coordinator at Home of the Sparrow, our branch’s Gateway to Equity awardee for this year, admires the fall themed “Pick A Coat” Tree that the Community Outreach Committee (from left) Mimi Jones, Peggy Staarman and Eva Kaufmann, created to enable AAUW members at the September meeting to select a woman or child for whom to purchase a winter coat.

When temperatures begin to fall, Home of the Sparrow employees check with their clients to make sure that all of the women and their children have warm winter coats. Those who need new ones are added to a list, which is given to volunteers, who then offer to shop for warm coats. Our branch has offered to provide coats for these children and women. At our September meeting Mimi, Peggy, and I set up a tree on which we had pinned colorful paper leaves with the basic information. Our members selected a leaf and registered. When the Home of the Sparrow folks have completed their list, we will get more specifics: the

ages of the children, their sizes, and favorite colors. People who do not want to shop for coats were invited to contribute cash, and one of our Community Outreach members will do the shopping. (I just saw some beautiful Hilfiger coats for women for \$29.99 at Costco!)

We had more than 20 members volunteer to help at our meeting in September, and are hoping to increase that number to about 40. If you would like to contribute a coat or some cash, let Peggy Staarman know, and she will add you to the list. (peggstaar@verizon.net).

As always, thank you for your generosity!

Eva Kaufmann, Mimi Jones, and Peggy Staarman
Co-chairs of the Community Outreach Committee



Home of the Sparrow Fashion Show!! October 26th!

Looking for a fun night out with your AAUW friends? The Home of the Sparrow has the answer: a dinner and fashion show! Held at the Desmond Hotel in Malvern, this event is the most popular one of the year and draws enthusiastic supporters of this wonderful organization. Mark your calendar for October 26th!

This year our own Sandra Harrelson has volunteered to be among the models of the fashions. Let's support Sandra and the event by signing up to attend! When you register you will

see the main event; there are also opportunities to buy a chance for a Louis Vuitton bag. Our group is listed as the "AAUW Party." There are choices for the sit-down dinner.

It would be great to have a table or two of cheering AAUW members for this fun event. Watch out! Tickets sell out quickly! Get your tickets here: <https://POP.givesmart.com>

Eva Kaufmann, Mimi Jones, Peggy Staarman

Home of the Sparrow: Mission to Partner With Women: September Program

Meghan Irvine, Volunteer Coordinator of Home of the Sparrow, our chapter's Gateway to Equity partner organization for this year, spoke to the chapter at the September 8 meeting at Thornbury Farm. She explained the organization's programs to help women facing homelessness or home insecurity to find secure housing, achieve long-term stability, and chart new paths for their futures. She noted that over 800 women plus children were helped last year.

While some women the programs help are homeless, others are often living paycheck to paycheck or in part-time employment, Meghan noted, and a crisis can put them at risk of eviction. Support also is provided to women who are re-

entering society after prison, through WRAP, Women's Reentry and Reassessment Program. The Shared Housing Program matches someone needing financial help and companionship with someone who is homeless. The homeless person pays a small rent for part of a home. It's been harder to promote this program due to Covid, Meghan noted. Senior Housing is provided to women 55-62 who need housing stability, typically women who are working part time but facing potential eviction or difficulties meeting financial needs. There are two homes: one in West Chester provides communal living, the other in Coatesville provides private apartments. These homes are interim solutions while women are on a wait list for subsidized housing.
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Home of the Sparrow - September Program (continued)

Another way in which Home of the Sparrow provides supporting housing is through subsidies to single women and mothers who can't make their entire rent, or who may be working part-time. And another program provides one-time payments to a landlord to prevent eviction of those who have a lease but who have experienced an unexpected crisis.

