

Resilience and Recovery in the Carlisle Business Community: Michelle Crowley and Virginia Mauk

Working to promote and motivate a community to remain resilient and work towards recovery during a pandemic presents a huge challenge for businesses, restaurants, and bars. Carlisle is fortunate to have two dedicated women working together to make a difference. Our February meeting will feature Michelle Crowley and Virginia Mauk talking about their work in recruiting, promoting, and assisting businesses in the Carlisle area.



Michelle Crowley is President & CEO of the 700+ member Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce. She has also enhanced the profile of the Carlisle area through service for several years on the statewide Pennsylvania Association of Chamber Professionals, including chairing the board of that organization.

Our own AAUW Carlisle member, Virginia Mauk, works for The Downtown Carlisle Association as a retail recruiter. Virginia reaches out to regional and national stores to encourage them to consider locating their businesses in the Cumberland County borough's business district.



We are excited to hear about their work and what plans they see for Carlisle's future.

Tuesday, February 23rd 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Zoom Meeting

Registration Required

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/9tZscuugqTgvG9DKYrtg_oeljWjZQd7tuos

WATCH for EMAILS from aauwcarlisleinfo@gmail.com for updates on ALL events

Feb 1	7:00 pm	Book Group	See page 10
Feb 4	1:00 pm	Public Policy Committee	Contact Kate Elkins for Zoom link
Feb 4	7:00-8:30 pm	Dysfunction by Design	Zoom webinar see page 8
Feb 18	7:00 pm	AAUW Huntingdon program featuring Dickinson College professor	Zoom webinar see page 3
Feb 23	7:00-8:30 pm	AAUW Carlisle Branch Meeting	Zoom meeting, see Page 1
March 1	7:00 pm	Book Group	See page 10
March 10	7:00 pm	AAUW Huntingdon program	Zoom webinar see page 3
March 23	7:00-8:30 pm	AAUW Carlisle Branch Meeting	See page 9 or watch for more information in March newsletter
March 29	1:00 pm	Trailblazers Recognition Event -- Virtual	See page 5
April 27	TBD	Scholarship Banquet -- Virtual	See page 9 or watch for more information in April newsletter

From the President

Happy 2021! I hope this first newsletter of the calendar year finds you healthy and well.

February through June is usually our busiest time as a branch. This year our cherished traditions will look different as we continue, albeit in different formats. I can't predict when we will be able to gather in person again. So much depends on state restrictions for indoor gatherings, the speed of vaccinations (remembering many members aren't eligible until Phase 2), and finding a location. When the weather improves, I certainly would like to have a socially distanced outdoor gathering. Suggestions?

In the meantime, AAUW Carlisle traditions will continue virtually – strong monthly programming, Trailblazers Recognition, Scholarship Banquet, public policy advocacy, Gateway to Equity Award presentation, Member Awards presentation, branch officer elections, book group, membership renewal. We do have busy months ahead!

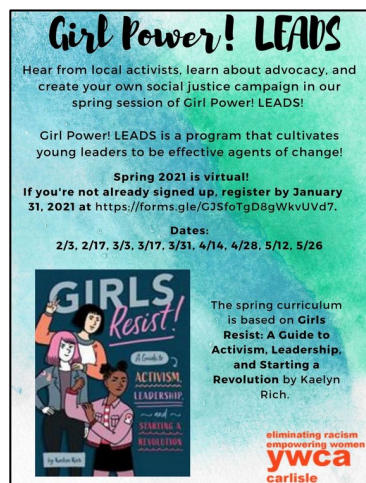
Pat Markowski, Nomination Chair and her committee (Cherry France, Virginia Mauk, Becky Morgenthal) will present a candidate slate for President, Program VP, Finance Officer, Secretary to the AAUW Carlisle board at the March 9 Board meeting. Instead of voting at the April meeting, AAUW Carlisle members will vote online or (if requested) paper ballot in late March/early April. Watch for candidate bios and voting instructions in emails. If you already know you want a paper ballot, contact Pat Markowski (pmarks11@comcast.net or 717-458-8591).

