

by Dorothy Glass

Please join us for our annual AAUW Christmas Luncheon!

When: **Saturday, December 9, 2017 - 12:00 Noon**
Where: **Sunnehanna Country Club, Sun Room**
Cost: **\$17.50**

Menu

*Duo: Demi-cup of Watercress Soup with Petite Greens
and Strawberry Salad with Poppy Seed Dressing*

Chicken a la King over Puff Pastry

Haricot Verte with Strips of Red and Green Pepper

Red Apple Candies with Garnish

Mini-Grasshopper Sundae with Red Cut Out Cookie

Dinner Rolls, Coffee and Tea

Entertainment: Lisa Pierce, Violinist JSO

Reservation Deadline is December 3, 2017. Checks are to be made out to Johnstown Branch AAUW. Send checks to:

*Dorothy Glass
307 State Street, C-7
Johnstown, PA 15905*



THANK YOU, LOCKHEED MARTIN!

By Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@mail.com)



Gilda Jackson (right), the President and General Manager of Lockheed Martin AeroParts, Inc. located in Johnstown, PA. presents Deanna Haddle (left), Johnstown Branch AAUW STEM Director with a philanthropic gift of \$5,000 to be used for AAUW STEM events.



Membership Notes

by Georgia Yeager(gayeager@gmail.com)

AAUW welcomed 13 new members at our Shape the Future Meet and Greet on Oct 17 at Bottle Works. New members are Diane Uhlig, Betty Zahurak, Kathy Charney, Kathy Mandrgoc, Laurie Voelker, Bonnie Pekich, Janice Eastbourn-Bloom, Mardy Huss, Carol Bosley, Sandra Pagano, Valerie Grash, Barb Petersen and Shirley Blough Kesslak. Two others who were unable to attend the meet and greet have expressed an interest in joining.

One special feature of the meet and greet this year was the opportunity for new members to “speed date” the current membership. In five-minute intervals, the members explained various AAUW projects and activities and answered questions. Members rotated tables while prospective members remained at the table. “Speed dating” was a big hit! Thanks, Joy Skelley, for the idea!

In addition, new members received a welcome bag with an AAUW wine glass, a small bottle of wine, a chocolate bar, an AAUW book mark, a postcard featuring our information and list of activities, and a copy of our Sept.-Oct. newsletter. New members could also select a used book to take with them compliments of the bring one/take one book exchange that evening.

At this time we have 63 members who have renewed their membership, and 10 members who have not renewed. Our total membership with Shape the Future new members stands at 76. Our goal is to retain all 76 members and add to that number next year. Retention of members is one of the things that the Membership Committee will tackle this year. Members of the committee are Georgia Yeager, Kathy Howanek, Doris Leidy, Joy Skelley, and Paula Tomko. Anyone is welcome to join the committee and can do so by sending an email to gayeager@gmail.com.



by Ann Furlong

We are happy to announce that this year's recipient of our Named Gift Award is Georgia Yeager.

Georgia is a valued member of the Johnstown Branch. She generously gives her time and talent to the Branch and has served in many capacities.

Georgia is a leader on the Book Sale Steering Committee. She is also presently Membership Vice President. She has previously served as chairperson of the Education/Scholarship Committee. In addition she has often been a hospitality hostess.

Georgia was presented with the Member Making a Difference Award (formerly the Spotlight Award) in 2013. Congratulations, Georgia. It is a recognition well earned!

Good Eatin'

Many of you requested the recipe for the salsa that Pat Grzybicki brought to the meet and greet. Here it is!

Corn Bean Salsa

Mix together:

- 1/3 cup vegetable or canola oil
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup rice vinegar

Set aside

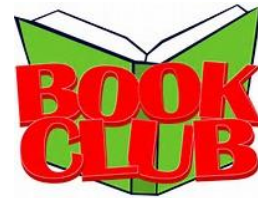
Combine:

- 1 11 ounce can white corn (drained and rinsed)
- 1 13 ounce can black beans (drained and rinsed)
- 1 medium red pepper, chopped
- 2-3 green scallions, chopped

Stir dressing into veggies. Chill for several hours or overnight. Serve with Scoops.

INTERESTED IN A BOOK CLUB? NEW CLUBS FORMING

by Georgia Yeager (gayeager@gmail.com)



The Second Tuesday Book Group, which meets in the afternoon, has existed for many years and continues to draw a loyal group of readers. Check your new AAUW directory for meeting dates and places as well book titles. Since not everyone is available in the afternoon and because not everyone likes the same books, members have suggested the formation of two new book clubs. See if one of these is right for you!

