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AAUW West Chester-Chester County Branch Meeting: September 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Location: Thornbury Farm, 1256 Thornbury Road,

West Chester, PA

Speaker: Meghan Ervine, Volunteer Coordinator

Home of the Sparrow



Meghan will be speaking to us regarding ways in which our branch can support the organization.

Pictured: Eva Kaufmann and Peggy Staarman visited this summer.

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Letter from the President

"[T]hat old September feeling, left over from school days, of summer passing, vacation nearly done, obligations gathering, books and football in the air ... Another fall, another turned page: there was something of jubilee in that annual autumnal beginning, as if last year's mistakes had been wiped clean by summer." — Wallace Stegner, Angle of Repose

Having been an educator for my entire career, the above quote describes how I, and so many of you, approach September. It is a New Year and with it come all the resolutions, dreams, and expectations that many others associate with January 1st. Indeed, our Branch of AAUW has much to anticipate this year, but, unfortunately, COVID has not been "wiped clean" by summer. We must protect our membership's health while at the same time remaining flexible enough to modify our degree of contact depending on the virus behavior. Based on a survey I sent out a few weeks ago, it seems that many members are pulling back again on the amount of in-person contact with others for Branch Meetings and SIGs. It seems that to make our members comfortable we need to hold back a bit by meeting via Zoom and/or wearing masks.

Thanks to Suzy DeGeorge, I do have good news about our first Branch Meeting on September 8th. Suzy has arranged for us to meet at Thornbury Farm where we had our wonderful afternoon tea last spring. Due to the early sunset and at member request, we are adjusting the time of the meeting to 4:00PM. We will allow a little extra time for meeting and greeting after the summer break. Our speaker will be Meghan Ervine, Volunteer Coordinator, Home of the Sparrow. As you may remember, Home of the Sparrow is our Gateway to Equity awardee, and Meghan will be sharing ideas about how our Branch can best support her organization. In order to kick off our work with Home of the Sparrow, it is very important that we have a good turnout for this meeting.

Our Program Committee of Jean Speiser and Beryl Goldman have planned a fantastic variety of programs ranging from the role of service dogs in supporting women's educational and employment goals to Afghan women's success in starting small businesses. The full schedule of programs will be listed in the Handbook and posted on the web page. We will continue to monitor the delta variant and let you know whether we will be via Zoom or in person at Grove Methodist.

Speaking of the Handbook, a big thank you to Trish Alfano, our steadfast editor, and Anne Anderko who assisted her. The Handbooks will be available at the September 8th meeting so please be sure to pick yours up.

There are many articles of interest in this Newsletter and I hope it will inspire you to engage and re-engage with our Branch now that we are moving along in a slow return to normalcy. Please also know that, for your safety, the Board will be monitoring any changes in the COVID pandemic. We will make whatever adjustments seem necessary as trends dictate. Please reach out to Janet or Deb if you have any concerns at any time related to safety and health.

It is great to be back! This September is the start of a fantastic and rewarding year with our AAUW friends! Please tell your friends about us and encourage them to join us.

Best wishes for a happy New Year, Janet

New Officers Elected and Installed at the Annual Banquet

Kim Glavin*

Deborah Liczwek*

The officers for 2021/2022 are as follows:

Co-Presidents: Janet Kane

Bervl Goldman* Jean Speiser Program Co-VPs: Membership Co-VPs: Trish Alfano*

Corresponding Secretary: Patricia Schultz* Recording Secretary: in process Treasurer:

Suzy DeGeorge

The first Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, September 1, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Donna Eaves.

*newly elected

Gateway to Equity Award: Home of the Sparrow

- -- Mimi Jones, Peggy Staarman, Eva Kaufmann Your Community Outreach Committee Co-Chairs Imagine that you are a woman alone with children and find yourself being evicted from your home. What could you do? Where could you turn for help? The Home of the Sparrow can answer many of your needs including
 - Some money to help pay the rent for a while.
- Someone to sit down and help apply for food stamps, unemployment assistance, and childcare services.
- Free or inexpensive items such as cleaning products and feminine supplies that are not available under food stamp regulations.
- Counseling in financial literacy to evaluate spending habits and develop budgets.
- Furniture and household supplies for those who are setting up housekeeping, including women who have recently been released from prison.
- An occasional meal with others who are experiencing similar challenges.

That is a partial list of the things that Home of the Sparrow offers to women and children in our area. The CEO, Michelle Venema, treats each of her clients with respect, and addresses them as individuals with unique needs. Once enrolled in her program, the clients can count on 18 months of multi-faceted support, and even more through the pandemic times. If they fall on hard times later on, they know they can come back and receive additional support.