Home of the Sparrow believes strongly in the power of education and financial literacy as a tool to gain financial self-sufficiency and long-term housing stability. Program coordinators meet regularly with clients and hold women accountable to developing a sound budget and financial security. The majority of the women who are supported have jobs and pay a small program fee, but they are mentored to work toward better-paying or more permanent employment. Home of the Sparrow does use connections to help them with finding jobs. The Graduate Outreach program supports women who have gotten self-sufficient but benefit from donations for some needs, for example, items not covered by food stamps. Support is a key part of the program. "We provide a long-term safety net, access to crucial resources and trauma-informed support."

Meghan outlined a variety of ways in which the community can support the efforts of Home of the Sparrow. Our AAUW chapter will participate in some of them, including the Coat Drive and the Fashion Show on October 26 (see related articles). A spring gala and the McKee Golf Classic are also major fundraisers.



Meghan Irvine, Volunteer Coordinator, Home of the Sparrow

Many other volunteer activities are open, including "adopting" a family with children going back to school or for holiday gift giving, work days by companies and groups, providing cooked meals to residents, and more. There is a link on the Home of the Sparrow's website to make contact if interested.

Fall Pecan Fundraiser

-- Fundraising Chairs:

Anne Anderko, Marie Knox

Our pecan fundraiser is in full swing and we ask that you take a moment and order your pecans to help us reach our financial goals for the 2021-22 year. Deadline for orders is **October 15** so if you haven't done so already, please mail your order in as soon as possible. You can choose from a variety of sweetened pecans in gift giving packaging along with plain pecans for baking ranging in price from \$9.25 to \$13.50. For our new members, this is a fundraiser we have been doing for many years since it offers you an excellent product at a reasonable price. We urge you to share this information with your family and friends to make this the most successful pecan sale ever. If you have any questions or need the order form, see it at the end of this newsletter or please contact me at ananderko@msn.com. Since it looks like our November monthly meeting will be held



on Zoom, we will send out specifics early in November on the arrangements to pick up your pecans in mid-November.

Membership News

--Trish Alfano & Kim Glavin

We currently have 83 members, and we even added some new members during COVID! We hope that each of you will talk to your friends about our branch. Bring someone to a meeting and let them experience one of our interesting speakers and meet our group of women. Invite a friend to attend one of our many special interest groups which is a more intimate way to get to know us.

Second PMP October 27

We will be having our second Prospective Member Party (PMP) on Wednesday morning, October 27th from 10-11:30am. Please join us for a continental breakfast at the home of Kim Glavin, 306 Spindle Lane, West Chester. We will introduce your guest to new members who have recently joined and other members in attendance. It is a great way to get to know each other in a relaxed setting just right for building new friendships!

To save a spot for yourself and your prospective members, email Kim Glavin at kimglavin@comcast.net or call or text at 484 354-9681.

Trish Alfano & Kim Glavin
Co-VP Membership

Hostessing Schedule

Although plans for holding our Branch meetings in person are evolving due to the Delta variant Covid surge, if in-person meetings take place, there is responsibility for set up, snacks, and clean-up. As we have done prior to COVID, we are asking each of the Special Interest Groups to take a turn to assist our Hospitality Chair, Jean Shervais, with this important task. The schedule below lists each SIG and the meeting for which it is responsible. It is only with your help and participation that we will be able to return to the socializing and enjoyment of our in-person program. Thank you, in advance, for your help in getting the room ready and providing us with yummy goodies.

BRANCH MEETING DATES - Refreshments provided by

13-Oct - Lit Two	12-Feb - Brunch
10-Nov - Lit Three	9-Mar - Zoom
Holiday Party	13-Apr - Mah Jongg
12-Jan - Zoom	11-May - Women's Bridge - banquet setup and cleanup

MEMBER NEWS AND NOTES

In Memoriam: Betty Bradford

-- Janet Kane

It is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of Betty Bradford, who died at home on September 12 after battling a lengthy illness. Betty was a long-time member of our branch and will best be remembered for her kindness, generosity and fun-loving personality. An avid gardener, she was always so proud of her plantings; and, as a bridge player, she was always a supportive partner. Betty is survived by her children, Jane and Jim. May she rest in peace with her beloved husband, Wally and her son, John, who both pre-deceased her this year.

