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# From the President

Our Yearbook, published annually, serves as a historic record of the work of the AAUW Pennsylvania affiliate. In even years, when we hold a state convention, the Yearbook is also the convention program. In odd years, we create a digital version to focus on the achievements of members, branches, and community organizations.

This fiscal year will be remembered as the one during the COVID pandemic. Most branches tackled the obstacles of pandemic mitigation rules and figured out clever ways to keep members engaged and continue the work of AAUW in their communities. As we look back, there are aspects we won't miss. Yet, we also stumbled into modifications that worked so well, we are adopting them into our routines going forward. AAUW Pennsylvania learned that using Zoom for the branch President call was more fun than a teleconference and members will attend guest speaker webinars to explore issues. This was the year of Zoom—and resilience.

While wrestling with the pandemic, eleven Pennsylvania branches participated in the AAUW Five-Star Recognition program. Every star earned is recognition of your branch's commitment to the work of AAUW. When we are focused on the mission, we make progress. Special congratulations to the six branches that earned Five Star status. The work of all Pennsylvania branches led to AAUW Pennsylvania earning three stars! See page 4 for the complete list.

It is not often that AAUW Pennsylvania bestows the Special Honoree award. This year we are very pleased to name Linda Tozier as an AAUW Pennsylvania Special Honoree. The surprise presentation took place at the annual meeting. Read the tribute on page 7. As she concludes her last elected position on the Board, we thought it only fitting to honor her work with this Special Honoree Award. It is hard to express our appreciation to Linda for her many, many years of service on the AAUW Pennsylvania Board. Her historical knowledge provided context to our discussions. Her passion for AAUW reminded us to remain committed. Her humor and sense of joy brightened the room.

Ann Pehle President AAUW Pennsylvania

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The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since our founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day —educational, social, economic, and political.



Mission

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To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.



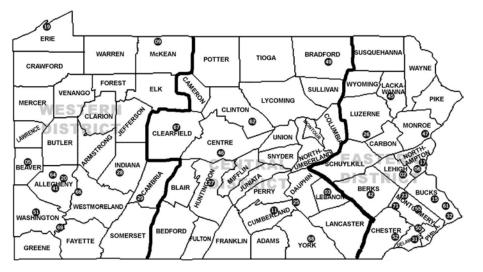
### Values

Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Principled. Inclusive and Intersectional.

### Vision

Equity for all.

### **PENNSYLVANIA BRANCHES**



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# Significant Branch Anniversaries July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

State College	April 22, 1916	105 years
Harrisburg	1921	100 years
Bradford	April 16, 1921	100 years
Washington	December 14, 1925	95 years
Pocono Area	April 2, 1926	95 years
Easton	June 22, 1926	95 years
Indiana County	May 5, 1936	85 years
NEMCO	November 13, 1945	75 years
North Hills Pittsburgh	November 19, 1970	50 years

# AAUW-PA BOARD MEMBERS

1	FY 2021
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# THE AAUW 5 PROGRAM



The Five-Star Recognition Program celebrates the efforts of AAUW states, branches and other affiliated AAUW organizations as they continue to advance gender equity on the community, state, and national levels.

Affiliates can earn national recognition through five major focus areas:

### **Advancement**

by supporting the Greatest Needs Fund or one of the strategic plan's focus areas;

### **Communications & External Relations**

by using web and social media that feature Work Smart Online;

### **Programs**

that align with the strategic plan;

### **Public Policy & Research**

by moving AAUW's Public Policy agenda forward; and

### **Governance & Sustainability**

by ensuring effective leadership succession and strategic plan alignment.

# Congratulations to the 11 Pennsylvania branches that achieved the criteria to be awarded stars! We CELEBRATE every star earned!

5 Stars	Bethlehem Carlisle Easton Lansdale North Hills Pittsburgh State College	Advancement, Communications & External Relations, Programs, Public Policy & Research, Governance & Sustainability
4 Stars	Indiana County	Program; Advancement; Communications & External Relations; Public Policy & Research
3 Stars	West Chester-Chester County	Advancement; Communications & External Relations; Governance & Sustainability
2 Stars	Fox Chapel Area	Communications & External Relations, Public Policy & Research
1 Star	Harrisburg	Communications & External Relations
	Pittsburgh	Advancement

# AAUW Pennsylvania is a FOUR STAR STATE!

AAUW Pennsylvania is one of only 5 states earning four or more stars as a state!



# AAUW Membership Changes By Branch

Branch	2018	2019	2020	2021	3 yr	1 yr	New Members
Allentown	78	71	66	63	-19.23	-4.55	1
Beaver Valley	96	98	99	88	-8.33	-11.11	4
Bethlehem	101	101	98	94	-6.93	-4.08	3
Bradford	38	33	33	32	-15.79	-3.03	1
California	23	24	2	2	-91.30	0.00	-
Carlisle	82	88	104	95	15.85	-8.65	5
Clearfield Area	18	17	17	14	-22.22	-17.65	-
Doylestown	114	101	103	97	-14.91	-5.83	4
Eastern Delaware County	29	26	25	19	-34.48	-24.00	-
Easton	67	65	64	60	-10.45	-6.25	3
Erie	106	99	97	81	-23.58	-16.49	-
Fox Chapel Area	78	64	64	58	-25.64	-9.38	1
Gettysburg	1	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0
Harrisburg	108	103	105	99	-8.33	-5.71	6
Hazelton	16	15	15	13	-18.75	-13.33	-
Huntingdon	24	23	17	9	-62.50	-47.06	-
Indiana County	37	37	46	41	10.81	-10.87	3
Johnstown	78	81	79	78	0.00	-1.27	3
Lansdale	118	111	120	104	-11.86	-13.33	1
Lebanon Valley	16	18	14	11	-31.25	-21.43	-
Lock Haven	30	32	31	25	-16.67	-19.35	-
Lower Bucks	23	21	21	19	-17.39	-9.52	1
Makefield Area	47	47	43	41	-12.77	-4.65	2
Murrysville Area	48	41	43	40	-16.67	-6.98	-
North Hills Pittsburgh	70	78	78	79	12.86	1.28	6
Northeastern Montgomery Co	36	33	34	29	-19.44	-14.71	-
Pittsburgh	14	8	6	4	-71.43	-33.33	-
Pocono Area	9	9	8	1	-88.89	-87.50	-
Pottstown Area	9	8	3	3	-66.67	0.00	-
Reading	73	68	66	62	-15.07	-6.06	2
Scranton	11	2	2	2	-81.82	0.00	-
State College	161	149	147	126	-21.74	-14.29	9
Towanda	13	11	4	3	-76.92	-25.00	-
Valley Forge	59	53	51	50	-15.25	-1.96	2
Washington	19	23	22	13	-31.58	-40.21	1
West Chester-Chester County	67	80	87	91	35.82	4.60	9
York	100	96	89	78	-22.00	-12.36	-
Actual Total	2,017	1,934	1,903	1,724	-14.53	-9.41	67