Our Community Outreach Committee is proud to support such a well-organized and effective organization! We have met with Michelle to learn about all of the programs that the organization runs for fund-raising, collection of household items, and distribution of the products to clients. This year our challenge will be to support this organization in every way we can.

Check out our September/October project and the October Fashion Show in this newsletter to find out how you can help!

Home of the Sparrow Our September/October project

Warm winter coats are often not in the budget for moms in jeopardy of losing their homes. In September and October the Home collects coats and jackets for children and their moms. According to Kathleen Sanger, Director of Development, if not for these contributions, the kids would have to do without winter coats.

At our September meeting we will offer information on the children most in need (boy/girl, size, etc.) We're asking our members to pick up a card with the information for one child or mom, and pledge to bring a new coat to the October meeting. We will then collect them and deliver them to the Home of the Sparrow. You could partner with a friend if you wish. If you don't want to be responsible for a coat, you could just chip in for one, and we will do the shopping with the contributions we collect.

Let's get behind this project to let the folks at the Home know that we're there for them this year!

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

Have you ever envisioned yourself as a model strutting down a runway? (Neither have I!) But in this show, the models don't need to be young, skinny, or gorgeous. They just need to want to have fun! Michelle Venema would love to have a volunteer or two from our branch to model the clothes. If we could get a group together in the audience, we could all cheer for our friends on the runway!

The annual Fashion Show is one of the most popular fundraisers for the Home. This year it will be held at the Desmond Hotel near Exton on October 26 at 7:00 p.m. The event includes dinner and drinks along with the show for \$75. Jane Brown of QVC will host the event.

Since this show often sells out early, it is wise to request tickets well in advance. We will send out the link to purchase tickets as soon as it becomes available.

Eva Kaufmann, Mimi Jones, Peggy Staarman



Fall Pecan Fundraiser

-- Fundraising Chairs: Anne Anderko, Marie Knox

Due to our continued success with the Pecan Fundraiser, we will launch our fiscal year with this proven fundraiser. As in the past, we will offer a variety of sweetened pecans in gift giving packaging along with plain pecans for baking. Prices will range from \$9.25 to \$13.50. At the end of the newsletter you will find all the specifics along with an order form. By participating in this fundraiser, you help raise the funds to continue our mission advancing equity for women and girls. We ask that you forward this information to your family and friends to help make this the most successful pecan fundraiser to date. We thank you for your continued support. Any questions, please contact Anne Anderko, ananderko@msn.com.

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.

We will continue our PMP's, so watch the newsletter for details. Feel free to contact either of us with any questions or potential member names and emails so that we can send them a registration form. Kim Glavin 484 354-9681 kimglavin@comcast.net or Trish Alfano 610 431-4545 BA1004@comcast.net

First Prospective Member Party (PMP) September 16th, 2:00-3:30 pm

Save the date for the first Prospective Member Party - Thursday, September 16th, 2:00-3:30 pm at Thornbury Farms, 1256 Thornbury Rd, West Chester, PA 19382. Please join us for afternoon tea, coffee, and sweet treats!

If you prefer a morning event, we will be having our second PMP on Wednesday morning, October 27th from 10:00-11:30am. 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.

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

8-Sept - Lit One 12-Feb - Brunch 13-Oct - Lit Two 9-Mar - Zoom 10-Nov - Lit Three Holiday Party 11-May - Women's Bridge - banquet setup and cleanup

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION (DEI)

-- Janet Kane

In light of the tragic murder of George Floyd, many organizations are engaging in deep reflection regarding their philosophies and practices as related to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). These critical concepts have been defined by University of Michigan Diversity Chief, Robert Sellers, as follows:

Diversity: A commitment to increasing diversity, which is expressed in myriad forms, including race and ethnicity, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, language, culture, national origin, religious commitments, age, (dis)ability status and political perspective.

Equity: A commitment to working actively to challenge and respond to bias, harassment, and discrimination. Enactment of policies of equal opportunity for all persons that do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status.

Inclusion: A commitment to pursuing deliberate efforts to ensure that our organization is a place where differences are welcomed, different perspectives are respectfully heard and where every individual feels a sense of belonging and inclusion.

MIDIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

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AAUW is no stranger to these concepts; we have been ensuring equity and inclusion for women since our inception. Now, however, it may be time to re-engage with the ideas of DEI on an even more intentional level. Please note the information posted by Jordan Glover, Diversity and Inclusion Chair, AAUW PA and take advantage of the resources she is providing.