Betty was a 50-year member of AAUW and was past chairperson of our FIG, organized our (CONTINUED on next page)



Betty Bradford and her husband Wally

Betty Bradford (Continued)

Christmas Progressive Dinners and always volunteered as host when asked. She loved sharing her shade gardens and her many hosta varieties. Anyone Betty talked to then became her friend.

Betty was also a devoted and well-loved member of the Uwchlan Women's Garden Club. The memorial service for Betty Bradford was held on Saturday, September 18th at 1:00 at the Uwchlan Meeting House in Lionville and also through Zoom. Members contributed flowers to display in Betty's collection of teapots, and members of her family spoke.

The Obituary is on the James Terry Funeral Home website. In lieu of flowers please make a memorial contribution to the Uwchlan Conservation Trust, Box 212, Lionville, PA 19353 in Betty's name. Betty will be missed...she loved bringing her Irish knickknacks and Easter bunnies to decorate for our theme meetings. Her hosta garden was amazing. Before her passing she had wanted to have a pop up-garden...

EDITOR'S NOTE: Numerous members sent additional memorial information and shared memories. Following are some comments extracted from the longer piece written by Elaine Burgess.

"We became close to Betty and Wally in previous summers when we all participated together in Chester County Town and Village walks . . . But for Betty the highlight was undoubtedly the opportunity to invite us back to their home and serve us something she had prepared. She viewed entertaining as fun and was eager for more . . . I remember Betty most for her hospitality. She thrived on entertaining and was eager to open her home to our AAUW and other groups and to individuals. When she talked about AAUW she talked about the fun everyone had together . . . Even Betty's volunteer activities involved food and hospitality. For years she and Wally delivered Meals on Wheels.

In 1976 our AAUW branch published a "Celebration Cook Book" as a special bicentennial project. Betty contributed at least twelve recipes ranging from appetizers to punch to pancakes to cookies to casseroles and salads. The recipes are truly delicious sounding and interesting, but most revealing are the comments Betty included about them . . . Betty looked at every recipe and every meal she prepared as something she could share with others. What a delicious and fitting outlook on life to have! Thanks, Betty, for the recipes, the memories, and the friendship."

Thank you AAUW

-- Cathy Palmquist

Islamic Society of Chester County (ISCC) President and AAUW friend Bushra Qureshi sent an email thanking AAUW members for contributing items to the recent Afghan Refugee Supply Drive. "We are most grateful for the generous outpouring of support and supplies from AAUW members and the community," she wrote.

AAUW IN THE NEWS!

-- Cathy Palmquist

One of our AAUW members, Toni Gorkin, was included in an article in the September 8th edition of the *Daily Local News* (Local News, page 3, above the fold!) for her work as a Master Naturalist, and her work on a special project. The article, written by Kathy Cook, League of Women Voters of PA Environmental Chair (who did not receive recognition as author of the interesting article), gave considerable space to telling of Toni's work with the Uwchlan Township Advisory Council, and her leadership in the pollinator project to grow milkweed from seed. Toni explains several ways that milkweed seed can be germinated, to benefit bees and in particular, Monarch butterflies. Congratulations on finally being recognized for the work you do, Toni, and thanks so much for sharing this important information with the community!

AAUW Mission Statement:
To advance gender equity for women and girls through research,
education, and advocacy.
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Newsletter

The newsletter is published by the first of each month. The **deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month** to ensure the issue can be distributed on the first of the next month. Please send emails to tgorkin@gmail.com -- **note use this email address**. Thank you to everyone who contributes to these issues; it can't be done without you! – *Toni Gorkin*

Facebook Page

Don't forget to check our Facebook Page. It's **AAUW Chester County PA**. Thank you to Alice Lenthe for running it.

Website

Check it out at wccc-pa.aauw.net. Also, a reminder: The website and Facebook page are most effective if they have up-to-date information. It is our public face. If you are sending Toni Gorkin pictures for the newsletter, make sure to copy them to Sandy Alexander at frau.salexander@gmail.com and Alice Lenthe at alicelenthe@gmail.com. Sometimes a picture is worth a thousand words!