AAUW and AAUW Pennsylvania news and events are covered in the next two sections. In this column, I want to bring those topics to the local, branch level and mention how AAUW Carlisle is addressing them. Read the **What's Up in Pennsylvania?** and **News from National** sections for context and details.

- The AAUW national portion of our membership dues is increasing to \$62 effective July 1, 2021 (Fiscal Year 2022). The AAUW Pennsylvania and AAUW Carlisle portions remain the same, \$10 and \$20 respectively. Virginia Mauk and Gail D'Urso are leading the AAUW Carlisle implementation, wanting to make sure the reasons for the increase are well communicated and your questions are answered.
- You received emails from AAUW announcing a proposed bylaw change to open membership, which means eliminating the education requirement for membership. As an AAUW member, you will have an opportunity to vote during the annual election April 7 – May 17. Kate Elkins and Katie Perkowski are coordinating the AAUW Carlisle project to make sure you are informed and vote.

Watch future newsletters and emails to keep you apprised of all that is happening in AAUW Carlisle. I miss seeing you and catching up on all you are doing. In the meantime, I look forward to "seeing" you in our virtual existence.

Ann Pehle
President



Girl Power! LEADS

Hear from local activists, learn about advocacy, and create your own social justice campaign in our spring session of Girl Power! LEADS!

Girl Power! LEADS is a program that cultivates young leaders to be effective agents of change!

Spring 2021 is virtual!

If you're not already signed up, register by January 31, 2021 at <https://forms.gle/G3SfoTgD8gWkvUvD7>.

Dates:
2/3, 2/17, 3/3, 3/17, 3/31, 4/14, 4/28, 5/12, 5/26

The spring curriculum is based on *Girls Resist! A Guide to Activism, Leadership, and Starting a Revolution* by Kaelin Rich.

**eliminating racism
empowering women**
**ywca
carlisle**

Girl Power! LEADS is one of the most successful programs offered by the YWCA Carlisle. Girl Power! L.E.A.D.S. (Lead, Empower, Advocate, Develop & Serve) is a leadership program designed for girls grade 7-10. The next session, February through May focuses on activism.

You have an opportunity to participate as a guest speaker. Share your advocacy story. Speak about your activism journey. Include a practical component created by you, such as an activity the participants can complete (virtually) that ties in with your experience or area of expertise.

Contact Ashley Burkett Glensor (aburkett@ywcacarlisle.org) directly to discuss.

What a great opportunity to introduce AAUW to another generation!

What's Up in Pennsylvania? News from AAUW Pennsylvania

One advantage of the COVID pandemic forcing us into a virtual reality is that it is easier to **share programming and collaborate with other branches across Pennsylvania**. Watch for email updates with details as events gets closer.

- **AAUW Reading** sponsored a program on January 21st featuring member Adelle Schade, who developed and runs the Science Research Institute at Albright College. Last May it was named one of the top four STEM programs in the United States. Ask Barbara Attivo for a recap.
- February 4, **AAUW Carlisle** and **AAUW Harrisburg** collaborated with Fair Districts PA to present Dysfunction by Design—a webinar about gerrymandering the judiciary. See page 8. This is open to all Central District branch members.
- **AAUW Huntingdon** (with just 10 members) is offering the following for all Central District branch members. Watch your email for registration information.
 - February 18 at 7:00 pm – The Humanist Omniscient Narrator or the Voice of Reason in Chedid's Works. Mireille Rebeiz, Assistant Professor of French & Francophone and Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies at **Dickinson College** received a 2020-21 AAUW Publication Grant, Francophone Literature.
 - March 10 at 7:00 pm -- Thermal Radiation of Worlds Beyond our Solar System. Jennifer Carter, Assistant Professor of Physics at Susquehanna University received a 2020-21 AAUW Research Publication Grant in Engineering, Medicine, and Science. Susquehanna University announcement of her grant: <https://www.susqu.edu/about-susquehanna/newsroom/physics-professor-wins-research-grant>

2021 Summer Retreat

July 23 @ 6:00 pm to July 24 @ 3:00 pm
Central Hotel and Conference Center
Harrisburg or virtual

It's not too early to mark your calendar for the Summer Retreat—the AAUW Pennsylvania meeting in odd years. We are planning for in-person and virtual simultaneously, and making the final decision at our April board meeting.

