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AAUW GREATER WAYNE AREA BRANCH PURPOSE

The purpose of this branch shall be to further AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear GWA Friends,
I just returned from a trip out west visiting family. Two states, six cities, four flights! It was the first time we'd seen our California family in almost two years and Kansas families in almost ten years. We are thankful to be able to travel again and stay healthy the whole time.



And with Thanksgiving around the corner I want to express my gratitude for our branch and all its members. Not only did our branch survive the past almost two years but it thrived. Members came together in new and innovative ways. Without other distractions we seemed more focused on making the branch a success. New members joined. Fundraisers were held. Interest groups met and expanded. Let's keep the energy going.

Take a look at everything our branch is doing over the next two months. I am excited about being able to once again have an in-person Holiday Social. Please come and enjoy a delicious lunch and sing-a-long.

Hope to see you soon.

Lorraine LaShell

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Introducing New Format Calendar of Events

Bobbi Breslow designed a new and improved Calendar of Events for our branch which makes it easier for members to keep track of meetings and activities. We can print out the page and keep it handy to refer to during the month. If additional events are added during the month, we can write them on the calendar. Thank you Bobbi.

Lorraine

DONATION CARDS

The Donation Card scholarship fundraiser is ongoing. Consider sending a donation card designed by Peggy Gardner the next time you need a card to remember, honor or celebrate someone. The cost is modest and the cause is worthy.



Individual Cards can be purchased for a minimum \$10 donation. Packets of five cards cost \$25. Call or email Lorraine LaShell with your request. Include the name and address of the party to receive the card and the reason for the donation (In Honor Of, In Memory Of, Get Well, Happy Birthday, Holiday) and the amount of the donation. The holidays are upon us and a donation holiday card would make an attractive and meaningful greeting.

Checks can be mailed to Lorraine. Write "Donation Card" in the check memo section.

Recent Donations

Joan London in memory of Beck Wagshul

CURRENT EVENTS

Our current events discussion group is growing and our topics continue to enlighten us about the state of the world's affairs. Last month, September, we discussed Haiti. The October meeting centered on all the broad topics of Afghanistan. Among the topics discussed were: The Taliban, al Qaeda, Isis-K, womens' role in Afghanistan, war profiteers, and the history and geography of this convoluted and evolving country.

As our group is expanding and our time limited, we have decided to have five speakers, or presenters and limit their time to about 10 minutes each. This leaves time for the rest of the group to participate, share and ask questions. So the first five members who send me their topics will compose the speaking group. The rest of us will listen, learn and respond.

We meet on the third Friday of the month at 1pm at Ruth Liston's porch. The topic for our next meeting on November 19th is ENERGY.

Arline Lowe

Oasis Toy Drive



What: UNWRAPPED games and/or toys

For: Infants up to 16 year olds

Where: Bring toys/games to our Holiday Luncheon

Date: Saturday, December 4th

Thank you for bringing some joy into a child's life!

Ada Liggett & Diane Snyder Ricart
Social Committee Co-Chairs

Zoom Board Meeting

The next Board meeting is on Zoom, Monday, November 15, 7:00-8:30. All Board members are expected to attend. Anyone else interested in participating, or adding a topic to the agenda, can email Lorraine by Friday November 12. The agenda and login information will be emailed on Sunday November 14.

Holiday Luncheon and Sing-along

Saturday December 4, 1:00-4:30

Lakeside Restaurant in Wayne

Three course luncheon
including choice of

■ **Appetizer:**

Fresh Mozzarella Caprese
Shrimp Fradiavlo
Clams Oreganato
Eggplant Rollatini

■ **Mixed salad**

choice of

■ **Main course:**

Chicken Saltimbocca
Chicken Piccata
Salmon Livornese
Filet of Sole Oreganato

■ **Dessert, coffee/tea.**

Cost is \$40.



This will be a festive event to celebrate our coming together as a community. Following the meal Elaine Dolsky will lead us in a sing-along accompanied by Bobbi Breslow on guitar.

RSVP to Carolyn Noble by November 20,

Mail checks for \$40 made out to
AAUW GWA
to Ann Raynor



Bea Kettlewood - The Builder by Dorothy Quinn

Claiming she was “born with a crayon in hand” Bea started her foundation to great accomplishments in Pompton Plains when it was a very rural, Dutch-descendant farming community. In fact, one could say her family was one of the early natives of this district settling here in 1869. Bea is grateful to her parents who recognized her love of creative expression as they fostered her talent. Instead of dolls and tea sets wrapped under the Christmas tree, Bea’s presents were primarily art supplies. As her love of the arts grew, her parents supported her desire to study in this field instead of guiding her to the traditional female



Jim and Bea

professions such as secretary, elementary teacher or nurse.