# AAUW Funds Awards Fiscal Year 2020

# Total Pennsylvania Contributions \$72,820

# Top 10 Branches Total Giving

York	\$16,410
Carlisle	\$7,711
State College	\$7,077
Allentown	\$6,781
Bethlehem	\$5,379
Pottstown Area	\$3,250
Beaver Valley	\$2,753
Lansdale	\$2,363
Valley Forge	\$2,305
Easton	\$1,940
Six additional branches raised more than Harrisburg, Johnstown, Lock Haven, Low North Hills Pittsburgh, and West Chester	ver Bucks,

# Top 10 Branches Per Capita Giving

Pottstown Area	\$1,083.33
York	\$210.39
Pittsburgh	\$108.75
Lower Bucks	\$90.90
Carlisle	\$81.17
Bethlehem	\$57.22
State College	\$56.17
Valley Forge	\$46.10
Lock Haven	\$44.80
Allentown	\$43.70
Two additional branches were over \$30 per Beaver Valley	capita: Easton and



# **Top Giving by Fund**

Fund	Branch	Amount
AAUW Greatest Needs Fund #9110	York	\$16,410
Economic Security #4449	Valley Forge	\$2,000
Education & Training #4450	Fox Chapel Area	\$350
Governance & Sustainability #4451	State College	\$23
Leadership #4452	North Hills Pittsburgh	\$25
Equity Network #4474	State College	\$25
(Older Fund) Legal Advocacy Fund #3999	Valley Forge	\$75

# Linda Haigh Tozier

AAUW PENNSYLVANIA SPECIAL HONOREE APRIL 10, 2021

1965 graduate of Bucknell University, Linda Tozier followed her mother into AAUW, earning awards and positions of responsibility at all levels of the organization. Linda has said that AAUW has been THE significant factor in creating who she is. Her mother was president of AAUW Stroudsburg, now AAUW Pocono Area, when she was born. Because this was during World War II and because her mother ran the family business while her father was in the Army, her mother stepped down from being branch president before the end of her two-year term. Linda has dedicated herself to honor the memory of her mother through her years of service to AAUW in two branches, at the state level, and on AAUW committees and the national board.



A life member, Linda served as her branch president for six years and in four other branch positions: Program Vice President, Membership Vice President, AAUW Funds chair, and Tech Savvy Volunteer. She won both the 1984 Outstanding Woman Award and the 2015 Member Making a Difference Award from her branch. Since 1990 when she was appointed Cultural chair, Linda has served at the state level in many positions, most importantly as the 2002-04 president and for many years as membership vice president. During her presidency, she was challenged to raise \$75,000 to support a research study. Of course, the 75th Anniversary Diamond Donor Campaign succeeded. AAUW's Educational Foundation and Legal Advocacy Fund jointly produced *Tenure Denied*, and AAUW PA's financial support was recognized therein. Linda eventually earned the well-deserved post of Middle Atlantic Regional Director and was elected to the AAUW National Board as a Director-at-Large. She has also served on the national Membership Committee and the Committee Appointment Task Force and is currently on the national Advancement Committee.

Linda cares deeply about AAUW at all levels, and her commitment to the organization and the mission has been unwavering. Notably, her passion for membership has encouraged individuals and branches to stay involved and engaged. In working tirelessly for AAUW, she remembers the business and the people and contributes her all. She provides vision and AAUW history as well as a willingness to work on projects, committees, branch concerns, and other matters large and small. For example, in 1992, Linda was one of a handful of women serving as the first district coordinators for AAUW PA. Because she is creative, careful, and caring, others in the group leaned on Linda's AAUW experience and expertise when creating the expectations of the role and in working with branches. Members across the state and country still lean on Linda for the same reasons. Even those who do not know her have, nonetheless, benefitted from her contributions over several decades, as their branch officers have no doubt received information, forms, and moral support from her.

A joy to work with, Linda always brings a spirit of play, making AAUW endeavors both more successful and more enjoyable. She always says that she doesn't do anything if it isn't fun, and she has made AAUW fun for so many while enjoying herself at the same time. She has lightened our work by playing Marion Talbot, co-founder of AAUW in 1881, in *The Talbot Story* at the 2016 AAUW PA convention. Even better, in 1995, the state board asked Linda to dress up like Mickey Mouse at the state convention to encourage members to attend the national convention at Disney World. Linda's son helped her write a rap song and provided a tape of background music. In costume, she jumped out right before the awards dinner chanting, "My name is Mickey, and I'm here today to invite you all down the Florida way."

It is with great respect and gratitude that AAUW PA honored Linda Tozier with a 2020 donation of \$1850 to the Greatest Needs Fund and now honors her as an AAUW PA Special Honoree for exemplifying the best of AAUW in her dedication to the mission and service to AAUW at the branch, state, and national levels. Congratulations, Linda, and thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

# Outstanding Woman is awarded to a member of the branch for meritorious service to the branch and to the community

### **CATHY MANNING KANE**

# A LLENTOWN

During these difficult days when we have depended on virtual connections, Cathy has rallied our members and shared her technical expertise to keep the Allentown branch together and functioning.

Diane is recognized for her ongoing



**RADFORD** 

contributions to AAUW and the field of education. A member since 2007, she served as branch president and currently serves as membership chair and manages the branch's social media presence. Since joining AAUW, the branch has

benefited from her leadership, commitment, and energy.

# **B** EAVER VALLEY

### LINDA LOBOZZO

Linda has been dedicated to serving on the

Scholarship Committee since 2012 and continues chairing the committee. She diligently recruits traditional and nontraditional college-bound students, interviews candidates and assembles



their materials for review and selection. Linda also serves as Chair of Literature, and served several years on the Kitchen Tour as chair for the profitable Handbag and Accessories Boutique. Linda is reliable and willing to volunteer any time.

# ♠ ARLISLE

### STACEY GATCH

**DIANE GARDNER** 

Embracing member feedback, Stacey planned innovative branch programming. She introduced a program theme— Resilience and Recovery—and celebrated members' expertise by including member speakers in every program. Stacey leveraged the COVID challenges and offered a variety of meeting formats, keeping members engaged. Final result: we were introduced to the talent of our members.

# **D** ETHLEHEM D

# BETH CORRODA

Beth served two terms as Finance Officer

and is currently serving as Newsletter Editor where she strives for excellence in appearance and content. She has an outstanding record of attendance at Board, branch and State meetings.



# **OLYLESTOWN**

### **COLLEEN DUNN**

Colleen has been instrumental in connecting our branch to others through social media, and in keeping us connected to each other by setting up and administering our Zoom meetings.

# **E** ASTON

### NANCY KINZLI

Nancy exemplifies the spirit of AAUW in her leadership of our branch.

Beyond her duties as copresident, she was the driving force behind our branch receiving Five Star recognition. She researched the components, organized committee meetings, and

wrote and submitted the documentation for the stars. She is to be commended for her dedication.

# AAUW PA OUTSTANDING WOMAN

# OX CHAPEL AREA BARI

### BARBARA JOHNSTONE

Barbara became President in June 2020,



just in time to deal with a difficult pandemic year. She steered the branch in an efficient and effective manner despite no in-person meetings and events. Board meetings are productive and branch meetings have good

attendance and offer educational and topical programs.