Friday night is an informal meet and greet for persons traveling from out of town. Saturday, beginning at 10:00 am, will be a mix of affiliate business, updates and the luncheon keynote speaker. More information to come as details are finalized.

2021 NCCWSL is virtual! See page 4 for more information about **National Conference for College Women Student Leaders** (NCCWSL). In past years, the cost was \$500. Because it will be virtual, the cost for 2021 is \$125.

AAUW Pennsylvania sponsors four grants for Pennsylvania residents (do not need to be attending a college/university in Pennsylvania) and accepts donations from branches to fund additional grants. AAUW Carlisle contributed enough for one grant in 2020. All 2020 grant donations were put in reserve for 2021 and all selected recipients are being contacted for 2021. Because the reduced price, there are more grants available, so we are accepting applications.

The AAUW Pennsylvania NCCWSL grant application deadline is February 13, 2021 by midnight EST. Please encourage students to apply for this competitive grant [here](#).

Know someone in rural health care? The AAUW Pennsylvania Public Policy Committee is working with the Family Care Act Coalition to pass paid family leave in Pennsylvania. They are planning to do some outreach to rural health organizations and need introductions. Please let Ann Pehle (apehle@gmail.com, 401-644-6488) if you have contacts at the organizations listed below.

[Hospital + Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania \(HAP\)](#): statewide, HQ in Harrisburg

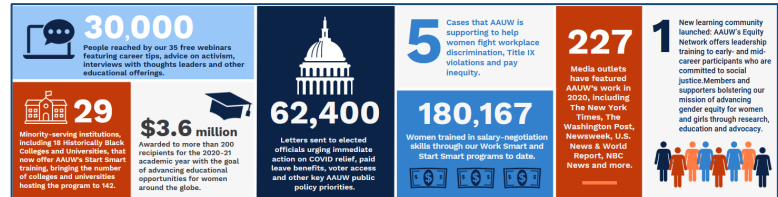
[Pennsylvania Rural Health Association](#): statewide, HQ in Harrisburg

[Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers](#): statewide, HQ in Wormleysburg

News from National AAUW Update

Looking back at 2020

With member support, AAUW boosted the online professional development offerings, launched a partnership with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), financed landmark court cases, and sent 62,400 letters to Congress urging action on equity priorities. Read the full report—programs, public policy advocacy, fellowships and grants, research--[here](#) and be very proud of all that was accomplished nationally in this most difficult year.



Looking forward in 2021

- During the period between the November election and inauguration of our 46th President, AAUW worked closely with the [Biden transition team](#) to delineate our priorities for the incoming administration. We offered our thoughts on [executive actions to take immediately](#) to support gender equity.
- AAUW's [letter to the 117th Congress](#) outlines our federal legislative priorities for this session. We urge you to use it as an advocacy tool when speaking with your elected officials about their need to take up and move quickly to support the economic security and education of women and girls.
- Read [AAUW's Statement on the Creation of Gender Policy Council](#) to learn about the Biden Administration's commitment to "restoring America as a champion for women and girls."

NCCWSL

May 25-26, 2021 | Virtual NCCWSL

This year, AAUW invites hundreds of college women from around the country for two days of leadership training, inspiration and networking at our National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).

The **National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)** is one AAUW program that many members are not familiar with. NCCWSL is the nation's premier conference for college women to hone their leadership skills, make lifelong connections, and get ready to shape the world! Since 1983, AAUW has organized this transformative experience for the next generation of leaders. Past attendees have gone on to lead nonprofits, innovate the corporate world, create disruptive technologies, and more — all while paying it forward for women and girls!