Bea not only found her career passion, but also her life partner in Jim Kettlewood, who was also a resident of Pequannock Township since he was a young boy. As newlyweds with little financial

resources, Jim and Bea decided to build their own home, literally! Jim had a 200' piece of property on Wilrue Parkway. To finance the building materials for their new home he sold 100' of the property and the two of them started to plan. As part of her college project she designed their home and had one of the Industrial Arts professors translate the design into an architectural plan. The building started in the warm weather with the garage completed first since it provided a place warmed by a pot stove where Bea mixed the concrete that winter as the outer construction continued. Block by block the shell was completed. That following winter as they worked on the interior they lived in their home warmed by the living room fireplace and borrowed gas heaters. Through the

years they built a few additions, one of which includes her studio, the place where she gives shape to her imagination. She is very proud of what she and Jim accomplished; in fact, she tells a story of the roofer who came decades later to replace the original roof. He inquired who put on the original roof. Bea said, “I did!” The roofer, shocked by her honesty and amazed by her ability, told her that she had made his job all the more labor intensive since she nailed all the tiles onto the beams for extra security instead of the sheathing! Bea still resides in this home that she and Jim built!

Bea laid the foundation for her career with her first job assignment as an Art Teacher at New Milford High School. She spent 33 years



One of Bea's favorite paintings

creating, sharing and building talent in her students at NMHS. She still is in contact with many of her students whose paintings and artwork adorn all four walls of her dining room. Her living room shelves store books that her students published and art sculptures and lamps that they created adorn the room as well. Their accomplishments which were fostered and developed by Bea are a part of her home - a result of the careers that she has built.

An artist in her own right with a doctorate in Creative Arts from NYU, she studied painting with acclaimed artist Hale Woodruff. In that program she took two full year courses in comparative religion which became the knowledge for designing stained

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2017 Women's Rights March in Pompton Plains

glass windows for five hospital chapels. Besides this accomplishment she has been awarded for many of her paintings at various art shows, recognized in the Hall of Honors for outstanding alumni at Butler High School, and too many other achievements to mention.

This energetic woman also found time to foster women's initiatives by joining the AAUW and became a GWA Branch member in 1984. For nearly forty years she has actively served the branch in various positions which include Inter-Branch

representative, Art Group Chair (26 years and counting), Co-President for two terms, and past and present Parliamentarian, which she boasts to be "old enough to know what Parliamentary Procedure is!" One could say Bea was instrumental in the building of the Greater Wayne Branch.

Many set goals in the hopes to build a rewarding life - Bea Kettlewood has built that success as an accomplished woman, artist, teacher and valued member of the Greater Wayne Branch.

Meet New Member **ARLENE SULLIVAN**



I was born and raised in Wayne. I attended public school in Wayne and went on to William Paterson University where I obtained a BA in Fine Art and then returned for graduate courses for a K-12 teaching certificate.

I initially taught Visual Arts in Sparta High School before taking time off to have a family. I am presently a single mom of three adult children, two boys and one girl and proud grandmother of a grandson.

We lived for a number of years in Montville where I was an active participant in my children's elementary school's PTO, serving as co-president. I was the first recipient of their Beacon of Light Award created to honor volunteerism. I served as a replacement teacher in the Montville Township School system for several years before being elected to the Montville Township Board of Education where I served a term as President.

In 1997, co founded a nonprofit art foundation; Changing Images Art Foundation, Inc. after our youngest son became ill at 2 weeks old and was

hospitalized for 2 months. Our mission is to bring comfort and color to people in institutionalized settings through interactive art activities. We have completed hundreds of interactive murals on a worldwide basis that bring the outside, in. These murals can be found in hospitals, nursing homes and shelters.

I have written and illustrated a children's book, The Journey of Hanna Heart based on the many murals that have been completed. A project that has become a giant walk in book in several hospitals where the murals and the text take to the hallways and allows children to step inside a book – something to offer comfort to children who for whatever reason must spend a great deal of time in hospitals. Originally written with sick children in mind we found that children of all ages enjoy the story. I have also illustrated a second book, The Journey of the Stations of the Cross which has also become an art project for some religious education schools.