Some members have expressed interest in an evening book club. The club will meet at area restaurants for dinner and book discussion. The reading list will be determined by suggestions from members. If you are interested in joining, please send an email to gayeager@gmail.com.

amazon



by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

With the upcoming holidays comes lots of shopping. Don't forget to go to our website

<http://www.johnstownpa.com/aauw>
and click on the Amazon Smile logo.

You will then be directed to an Amazon Smile page. Every time you make a smile purchase 0.5% of your purchase will go to our AAUW Branch.

Once you sign up for our branch, Amazon Smile will automatically apply the 0.5% to the AAUW accoun

STEM in the 19th Century

by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

A big "Thank You" to all AAUW members who made our STEM Event on Oct. 21st a success.

Thank you to those who:

Stuffed and mailed donation letters

Chaired and were members of the Registration and Group Leaders Committees

Visited area stores "begging" for gifts for the girls.

Took pictures.

Provided activities

Stuffed and passed out the back packs.

Helped set up and clean up.

A special thanks to Barb Zaborowski for obtaining our venue, presenting the "telegraph" activity, making all the signage for the event, providing the tables and chairs needed and much more.

A special thanks to Ranger Doug Bosley who coordinated everything at the National Historic Site as well as "stepping up" to do the Incline Plane activity when the original provider could not attend.

Although we didn't have as many girls as we wanted; the girls that did attend were very enthusiastic and genuinely enjoyed themselves.

I will have pictures in the Jan. Feb. 2018 edition of the newsletter.

WTAJ covered the event. See it at

<http://www.wearecentralpa.com/news/stem-day-encourages-girls-to-pursue-science/841943299>

Apologies... by Deana Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

Paulette Solomon had emailed me the following information from the League of Women Voters to pass onto our membership. I planned on including the information in this newsletter; just realizing that you will get the information after the deadline for the cheaper hotel room.

2017 Shale & Public Health Conference: Registration Now Open

The fifth annual Shale & Public Health Conference will be held

Monday, November 13, 2017
from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (registration 8:30, adjournment 5:30)

The conference is presented by the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania and hosted by the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh's University Club (123 University Place, Pittsburgh PA 15260).

This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™

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There is also a special breakout session on addressing climate change issues in practice for those seeking professional credit hours.

Conference itself is free - \$14 for buffet lunch

If you are coming from out-of-town, a block of discounted hotel rooms is available at the Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center if you register by **October 22** (412) 682-6200, Code 1126841SH

More Information & Registration:

www.shalepalwv.org

Or call 1-800-61-SHALE

Book Sale



by Georgia Yeager (gayeager@gmail.com)

The Book Sale Committee and sorters began the new “book year” in a new location. Sorting and storing operations are happening at the FWA Gym (Fitness, Weights, and Aerobics) at 200 Lincoln Street in the former unemployment office building. We are renting an unused space that is approximately the same total size as the three units we used to rent at Ace Hardware. The space is brighter and warmer, and we don’t have to set up and tear down each time we sort. (We were sorting in the aisle of the storage area at Ace.) Also, the gym is open from 8 am to 8 pm Monday through Friday and until 4 pm on Saturdays for dropping off books. Since cars can pull up to the parking lot door, unloading books is much easier. Over the past year, for various reasons, we realized that our used books needed to find a new home, and FWA Gym is working out well! (And it is cheaper than the storage units.)

Book sorting happens every Monday and Thursday in October from 1-3 pm at the gym. If you are able to help with sorting, contact Ann Furlong at akfurlong@verizon.net. Sorting is fun and a great way to get to know other members.

Sadly, we have lost the Richland Giant Eagle as a collection site. On a positive note, **Market Basket** has stepped up to fill the void. After many years of working with AAUW, Giant Eagle has decided to enforce their corporate policy of no solicitation. Unfortunately, they didn’t tell us that until after it was advertised and the collection boxes were in place. The public is slow to change, as they still keep leaving books there despite the absence of the collection boxes!

In addition to Market Basket, we are now collecting at West Hills Fitness and East Hills Recreation (Penn Highlands building) as well as at our regular sites of Randy’s BiLo, Family Video, Ameriserv (Westmont), Ace Hardware (Westmont), YMCA, and YWCA. We have inquired at Eat ‘n Park, but we are still awaiting a corporate response.