### FOX CHAPEL AREA

### NANCY WEINSTEIN

Nancy chairs our annual STEM recognition

programs, which contributed in no small part to Newsweek's national recognition of our school district as one of 2020's Top STEM High Schools in America. As Communications Chair



her work with officers and interest group chairs consistently produces entertaining, informative newsletters of a highly professional quality.

# ARRISBURG

# MARCIA HAJDUK

Marcia has been a branch leader for many years. During our 100th

anniversary year, Marcia has planned and implemented outstanding programs, with grace and humor. This is particularly noteworthy during a pandemic.



# **UNTINGDON**

### **DEB RONEY**

Deb was selected for her countless hours of



service to Juniata College and the local community. She has been an advocate for women's rights and gender equality through various community-engaged learning projects and opportunities. Deb is retiring from Juniata and we wanted

to recognize her for her valued service.

### NDIANA COUNTY

# **SUSAN WHEATLEY**

For many years Susan served with vigor and

energy as branch President and was instrumental in reaching out for new membership and establishing contact with community leaders. Currently she is our secretary and directs our



PR and website. She is a sincere and devoted advocate for the mission of AAUW.

# OHNSTOWN

### **KATHY HOWANEK**

In the face of a pandemic, Kathy has led the

branch forward using Zoom for programs and meetings; has fostered community connections, and has promoted Work Smart to young professionals in the community. In her short time as President, Kathy has



provided outstanding leadership despite the difficulties of a COVID year.

# **ANSDALE**

# KAREN MAGLATY

Over 30 years, Karen has served in an array



of positions from President to founding Discover Your Future(DYF), leading the NCCWSL scholarship team, and as tech guru for our largest branch fundraiser.

### **OWER BUCKS**

### **BARBARA PRICE**

Barbara has served the Lower Bucks Branch



most recently as past president. Passionate about gender and educational equity, Barbara has conducted workshops at AAUW national and regional conventions. Currently, Barbara is our branch public policy chair and presently co-chairs AAUW PA's Public Policy.

# AKEFIELD AREA MIRIAM "MIM" NACHMAN (POSTHUMOUSLY)

"Mim" was an Honorary Lifetime Member of



AAUW and a mainstay of our branch for decades. She was the first woman to receive the branch's **Outstanding Woman** Award in 1980. Mim died in December 2020, but has continued to

contribute. Because of her known devotion to AAUW, relatives, friends and fellow members donated enough money this year to fund a special scholarship in her name.

# **N**■ ORTH HILLS PITTSBURGH

**CORA KOLLER** 

Cora was chosen for her extensive work on Public Policy, within AAUW and in the community.



# **EADING**

**DELITE HAWK** 

Delite has been a member of the Reading branch for over 50 years. She is chair of the Lit 1 group and served as President of the branch from 1975-1977.

# S TATE COLLEGE

**CINDY HALL SALLY KALIN** 

Through challenging times, Co-Presidents Cindy Hall and Sally Kalin have flexibly and positively lead the branch through a world of virtual meetings and programming, alternative ways of conducting our book sale, financial challenges, developing new branch leaders, the attainment of a Five-Star status, and oversight of developing a new branch website.

# **ALLEY FORGE**

**ANNE ODENWELLER** 

Without Anne, our branch's communication would really suffer! She does our monthly Newsletter, sends out meeting reminders, takes minutes at Board meetings, manages sending emails to all our members, and publishes our branch directory.



# **EST CHESTER-**CHESTER COUNTY

**EVA KAUFMANN** 

Eva served this past year as Co-President and had to learn to lead in the midst of a pandemic. She initiated the virtual platform to keep our members informed and engaged. She has been a guiding light through these unprecedented times.

# V ORK

MARTHA FLEISCHER

Martha was chosen for this award for chairing the Undergraduate Scholarship Committee for many years, co-ordinating our branch's participation in the Young Women's Leadership Conference for seventh grade girls in York County, and for being co-



president for another term when needed.





# AAUW PA Member Making a Difference

Member Making a Difference is awarded to the member who has made a big difference in something important to the branch within the last year.

R eaver Valley

Deborah Mangelli

Deborah brings knowledge, confidence and

professional expertise to the Investment Group as Chair where she leads discussions on investments generating interest among members and others.



**B** ethlehem

**Amy Fields** 

Amy has served as Membership Chair and

stepped up to serve as Book Fair Co-Chair.



arlisle

Mary "Cherry" France

Cherry conceived, organized, and moderated "Caught In The Crossfire: Judging in a Time of Political Turmoil," an ambitious public webinar that was a highlight of the year.

oylestown

**Ardith Talbot** 

Ardith has stepped up to keep our branch engaged in community and state public policy issues.

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Janice Lupackino

For the past five years, Janice has organized a

Poinsettia Fundraiser for our branch. She works with a local nursery to obtain poinsettias and sells them to raise monies for our scholarship fund. She has delivered poinsettias for the holiday season even during icy, snowy conditions.



F ox Chapel Area

**Cheryl Towers** 



Cheryl, our Secretary and Tech Guru, has kept our branch functioning during this pandemic year by hosting and facilitating Zoom board and branch meetings, Book Group and Women in Stitches interest groups, and also facilitated our highly successful Zoom Holiday

Celebration fundraiser which funds our operating budget.

H arrisburg

Lee has developed a very productive relationship with a community asset, The Midtown Scholar Bookstore. The Midtown Scholar has hosted Harrisburg Branch programs and given us the opportunity to sponsor their annual book fair. This venue has

been an important recruitment site for us.

Lee Johnson



# ndiana County

Susan Wheatley

For many years Susan has served as President

of our branch and has been unflinching in her devotion to our branch and to AAUW in general. She has brought new energy and new members into our group and has reached out to

community leaders in promoting our mission. Currently she is secretary and manager of our website and general public relations. She also is progressive and active in interesting new members in AAUW.

ohnstown

**Ann Furlong** 

Ann took a leadership role in the branch



awarding its first minority scholarship by partnering with an established group serving minority students.

# ansdale

Pam Daveler

While Pam has served our branch and community in various roles over 37 years, her leadership this year made our first online auction, which supports AAUW Fellowships and local scholarships, such a success.



# akefield Area

Angela Felver

Angela only joined our branch a few years ago and is already making her mark in her second year chairing our scholarship committee. She has also helped out on several other projects, most notably doing regular reviews of our finances. Her willingness to pitch in is the more remarkable because she is the



single mother of three children, has a full-time job, and has been pursuing first her Bachelors and then her Masters in Accounting, as well as helping out with the branch.

# orth Hills Pittsburgh

June Maier

June is recognized for her dedication and

creativity in producing our 50th Anniversary Book and chairing our Anniversary Committee.



Carolyn Smith

Carolyn jumped in as a new member two years ago and is now Membership Chair and is responsible for the website and email for the branch.