I presently teach Visual and Graphic Arts in Morris Catholic High School in Denville. I have been there for 16 years.

In 2021, I received Congressional recognition for continued 3D printing of healthcare face shields during the pandemic.

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 3 PM Bridge online	1 2 PM Mah Jongg online	2 1-3PM Lit Group 3:30 PM Bridge online	3 1PM Bridge in-person	4	5	6
7 3 PM Bridge online 6:30 PM Bridge in-person	8 2 PM Mah Jongg online	9 3:30 Bridge online 7PM AAUWNJ Program online	10 Veterans Day 1PM Lunch Bunch 1PM Bridge in-person	11	12 11:30 Laurelwood Sculpture Tour	13
14 3 PM Bridge online 7 PM Board Mtg online	15 2 PM Mah Jongg online	16 3:30 Bridge online 7PM AAUW 140th celebration online	17 1PM Bridge in-person	18	19 1-3 Current Events	20
21 3 PM Bridge online 6:30 PM Bridge in-person	22 2 PM Mah Jongg online	23 3:30 Bridge online	24 Thanksgiving Day	25	26	27
28 Chanukah	29 Chanukah 3 PM Bridge online	30 Chanukah 2 PM Mah Jongg online				

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Chanukah 1-2:30 Lit Group 3:30 Bridge online	2 Chanukah	3 Chanukah	4 Chanukah 1PM Holiday Luncheon Lakeside Restaurant
5 Chanukah	6 Chanukah 3 PM Bridge online 6:30 PM Bridge in-person	7 2 PM Mah Jongg online	8 3:30 Bridge online	9 1PM Bridge in-person	10	11
12	13 3 PM Bridge online	14 2 PM Mah Jongg online	15 3:30 Bridge online	16 1PM Bridge in-person	17 1-3 Current Events	18
19	20 3 PM Bridge online 6:30 PM Bridge in-person	21 2 PM Mah Jongg online	22 3:30 Bridge online	23 1PM Bridge in-person	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas
26	27 3 PM Bridge online	28 2 PM Mah Jongg online	29 3:30 Bridge online	30 1PM Bridge in-person	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day 2022

FUNDRAISING

September was a busy month with the Walk-A-Thon and a second accessory sale.



Fourteen members participated in the Walk-A-Thon. Several others joined the group for lunch and our first in person meeting at the gazebo. Although the weather looked threatening, we were lucky that it held and we were able to hold the event as planned. In addition to raising almost \$3000, we walked, sang and had lots of fun together. The second accessory sale (the first one was in July at the Wayne farmer's market) was held during the Pompton Lakes town-wide garage sale. At Win Reinhardt's suggestion we used her driveway to set up our wares. We made a few hundred dollars that day.

Please remember to use the "change boxes" when you are ridding your pockets or wallets of coins. We will be collecting this money late fall, early winter. More information to follow.

The restaurant rebate event will not be conducted this fall but may occur next spring.

After the first of the year, keep a lookout for the ASK letter in which we request donations for scholarships from our membership. The money collected goes directly to the worthy candidates selected by the scholarship committee.

I am always looking for new and novel ways to fundraise. Please contact me if you have any thoughts.

Joan London

NATIONAL

Celebrating 140 years of AAUW

AAUW is commemorating its 140th anniversary with a virtual celebration on November 17, when it will honor its history and announce the 2021 AAUW Alumnae Recognition Awardee.

Details to follow.

Welcome to our new CEO, Gloria Blackwell.

Gloria has long managed the AAUW fellowships and grants program, which awarded more than \$70 million to women scholars and programs in the U.S. and overseas. She is also the driving force behind AAUW's signature programs, including its salary negotiation training programs, which have reached nearly 190,000 people. AAUW is in good hands.

AAUWNJ

Strength of Women Through Networking Wednesday, November 10th, 7pm via Zoom

NCCWSL scholarship recipient Alexandra Avila will relate her experience and takeaways from this conference. Alexandra is a 2020 graduate with an Associates' Degree in Electrical Engineering Technologies. She has been an electronics technician since 2016, specializing in the equipment for the Metro Trains in New York and Boston. Currently, she is an Electronics Technician and Neutral Beams Operator at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory at Princeton University, where she joined in September 2020. Alexandra has been dedicated to various STEM diversification and outreach programs since 2014.