AAUW PA DE&I Website Page



The AAUW-PA Website will have a new page shortly located here: https://aauw-pa.aauw.net/dei-b/ where you

will be able to access event recordings, registration for upcoming D&I events I'm offering at the state level, and other resources. The page should be live soon, and if you have any edits for me or additions you'd like to make, please let me know.

Upcoming DE&I AAUW PA Events

Some of you have been able to attend the events myself and members of my DE&I Toolkit Implementation Committee have been offering. We are currently working on planning two final events as we lead into fall:

Thursday, August 5th - 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - How to Host a Productive Book Club Conversation (register here)

Early September - Open Q&A for branches interested in implementing the DE&I Chair or committee position

Fall & Spring DE&I Events

It has been requested that I continue offering DE&I related programming through the fall and spring this year for branches to help supplement their programming calendar and learn more about these topics. I have a few ideas, but as always am open to more ideas from all of you.

West Chester Food Cupboard Report

-- Jean Shervais



Although the West Chester Food Cupboard is still open, there are currently so many volunteers that they

have no need of our volunteer services. However, there is always a need for monetary contributions as the Food Cupboard continues to serve those who are food-challenged both within our school district and beyond. Any AAUW member who would like to make a monetary donation may do so by sending a check to Jean Shervais at 223 Wencin Way, West Chester, PA 19382. Please make the check out to West Chester Food Cupboard and place AAUW in the memo line. We will keep you posted of any changes that might occur with volunteering as we move further into the fall.

The Laundromat Library League

-- Peggy Staarman

The Covid pandemic has been challenging for everyone including the Laundromat Library League (the LLL). Despite these challenges, however, the LLL is thriving. Since 2014, over 300 laundromat sites in over 30 states have been established. The LLL keeps adding new sites all over the country. Some are pending or operating on a limited basis at present, but most remain active.



Although most sites are in Pennsylvania and nearby states, the LLL keeps adding new sites all over the country. Newly participating and pending sites encompass many cities such as Santa Clara and San Jose in California, South Plainfield and Spring Lake in New Jersey, and West Chester and Painesville in Ohio.

There are over 700 volunteers in various capacities. Some are people who have donated books or funds and others, such as AAUW members Elaine Burgess and Barbara Lathroum, regularly steward laundromat sites.

Most of the approximately 150,000 books distributed by the LLL are "gently used" and come from individuals, libraries, schools, private companies, churches, and our own AAUW branch. Over 4,000 books have been purchased new at discount prices to meet the demand for books in Spanish and those that feature minority characters. The need for books remains constant because the LLL expressly wishes its books to stay with the children. The LLL does not expect books to be returned.

The LLL website

(www.laundromatlibraryleague.org) gives information about the history of the LLL, ways to donate, the locations of our laundromats, ways to help, and directions on how to start an LLL site, how to steward, how to make LLL boxes, signs, and book labels. You can follow the LLL on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram. Our branch member Arlene Rengert is a co-founder of the LLL and branch members Donna Pyne and Peggy Staarman serve on the board of directors.

Arlene encouraged LLL board members to participate in an on-line event sponsored by End Book Deserts (www.endbookdeserts.com) founded by Dr. Molly Ness who believes book access is the fundamental component in developing lifelong readers. (On her Reach Out and Read podcast, Dr. Ness interviewed Arlene about the LLL several years ago.) The 2021 End Book Deserts conference, held on August 8th and (continued on next page)

Laundromat Library League (continued)

9th, featured a variety of literary advocates, nonprofits, book banks, researchers, and others interested in literacy. I found the research of Dr. Susan Neuman fascinating. Dr. Neuman served as the Assistant Secretary of Education of Elementary and Secondary for the U.S. Department of Education and is an educator, researcher, and education policy developer for early childhood literacy. A national study found that a low poverty community in Washington, D.C., Capitol Hill, had 2 children per book while Anacostia, a high poverty area, had 830 children per book. Consequences of book deserts include limited expectations about the availability of books (if you don't have them, you don't expect them) and limited exposure to books in the day-today routine. Reading is seen as more of a chore and video a pleasure. She advocates transforming the physical environment by putting books outside the library setting and making books more of a presence in barbershops, doctors' offices, and, YES, laundromats! Her research has also been used by Soar with Reading that partnered with JetBlue and others to create free book vending machines in book desert communities.

Mike McGuffee, who founded Unite for Literacy, mapped book deserts. He concluded from research that the number of books in the home determine book deserts. Those who have 100 books or more and a daily habit of reading achieve success in educational pursuits. 70% of children in metro areas have less than 100 books in their homes and no daily habit of reading.