# AAUW PA Member Making a Difference

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S tate College

**Dina Liberatore** 

Taking over the leadership of a traditional book sale,

Dina and the book sale committee faced the financial realities of the cancelation of and conduction of a successful virtual sale, ensuring the branch's support of community groups, book donation to local non-profits and our financial security via the proceeds of the sale.



York

Amber Seidel
Donna Fulton

Amber and Donna kept us connected this year by helping us to use Zoom for branch and small group meetings, Amber with programing and Donna as secretary.





est Chester-Chester County Trish Alfano

When there is task to be completed, Trish is always there to make herself available. She is currently the editor of our 33-page handbook and also chairs our fundraising programs. She is extremely efficient and creative in all her endeavors.



# 2020 Named Gift Honorees

For each \$500 of total donations (individual and branch) to AAUW credited to the branch in a fiscal year, the branch is eligible to select one Named Gift Honoree.

### BEAVER VALLEY

**Deborah Newton** 

### **BETHLEHEM**

Shirley Daluisio Nancy Disario Karen Donald Linda Robertson

### CARLISLE

Mary Brunski Peggy Jennings Virginia Mauk Beth McKinley Lillian Wong

# **EASTON**

Branch Board of Directors New Members Carol Cochran (posthumously) Helene Kaplan (posthumously) Jean Riker (posthumously)

# FOX CHAPEL AREA

Elaine Herald

### HARRISBURG

Carol Buskirk Sharice Johnson Carol Nechemias

# **JOHNSTOWN**

Pat Grzybicki Nancy Miller Mary Louise Wyandt

# MURRYSVILLE

# **AREA**

Branch Members for 50 Years: Judith Johnson Alice Miller Nancy Veyo

# READING

Ann Wenrich

## STATE COLLEGE

Program Committee
Nina Cowart
Christine Bishop
Susan Chyczewski
Epiphany Loux
Naana Nti
Jordan Glover
Website Redesign Committee
Candace Davison
Ann Echols
Cindy Hall
Sally Kalin
Connie Schroeder
Jordan Glover
David Hay, Workshop Staff

# WEST CHESTER-CHESTER COUNTY

Carla Grot Cathy Palmquist Kay Philipps

## YORK

Carol Anderson
Janet Barnes (posthumously)
Joan B. Beekey
Nancy Buckley
Arlene Dech (posthumously)
Kathleen A. DePorter
Martha Fleischer
Suzanne Hershey
Marilyn R. Jennerjohn
Linda Rupert
Nancy Spataro

The AAUW Pennsylvania Gateway to Equity Award honors an individual, group, or organization that has shown by action and philosophy the promotion of the AAUW mission to advance gender equity for women and girls through research education, and advocacy.

# Allentown Leaving Jail: A Comprehensive Regional Reentry Program for Women

The team-operated LEAVING JAIL reentry program for women recognizes and addresses the unique challenges and barriers that women face in trying to rejoin society and avoid recidivism and reincarceration, while providing gender-specific and trauma-informed support to participants.

# Beaver Valley Linda Homyk, MSN, RN Heritage Valley Health System

Linda Homyk, MSN, RN, serves as Vice President of Patient Care Services, and Chief Nursing Officer



of Heritage Valley Health System. Through her, we salute our Frontline Health Care Heroes during the COVID-19 pandemic. With 40 years of nursing including progressive education and leadership advancement, Linda provides oversight to nursing leadership teams. She is responsible for development, education and training of nurse leaders to advance in their roles and for bedside nurses to ascend into leadership roles as their experience expands.

# Bethlehem Rachel Griffith, Owner of Apollo Grill

As a driving force in business and service to the community, Rachel leads a team predominantly of women, including a female executive chef, in a highly successful restaurant. During COVID, she strove to keep everyone on the payroll and at the same time launched a scholarship fund to assist minority women with access to college.

# Bradford Sally Ryan Costik, Bradford Landmark Society

This year, as the local branch of AAUW celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> year, Sally and the Bradford Landmark Society have joined together in recognizing and honoring those women in the community whose hard work and sacrifices have encouraged all women to achieve their dreams of equality and success. Bi-monthly articles in the newspaper, titled "Extraordinary Women" showcase a particular woman in local history who has had a positive effect on the community through education, political or social means.



# Carlisle Beth Kempf, Executive Director of Community CARES

In the early months of the pandemic, Beth could not abandon those she promised to serve at **Community CARES**. She implemented a drastic overhaul of the emergency shelter service model. Beth selflessly left house and home to spend 57 days as a full-time shelter employee away from her family.



# Doylestown NAACP Bucks County Branch

**Bucks County NAACP** has formed a Criminal Justice and Education Committee to promote antiracist policies, practices and culture in the schools. By raising staff awareness and encouraging students to form a diverse and inclusive student community, young girls and women will be led to view all races in a positive light.



# Easton Nancy Walters, Easton Hunger Coalition

AAUW Easton Branch recognizes Nancy Walters on behalf of the **Easton Hunger Coalition**. She organized and worked with local teen artist on a project to illuminate how they perceive hunger in their community. A culminating video illustrates a very touching and sensitive portrayal of hunger in people's lives.



# Fox Chapel Area Bethlehem Haven Women's Shelter

**Bethlehem Haven Women's Shelter** provides shelter, housing, and services to vulnerable, homeless women in Allegheny County through a continuum of care including, but not limited to, emergency shelter, medical respite, permanent housing for mental illness, monetary and basic assistance, and supportive services to achieve returning to fulfilling and productive lives.

# Harrisburg Kathy Silks, Branch Diversity and Inclusion Chair

**Kathy Silks** is currently serving as the Branch Diversity and Inclusion Chair. She has been extremely pro-active in creating resources for our Harrisburg Branch members to use for their own education. She is currently working on hosting a series of web discussions where our members can discuss issues of diversity and inclusion.

# Johnstown Flood City Youth Fitness Academy

The **Flood City Youth Fitness Academy** is a non-profit community center. The FCYFA responded to the pandemic by raising funds to build 60 workstations that include computers and printers. Not only are tutors available to help with online and homework assistance, FCYFA provides free breakfast and lunch for all.



# North Hills Pittsburgh Vivian Lee Croft, Write Pittsburgh

Vivian Croft founded **Write Pittsburgh**, a creative writing collaborative helping girl-identified teens in our community find, express and share their voices.



# Reading Albright College

**Albright College** is an institutional member of AAUW and has been very supportive of branch activities, especially LunaFest. They have a very active women's studies and young women's advocacy group on campus.



# State College Carol Eicher & the Community Diversity Group

Carol Eicher, founding president, and the **Community Diversity Group** cannot be separated. Begun in 2001, CDG is a coalition of citizens and businesses from the community, Penn State, and other non-profits in the State College area, whose mission is "to bring diverse peoples together to cultivate inclusive, engaged communities." Carol and the CDG have made important contributions to enhancing the quality of life for the many diverse peoples living and working in the community.



# West Chester-Chester County West Chester University Resource Pantry and Home of the Sparrow



The **West Chester University Resource Pantry** helps under served students with food and basic needs to prepare them for life after graduation.