Over 800 women attend during the last week of May, at the University of Maryland. Regrettably, the 2020 conference was cancelled due to COVID. Learn about the 2021 conference [here](#).

National dues increase

AAUW members received an email on October 30th from Julia Brown, AAUW Board Chair, announcing an increase in Individual Member dues for the next three years. The dues will rise by \$3 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, \$5 for FY 2023, and \$5 for FY 2024, making the total dues amount for those years \$62, \$67 and \$72, respectively. "In order to preserve the viability of this organization we all love, the board needed to take action. Simply put, this measure is essential for AAUW to continue our mission to achieve gender equity."

Virginia Mauk and Gail D'Urso will provide more information to AAUW Carlisle members as membership renewal season approaches.

Open membership

This spring, the AAUW membership will vote on an important proposal to amend the AAUW bylaws to open membership and eliminate the degree requirement to join AAUW. The national AAUW Board of Directors strongly supports the proposal, along with dozens of member leaders across the country. The AAUW Board of Directors believe this is an essential step toward making AAUW a more diverse and inclusive organization, better aligned with our mission, values and the needs of women today.

Go [here](#) for information on this proposed change. Kate Elkins and Katie Perkowski will provide more information as the election approaches.

Trailblazers Girls' Recognition – You're Invited!

Plan to attend our third annual Trailblazers Girls' Recognition

Monday, March 26 at 1 o'clock

LIVE on ZOOM

Watch for more information as date approaches

Don't know what Trailblazers is all about? Read about the project and previous two events at

<https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/trailblazers/>

Thank you

The results of our mask sale is a profit of \$294.44. I want to thank everyone who participated in this fund raising effort.

This was a wonderful way to advertise our organization and have made additional funds to contribute to AAUW Carlisle Branch to support for women and girls advocacy. Thank you again!

Becky Morgenthal
AAUW Fund Chair

The AAUW Carlisle Higher Education Scholarship Committee is in full swing!

- We are reviewing and confirming the requirements of six applicants. We have a
- Zoom interview planned for February 13th. After that point, Funding Chair Becky Morgenthal and Finance Officer Barbara
- Attivo will give the committee the 'word' on how many \$1500 scholarships we can
- award. We are budgeted for two prior to our annual appeal to the membership. Thank
- you very much for your continued and generous support.

Lillian Wong
Scholarship Chair

Exploring DIVERSITY and INCLUSION

Beth McKinley, Chair

Learn More About Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The new [AAUW Diversity, Equity & Inclusion toolkit](#) includes dozens of resources to help AAUW members and others to celebrate their differences and incorporate inclusive practices into their everyday lives. These tools can help you lead branch workshops and further your own learning. There are sections defining key terms and concepts, exploring dimensions of diversity, and giving advice on how to start difficult conversations.

Start exploring. And watch for more ways to engage on the topic as the AAUW Carlisle committee begins its work.

Membership Engagement

Good Advice and Good Fun!

The second installment of the Member Engagement Series led to a lively Zoom discussion. The topic question, “What would I tell my younger self” was discussed in small Zoom chat rooms. Reflections on the topic were not intended as self-criticism but, rather, as a way to frame what you know now with a colleague, a niece, a daughter, or someone you mentor. Topping off the evening, the groups reconvened to share reflections. Here are summaries of those discussions.

(Kathleen, Stephanie, Rita, Nancy)

- Follow your interests, don't let other people or money dissuade you
- Where there is a will, there's a way, don't give up
- Find a mentor and a confidant
- Learn from your mistakes, but don't dwell on them
- Never stop learning and growing
- Advocate for yourself
- Practice using your voice
- Make good eye contact

(Cindy, Sherry, Janet, Gail)

- Be serious about school
- Don't let fear of failure become paralyzing
- Find what makes your heart sing
- Less intensity in parenting can be a good thing
- Have patience with yourself
- Take advantage of available resources
- Speak up when those in authority refuse to share responsibility for problem-solving

(Brenda, Joan, Jenifer, Pat)

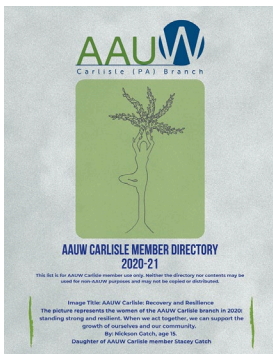
- It's okay to be driven and have goals, but not at the expense of other people
- self-care should never be overlooked
- give yourself a break
- state your opinions, because everything is not black and white, or cut and dry
- get to know your neighbors
- slow down and enjoy;
- MOISTURIZE!