Board Meeting

The monthly AAUW board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 6 at 7:00 via ZOOM. The Strategic Plan will be reviewed.

Women's March Set for October 2

Several members have expressed interest in attending a march in our area. There will be one at the Historic Chester County Courthouse Steps on High Street in West Chester at 11:00 a.m. Others are set for noon in Philadelphia and in King of Prussia and Media.



Special Interest Groups

Note: emerging concerns with the Delta variant of the Covid-19 Coronavirus is impacting plans for some interest groups to meet in person. See specific notes below and be sure to stay in contact with your group leader and watch emails for last minute changes.



Women's Social Bridge

The Bridge group is now playing on the 3rd Friday of the month. We will be meeting in person or playing on BridgeBase Online. Decisions will be made on a month-to-month basis based on group preferences. We start at 10:00 a.m. Anyone interested in joining us should contact Sandy Alexander contact Sandy Alexander at frau.salexander@gmail.com.



Couples Bridge

A chair is needed. Please contact one of the presidents if interested.

Mah Jongg

Mah Jongg is meeting online on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM and on the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 PM Contact is Kim Glavin at kimglavin@comcast.net

FIG (Food Interest Group)

Food Interest Group (FIG) explores new foods through thematically planned potlucks or at a local restaurant. Partners and singles welcome Will resume monthly as COVID situation permits. Contact: Donna Eaves, FIG chair, at 610-692-5277 or deaves@live.com.

Book Groups:

AAUW branches are known for their book groups, and membership in a group often encourages continuing membership. The West Chester-Chester County Branch currently has three book discussion groups meeting in the day and one in the evening at different times of the month.

LIT I: Daytime Literature Group

Fiction & Nonfiction Lit I Book Group meets at 1:00 pm on the third Monday of the month **via Zoom**.

The list of books is published on the Branch web page. On October 18 the group will discuss ***The Four Winds*** by Kristen Hannah, discussion led by Elaine Burgess.

Contact: Patricia Schultz,
pls@patriciaschultz.com, 610-436-9752

LIT II: Evening Literature Fiction & Nonfiction Book Group

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The August in-person meeting was cancelled. The list of books is published on the Branch web page. As of publication the October 20 meeting will **by Zoom** and Mimi Jones will lead discussion of the book ***The Unseen World***, by Liz Moore.

Contact: Carol Zabriskie,
nowaycjb@gmail.com.

LIT III: Daytime Fiction & Nonfiction Book Group

This group meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM. The list of books is published on the Branch web page.

As of publication, the group will meet on October 5th at 1:00 PM **by Zoom**. Dot von Gerbig is leading us in a discussion of ***For Whom the Bell Tolls*** by Ernest Hemmingway.

Contact: carolahaaf@verizon.net.

TIG (Travel Interest Group)

Travel Interest Group (TIG) explores interesting regional sites and events via day trips. Monthly trips TBA as plans are made, possibly resuming in October, depending on Covid conditions.

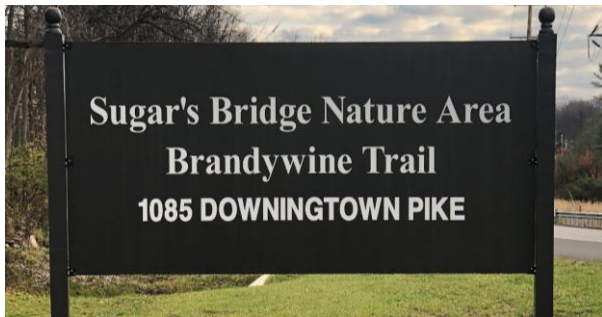
Contacts are: Sandy Alexander (frau.salexander@gmail.com), Mary Marco (Mary.m.marco@gmail.com), or Jane McDowell (jlmcdowell@gmail.com).