Michelle Venema, CEO of **Home of the Sparrow**, is honored for her non-profit's work assisting women and children in finding stable housing and avoiding homelessness.

# York Marya Bowman, Marion Bowman Memorial Scholarship

Marya has been selected for her philanthropic donation to fund dual enrollment scholarships, allowing high school students to enroll in college courses. This donation, known as the **Marion Bowman Memorial Scholarship**, was made in memory of her mother, Marion Bowman, longtime member of the York Branch who strongly supported our scholarship efforts.



AAUW PA Financial S	Statement - M	lonth Endir	ng May 31, 20	21
	2020-2021 Actual YTD 7/1/20-5/31/21	2020-2021 Budget	2019-2020 Actual 7/1/19-6/30/20	
INCOME				
Dues	\$15,225.00	\$14,339.00	\$16,735.00	
Interest Income	\$21.00	\$40.00	\$48.00	
July Mtg Registration	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,640.00	
Convention Refund (books)	\$962.00	\$962.00	\$1,478.00	Donated
NCCWSL Refund	\$2,910.00	\$0.00	\$395.00	
NCCWSL Donations		\$1,755.00	\$2,200.00	
Transfer from Reserves		\$0.00	\$4,996.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 19,118.00	\$17,096.00	\$27,492.00	
EXPENSES				
Member Activities				
Member Mailings	\$1,528.00	\$1,995.00	\$2,040.00	
Grants & Scholarships	\$5,050.00	\$3,650.00	\$2,910.00	
Public Policy - Lobby Day		\$500.00	\$577.00	
Public Policy		\$500.00	\$17.00	
SAC		\$800.00	\$0.00	
State Programs	\$0.00	\$361.00	\$767.00	
Convention & Member Mtgs	\$2,247.00	\$0.00	\$4,829.00	
District Meetings	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$56.00	
Operations				
Officer Expenses	\$131.00	\$675.00	\$146.00	
Board Meetings & Elections	\$121.00	\$3,793.00	\$3,526.00	
Liability Insurance	\$350.00	\$325.00	\$325.00	
Surveymonkey, Website, Zoom	\$407.00	\$1,110.00	\$1,110.00	
Banner, Nametags	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 9,834.00	\$14,059.00	\$ 16,303.00	
CASH & INVESTMENTS	5/31/21		6/30/20	
Checking Account	\$22,487.50		\$18,373.23	
	Includes \$2060		Includes \$6940	
	in prepaid dues		in prepaid dues	
Money Market	\$11,582.92		\$11,580.78	
CD 6 month renewal	\$41,176.52		\$41,157.37	
PayPal	\$0.00		\$0.00	
USPS Bulk Permit Account	\$215.24		\$131.24	
TOTAL	\$ 75,462.18		\$ 71,242.62	

### PAST PRESIDENTS OF AAUW-PENNSYLVANIA

# AAUW PA members serving in National Positions

AAUW Pennsylvania is well represented on AAUW national committees. Thank you for volunteering at the national level.

Advancement	Linda Tozier North Hills Pittsburgh
Public Policy Co-Chair	Barbara Price Lower Bucks
Audit	Susan Nenstiel Allentown
Governance	Paula Tomko Johnstown
Nomination (alternate)	Cindy Hall State College

1926	Fanny Morgan, Pittsburgh
1929-1930	Audrey Jacobosky, Wilkes-Barre
1930-1932	Quasita Drake, Wilmington, DE*
1932-1934	Fay Stockwell, Philadelphia
1934-1936	Greta Parrish, Pittsburgh
1936-1938	Elizabeth Oliphant, Susquehanna Valley
1938-1940	Dr. Dorothy Weeks, Chambersburg
1940-1942	Helen K. Champlin, State College
1942-1944	Gertrude Williams, Wilkes-Barre
1944-1946	Eileen McCarthy, Erie
1946-1948	Elizabeth Matthews, Harrisburg
1948-1950	Alice Talmadge, Allentown
1950-1952	Pauline Evansha, Hazleton
1952-1956	Alice Anderson, Philadelphia
1956-1958	Jeanette Tongren, Erie
1958-1960	Lucille Crozier, Pittsburgh
1960-1962	Etta Engle, Harrisburg
1962-1964	Marion Ketchum, Philadelphia
1964-1966	Jean Trend, Bethlehem
1966-1968	Elizabeth Dunkelberger, Gettysburg
1968-1970	Mary Purcell, Eastern Delaware County
1970-1972	Virginia Palmer, Valley Forge
1972-1974	Marian Haller, Erie
1974-1978	Marjorie Dunaway, State College
1978-1980	Dr. Ann S. Keim, Easton
1980-1982	Martha Zeller, Susquehanna Valley
1982-1984	Anne Harker Dayton, Grove City-Slippery Rock
1984-1988	Dr. Janice McElroy, Allentown
1988-1990	Karen Holmes Gallagher, Lansdale
1990-1992	Barbara Price, Levittown-Lower Bucks
1992-1996	Susan K. Nenstiel, Hazleton
1996-1998	Dorothy F. Goodman, Anthracite
1998-2000	Wendy Armour Dickinson, Harrisburg & Carlisle
2000-2002	Karen Allen, Lebanon Valley
2002-2004	Linda Haigh Tozier, North Hills-McKnight
	Karen Rowe, York
	Dr. Dot McLane, Lansdale
	Dr. Deb Roney, Huntingdon
	Kate Sweeney, Makefield Area
2010-2014	Margaret McGrath, Fox Chapel Area
	Dr. Dot McLane, Lansdale
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<sup>\*</sup>Until 1940, Pennsylvania and Delaware were one division.

Ann Pehle, Carlisle

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# Minutes of the 2020 AAUW PA 91st Business Meeting

June 27, 2020 Held Virtually on Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 10:07a.m. on June 27, 2020. A welcome greeting was extended by the President of AAUW PA, Ann Pehle. Ann explained the need for a Zoom meeting, given COVID-19 conditions and introduced past presidents in attendance – Susan Nenstiel, Barbara Price, and Linda Tozier.

President Ann also introduced AAUW PA Board members who were in attendance and noted all chairs are staying on for the next year.

AAUW PA Board members introduced were:
 Linda Tozier, Membership VP;
 Ajla Laussegger, Secretary;
 Mary Jo Buckwalter, Finance Officer;
 Pat Byerly, Administrative Director;
 Deb Roney, AAUW Funds Chair;
 Peggy Schmiedecke, College/University Chair;
 Susan Nenstiel, Bylaws Chair and Conference Registrar;

Sue Johnston, District Coordinator, Central;
Peggy Jennings, Keystoner Editor;
Barbara Price, Public Policy Co-Chair;
Jacqui Rogers, Public Policy Co-Chair;
Linda Robbins, Archives; and
Jordan Glover, Diversity and Inclusion Chair.
Not in attendance: Lee Wolfe and Barbara
Zaborowski.

Susan Nenstiel explained the rules relative to voting on applicable business matters and requested that those not a member of an AAUW PA branch to abstain from voting on AAUW PA business during the meeting.