Go to <https://aauw-nj.aauw.net/events/> to register.

~ Technology Simplified ~

What is **phishing**?

As a new member of AAUW, I'd like to share some pointers about how we can use technology to make our lives better and improve our physical and mental well-being, as well as our social lives.

This morning, I got a text that read, First horizon Bank-We've temporarily locked your account. To restore your online access, please click on the link below to verify your information
<https://portaltest.everyware.com/BE7070>



And, I got an email: *Sams Club Shopper! We have a surprise for you.*
STAY CALM... You're The \$100 WINNER?!
<fzfwKn-162pa2Q5wSRVnoReply@wmfgtaoxtb.thaiyogaami.com>

Both of these are examples of *phishing*. Many of today's cyber criminals have "gone phishing." Phishing is a common scam that attempts to lure you into giving up your username, password, or other sensitive information by masquerading as someone you know and trust. You may have received a phone call, but is typically done in email and texts. Phishing happens when a victim replies to a fraudulent email that demands urgent action. Examples of requested actions in a phishing text or email include clicking on an attachment or link or providing your bank account or credit card information.

These email and phishing scams commonly use threats or a sense of urgency to scare users into action. For example, it might look as if a credit card representative seeks to fix a discrepancy within your account or face penalties. UPS schemers may claim you have a delivery notification and must respond within 24 hours. A link included in this email leads to a phony login page that collects credentials and delivers them right into the scammers' dishonest hands.

How to avoid phishing? Look for generic greetings, typos, and misspellings in the link. For example, in the link above, horizon is not capitalized; temporarily is misspelled. And, "STAY CALM...You're the \$100 winner?" No, you're not. The best way to avoid being taken advantage of is **never to click the link**. If you're not sure of the sender, go to the vendor's regular email to check validity.

Let us know if you have other questions. Our chapter of AAUW is considering starting a Technology Simplified group. Please let us know if you're interested. Email: Bobbi Breslow.

Bobbi Breslow

PUBLICITY

Press releases have been sent out to many local media outfits promoting our branch of AAUW and its efforts to promote scholarships for women going back to college.

The article appeared in the "Sunday Trends" and included 2 pictures of our efforts at the Farmer's market and the Walk-a-thon.

We ask our members to keep an eye out for any GWA articles in other publications and let Lorraine know where and when it appeared.

Abby Schwartz



COOKING GROUP

There will be no Cooking Group in November and December. Save January 28 for the next meeting when we will meet to "Break Bread" together. Each member will bring a bread or cracker to share along with a favorite cheese. Beverages will be optional.

Carolyn Noble



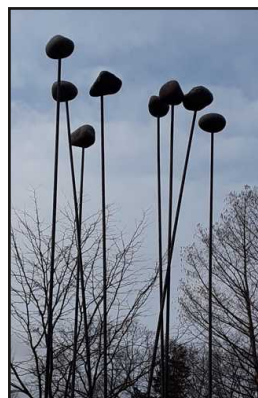
October's Cooking Group made pie crusts thanks to Joan London's instruction. And to demonstrate how to use our crusts, we also enjoyed her quiches and desserts....mmm!

CULTURAL OUTING

Laurelwood Sculpture Tour November 12, 11:30am Led by John Crowell

Located in nearby Laurelwood Arboretum is a sculpture trail worth seeing., and the price is right! Laurelwood Arboretum is a Wayne Township park supported in part by your tax dollars.

Stewart and Leslie Reiser, nearby Wayne residents, approached Broadfoot and Broadfoot Art Gallery in Boonton NJ with the idea of developing a sculpture trail at Laurelwood making available a variety of sculptures from numerous artists. Two years ago Lyemoja, a brick head sculpture was placed. Since then thirteen other sculptures have been placed and await your eyes. Scott Broadfoot looked at various possible locations at Laurelwood before securing sculptures for these locations. All are abstract made of steel, stone, bronze or clay. The only non



abstract sculptures are the two brick heads by James Taylor.

More details are available on the Laurelwood website or on brochures which can be found on our bulletin board. <https://laurelwoodarboretum.org/visit/maps/sculpture-trail-map/>

Click on or mouse over the green dots on the map to see what is installed there. I will walk you along the trail where we will have an interactive talk about these works of art. All the works are for sale. My rule for buying art work is that you really need to love it before you buy it. Prices range from \$7,000.00 to \$180,000.00. There are also smaller sculptures available inside the KLC for smaller prices.