(Kate, Loretta, Stacey, Virginia)

- Presentation and communication skills are important
- Practice speaking in groups, large and small
- Pick your battles; stand up for yourself, but know when to let things go
- Don't be afraid to make changes, no matter your age
- Be prepared and be ready to adapt
- The glass ceiling is real
- JOIN AAUW!

Participants enjoyed this time together, and were happy to see other members, even if it was on a screen. Some of our newer members said that they were glad to get to know more about each other, since they have not been able to attend many “in-person” events since joining AAUW.

Membership Co-Vice Presidents, Virginia Mauk and Gail D'Urso, organizers of the Member Engagement Series, thank everyone for their interest. Keep an eye out for information on the third installment, coming this spring. We hope you will join us!



Start the new year with an updated AAUW Carlisle Member Directory!

<https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/> and Click **MEMBERS** and enter **aauwcarlisle17013**

You will see a change of address for Pam Barney and corrections for Mary “Cherry” France and Chelsea Hranica.

PUBLIC POLICY UPDATE

Kate Elkins and Katie Perkowski, Public Policy Co-Chairs

Education Funding in Pennsylvania: Inadequate, Inequitable & Unconstitutional

The above title was that of a recent webinar presented by Education Law Center (an organization dedicated to fostering equal access to education for all children in Pennsylvania) and Public Interest Law Center (an organization based in Philadelphia that addresses civil, social and economic rights for communities in Philadelphia facing discrimination, inequality and poverty.)



What makes education funding in Pennsylvania inadequate, inequitable and unconstitutional? To begin with, Pennsylvania trails far behind other states in terms of the state contribution to education; meaning our schools get less funding from the state in general. Specifically, schools in districts with high poverty rates (such as Reading, PA) can have funding differences per child annually that are \$13K less than a wealthy school district (such as New Hope-Solebury.) Though this difference occurs due to discrepancies between both local and state revenues towards education, it does not represent a lack of effort on the part of local government. Tax rates in Reading are nearly twice that of those in New Hope-Solebury – meaning the populace of a school district like Reading with a 90% student poverty rate is also burdened with much higher taxes while their schools remain underfunded.

In terms of inequity, Pennsylvania's school districts are among the most segregated by race and class lines of anywhere in the nation, and Pennsylvania has larger gaps in student outcomes by race than almost any other state. Districts receiving the most revenue are disproportionately white, while the districts receiving the least revenue are disproportionately Black and Latino. Underfunded schools have larger class sizes, insufficient space, a lack of technology and school supplies, inexperienced teachers with high turnover, outdated buildings with maintenance issues, low test scores and poorer student outcomes.

What makes this situation unconstitutional? Article III, Section 14 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania asserts "The General Assembly shall provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education to serve the needs of the Commonwealth." Inadequate funding of school districts does not reflect a thorough and efficient system and further, the inequity between poor and wealthy school districts reflects discriminatory practices that deny full and equal access to thorough education for children in poor districts.

In 2014, Education Law Center along with Public Interest Law Center filed a lawsuit (*William Penn School District, et al. v. Pennsylvania Dept. of Education, et al*) on behalf of six school districts, seven parents, the Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small Schools (PARSS) and the NAACP Pennsylvania State Conference against legislative leaders, state education officials, and the Governor, asking for a court order that will force the legislature to comply with the state constitution and ensure all students receive access to a high-quality public education.