Credentials Report. Secretary Ajla Laussegger announced that each member of the State in good standing as of the official notice of the meeting -February 1st - is entitled to one vote. She noted that Article XVI. Meetings of the Affiliate, Section 8, states, "The quorum shall be a majority of the registered eligible voters at an election event (branch meeting, electronic voting, paper ballot voting, or other Board of Directors approved method of voting) who cast a vote. Ajla noted that 3 branches held an election event with 50 votes cast, 111 votes were cast online, and 31 paper ballots were received. She further noted that there was a quorum to do business and moved for the adoption of the credentials. Motion was made by Ajla Laussegger to accept the Credentials Report. The motion was seconded by Linda Tozier (North Hills Pittsburgh Branch) and the motion passed unanimously.

Adoption of Rules of Order and Agenda. – Susan Nenstiel moved to adopt the Rules of Order and Agenda as outlined in the Yearbook on Page 10, which is in its final stages of review and has not been provided to members to date. The motion was seconded by Susan Zitnick (York Branch). President Ann called for the vote on the Rules of Order and Agenda and they were adopted unanimously.

Minutes of the 2018 AAUW Pennsylvania Annual Business Meeting. Ajla reported on the Minutes of the 2019 State Annual Business Meeting and noted they are in the Yearbook starting on Page 9. The question was asked if there is any objection to dispensing with the reading of the minutes. There were no objections. The Secretary asked if there were any conditions or corrections to the minutes, to which there were none. President Ann asked if there were objections to accepting minutes by general consent and the minutes were approved.

Committee to Review the 91st Annual Meeting
Minutes. President Ann reported that Pat Byerly
(Pittsburgh Branch) and Deb Roney (Huntingdon Branch)
will review the minutes of this year's Annual business
Meeting. Pat and Deb will review upcoming minutes.

Nominating and Elections Committee Report. Linda Tozier gave the report of the Nominating and Elections Committee. Linda introduced the candidates presented by the nominating and elections committee for the 2020-2022 term: Ann Pehle for President and Lee Wolfe for Program Vice President. Linda dispensed with the reading of the candidate bios, which were provided to members during the election process. Ann noted that the officer election was completed via online, paper ballots, and branch voting.

Linda reported that votes were cast by members from 27 AAUW Pennsylvania branches. The Nominating and Elections Committee received 111 votes online, results from 3 branch voting events with 50 votes cast, and 31 paper ballots. Linda noted that the paper ballots were opened by her, as Nominations and Elections Chair, per established procedure. The tallies showed 192 votes for Ann Pehle and 192 votes for Lee Wolfe. There were no votes for anyone else for these positions. President Ann declared the election of the candidates and indicated that installation of the new officers will take place at the July Board Meeting.

AAUW Pennsylvania Board Officer Reports. President Ann indicated that this year's individual board officer reports will be posted on the state website in July. She further indicated that the President's letter will be on Page 4 of the Yearbook. Ann informed attendees that if they would like a printed copy of the board reports to let Pat Byerly know and she will mail them once they are posted on the website.

AAUW Pennsylvania Bylaws Proposal. The proposed state bylaw amendment to Article X. Affiliate Nominations and Elections; Section 1, Nominations, Part A were presented by Susan Nenstiel as listed on Page 11 of the

Yearbook. Susan moved for the proposed amendment to be adopted. President Ann inquired whether there was any discussion to be had. There was an inquiry as to how we are defining "caucus." Linda Tozier explained that it was assumed there would have been a caucus in July when there was no state meeting on odd years in July and that on even years, there would be a state convention in April, during which time would be set aside time for districts to gather and that is what would be categorized as a "caucus." Kathy Shaginaw (Makefield Area Branch) inquired about whether we can schedule a Zoom caucus this summer. President Ann indicated a Zoom caucus could be scheduled. The motion proposed by Susan was seconded by Linda Tozier (North Hills Pittsburgh Branch) and Susan Zitnick (York Branch) and unanimously approved by those in attendance.

Public Policy Priorities 2020 - 2022. Barbara Price (Lower Bucks Branch) indicated that the proposed Public Policy Priorities for 2020-2022 are provided in the Yearbook on Page 11. She further noted that the proposed changes reflect current changes of the state public policy agenda and current work with coalitions. Barbara noted that one change has been included, citing the addition of "reducing the unprecedented level of student debt and the high level cost of college." Barbara moved to adopt proposed public policy priorities, which was seconded by Susan Rimby (Harrisburg Branch), without discussion and unanimous approval. Unfinished Business. President Ann noted that due to the cancellation of the State Convention due to coronavirus, the Awards ceremony did not take place, but certificates were mailed for branch achievement in membership and fundraising. Ann indicated that the certificates were mailed for the AAUW Pennsylvania member awards - Outstanding Women and Members Making a Difference. The individuals and branches who received certificates have been recognized in the Yearbook. President Ann also noted that District meetings were not held due to the cancellation of the State Convention. She indicated that Districts will need to name a representative to the 2021-2023 Nominating Committee and that the AAUW Pennsylvania officer positions to fill are Membership VP, Secretary, and Finance Officer. Ann will appoint a chair of the committee at the July 2020 Board Meeting. No additional unfinished business was brought up by those in attendance.

New Business. President Ann asked those in attendance if there is any new business. Kathy Shaginaw (Makefield Area Branch) asked whether AAUW PA will provide programming that can be implemented by branches. President Ann noted that in lieu of the State Convention, programming is being developed, including a webinar with Mrs. Wolfe and Barbara Price (Lower Bucks Branch), and

that more content will be provided that was to be presented at State Convention. An inquiry arose as to whether the Yearbook can be e-mailed to all members. Ann noted that the Yearbook cannot be e-mailed because it is too big, but it will be distributed with a link, from where the Yearbook can be downloaded.

A question arose regarding whether there would be programming focused on the anniversary of the 19th Amendment. President Ann highlighted that the programming from the State Convention was planned to center around the anniversary of the 19th Amendment, so the AAUW PA Board is planning to bring similar content to everyone. However, there is not specific programming outlined separately focusing on the 19th Amendment. Ann further noted that there is a focus on promoting other programs focused on the 19th Amendment, such as the Capitol dressing up in purple and gold (August 26th) in Harrisburg. It was further noted that the Annual Meeting is not being recorded.

Announcements. Pat Byerly (Pittsburgh Branch) indicated that she was sad about not being able to introduce a new venue for the State Convention, but indicated that the next state meeting will be in July 2021, the date and venue of that meeting have not been determined yet. Pat also noted that the next AAUW Pennsylvania Convention will be in April 2022, the date and location have not been determined. Sally Kalin (State College Branch) asked about financial implications of cancelling the State Conference, to which President Ann indicated there were none except for the PayPal processing fee, which had to be absorbed if someone paid online via PayPal. AAUW PA refunded everyone's registration fee, unless the fee was submitted as a donation.