Wear suitable walking shoes. Bathrooms are not open.

Meet at entrance to Knippenberg Center at 11:30. RSVP by November 11 to Merrill Crowell.



LUNCH BUNCH

We have enjoyed Lunch Bunch at the gazebo, but the time has come to move indoors. I assume all are vaccinated, plus booster, and are as safe as can be predicted.

The plan is a sampling of international cuisines, beginning with lunch on November 11 at Fasil, which specializes in Turkish cuisine, a tasty variety of kebabs and salads. Fasil is located in the Walmart shopping center in Boonton, an easy (and very pretty at this time of year) drive on Route 287 or 202. There will be more information after I talk with the manager.

During the winter months, we will stay close to home at an English style tearoom and Portuguese, Indian, and Asian restaurants. If any of you know of a nearby German restaurant, let me know. I would like to add that to my list.

Lois Wickham

BRIDGE-MAH JONGG

The calendar for activities is as follows:

Monday	3 pm	Online bridge
Alternate Mondays	6:30 pm	In person bridge
Tuesday	2 pm	Online majjonn
Wednesday	3 pm	Online bridge
Thursday	1 pm	In person bridge

There is always room for more. Just give me a call if you would like to join any of the activities or if you have an idea for something different. Ideas are always welcomed.

Ruth Liston

Happy Birthday

November		December	
Linda Nardone	21	Diane Ricart	6
		Arline Lowe	18
		Linda Trongone	26
		Bobbi Breslow	26

LITERATURE GROUP

Come join the LIT GROUP for lively conversation, delicious snacks, and amazing friendships with fellow book lovers.



October's Lit Group discussed "Meet Me At The Museum," on Joan London's deck. Seated: Mary Querrazzi, Elaine Dolsky, Ruth Liston. Standing: Janice Rutherford, Diane Snyder Ricart, Joan London.

Date: Wednesday, November 3rd

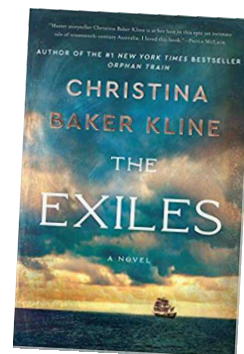
Time: 1:00-2:30

Place: TBA

Book: *The Exiles*

by Christina Baker Klein

Ambitious, emotionally resonant novel about three women whose lives are bound together in 19th century Australia and the hardships they weather together as they fight for freedom and redemption in a new society.



Date: Wednesday, December 1st

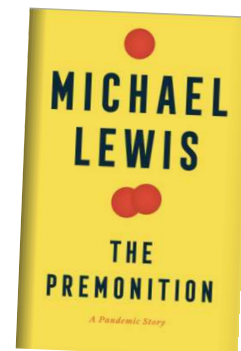
Time: 1-3:30

Place: TBA

Book: *Premonition*

by Michael Lewis

For those who could read between the lines, the censored news out of China was terrifying. But the President insisted there was nothing to worry about. Michael Lewis is not shy about calling these people heroes for their refusal to follow directives that they know to be based on misinformation and bad science.



January: *The Reading List*

February: *The Ladies' Midnight Swimming Club*

Diane Snyder Ricart Chairperson

AAUW GREATER WAYNE AREA BRANCH

PURPOSE

The purpose of this branch shall be to further AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

VALUE PROMISE

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.



Greater Wayne Area Branch

MEMBER TOWNS

Bloomington
Englewood
Kinnelon
Mt. Pleasant, SC
North Haledon
Nutley
Parsippany
Pompton Lakes
Pompton Plains
Teaneck
Wayne
West Milford

GWA OFFICERS 2021-2022

ELECTED OFFICERS

President	Lorraine LaShell
Vice President	Arline Lowe
Secretary	Dorothy Quinn
Treasurer	Ann Raynor
Program VP	Carolyn Noble
Membership VP	Ruth Liston

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Cards / Mahjongg	Ruth Liston
Cooking	Carolyn Noble
Current Events	Arline Lowe
Diversity/Inclusion	Beth Marmolejos
Fundraising	Joan London
Interest Groups	Arline Lowe
Lit Group	Diane Ricart
Lunch Bunch	Lois Wickham
Parliamentarian	Bea Kettlewood
Public Policy	Lorraine LaShell
Publicity	Abby Schwartz
Social Concerns	Ada Liggett/Diane Ricart
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