

Hagerstown Branch

March 2025 Volume 79, Issue 5

AAUW Officers:

President:

Charlotte Trout

Membership:

By Committee

Public Policy VP:

Denise Fry

Recording Secretary:

Carol Nase

Corresponding

Secretary:

Sharon Chirgott

Treasurer:

Kelly Weaver

Newsletter Editor:

Sharon Chirgott

AAUW

American Association of University Women Annual Founders Day Luncheon Saturday, March 22, 2025 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Bistro 11

13208 Fountain Head Plaza, Hagerstown

Speaker: Stacey Crawford, Community Foundation.

Lunch will be ordered from the menu.

RSVP to Charlotte by March 17.



AAUW MISSION STATEMENT

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

Visit our website: http://hagerstown-md.aauw.net Like us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/AauwHagerstownMd

The President's Message

So much I could write about these days, but I think I will keep it local and personal. I will begin with expressing my sadness over the recent loss of two long-term faithful members — Nina and Marjorie. Their contributions to our branch and to our larger community were amazing! I personally have lost several other friends in the last year, and it reminds me to cherish the time I have with those who are still here.

To that end, I want to invite you all, as you are able, to attend our annual Founder's Day luncheon. You will be ordering off the menu. We just want a head count to make sure there is space in the room at Bistro 11. Be sure to bring your change for our eggs! Please email, text or call me with your intention to attend.

We are expecting to have Heather Reichardt, current president of AAUW Maryland as a guest. Our guest speaker will be Stacey Crawford from the Community Foundation of Washington County. She will talk about the work of the Foundation. As many of you know, we have been discussing creating a legacy scholarship at CFWC using the last of our book sale funds so that there will always be an AAUW Scholarship available to Washington County students. We have received memorial contributions in Nina's name for scholarship purposes and while those funds will be recognized in any scholarships we give out this spring, it could be wonderful to have a fund available at CFWC where future individuals can contribute.

I am hoping that part of our discussion on March 22 can be about future programming. In addition to our usual gatherings, i.e. the picnic, tea, luncheon, and scholarship meet-and-greet, I am hoping that we can generate a few ideas for a possible meeting in the fall and one in the spring. There seem to be quite a few new venues opening in the area. I would love to hear about any you think we should visit or hear about as a group.

Meanwhile, I hope you are staying healthy. I am so happy that the mornings have been warmer lately after a whole week of sub-20 temps. The bulbs are starting to break through and soon the mostly brown landscape should be full of color.

Hope to see you on the 22nd!

Charlotte

Watch for the email from National regarding proposed dues changes.

What's that Yellow Arrow???

Did you know that left hand turns are considered dangerous for everyone driving according to AARP. As a remedy you might be seeing a flashing yellow left arrow. What should you do? Proceed the same way as turning on a green light, yielding to oncoming traffic and pedestrians. Not all signals will be converted but communities that adopt the flashing yellow arrow can expect safer intersections. In 2020, the Federal Highway Administration found that the signal can reduce crashes related to left-turn movements by 15 to 50 percent.

Extracted from article in December 2024/January 2025 AARP magazine.

Instructions on Living in a Broken World

Lean into community
Seek out love
Applaud the good you see
Keep paying attention
Talk to your neighbors
Dance to the music and embrace art
Look for love and small joys
Take breaks and relish in nourishing your body
Donate what you can
Linger at the dinner table with friends
Check in with your people
Let yourself grieve
Love one another as deeply as you can

The storm is upon us and we must hold on Don't give up. We're here together



(from the internet)

In Memoriam

Marjorie Grumbacher, February 13, 2025 Retired entrepreneur, activist, WWII WAVE, friend

May her memory be eternal co

In Memoriam

Nina G. Wells, January 18, 2025 Retired teacher, librarian, Washington County Public Schools

May her memory be eternal co

Afternoon Literature Schedule 2025

Afternoon Lit meets the third Monday at 1:30 at members' homes. This year the hostess is also the presenter, reviewing a book of her choice. Light refreshments are served. Call Judy Thompson if you have questions.

March 17	Judy Chaney & Carole Myers		
April 21	Suzanne Beckwith		
May 19	Vivian Michael		

Evening Literature Schedule 2025

Evening Lit meets on the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 at members' homes.						
Date	Host	Book	Author	Reviewer		
March 24	Suzanne Beckwith	A Wilder Shore	Camille Peri	Jean Casbeer		
April 28	Andrea Kautz	The Lost Bookshop	Evie Woods	Judy Chaney		
May 26	Ann Gwinette	Before We Were Yours	Lisa Wingate	Susan Latimer		

Second Friday Lunch

The next lunch will be on **Friday**, March 14, Panagiota's Taste of Greece, 115 E. German St., Shepherdstown, at 12:30 p.m. Please let Sharon Chirgott know if you are interested in attending by the end of Wednesday, March 12 so a reservation can be made.

363636

Mark your calendars for future lunch dates:

April 11, Lotus Moon Cafe, 16 N. Conococheague St., Williamsport

May 9, The Sycamores at Stonebridge, 1959 Golf Course Road, Martinsburg

June 13, Bistro 11, 13208 Fountain Head Plaza, Hagerstown

July 11, Veva's on Potomac (former Bulls & Bears), 38 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown

Ideas for future lunch sites always NEEDED!



Member Helping Member

The newsletter does not always arrive in a timely manner to those receiving print copies. If you receive the electronic delivery, please share the information with your friends who you know get the newsletter via the mail, so they don't miss events.

Recipe of the Month

Fruity Cinnamon Rolls

Contributed by Denise Fry

An easy and quick breakfast treat or dessert

1 can of cinnamon rolls, cut into quarters

1 can of pie filling (peach, cherry or apple)

- 1. Spread the cut pieces of cinnamon roll dough in a greased 8x8 pan and top with the pie filling.
- 2. Bake at 375 for 25 minutes. Once done, drizzle cinnamon roll icing on top.
- 3. Serve warm, with a scoop of vanilla ice cream (optional).

Note: I made this treat using a 21-ounce can of pie filling and 25 minutes was not enough time to cook the dough pieces. An additional 10 minutes finished it perfectly. S

Proposed Calendar of Activities

<u>Date</u>		<u>Event</u>	Location / Hostess	<u>Time</u>
Fri.	Mar. 14	2nd Friday Lunch	Panagiota's	12:30 p.m.
Mon.	Mar. 17	Afternoon Lit.	TBD	1:30 p.m.
Sat.	Mar. 22	Founders Day	Bistro 11	11:30 a.m.
Tues.	Mar. 25	Evening Lit.	J. Chaney & C. Myers	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	April 11	2nd Friday Lunch	Lotus Moon Cafe	12:30 p.m.
Sun.	April 20	HAPPY EASTER		
Mon.	April 21	Afternoon Lit.	Suzanne Beckwith	1:30 p.m.
Tues.	April 28	Evening Lit.	Andrea Kautz	7:00 p.m.