President Ann also thanked the AAUW Pennsylvania Board for their service and is pleased that all appointed members will continue for another term. She noted the work put into planning the 2020 State Convention since 2018, never imagining it would be cancelled due to COVID-19. She specifically thanked Lee Wolfe (Lansdale Branch), as the co-chair to the State Convention responsible for the content, as well as Barbara Zaborowski (AAUW National Member) for co-chairing the event and being responsible for venue selection, logistics, and publicity, and Peggy Jennings (Carlisle Branch) for taking content submissions and creating the Yearbook. President Ann noted that she will be doing President Zoom calls during the summer.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by President Ann and the meeting declared adjourned by acclamation at 10:45am.

# Minutes of the 2021 AAUW PA 92nd Business Meeting

April 10, 2021, Held virtually on Zoom

Call to Order and Welcome. President Ann Pehle called the meeting to order at 10:03 am on April 10, 2021. Ann further noted that in odd years, when a State Convention takes place, the Annual meeting is held during the April AAUW PA Board Meeting; however, due to Covid-19, the April Board Meetings were held on two evenings during April. An announcement of the virtual Annual Meeting was made via e-mail to all Member of Branches on March 9, 2021. Ann reviewed Zoom etiquette and reminded attendees that they received a link to the 2021 Annual Meeting website containing the Agenda, Rules of Order, and 91st Annual Meeting minutes in the Zoom registration.

**Introductions.** Ann introduced AAUW PA Past Presidents in attendance and thanked them for their continued engagement.

Wendy Armour DickinsonSusan Nenstiel Barbara PriceDeb Roney Linda Tozier Ann recognized members serving on AAUW national committees.Advancement -- Linda Tozier, North Hills Pittsburgh

Public Policy Co-Chair -- Barbara Price, Lower Bucks Audit -- Susan Nenstiel, Allentown Governance -- Paula Tomko, Johnstown Nomination (alternate) -- Cindy Hall, State College

Ann introduced the AAUW PA Board members:
Lee Wolfe, Program VP (Lansdale)
Linda Tozier, Membership VP (North Hills Pittsburgh)Ajla
Laussegger, Secretary (AAUW National member)Mary Jo
Buckwalter, Finance Officer (Doylestown) Pat Byerly,
Administrative Director (Pittsburgh)
Deb Roney, AAUW Funds Chair (Huntingdon)
Susan Nenstiel, Bylaws Chair and Conference Registrar

Susan Nenstiel, Bylaws Chair and Conference Registrar (Allentown) Peggy Schmiedecke, College/University Chair (North Hills Pittsburgh) Barbara Zaborowski, Conference Coordinator (AAUW National member) Eva Kaufmann, District Coordinator, East (West Chester/Chester County) Sue Johnston, District Coordinator, Central (State College)

Paula Tomko, District Coordinator, West (Johnstown)
Peggy Jennings, *Keystoner* Editor (Carlisle)
Barbara Price, Public Policy Co-Chair (Lower Bucks)
Linda Robbins, Archives (Bethlehem)Not in attendance:
Jordan Glover, Diversity & Inclusion Chair (State College)
Jacqui Rogers, Public Policy Co-Chair (Doylestown)

<u>Voting Procedures.</u> Susan Nenstiel indicated that only members of AAUW PA branches are eligible toparticipate or vote on AAUW PA business during the meeting. Susan further noted that State officer candidate voting was held online and via paper ballots or at branch events between February 5<sup>th</sup> andMarch 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

<u>Credentials</u>. Ajla Laussegger noted that each member of the State in good standing as of March 9, 2021 is entitled

to one vote. Ajla reviewed Article XVI, "Meetings of the Affiliate," Section 8, which states, "The quorum shall be a majority of the registered eligible voters at an election event (branch meeting, electronic voting, paper ballot voting, or other Board of Directors approved method of voting) who cast a vote." Ajla further noted that as of April 7, 2021 at 12:00pm, there were 47 eligible voters from 15 branches and AAUW PA Board registered for the Annual Meeting. A quorum is 24 (51%) of the eligible voters. Ajla moved to adopt the credentials. Susan Nenstiel seconded the motion. There was no objection and no discussion. The vote passed and Ann declared the presence of a quorum.

Adoption of Rules of Order and Agenda. Susan Nenstiel reiterated that AAUW PA bylaws indicate affiliate annual business meeting rules shall be proposed by the Affiliate board of directors and considered by each Affiliate annual business meeting as its first order of business (Section 5. Meeting Rules). Susan indicated the registrants for the Annual Meeting were sent a link to the Rules of Order and the Agenda. Susan moved to adopt the Rules of Order and Agenda. Ajla Laussegger seconded themotion. There were no objections and no discussion. The vote passed and the motion was adopted.

### Minutes of the 2020 State Annual Business

Meeting. Ajla Laussegger noted that the minutes of last year's Annual Meeting were reviewed by Pat Byerly and Deb Roney. A link to the minutes was provided to registrants and will be included in the June Keystoner. Ajla dispensed with the reading of the minutes without objection and no additions or corrections were provided. Ajla moved to adopt the minutes. Annasked if there are objections to approving minutes as written by general consent. No objections were voiced, and the motion passed.

Committee to Review the 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Business Meeting. Ann indicated that Sue Johnston and Eva Kaufmann have agreed to review the 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Business Meeting minutes and present them to the AAUW PA Board for endorsement and ratification.

### **Nominations and Elections Committee Report.**

Deb Roney reviewed voter turnout and vote count, as well as thanked all participants. Deb noted votes were cast by members from 29 of 36 AAUW PA branches and that 194 votes were received online; 64 votes were cast during 4 branch voting events; and 4 paper ballots were received. Tallies showed 262 votes for Randi Blauth for Membership VP; 262 votes for Ajla Laussegger for Secretary; and 261 votes for Dr. Ann Echols for Finance Officer, with one write-in vote for Finance Officer. Deb indicated that Randi Blauth, Ajla

Laussegger, and Dr. Ann Echols would serve on the Board for the 2021-2023 term as Membership VP, Secretary, and Finance Officer, respectively. Deb dispensed with the reading of the candidate bios. Ann thanked members for voting, as members in 80% of PA branches voted in this election. Ann indicated installation for office will take place at the conclusion of the meeting.

AAUW Pennsylvania Board Office Reports. Ann noted the 2019-2020 Annual Report is on the AAUW- PA website and that the 2020-2021 individual Board officer reports will be posted on the state websitein July.

**Unfinished Business**. None was presented.

New Business. Ann indicated that the 2022-2024 Officer Election will require the fulfillment of the President and Program VP for the 2022-2024 term. Ann will be appointing a chair of the Nominationsand Election Committee at the July 2021 Board Meeting. Further, she indicated the next District Meetings will be held at the July 2021 Summer Retreat and a representative to the Nominations and Election Committee from each district will be selected. Ann reviewed the numbers for the Member Awards and thanked everyone for participation in the event. Twentyone (21) branches awarded 23 Outstanding Woman awards, and 16 branches awarded 17 Members Making a Difference awards.

