

by Kathy Howanek (khowanek@hotmail.com)

It has been a busy month for your Book Sale Committee bringing changes which we are excited to share.

As reported in the last newsletter, our combined book and raffle sales were \$1800 less than last year. Committee members met with Galleria management in the hopes of moving the sale to a better mall location. While the location may or may not move, Galleria management did offer us storage and sorting space in the mall **at no charge!** Not only will this save us the cost of storage, but also the cost of moving the books, an approximate total of \$2000 in savings. The area where we will be storing and sorting is the former site of the AmeriServ Bank. This will give our collectors easy access to the site. Carts will be available and a collection box will be outside the former bank. We will probably have to have specific drop off times as one of the committee members will have to open the space with a key. Details will be shared before our October collection. The location of the sale itself can be determined closer to the sale. If a big enough storefront is available we can use that. If the collections are down, we may be able to move to another area in the mall. But if the collection is as large as last year, we will probably stay in our usual area.

Moving from the current site at FWA will occur early September and we will be looking for help as we move books, boxes, shelving and miscellaneous supplies. We were very happy with the FWA site but can't turn down the opportunity to save a significant amount of money.

There are some changes in the collection sites for October as well. As there will be no book sale to benefit the Joyce Murtha Breast Care Center this year, we are able to collect at Randy's BiLo in Windber as well as the Osborne Street location. As mentioned previously our Galleria location will be outside the former AmeriServ Bank. There are changes in what will be collected as well. We will no longer accept VCR tapes but will add video games and vinyl records. The collection dates will be from October 1 through November 3.

We continue to refine our sorting and display functions, with special emphasis on books of local interest. We will also participate in the branch Ethnic Fest activity by offering for sale a variety of our leftover books, especially those by women authors, lower priced collectibles and those of local interest.

Finally, dates for the sale next year will be June 10th through the 15th. However after research, discussion with other groups who hold book sales, and soul-searching we will advertise that this is the last time that we will hold the book sale in June and will move to an October sale in 2020.

Dining Club



by Rita King (rita@nick-and-tony.com)

The Dining Club will meet at 5:45PM on Friday, September 28th at Bella's Pizzeria, One, Fifteenth Street, Windber. On Friday, October 26th the meeting will be held at 5:45PM at Mimo's Restaurant, 1332 Graham Ave., Windber. Come, bring your friends and enjoy good food and great conversation!

Call Rita at 288-4172 to give her a head count needed for reservations.

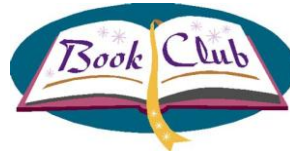


by Georgia Yeager (gayeager@gmail.com)

I am really excited about this year's Meet and Greet! I have sent 30 letters to prospective members based on referrals from our members, and we expect more from our recruiting efforts at the Ethnic Fest. **So save the date!** Our annual Meet and Greet to welcome prospective members will be **Thursday, September 13, 2018, at 6:30 pm at the Community Arts Center** on Menoher Boulevard. (This is a different location from last year.)

We are in need of donations for this event: wine (red and white), soft drinks, water, bagged snacks, and special appetizers. If you can supply any of these, please email (gayeager@gmail.com) or call me (255-3322). We would like to have donations at the Arts Center at 6, pm or you can drop them off at my house any time prior to September 13. (Please chill your soda and white wine!)

BOOKS AT THE BOULEVARD



By Georgia Yeager (gaeager@gmail.com)

Join us at the Boulevard Grill on Tuesday, September 11 at 6 pm for discussion of two books:

I'll Be Gone in the Dark and *Confederacy of Dunces*. The club usually meets the second Thursday of each month at the Boulevard Grill, so start reading and join us! (The date change for September is to allow all to attend the AAUW Meet and Greet.)

Here's the reading list for the rest of the year: October 11, *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley; November 8, *The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine Weiss.

If you are interested in joining the group, call (255-3322) or email (gayeager@gmail.com) Georgia Yeager. Our current roster includes Billie Zahurak, Shellby Custer, Clair Montoya, Pat Grzybicki, Georgia Yeager, and Paula Tomko. We look forward to welcoming new members!



by Nancy Miller (carlnanmiller@verizon.net)

The schools for the 2019 Scholarships are Westmont, Bishop McCort, and Conemaugh Valley.

One student from each school will be selected by their Guidance Department to receive a \$1500 scholarship which will be presented at our Awards Banquet on **April 7, 2019**. The scholarship committee will meet in January to begin the planning. This is our most important function of the year .where we see the fruits of our book sale and other fundraising efforts so we hope all members will attend.