Check it out! A Tip from TIG

Did you know that you can reserve passes to many local attractions through the Chester County Library Center in Exton or the Henrietta Hankin Branch in Chester Springs? Your library card must be fine free and passes must be picked up and returned to the library. Places include the Academy of Natural Sciences, Battleship New Jersey, Chanticleer: A Pleasure Garden, Chester County Historical Society, Elmwood Park Zoo, Seaport Museum, Grounds for Sculpture (CCL), National Constitution Center, Penn Museum, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. See the library website for more information: <http://www.libraryinsight.net/mpbymuseum.asp?jx=b2>

Walkers Group

The Walkers Group meets on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. sharp at the address below. Contact: Phyllis Dunn at dunn.phyllis@gmail.com



Stitchers Group

The Stitchers Group will meet **via Zoom** every other Thursday at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom.

October dates: 7 and 21.

Look for the link on the Monday before the meeting.

Patricia Schultz

610-322-0514

pls@patriciaschultz.com

Great Decisions

The group meets at the West Chester Diner from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on selected (2nd or 4th) Mondays; contact: Beatriz Wee at beatrizti12@gmail.com.

"Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves (1) reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book (sold annually by the Foreign Policy Association), and (2) meeting to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today."

Our group is still discussing the 2020 book topics and will skip TO the 2022 book when it is published. For illustration purpose, the 2021 book topics are:

- Global Supply Chains and National Security
- Persian Gulf Security Issues
- Brexit and the European Union
- Struggles Over the Melting Arctic
- China's Role in Africa
- The Korean Peninsula
- Roles of International Organizations in a Global Pandemic
- The End of Globalization?



Glazed Pecans –
\$9.25 per 8 oz. bag



Cinnamon Glazed Pecans -
\$10.00 per 10 oz. bag



Pecan Caramel Clusters -
\$9.25 per 8 oz. bag

PECAN 2021 FUNDRAISER

ORDERS DUE OCT. 15



Chocolate Covered Pecans -
\$10.00 per 12 oz. bag



Extra Large Pecan Halves -
\$13.50 per 16 oz. bag

FALL FUNDRAISER PECAN SALE

ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 15, 2021

Due to limited quantities of certain items, orders will be filled in the order received.

NAME
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DESCRIPTION	ITEM #	QUANTITY	COST Per bag	TOTAL COST
16 oz. Extra Large Pecan Halves	102		\$13.50	
10 oz. Cinnamon Glazed Pecan [gift bagged]	212		\$10.00	
8 oz. Pecan Caramel Clusters [gift bagged]	205		\$9.25	
12 oz. Chocolate Covered Pecans [gift bagged]	203		\$10.00	
8 oz. Glazed Pecans [gift bagged]	223		\$9.25	
TOTALS:				

- **Please make your check payable to: AAUW West Chester-Chester County and mail to: Anne Anderko, 908 Pine Valley Circle, West Chester, PA 19382**
- There is no tax.
- If you have any questions, please e-mail Anne Anderko, ananderko@msn.com.
- Orders will be distributed at the November meeting, Nov. 10, 2021. If you cannot make the meeting, other arrangements will be made.



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October 2021 Newsletter

Canine Partners for Life

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AAUW Mission Statement

The AAUW advances equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

AAUW Vision Statement

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

AAUW West Chester – Chester County Branch Vision Statement

The West Chester-Chester County Branch will

- Actively recruit members who support Association goals.
- Nurture these members through active Interest Groups, through monthly meetings with intellectual and social merit, and through member support.
- Sponsor at least one project per year with volunteers and with funds to promote Association and branch goals.
 - Sponsor at least one local scholarship per year for a nontraditional student
- Support programs for training and self-development of branch members to promote Association goals.
- Raise funds through community projects and member gifts to support Association goals.

Since its first meeting in 1881, AAUW has been a catalyst for change. Today, with more than 100,000 members, 1,000 branches, and 500 college and university partners, AAUW contributes to a more promising future and provides a powerful voice for women and girls—a voice that cannot and will not be ignored.

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