A 2016 enactment of a "Fair Funding Formula" by the Pennsylvania State Legislature that determines a district's share of funding based on student and district characteristics seemed to attempt to address the inequities in the current funding system. However, when enacted, a provision in the formula meant that it is only applied to new funding – meaning only 8.83% of the education funding was filtered through this formula last year, leaving the majority of funding entrenched in the current inequitable practices. One recent study found that Pennsylvania school districts with the fewest white students are shortchanged in state funding by almost \$2000 per pupil, while the districts with the most white students receive about \$2000 more per pupil than their fair share under the funding formula.

William Penn School District, et al. v. Pennsylvania Dept. of Education, et al is expected to go to trial early in 2021. You can find more information about these issues and ways to advocate for fair and equal access to education for all Pennsylvanian children at fundourschools.org or paschoolswork.org

Katie Perkowski
Public Policy Co-Chair

PUBLIC POLICY UPDATE

Kate Elkins and Katie Perkowski, Public Policy Co-Chairs

Forget Topic Talks, Ladies. It's time for Topic Walks!

That's right. I'm sure we have all been enjoying the wonderful impact that COVID-19 has had on our waistlines. Whether stress eating, baking for entertainment, or hey, just sitting around because there is nowhere to go, it's hard to combat the stasis of staying home. But with Spring just around the corner (and hopefully vaccinations for all), we on the Public Policy committee have been thinking about ways to get together safely and in person. So, here's the idea!

Typically, we host Topic Talks to explore a public policy issue in depth in a book group format. Participants read relevant materials prior to the event, and then meet in a member's home with an expert in the field who moderates a discussion. A Topic Walk, COVID-19 style, is a bit different. The "host" of the walk chooses a topic and assembles a short list of short articles (3-5) sent via an email with links. Participants are asked to read at least one article to have some point of discussion on the topic. (Have you noticed we're keeping our expectations low?) In order to maintain social distancing, topic talk groups should be no more than eight people – four to six people might be preferred.

We will meet in a park with a walking path and outdoor seating option, like a picnic shelter. We introduce the topic once we are gathered along with a few guiding questions to start a discussion, then go on our walk, breaking into groups of two to "pair and share" while adequately socially distanced. Then, once we return to the seating area we have a short group discussion to cross-pollinate our ideas. For maximum safety, we stay masked up throughout – being outdoors, masked, and maintaining social distance is the best way to mitigate risk!

A few of us on the public policy committee did a dry run of a Topic Walk last weekend and it was low-key, grand fun! Seeing real, live people! We walked on the Dickinson Trail, which was great - there are several other options in the area (LeTort Park, Thornwald Park, etc.) to try out as well. So as things warm up, keep an eye out for Topic Walks. If you'd like to suggest a topic, or would like to be put on a list of folks interested in participating, please send an email to the Public Policy Co-Chairs, Kate Elkins (kate.elkins78@gmail.com) and Katie Perkowski (kperkowski@gmail.com)

A "Can't-Miss" Webinar!

How many times have you asked yourself why it seems that so little gets done in the Pennsylvania Legislature? Why do good, bi-partisan bills never even get a vote? How do gerrymandered districts entrench politicians in 'safe' seats?

And now there is a new push to create gerrymandered JUDICIAL districts instead of being elected at-large which would make Pennsylvania the ONLY state in the union where this would be the case. This is a real possibility and will likely be on the May Primary ballot.

AAUW Carlisle is joining with AAUW Harrisburg to sponsor the webinar '**Dysfunction by Design**' on Feb. 4, from 7 - 8:30pm.

Join us for a terrific presentation by Jean Handley of the Fair Districts PA Speakers Bureau.

Advance Registration Required. Click [here](#) to register.