Also, if any member has a suggestion for consideration by the board for Our Gateway to Equity Award which is presented to an Individual or organization that has shown by action and philosophy that they advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, or research, please contact me.



BeadforLife
ERADICATING POVERTY
ONE BEAD AT A TIME®

by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

A "**BIG THANK YOU**" to all members who volunteered for Bead for Life jewelry sale, membership drive and book sale at the Cambia City Ethnic Fest.

All members, please come and join in the fun on **Aug. 31st from 3-10 PM; Sept. 1st from 10 AM- 10 PM and Sept. 2nd from 10 AM- 8 PM**

The jewelry is unique and gorgeous and remember we our purchase is helping the women of Uganda and any profits we make will help the girls and women of the Greater Johnstown Area.

Our membership committee will be handing out AAUW flyers and will be talking to women about joining our organization.

The Book Sale Committee elected to pull some of the better books left over from the book sale to sale at this event.

Hope to see you there!



Thirsty Thursday!!

by Doris Leidy (dorisleidy19@gmail.com)

When: **Thursday, September 6th, 5-7 pm**

Where: **Tap 814 (800 Scalp Ave.)**

Come and unwind with a good beverage, good food, and good friends! See you there!



TREASURER'S REPORT

by Barbara Zaborowski (bzabor@pennhighlands.edu)

2018-2019 Budget

July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

Net Ordinary Income	Budget Amount	Actuals	Variance
Book Sale	\$7,900.00	\$0.00	-\$7,900.00
Fundraising	\$1,500.00	\$250.00	-\$1,250.00
Grants/Donations (STEM)	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	-\$2,400.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$10.61	\$10.61
Dues (Active members x \$60)	\$5,460.00	\$1,954.00	-\$3,506.00
Local Dues	\$78.00	\$0.00	-\$78.00
Interest	\$24.00	\$0.00	-\$24.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	-\$2,000.00
Totals	\$19,362.00	\$2,214.61	\$17,147.39
Expenses	Budget Amount	Expended	Variance
President	\$325.00	\$0.00	-\$325.00
Membership	\$600.00	\$0.00	-\$600.00
Programming	\$577.00	\$0.00	-\$577.00
Fundraising	\$150.00	\$78.22	-\$71.78
Communication	\$50.00	\$0.00	-\$50.00
Education	\$5,700.00	\$0.00	-\$5,700.00
Treasurer	\$250.00	\$210.00	-\$40.00
STEM	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	-\$2,400.00
Book Sale	\$3,400.00	\$552.00	-\$2,848.00
Special Projects	\$450.00	\$0.00	-\$450.00
Dues	\$5,460.00	\$1,954.00	-\$3,506.00
Totals	\$19,362.00	\$2,794.22	\$16,567.78
Net Ordinary Income	\$19,362.00	\$2,214.61	\$17,147.39
Total Expense	\$19,362.00	\$2,794.22	\$16,567.78
Net Profit (Loss)	\$0.00	-\$579.61	-\$579.61

The Great Johnstown Scavenger Hunt is Back!



by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

Think you know about Johnstown? Come join our Scavenger Hunt and find out. On Saturday, October 20th from 11:30AM -5:30 PM teams will meet at St. Casimir's Cultural Center and compete to complete a scavenger hunt that will send them all over the city.

Cost to enter: \$20.00 for a team of two if pre-registered. The event day registration fee is \$30. \$5.00 for every additional team member. At least one team member must be 21. Children under 10 are free.

Teams receive points for items scavenged. Each item, photo or trivia question answered has a point value. At the end of the hunt your teams' points will be added up and will then be entered into drawing for prizes.

Teams will need a digital camera to compete in the Scavenger Hunt. Any device capable of taking a digital image is allowed. Photo evidence is a big part of how items will be captured.

You can pre-register by going to <http://www.aauwjohnstown.org>. Registration includes an event t-shirt (based on registration date, while supplies last) and free souvenir team photos. You will also find additional information including the schedule at our website.

Bring a few friends, bring your family and form a team! Enjoy a glorious October fall day while having fun and learning about Johnstown.



by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

NOVEMBER 8, 2018

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Windber Ambassador Room



On November 8, 2018 AAUW will present our first Trivia "Brawl"! We are asking the schools to whom we reward scholarships to send teams of 8 teachers to compete against each other. We are also asking the public, including AAUW members, to bring family and friends to form teams of eight. There will be two separate prizes: one for teacher groups and one for public groups.