Organizations concerned about children's literacy included First Book, Blue Manatee, Bernie's Book Banks, BookSmiles, Brooklyn Book Bodega, LitWorld, and many others. I think all would agree with Rebecca Cohen from Brooklyn Book Bodega who believes that "...books act as windows and as mirrors. Kids should see themselves reflected in the characters they encounter and should discover unknown worlds and new ideas."

This event solidified for me the importance of the LLL mission to make books available to those children who have few or no books at home. This

kind of collaboration strengthens the outreach of all who see that providing free books "builds community and creates a passion for learning." (Rebecca Cohen)

AAUW IN THE NEWS!

-- Cathy Palmquist

In 2020 (despite the pandemic), and so far in 2021, we've had extensive coverage of our AAUW activities/events in news media (local newspapers **and** magazines).

In August 2020: in the *Daily Local News*, *Local News* page, "Suffragette books donated to libraries," our joint project with the League of Women Voters of Chester County, and our participation in leading book discussion at most of the libraries (info about the book discussions was circulated by individual libraries).

June 2021: photos/article featured in *Chester County Town Lively* (formerly the weekly *Community Courier* newspaper which was closed down during the pandemic but now resurrected as a monthly magazine): "AAWU Awards Scholarships", **and** an interview with Michele Venema, CEO of Gateway to Equity winner for 2021-2022, which was originally scheduled for 2020.

July 2021: West Chester Lifestyle magazine, pages 24-25, "AAUW awards scholarships," (photos/article), and photo of last year's officers and board members. Also in the magazine, page 10, Gateway to Equity article was lead article in the Around Town section. If you do not receive these publications, they can be viewed online.

In addition, at the request of Deb Liczwek, Scholarship Co-chair, the articles/photos of scholarship winners, were sent to professors who wrote recommendations to be included in their college/university publications/websites to further bring awareness of the scholarships available. Information was also sent to the employer of one of the winners. All photos/articles also shared with AAUW newsletter editor, AAUW website and Facebook chairs. NOTE: info was sent to the AAUW State newsletter editor, who responded that every branch does scholarships so that would (continued on next page)

AAUW in the News (continued)

be too many to run! However, she will run info on our Gateway to Equity initiative in a special, upcoming state publication.

Earlier in 2020, we had articles on Mykia Bridgett winning a scholarship, supporting Decades to Doorways (CYWA), new leaders and honorees, WCU Resource Pantry support, etc. to name a

few. **All** the newspaper articles were featured on page 3, *Local News*, all in color, and most above the fold.

EDITOR'S NOTE: It is thanks to the very diligent and energetic efforts of Cathy Palmquist that our Chapter has received so much media coverage for its programs!

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 10**th **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 wcc-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!

Zoom Reminder – Need a Meeting?

Zoom coordinator Sandy Alexander is busy hosting many meetings for our branch. In addition to the monthly branch meetings, the Board, Lit I, II and III, the Stitchers, L.A.P.P. and Tutors are all meeting on Zoom. If your committee or SIG needs to meet on Zoom, please involve Sandy when selecting a day and time. One week notice is appreciated; emergency situations will be accommodated if possible.

MEMBER NEWS AND NOTES



Festive Farewell to Barb Lathroum

Chapter members joined at lunch to bid a festive farewell to Barb Lathroum. Barb has relocated to New Hampshire where her twin daughters and their families reside.

Stopping for a Visit



Sue Johnston and her husband Earl were in the county this summer for a family gathering and took time to stop for a visit with Betty Bradford, Marge Pond, and Cathy and Dick Palmquist. Five years ago they moved to State College, where Sue is now a member of that AAUW branch and is AAUW/PA Central District Coordinator for nine branches. She was president of the West Chester-Chester County Branch, 2013-14 and 2015-16.



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 in person on the 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM and is played online 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 September 20 the group will discuss *The Lost City of the Monkey God* by Douglas Preston, discussion led by Dot von Gerbig.

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 September 15 meeting will by **Zoom** and Peggy Staarman will lead discussion of the book *The Only Woman in the Room*.

Contact: Carol Zabriskie, nowaycjz@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 September 7th at 1:00 PM by Zoom. Jean Shervais is leading us in a discussion of *Unsheltered* by Barbara Kingsolver.

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).

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., **starting September 9.**

Contact Patricia to be added to the mailing list. 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; the next meeting will be on September 20. 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.

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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: <u>AAUW West Chester-Chester County</u> and mail to: <u>Anne Anderko, 908 Pine Valley Circle, West Chester, PA 19382</u>
- 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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AAUW Mission Statement

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

AAUW Vision Statement

and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy,

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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