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**American
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April Branch Meeting

Afternoon Tea

Thursday, April 18

1:30 p.m.

TranquiliTEA

117 West Main Street, Waynesboro, PA

Queen Tea

Endless pot of tea

Chef's choice of either soup or salad du jour

Scones with lemon curd and cream

Assorted tea sandwiches

Dessert

\$35 per person

6% Pennsylvania sales tax and 18% gratuity will be added to each bill.



Reservations are due to Sharon Chirgott by the end of the day Friday, April 12

Carpooling is highly recommended!

AAUW MISSION STATEMENT

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

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The President's Message

What a wonderful gathering at our Founder's Day Luncheon in March. I thought the venue was perfect for our needs, the food was good, the mealtime conversation enjoyable and the presentation by Melissa Noel enlightening. Congratulations to Susan Latimer as our Named Gift recipient. Finally, I appreciated everyone's contribution to the discussion about our future.

The Board met last night (April 1) to discuss what we heard from you and how we might proceed. First and foremost, at least 5 of the current members of the current Board will continue to serve, with your approval for another term. This covers the requirements of our By-Laws as we have at least 3 members, which include a Treasurer and a President. There are several positions unfulfilled if any of you would like to join the group for this critical year. The full slate will appear in the May newsletter and, as we have done these past few years, lack of dissent will be considered assent.

So, what happens next? The Board discussed what they heard, looked at our By-laws and talked about what outcomes might best meet the needs of the membership. At their annual planning meeting in June, they will flesh out that discussion with a plan that they will share at the September picnic. For those of you who lead or participate in our various small groups, e.g., Book Groups, 2nd Friday lunches, please plan for a full schedule for next year. There may be fewer Branch meetings next year, but I believe we will still have our September picnic, December tea, and March luncheon. At this point, it looks like we will have enough funds to provide a few scholarships next spring, so there will probably be a Reception in May. If you would like any other Branch activities, we would love to hear ideas from you.

Meanwhile, relevant to our discussion in March, you will be able to vote on the Open Membership proposal from National starting April 3. By the time you read this, the Q&A Zoom session hosted by National will have passed (April 2) but it may be available on the National website under webinars (<https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/webinars/>). Please take a moment to express your opinion about this change. In reading through our Bylaws, our Branch membership rules must align with those of the national organization, so this decision does impact our future depending on how strongly our group feels about it.

Which reminds me. Since we have a potential Board to guide us through the next year, please find, fill out, and return your membership application/form which accompanies this newsletter. The sooner we have them all in the sooner we can update the database, prepare an updated directory for you, and plan for next year.

Hope to see you at TranquiliTEA or another activity this month.

Charlotte

Afternoon Literature Group

The Afternoon Lit will be meeting on Monday, April 15th at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Suzanne Beckwith. The hostess will present the book for discussion. If you have questions, call Suzanne (her contact information can be found in the yearbook).

The Afternoon Literature Group meets the third Monday of the month.

Evening Literature Group

The April 25th meeting will meet at Jean Casbeer's house at 7:30 p.m. where she will review "*The Forgotten Garden*".

The Evening Literature group meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

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Second Friday Lunch

The next lunch will be on **Friday, April 12, Fuji Asian Food**, 11205 John F. Kennedy Dr. #205, Hagerstown. Please let Sharon Chirgott know if you are interested in attending by the end of April 10 so a reservation can be made.



Mark your calendars for future lunch dates:

May 10, Schmankerl Stube, 58 S. Potomac Street, Hagerstown

June 14, Kitzie's, 5623 Williamsport Pike, Martinsburg

July 12, Broad Axe, 28 W. Franklin St., Hagerstown

August 9, Tacolicious, 67 Eastern Blvd., N, Hagerstown

September 13, Tapia's on Main, 203 E. Main St., Middletown

October 11, Café del Sol, 1130 Conrad Ct., Hagerstown

November 8, Rice Thai, 40 N. Potomac St., Hagerstown

December 13, Branded Chophouse, 7704 Old National Pike, Boonsboro

Ideas for future lunch sites always welcomed.

Recipe of the Month

Lemon Poppy Seed Cake Doesn't require a mixer.

Submitted by Sharon Chirgott

3 C flour	1 C milk
1 T poppy seeds	1 C vegetable oil
1 T baking powder	3 large eggs
1 t salt	1 T lemon zest
½ t baking soda	2 T fresh lemon juice
2 C sugar	1 t vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 10-inch fluted tube pan with baking spray. Whisk together flour, poppy seeds, baking powder, salt, and baking soda in a medium bowl.

Combine sugar, milk, oil, eggs, lemon zest, lemon juice, and vanilla in a large bowl, whisk until well blended. Add flour mixture and stir just until combined. Don't overmix. Pour batter into prepared pan.

Bake 50 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean. Cool in pan on a wire rack 10 minutes. Carefully turn out onto wire rack. Cool completely, about 1 hour.

Pour Lemon Drizzle over cake.

Lemon Drizzle

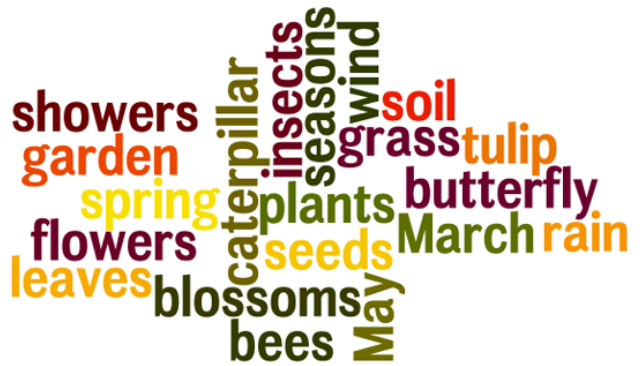
Sift 1 ½ C confectioner's sugar into a medium bowl. Stir in 1 T lemon zest, Stir in 1 T water and enough fresh lemon juice (up to 2 T) to make a pourable icing.

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Proposed Calendar of Activities

Date	Event	Location / Hostess	Time
Fri. April 12	2 nd Friday Lunch	Fuji Asian	12:30 p.m.
Mon. April 15	Afternoon Lit	Suzanne Beckwith	1:30 p.m.
Thurs. April 18	Branch Meeting	TranquiliTEA	1:30 p.m.
Tues. April 25	Evening Lit	Jean Casbeer	7:30 p.m.
Mon. May 6	Board Meeting	Zoom	7:00 p.m.
Fri. May 10	2 nd Friday Lunch	Schmankerl Stube	12:30 p.m.
Thurs. May 16	Scholarship Reception	Funkstown Park	7:00 p.m.