Dysfunction by Design

Jean Handley of Fair Districts PA will discuss Partisan Gerrymandering, Legislative Procedural Rules, and Judicial Gerrymandering and how they are tied together contributing to legislative dysfunction and a lack of public confidence in our government.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

7-8:30 pm including 30 minutes for discussion

Advance Registration Required for this Zoom webinar:
https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_FVt9yc56QAYxEkndFenYRw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Sponsored by

AAUW Carlisle (PA) Branch, Harrisburg AAUW, FAIR DISTRICTS PA

Branch Programs

Stacey Gatch and Judy Wheaton, Program Vice Presidents

February 23, 2021

11am

Close to home: Business recovery in Carlisle. More details page 1

March 23, 2021

7 pm

Women supporting Women: Our own members speak. A panel of AAUW Carlisle members will speak of their experiences with AAUW and beyond. This is a great chance to get to know each other better and share our stories.

April 27, 2021

TBD

The Scholarship Banquet to celebrate the recipients of the Higher Education Scholarship.

May 25, 2021

7 pm

Garrison Commander; USAG Carlisle Barracks; Colonel Courtney A. Short. Colonel Short is expected to speak about her responsibilities, changes she sees for Carlisle Barracks in the future, and how those changes may affect the Carlisle community.

Celebrating the holidays together with our own Zoombration

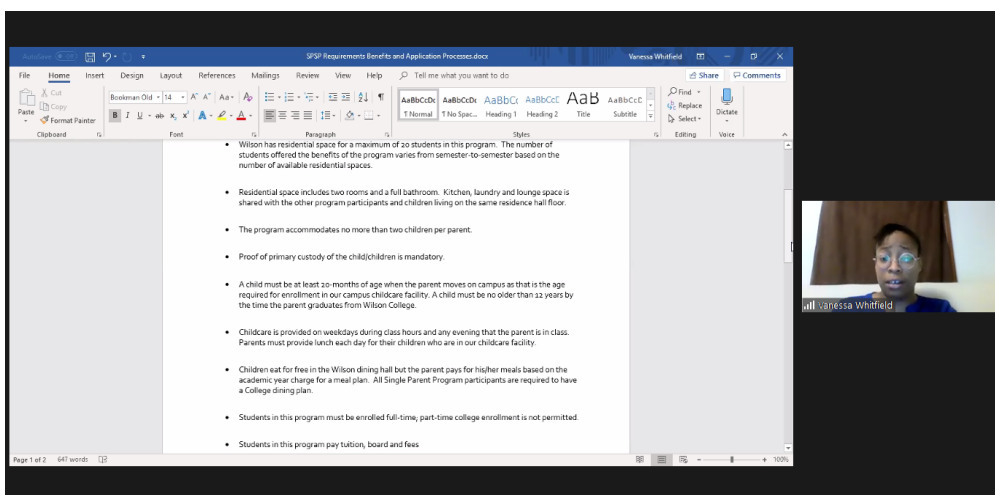
On December 5, about 30 AAUW Carlisle members met together for a fun-filled holiday celebration, from our own living rooms! First, our speaker and guest, Vanessa Whitfield, from Wilson College shared her own personal experience, as well as her current professional experience with the Wilson College Single Parent Scholar Program. Her optimism and passion for this program propelled us through a short business meeting and onto some fun! Members played a short game, guessing whose holiday décor was shown in pictures on screen. After this, members went to the closest thing to tables that we can get in 2020 – breakout rooms! This gave members a chance to chat in smaller groups. When the group came back together, the voting began for the Most Festive Square Contest. Congratulations to Nancy Sigrist, our grand prize winner! Many members took the chance to decorate their virtual square, with Sue Royer, Lillian Wong and Gail D'Urso winning prizes for their decorations too.

**Stacey Gatch
VP Programs**



Nancy Sigrist, Winner of the December Festive Square Contest having fun with some of her Santas.

Celebrating the holidays apart, yet together during the Holiday Zoombration



Vanessa Whitfield of Wilson College speaking about the school's Single Parent Scholar Program



As we move forward, we often look back and pay tribute to those who have had much influence on who we are today. As we celebrated AAUW Carlisle Branch's 95th Anniversary some tributes were gathered and will be shared in this section.

We are thankful!