The next used book collection will be mid-April through mid-May. **Mark your calendars now for our Annual Used Book Sale, June 13-16, 2018, at the Galleria Mall.**

AAUW - PA State Convention

by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)



A reminder to save the dates: **April 13 - 15, 2018** for the AAUW-PA State Convention! We are the hosting branch, which means some work on our part to have everything organized. The convention will be held at Seven Springs Resort. Our own Barbara Zaborowski is the State Convention Chair. She will be calling on our members to help.....please say YES! More details will follow.



The Shenandoah Trip

by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

Fun was had by all AAUW members who went to Staunton, VA on the Epic Journeys, Inc./AAUW bus trip. We were enthralled by the backstage tour of the Blackfriar's theatre and that night saw a memorable rendition of Shakespeare's King Henry VI, Part III. Dottie Glass and Mary Lou Wyandt sat on the stage and participated in the play, as was the custom of Shakespeare's time. Staunton stores and restaurants, in preparation for a "Henry Potter" weekend celebration, were truly intriguing. Everyone was amazed at the Shenandoah Caverns and Rose Bowl floats.



Check Us Out!! by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

Don't forget to check out Branch information at <http://aauwjohnstown.org/>

Be sure to view Judy Petrusic's great pics of all our events at <http://www.flicker.com/photos/aauwjohnstown/albums>. You can download any pic.

Billie Zahurak has been doing a great job maintaining an updating our Facebook page www.facebook.com/jpaaauw



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Barbara Zaborowski (BZabor@pennhighlands.edu)

July1, 2017-Sept. 30,
2017

Net Ordinary Income	Budget Amount	Received	Variance
Book Sale	\$7,900.00	\$0.00	\$7,900.00
Fundraising	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Grants/Donations (STEM)	\$1,000.00	\$5,450.00	-\$4,450.00
Donations			\$0.00
Dues (Active members x \$60)	\$3,720.00	\$708.00	\$3,012.00
Local Dues		\$12.00	\$12.00
Interest		\$6.02	\$6.02
Miscellaneous			
Totals	\$14,120.00	\$6,176.02	\$7,980.02
Expenses	Budget Amount	Expended	Variance
President	\$1,325.00	\$4.00	\$1,321.00
Membership	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Programming	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Fundraising	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Communication	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Education	\$5,250.00	\$0.00	\$5,250.00
Treasurer	\$900.00	\$5.00	\$895.00
STEM	\$6,000.00	\$2,317.45	\$3,682.55
Book Sale	\$3,400.00	\$814.85	\$2,585.15
Special Projects	\$400.00	\$157.12	\$242.88
Dues	\$3,720.00	\$708.00	\$3,012.00
Totals	\$22,995.00	\$3,298.42	\$19,696.58
Net Ordinary Income	\$14,120.00	\$6,176.02	\$7,980.02
Total Expense	\$22,995.00	\$3,298.42	\$19,696.58
Net Profit (Loss)	-\$8,875.00	\$2,877.60	-\$11,716.56



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Two years ago our organization entered in a partnership with Epic Journeys, LLC, through its owner and fellow AAUW member, Cyndy Watters. If AAUW sponsors one of Epic Journey's bus trip, then AAUW gets money , the amount determined by length of trip. What a fun, easy fund raiser.

Cyndy wanted me to remind you that there are still seats available for the Longwood Gardens Christmas trip on Nov.30, 2017. Go to: <http://epicjourneystours.com/bus-tours-2/longwood-gardens-at-christmas-kennett-square-pa/>

I had emailed the three bus trips that are available for next year as a fundraiser: one to Boston/Salem , <http://epicjourneystours.com/boston-salem/> ; one to Charleston SC/Savannah, GA ; <http://epicjourneystours.com/savannah-ga-charleston-sc-2018/> ; and one to New York City; <http://epicjourneystours.com/new-york-city-2018/>.

The only feedback I received was that a couple people would be interested if the part of the New York City trip which was a tour of upper and lower Manhattan could be replaced with a Broadway play. I talked to Cyndy and she said that would be possible. So if you would be interested in the New York City trip with this change, please let me know (814-659-1682)

For more information about any of the trips call: 814-266-5070.



by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

I know I promised you a calendar on the back page of the newsletter; but because of having so many events in October and the up-coming holidays, there are few events in Nov. & Dec. So, I decided to just list them here. You can still print this last page and keep this article handy for reference.

Nov. 14, 2017 - Book Club, 1:00 PM at 118 Saucon Way

Dec.9, 2017 - Christmas Luncheon, 12:00 Noon at Sunnehanna Country Club

Dec. 12, 2017 - 1:00 PM at 1122 Havana Street

February 26, 2017 - 12:30 PM Cambria County Library