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THE CONNECTION SEPTEMBER 2022



Cindy Adams Dunn  
Pennsylvania Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources

Cindy Adams Dunn was appointed by Governor Tom Wolf as the sixth secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) in 2015. The Pennsylvania Senate unanimously confirmed Dunn as Secretary of DCNR on June 2 of that year, signaling her return to the agency where she worked under three governors in multiple positions over the last two decades.

Cindy grew up near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. From an early age, Cindy learned to appreciate nature from her father who took her on walks, even as a toddler, to look at snakes, insects, and birds. She learned the value of volunteering from her mother, who was actively involved in church, the PTA, and other community activities. Cindy took that spirit to heart when, at age 17, she helped fight against a proposed landfill near her home in Fishing Creek. Part of her role was to gather signatures on a petition, and speak to people within the valley, including a local nudist camp, which proved to be a

Sunday, September 18, 2022  
AAUW Harrisburg Opens Our 2022-2023 Program Year with a Brunch & Recognition of Scholarship Recipients with Guest Speaker Cindy Adams Dunn

strong ally. Then and now, Cindy is more interested in “making a difference” than “making a statement.”

It was those early experiences, combined with an education at Shippensburg University for a B.S. and Master’s degree in biology, that led Cindy to choose a career path in conservation. Her work took her to the National Audubon Society in Camp Hill, as well as the American Rivers chapter in Pennsylvania. During Governor Ed Rendell’s administration, Cindy led the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, helping local communities build parks and other recreational facilities, and then went on to be the president and CEO of the conservation group, PennFuture.

In her return to DCNR, Cindy promotes forested buffers along the state’s streams and rivers, green infrastructure to protect water quality, green buildings to reduce energy costs and hedge against climate change impacts, and more opportunities for children of all ages and socioeconomic backgrounds to spend more time in nature. Cindy believes her best contribution to the environment is “introducing others to nature.”

- From the Pennsylvania Conservation Heritage Project stories



## September 2022 Message from our Co-Presidents Marcia Hajduk and Erica Voss Meloy



Bienvenu to the 101st year of AAUW in Harrisburg. Erica Voss Meloy and I are glad you are supporting us as we try to make a difference to our members, and to the Central PA community. There is so much that warrants our attention.

From the State AAUW Convention, we became reinvigorated after our long Covid nap. There has never been a year in our lifetimes where our advocacy has been more needed. Erica and I are so pleased that Kathy Gates will continue as Public Policy Chair. Partnering with other similar minded organizations, there are so many issues that need our attention. We're hoping that you will choose at least one issue that you are passionate about, and contribute your time and talent. No amount of support is ever too little. It's easy to follow your issues as our Newsletter has links to each of the websites with updated monthly reports. If you've experienced an advocacy hiatus, renew the vigor and fervor, and be a woman known for taking a stand and making things happen. We need to be the new generation of Suffragists. Just as they left their legacy on the 1920's, let us make our mark on the 2020's. Women need and deserve to be heard.



The Program committee, headed by Carol Nechemias, has worked all summer to find topics of interest to all. Come renew your friendships at our monthly meetings. Many are in the daylight hours; and if not, reach out to join a car-pool group for evening events. Something new for September - a Sunday Brunch - with our PA Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources, Cindy Dunn. Mother Earth is calling! So are the Bloody Marys.

Ladies of Harrisburg AAUW, we have a lasting bond. Be sure to reap the benefits of keeping it strong.  
Co-Presidents,  
Erica Voss Meloy  
Marcia Hajduk

### AAUW - HARRISBURG Events Requiring PRE-REGISTRATION:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE</u>
Voter Registration at Kipona with LWV Harrisburg	September 3-5, 2022	see p.11 for contact information
Penn State Dickinson Law series of reproductive justice events	September 12, 2022	seating is free, but limited. Reserve early p.11
Harrisburg Branch Fall Brunch	September 18, 2022	September 7, 2022 , p.3
the Fix Harrisburg Initiative	September, 27, 2022	contact Carol Nechemias <a href="mailto:c4n@psu.edu">c4n@psu.edu</a> p.6
John Singer Sargent in Spain at the National Gallery of Art Washington, D.C.	November 13, 2022	October 13, 2022 p.7-8



HARRISBURG BRANCH

Sunday,  
September 18, 2022  
buffet will start at noon

# Fall 2022 Kick Off Luncheon



Buhrig's Gathering Place  
37 East Main St,  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Join us for a fabulous Brunch Buffet of the traditional egg & bacon baked casserole, breakfast potatoes, greens salad, mixed fruit salad, dessert, coffee bar, and Bloody Mary and Bocce Ball breakfast cocktails.  
\$35.00 per person

We will be recognizing our 2022-2023 school year Scholarship Recipients as part of the festivities.



