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The President's Message

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the May gathering and to have a chance to sit and talk. I hope that gathering was a harbinger of the coming year. A big thank you to Kelly and the Scholarship team for another job well done and for taking a few minutes to tell us about this year's recipients. I sincerely hope that we will be able to hear from next year's recipients in person.

Speaking of next year, your Board will be meeting June 17th at the Funkstown Pavilion to plan for 2021-2022. If you have any ideas, please contact a board member before then. I hope some of the events we planned to have this year which were cancelled because of COVID will be part of next year's schedule. And, of course, we hope to resume our Book Sale after a two-year hiatus. It is my understanding that people in our community have been asking, so please spread the word that we plan to be back next Spring.

Of course, to ensure that you hear about our events, you need to renew your membership. Many of you have done so. Thank you! I hope the rest will get their forms in as soon as possible so that we can work on the yearbook. Also, remember that if you want an electronic version of the yearbook instead of a paper copy, contact Sharon Chirgott and let her know. Several members suggested this option to save on paper and printing but also because they can have the booklet with them on their phone or device instead of having to carry the booklet. Don't worry. We understand that is not the best option for everyone, so we will still print copies. We just want to be sure that we are getting you the information in the more useful form for you

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AAUW MISSION STATEMENT

"Advancing equity for women and girls, through advocacy, education and research".

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AAUW Newsletter

President's Message continued: As a teacher, I always counted on summer break to revitalize me. Late in my career, I developed an aversion to having more than one thing scheduled in a day let alone more than two things scheduled during a week. I felt that since I had this free time, people and doctors could accommodate me and spread my appointments and meetings throughout the weeks I had available. Why mention this? I find that same irritation creeping into my unconscious response as it seems everyone wants my time and attendance right now when my teacher brain is screaming "But it's my summer break!". I feel a little overwhelmed going from a fairly empty calendar into this new phase with multiple events on the same day.

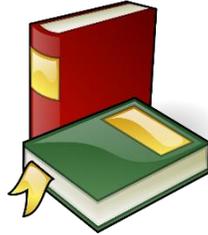
Yet, I understand that it is a little bit like that first day after a major snowstorm when your road is finally plowed and you can get out of the house. Everyone is recovering from a long period of cabin fever and we each have our own ways of dealing with it. I hope this summer and the number of available activities and opportunities within our communities revitalizes you and eases the tension of the past year. And I hope to see you in the fall at one or more Branch meetings.

Meanwhile, enjoy your summer and continue to take care of yourselves and to be safe.

Charlotte

Afternoon Literature Group

Afternoon Literature is on hiatus for the summer. The group will begin meeting again in September.



Evening Literature Group

Evening Literature resumes August 24, hosted by Jean Casbeer with Ann Shilling-Gwinnutt reviewing *The American Story* by David Rubenstein.

Second Friday Lunch

No lunch is planned for June or July.

The next lunch will be on Friday, August 13 at Tapia's on Main in Middletown at 12:30. Please let Sharon Chirgott know if you are interested in the August gathering by August 10 so that a reservation can be made.

Barbara Irvine is stepping down as organizer of the Second Friday lunches. Anyone interested in this role should contact Barbara or Charlotte.

National Vote to Change Membership Requirement failed to remove the requirement of a college degree failed in a recent vote by a narrow margin. If your continuation of membership was pending based on that vote please be aware that you have time (but not much) to send your membership renewal to Treasurer Kim Powell.

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Jeanne Stoner has been an AAUW member for 50 years and will now join the elite group of honorary members.

Book Sale

Plans are being made for resumption of the spring used book sale in spring 2022.

The branch appreciates that Arc has waived a month's rent since the space was not available for the 2021 sale.



Watermelon Lemonade



Squeeze the juice from 10 large lemons to equal 2 C; reserve 4 squeezed lemons.

Bring 6 C water, 1 ½ C sugar, ¼ t kosher salt to a boil, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat; add reserved lemons. Cool; strain into large pitcher.

Process 4 C chopped watermelon and 1 C water in a blender until smooth; strain into pitcher.

Stir in juice. Service with ice. Makes 12 cups.

Please join the Corbin family to remember the life of **Cam Corbin** (1943-2020) on Sunday, June 27, 2021 at Douglas A. Fiery Funeral Home, 1331 Eastern Blvd North, Hagerstown, MD 21742. Please honor Cam's memory by wearing purple, her favorite color, for the reception at 2:00 p.m., followed by the eulogy at 2:30 and fellowship 3:00-3:30. If you are unable to attend, follow the hyperlink at the bottom of her obituary for live video of the eulogy [douglasfiery.com/obituaries/camilla-corbin](https://www.douglasfiery.com/obituaries/camilla-corbin). In lieu of flowers, consider making a donation in Cam's name to your favorite charity.

Proposed Calendar of Activities

Date	Event	Location / Hostess	Time
Fri. August 13	2 nd Friday Lunch	Tapia's on Main	12:30 p.m.
Tues. August 24	Evening Lit.	Jean Casbeer	7:30 p.m.
Mon. August 30	Board Meeting	TBD	7:00 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 21	Branch Picnic	Funkstown Park	5:30 p.m.