Twelve (12) branches chose Named Gift Honorees with members being honored locally, in theirbranches. Ann presented Linda Tozier with the AAUW PA Special Honoree award. Deb reviewed Linda's commitment to AAUW, while Peggy Schmiedecke presented Linda's positions in AAUW, including thosein her branch, at the State level, and National, and as a Director at Large. It was noted that \$1,850 was submitted to Greatest Needs Fund in Linda's name. Ann shared a couple of images of Linda, and Linda expressed her gratitude in receiving the award.

Ann extended congratulations to the 11 branches that achieved the criteria for the AAUW Five-Star Recognition program, which reflected the most branches, nationally, participating in the Five-Star Recognition Program. The branches include Bethlehem, Carlisle, Easton, Fox Chapel, Harrisburg, Indiana County, Lansdale, NorthHills Pittsburgh, State College, and West Chester/Chester County.

Ann shared that when members receive their AAUW notecards, one of the notecards will be "Indian Paintbrush" by Dr. Ann Echols, who was among 6 artists chosen nationally out of 400 entries, to be recognized in the 12th Annual National AAUW Art Contest.

Announcements. Pat Byerly reviewed the upcoming state meeting schedule. Pat noted that the format moved to one state meeting per year, starting in 2019. The next state meeting, the Summer Retreat, will be on July 24, 2021, via Zoom. The next AAUW PA State Convention will be in 2022 on either March25<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup>;

April 1st-3rd; or April 29th-May 1st. Pat noted the location for the State Convention has not been determined.

Final Remarks. Ann thanked the Board Members whose term concludes on June 30th. She indicated Mary Jo Buckwalter served two terms as Finance Officer and Linda Tozier served as Membership VP for quite a lengthy time during her entire tenure on the Board. Ann also thanked Susan Nenstiel, Deb Roney, Peggy Jennings, and Peggy Schmiedecke for helping the Annual Meeting run smoothly and maintaining various roles throughout. Ann further thanked Peggy Jennings and Jordan Glover for leadingthe projects around the AAUW dues increase and the AAUW bylaw change for open membership. She noted Jordan would continue providing information to members regarding the bylaw change through May 17th.

Adjournment. No further business was voiced. Susan Rimby made a motion to adjourn by acclamation, which was seconded by Sally Kalin. The motion passed. There were 40 attendees - 16 Board members and 24 branch members from 14 branches. The 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Business Meeting concluded at 10:40am.

\*Installation of Officers took place immediately following the adjournment of the 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual BusinessMeeting. Ann presided over the installation during which each of the elected members accepted responsibility for their respective roles. Ann declared the slate of officers duly installed with their term effective July 1, 2021. The installation concluded at 10:46am.



# THE AAUW BOARD OF DIRECTORS WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK THESE VISIONARY PENNSYLVANIA LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBERS

Anonymous

Arlene K. Butts Umstead

Patricia Byerly

Ruth Damsker

Kimberly S. Edgar

Dorothy F. Goodman

Elizabeth D. Klopp

Dorothy McLane

Marjorie M. Mowery

Susan K. Nenstiel

Frances C. Nyce

Ann K. Pehle

Jo Ann Piotrowski
Linda L. Robbins
Amber Summers
Elizabeth Summers
Sue A. Zitnick



For more information about joining the AAUW Legacy Circle, please contact AAUW Advancement Director Heather Miller at <a href="millerh@aauw.org">millerh@aauw.org</a> or (202) 785-7766.

# **AAUW PA Student Organizations**

# NCCWSL PA Grant Recipients For the 2021 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders

Undergraduate Students				
Name	College	Major		
Tanvi Pande	Columbia University	Electrical Engineering		
Aye Kalle	Community College of Philadelphia	Architecture & Interior Design		
Halima Ling	Dickinson College	International Relations & Chinese		
Lyvia Toth	Juniata College	International Politics with Analytics		
Elizabeth "Libby" Schreffler	Juniata College	Entrepreneurship		
Fatou Barrow	Juniata College	International Business		
Jeanette Harijanto	Juniata College	Chemistry		
Igra Rana	Juniata College	Biology		
Zhorea McAnuff	Juniata College	Biology		
Julia McIntosh	Juniata College	Russian & International Studies		
Rebecca Koulibali	La Roche University	Information Technology		
Nicole Deneen	Penn Highlands Community College	Business Management		
Berkley Sutton	Penn Highlands Community College	Entrepreneurship		
Brejuana White	Penn State University	Biological Science and Health Professions Opt.		
Megan Hixenbaugh	Penn State University	Nursing		
Austin Legnine	Robert Morris University	Nursing		
Abelson Jordan	Gwynedd Mercy University	Biology		

Graduate Students				
Name	College	Major		
Hannah Nolte	Penn State University	Industrial Engineering		
Min Liew	Penn State University	Civil Engineering		
Rajal Nivargi	Penn State University	Computer Science & Engineering		
Gozde Tosun	Penn State University	Curriculum & Instruction		
Sarah Jackson	Penn State University	Applied Linguistics		
Chinonye Nwadinobi	La Roche University	Nursing		

# **Student Mini-Impact Grant Fund**

Molly Harris, (she/her/hers), a Philosophical History major at Juniata College ('21), and AAUW Treasurer, requested funds for the Juniata College Student Organization to purchase public screening rights for the film Iron Jawed Angels, in honor of Women's History Month (\$350).

fstratia "Tia" Pauley, a Biology and pre med major at the University of Pittsburgh ('24), will be volunteering at the summer 2021 Science Research Institute (SRI) STEM program at Albright College and requested funds to translate summer program and marketing materials into Spanish for English as a Second Language (ESL) learners (\$500).





Pennsylvania College & University Members As of May 20, 2021	Student Affiliate Members	PA C/U Partner Institutions
Albright College	4	
Bloomsburg University	0	C/U
Bryn Mawr College	1	
Carnegie Mellon University	2	C/U
Chatham University	2	
Delaware County Community College	1	
Delaware Valley University	2	C/U
Dickinson College	4	C/U
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	1	C/U
Franklin & Marshall College	0	C/U
Gwynedd-Mercy College	0	C/U
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	2	C/U
Ithaca College	1	
Juniata College	2	C/U
La Roche University	0	C/U
Lafayette College	1	C/U
Lebanon Valley College	1	C/U
Lehigh University	3	
Lock Haven University	1	C/U
Montgomery County Community College	2	
Moravian College	0	C/U
Nova Southeastern University	1	
Penn State University - University Park	2	C/U
Penn State University - Beaver	0	C/U
Penn State World Campus	29	
Pennsylvania College of Technology	1	
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine	0	C/U
Point Park University	0	C/U
Robert Morris University	4	C/U
Saint Francis University	0	C/U
Southern New Hampshire University	1	
University of Pennsylvania	3	
University of Pittsburgh - Bradford	1	
University of Scranton	0	C/U
University of Texas at Austin	1	
Villanova University	3	C/U
Washington & Jefferson College	0	C/U
West Chester University of Pennsylvania	1	C/U
Student Affiliate Branch	8	
Student Affiliate National	2	
Total	113	24