Our Guest Speaker will be  
Pennsylvania Secretary of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Cindy Adams Dunn

### \*\*\*Featuring a Special Opportunity Silent Auction\*\*\*

There will be a silent auction of 6 excellent books from Midtown Scholar, EACH SIGNED BY THE AUTHOR, to raise funds in support of our co-sponsorship of the Harrisburg Book Festival.

So, bring your checkbook!

- Golden House by Salman Rushdie (hardcover)
- Stanton by Walter Stahr (hardcover)
- Shirley Jackson: A Rather Haunted Life by Ruth Franklin (paperback)
- Heat and Light by Jennifer Haigh (paperback)
- Dusk Night Dawn by Anne Lamott (hardcover)
- A Bright Ray of Darkness by Ethan Hawke (hardcover)

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ Check enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ - \$35.00 per person

Make checks payable to: **AAUW HBG Branch**

**Mail reservation to :** Ms. Judy Daniels  
4530 Clarendon Street  
Harrisburg PA 17109 - 4430

**RESERVATION DEADLINE September 7, 2022**



## OUR 2022 - 2023 BRANCH SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

### Congratulations to These Outstanding, Deserving Young Women

Scholarship Committee: Leigh Ann Chow, Chair; Mary Kratzer, Becky Cotich, Erica Voss Meloy, Cheryl Williams, and Christine Zuzack

#### The Beverly J. Smith Memorial Scholarship (\$2,500)

- completion of 60 credits, a minimum, 3.40 GPA, full time enrollment



Sierra Kamara

Temple University, Expected Graduation: May 2023

Sierra is a full-time student at Temple University and Vice President of the Accountability Initiative - an organization created to advocate on behalf of the student

body and to find solutions for issues that are prevalent in educational institutions. "We are young activists advocating on behalf of underrepresented communities & seeking out solutions to issues that persist within them." She has many passions including music, having preformed in Harrisburg's Martin Luther King Jr. Showcase; reading ( I had my own section in my elementary school library); researching to gain knowledge " **when I'm unsure of an answer (no matter how important), I won't hesitate to seek out the answer**" ; and self care. Her involvement is a reflection of her very active family with a Mom in insurance, a Dad who is a full time missionary in Sierra Leone, and a brother active in coaching who is a West Virginia Football Alumni.

**Her Inspirations: Women in leadership who have and continue to break glass and sometimes concrete ceilings for future generations**



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#### The Ronald D. and Kathleen A. Krause STEM Scholarship (\$1,500)

- seeking a bachelor's degree in a STEM major, completion of 30 credits, a minimum 3.00 GPA, full time enrollment



Brianna Watts

Susquehanna University,

Expected Graduation: May 2023

Ever since I was a young child, my parents facilitated a love of STEM through the gifts they gave me. One of my fondest memories was receiving a children's

microscope set as a birthday gift. I truly believe that this moment ignited my love of STEM. My love of science and math was quickly recognized by my teachers, specifically my eighth-grade science teacher, and I was placed into the advanced courses. She advocated for me and saw my potential in STEM; I greatly owe my success and passions to her.

Bri's extracurricular activities include:

Research Student: Perform research under competitive STEM grants

Model Student/Teaching Assistant: Hold review sessions and serve as a mentor

Mentor Collective: Mentor and meet with incoming first-year and transfer students

Student Orientation Coordinator: Trained O-Team members, coordinated and planned events for Orientation

Orientation Team- Mentored a group of students, conveyed information about campus



## The Sally C. Chamberlain Scholarship (\$1,500)

- seeking to resume or renew academic work. completion of 15 credits ,toward an associate or bachelor's degree, a minimum 2.9 GPA, enrollment on at least a half-time basis for the 2022-2023 academic year



Marissa Alexandra Humphrey  
Central Penn College, Expected Graduation: May 2023

M. Alexandra Humphrey graduated from HACC in December, 2019, where she studied Police science at HACC's Harrisburg Campus. She is classified as a Senior Specimen Processor at UPMC Central Pa. Alexandra is currently enrolled at Central Penn College where she is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Information Tecnology and carrying A's in such classes as Visual Programming and Data Modeling Foundations. With all that, she has also managed to be officially internationally scuba diving certified with PADI.

She is passionate about baking, snorkeling, and traveling, verified by her many Facebook recipes and international travel pictures.

"I thank my parents and brother for their love and support. Something that inspires me is traveling as it teaches me about different cultures, history, food and to appreciate the little things."



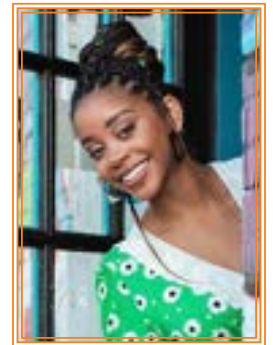
## The Member Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)

- completion of 15 credits, minimum 3.00 GPA, enrollment on at least a half-time basis (6 credits per term) for the 2022-2023 academic year.