The event will provide a meal of: grilled chicken, meatballs, rigatoni, green beans, salad, roll, desert, coffee, soda and iced tea. This is a BYOB event: beer and wine only. No big coolers, only one 6pk cooler per person. The price is \$25 per person.

The Windber Ambassador Room is a great venue and we are looking forward to lots of fun. We will be asking for some volunteers to help with the event, so if you don't plan to attend with a group, be sure to volunteer. Registration information will be forthcoming!

by Barbara Zaborowski (bzabor@pennhighlands.edu)

**American Association of University Women
Johnstown Branch
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2018**

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2018

Assets

Checking/Savings			
	Operating	\$	28,371.39
	Savings (Former CDs)	\$	20,071.41
	Membership contingency fund	\$	3,470.21
Total Checking/Savings		\$	51,913.01
Total Assets		\$	51,913.01

Liabilities

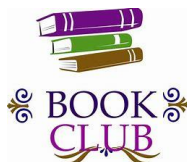
Liabilities			\$0.00
Total Liability			\$0.00



The Johnstown Branch AAUW Public Policy Committee has reserved space at the Cambria County Public Library on October 2, 2018 to register voters. We will run shifts from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

Please email Deanna @ jdhadd1@gmail.com or call 814-659-1682 to reserve a time slot.

This is an extremely important election and we need to make sure people are registered to vote!



AAUW Second Tuesday Book Club

by Jo Romani (Jo17Sanzio!@aol.com)

At 1:00 PM on September 11th, members will meet at 118 Saucon Way to discuss, *The Force* by Don Winslow. *Queen Victoria's Matchmaking* will be the book discussed at 1:00 PM on October 9th at 1032 Hillside Trail. All Members are welcomed to join in these lively, enlightening book discussions.



by Kathy Howanek
(khowanek@hotmail.com)

Supporting Local Businesses

In the spirit of supporting local businesses that support AAUW, I would like to remind our members of FWA Gym. It is located at 200 Lincoln St. and houses the site that we rented to store and sort books. The staff there was helpful and friendly and made all of us feel at home. The gym was originally designed for women's fitness and was referred to as Females With Attitude!

Over the years, FWA has become Fitness Weights and Aerobics and owner Oscar Cashaw is a sponsor for our Scavenger Hunt fundraiser and has donated a free membership as a prize for one of our fundraisers.

FWA is a participating facility with **Silver and Fit** which would cover the cost of membership for those enrolled in that program. This includes use of all equipment and the indoor track, perfect for the upcoming (not to mention current) inclement weather.

For an additional fee, sessions with a personal trainer may be scheduled or participation in Boxing Boot Camp or other classes. Don Roebuck, certified personal trainer on staff, is also certified by Western PA Parkinson's Disease Foundation, a boxing instructor with U.S.A. amateur boxing and a Certified Rock Steady Boxing instructor. Rock Steady is a program especially designed for those with Parkinson's. He has also trained people with Multiple Sclerosis.

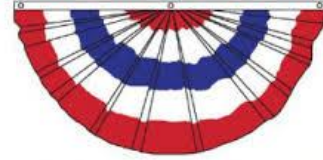
If any branch members decide to join, I would love to organize a branch walking group over the winter months.

You can find the gym on Facebook, or its website, <http://fwagym.net/>

Stop in for a visit or ask Deanna Haddle or I any questions that you may have.

Kathy Howanek

YOUR CHANCE TO MEET THE CANDIDATES



by Paula Tomko (paula.tomko@gmail.com)

Public Policy Committee to Sponsor Candidate Forum

As part of the Public Policy Committee's ongoing effort to provide voter education, we will be sponsoring a candidate forum in October. We are asking for help from all the members of AAUW Johnstown to help make this event a success.

The candidates for the PA 71st Legislative District will be participating in the forum. The candidates are: Bryan Barbin (D) and Jim Rigby (R).

The League of Women Voters of Indiana County have offered their assistance with the forum.

The Public Policy Committee will be meeting after Labor Day.

If you would like to be part of the Public Policy Committee or if you would like to help with the event, please contact Paula Tomko, Public Policy Chair at paula.tomko@gmail.com or at 610-207-7998.

Reminder



Our first meeting of the 2018-2019 year will be held at **6:30 PM on September 24, 2018 at the Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, Richland Campus.** See you there!



by Paula Tomko (paula.tomko@gmail.com)

Executive Order 2018-18-03 Equal Pay for Employees of the Commonwealth

On June 6, 2018 Governor Wolf signed an executive order that ends the practice of State Agencies requiring job applicants to provide salary history. The Governor also called on the legislature to pass similar protections for all Pennsylvanians.