*Tribute to Rosemarie Minatilla,
my nursing psych instructor.
Her mantra "All behavior is
meaningful" ...Rita Schlansky*

*Bertha Theobald, my
grandmother who cared for me
as her own...Carolyn Freberg*

*For my mom, Cathryn Pearce.
She encouraged me, pushed me
and made sure to provide a
strong role model. Miss her
every day! ...Mary Brunski*

*Without a doubt my mother,
Pat Sarb left an incredible
impact on my life. She was
smart as a whip and showed
me how to keep a sense of
humor through all life dealt her.
...Kate Elkins*

INTEREST GROUP ACTIVITIES

Wendy Armour Dickinson, Interest Group Chair

Breakfast Club and Dine Out are on a COVID break.

BOOK GROUP

Meets the 1st Monday of the month, September – May. We will meet by Zoom until meeting inside is safe. If you are interested in joining a discussion, please contact Wendy Dickinson so that she can provide to you the zoom information to join. She can be contacted by phone 717-514-3322 or email mail to: warmourdickinson@hotmail.com

The book descriptions are in Goodreads. See website for current and past reading lists. <https://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/book-group/>

March 1 **7 pm**
Born a Crime
Trevor Noah
Zoom Meeting

April 5 **7 pm**
Rebecca
Daphne du Maurer
Zoom Meeting

May 3 **7 pm**
American Dirt
Jeanine Cummins
Zoom Meeting

June 7 **6 pm**
**Year-end dinner and select books for
2021 – 2022**
Fiddler's at Mayapple

AAUW Carlisle**2020-2021 Board Members****Elected Officers****President** – Ann Pehle**Membership VPs** –Virginia Mauk, Gail D’Urso**Program VPs** –Stacey Gatch, Judy Wheaton**Finance Officers** – Barb Attivo, Linda Brunski**Secretary** – Angelica Mishra**Past President** – Linkey Green**Appointed Committee Chairs****AAUW Funds** – Becky Morgenthal**Communications** – Pat Markowski**College/University Liaison** - **OPEN****Community Activities** – **OPEN****Diversity and Inclusion** – Beth McKinley**Historian** – Rosemary Smith**Interest Groups** – Wendy Armour Dickinson**Newsletter** – Shirley Gehringer**Public Policy** –Kate Elkins, Katie Perkowski**Scholarship** – Lillian Wong**Social Media** – **OPEN****STEM** – Barb Attivo, Lillian Wong**Yearbook** – Carmen Eiserman

Branching Out is published August to June by the AAUW Carlisle (PA) Branch.

Articles and photos should be submitted to Shirley Gehringer at shirleygehringer@gmail.com by the 20th of the month. Include the word newsletter and month in the email subject.

Branch website is: <http://carlisle-pa.aauw.net/>

Like us on Facebook: @AAUWCarlisle

The Board welcomes questions:

aauwcarlisleinfo@gmail.com

Get Active

Open Board positions

Board members are responsible for a function and are the go-to person for all matters pertaining to that area of responsibility. The officer or appointed Chair (ideally) will form a branch member committee to implement.

The Board meets on the second Tuesday of September, November, January, March, May and June.

College/University Liaison

Branch liaison with Dickinson College and AAUW Dickinson. Promotes AAUW to surrounding colleges and universities.

Community Activities

Coordinates the social activities for branch members to enjoy each other’s company and share new experiences.

Social Media

Manage branch’s Facebook page. Twitter and Instagram too, if interested.

Contact me (apehle@outlook.com or 401-644-6488) for more information and to discuss your interest. It would be great to have you join the leadership team of AAUW Carlisle.

Committees seeking members

Fundraising

Contact Becky Morgenthal (bhmorgenthal@gmail.com) to learn more.

Membership

Contact Virginia Maul (virginia.mauk@gmail.com) or Gail D’Urso (gailcdurso@gmail.com) for more information and to discuss your interest.



Like us @AAUWCarlisle

Like us @AAUW Pennsylvania

Not receiving branch information?

Make sure emails from

aauwcarlisleinfo@gmail.com

aren’t going into your junk or spam folder.