The executive order is for management level positions and directs state agencies to:

- No longer ask job applicants their salary history during the hiring process;
- Base salaries on job responsibilities, position pay range, and the applicant's job knowledge and skills;
- Clearly explain the pay range on job postings

AAUW Opposes the Confirmation of Judge Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court

AAUW has carefully considered Judge Kavanaugh's nomination to the Supreme Court and believes that Judge Kavanaugh would put at risk the issues that are central to AAUW's mission.

AAUW has determined that Judge Kavanaugh's record shows he is willing to do the following:

- Upend employment and labor rights
- Oppose reproductive rights and the right of women to access healthcare
- Restrict voting rights
- Entangle public education

AAUW is asking that all members contact Senator Toomey and Senator Casey to voice their opposition.

Senator Toomey's Washington DC Office # is: 202-224-4254

Senator Casey's Washington DC office # is: 202-224-6324

Once you're connected, the message for your senator is simple:

Judge Kavanaugh's record makes it clear he won't support women's constitutional and civil rights. I urge you to oppose his confirmation and to call for his full record be released to the American public.



by LIFT
Johnstown

Date: Saturday, September 8, 2018 - 2:00pm to 7:00pm.

Where : **80 Hickory Street**

Enjoy 16 of the best wineries in Pennsylvania, grab a bite from our gourmet food vendors and shop at over 20 of the most unique vendors around.

(814) 536-5107

Cost of Event: \$25



*New Women's
Networking
Group in Johnstown*

by Paula Tomko
(paula.tomko@gmail.com)

Many of you may have seen posts on Facebook or heard about the **Stiletto Network** from a friend or another AAUW member and are wondering what it is and who is involved.

The Stiletto Network W.I.S.E. is a non-profit organization whose vision is to build a diverse network culture for women by women. The group was started by six local women who felt there was a void in Johnstown where professional women could network, find a mentor, and have a safe place where they could develop connections with other women.

The group was based on the book "The Stiletto Network" by Pamela Ryman. The book discusses how professional women are forming networking groups that are power circles. Women promoting women professionally and personally; giving women networking opportunities; helping them advance their careers; giving them opportunities to mentor younger women.

The Stiletto Network W.I.S.E (Women Inspired Stiletto Empowered) holds monthly networking happy hours **the second Wednesday of every month.** The group recently held a "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" event, where all participants wore heels and walked a mile around Roxbury Park. All proceeds from the event went to the Women's Help Center to help stomp out domestic violence. Future events will be scheduled to benefit the Johnstown Concert Ballet and other local organizations.

The group complements AAUW in that it is working to promote and empower women and girls and will be awarding scholarships. Women of all ages are welcome. You can attend events without being a member. There is no education requirement; however, all the women are professionals – banking, insurance, elder care, entrepreneurs, etc... The group does not participate in public policy issues, hold used book sales, hold competing events or work on projects AAUW is working on.



by Deanna Haddle (jdhadd1@gmail.com)

As the fund-raising committee embarks on new fund-raising activities we have asked the support of local businesses and industries.

To date, the following are those who have supported AAUW. **We ask that you support these businesses. Tell your friends and families too!**

SHEETZ

Slovenian Savings & Loan

Hindman Funeral Homes & Crematory

Associates in Family Eye Care

H.F.Lenz

FWA Gym

Orion's Jewelers

Concurrent Technologies Corporation

Salvatore's Hairstyling

Hoss's Restaurant

Five Guys

Olive Garden Restaurant

Valley Dairy Restaurant

Market Basket

Makin' Waves

Applebee's

Pizza Hut

Pappy's Pizza

Santo's Pizza

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					Aug 31 Bead for Life at Ethnic Fest 3-10	1 Bead for Life at Ethnic Fest 10-10
2 Bead for Life at Ethnic Fest 10-8	3	4	5	6 Thirsty Thursday TAP814 5-7	7	8 Sandyvale Wine 2-7
9	10	11 Books @ Boulevard 6:00 PM Tuesday Book Club 1:00	12	13 Meet & Greet 6:30 Community Arts Center	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 AAW Meeting 6:30 PM PHCC	25	26	27	28 Dining Club Bella's 5:45 PM	29
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October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Voter Registration Library 9-4	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 AAUW Scavenger Hunt St Casimir's 11:30-5:30
21	22	23	24	25	26 Dining Club Mimo's 5:45 PM	27
28	29 AAUW Meeting 6:30 PM PHCC Program	30	31			