Alanis Castro Pacheco  
Susquehanna University, Expected Graduation: May 2025

Alanis Castro is a first generation student at Susquehanna University studying Luxury Brand Marketing and Management as well as Graphic Design. She is a member Kappa Delta Greek organization on campus, , and also a member of the University's tennis team. Outside of school, she enjoys serving the local community as a youth leader and mentor to the local high school students. She hopes to pursue a career in Marketing or Web Design

" I'm on a quest to quench an insatiable thirst for growth and new experiences and this scholarship is helping me achieve just that!! I am very grateful to the scholarship panel for selecting me as a recipient and am looking forward to the rest of this academic year."



The Scholarship Committee met in early August to review this year's entrees. The young women selected this year exemplify what AAUW strives for in promoting higher education as well as the stipulations under which each scholarship is awarded. l-r: Erica Voss Meloy, Cheryl Williams, Leigh Ann Chow, Mary Kratzer, Becky Cotich. Christine Zuzich took the picture.

A Special Invitation from Our Carlisle Branch Partner

*Save the Date*

**Tuesday, September 27th**

at 7:00 p.m.

*Dickinson College*

*– the Holland Union Building*

**28 N College St, Carlisle, PA 17013**



Members of the Harrisburg Branch, and our guests, are invited to a Special Program sponsored by the AAUW Carlisle Branch:

the  
**FIX HARRISBURG  
INITIATIVE**



presented by Jean Handley, of  
Fair Districts PA



AAUW Carlisle has long supported Fair Districts PA in their advocacy to change redistricting rules that result in a gerrymandered Pennsylvania. We all want to see voters choosing their political leaders rather than political leaders choosing their voters. We hope you can join us as **Jean Handley, Fair Districts PA – Dauphin County Leader**, discusses the “Fix Harrisburg” initiative. Jean will discuss gridlock in the PA State Legislature and efforts to correct this.

Janet Kascur & Gail D’Urso  
Program Co-Vice Presidents  
Carlisle Branch

Please contact Carol Nechemias if you plan to attend so that she may pass along a head count.  
[c4n@psu.edu](mailto:c4n@psu.edu) cell: 717-315-9544







HARRISBURG (PA) BRANCH

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CULTURE VULTURES ART TREK

Arranged by Barbara Warfel

[warfelb@yahoo.com](mailto:warfelb@yahoo.com)

717-774-5559

Join Us On **Sunday, November 13, 2022**, to experience



*the NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART EXHIBITION of*

## Sargent and Spain

Celebrated as the leading society portraitist of his era, **John Singer Sargent** influenced a generation of American painters. His personal captivation with Spain resulted in a remarkable body of work that documents his extensive travels from the north to the south and to the island of Majorca. Over three decades Sargent responded to the country's rich culture by producing landscapes



and marine scenes, pictures of everyday life, and architectural studies, as well as sympathetic portrayals of the locals he encountered. }On display are approximately 120 dazzling oils, watercolors, and drawings, many of which are rarely exhibited. Also featured from the artist's travels are some 28 never-before published photographs, several almost certainly taken by Sargent himself.

Pick up: East Shore - Pole #32 Harrisburg Mall 8:00 AM

West Shore - Penn Harris Radisson upper parking lot 8:30 AM

Depart : 4:30 PM

Lunch: On your own. A list of restaurants near the museum will be provided

**Reservation deadline October 13, 2022**

Cost \$75.00

\*\*\*PLEASE COMPLETE THE SIGN UP FORM ON THE NEXT PAGE AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK TO BARB\*\*\*

**Reservation for Sargent in Spain Trip (deadline October 13, 2022)**

Reminders **Cost \$75.00**

Pick up: East Shore - Pole #32 Harrisburg Mall 8:00 AM

West Shore - Penn Harris Radisson upper parking lot 8:30 AM

Depart: 4:30 PM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: Bus pick: East Shore \_\_\_\_\_ West Shore \_\_\_\_\_

Your check, paid in full, is your reservation.

Please make checks payable to: \*\*\*

Barbara Warfel

619 Haldeman Blvd.

New Cumberland, PA 17070

Cancellation policy: A refund will be made if the trip is canceled. If you cancel, you will receive a full refund, only subject to operator's ability to resell your seat. Your canceled check is your receipt.

Waiver: I waive all claims for myself, my heirs, and assigns against the sponsors of this trip and will hold them harmless for any and all injuries or illness which may result from my participation.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*American Association of University Women - Harrisburg  
Discover Croatia, Slovenia and the Adriatic Coast! April 27 - May 8, 2023*

Hello Culture Vultures

Hear we go again! This time to beautiful Croatia. Barb Warfel spoke with a woman who recently took this exact tour and raved about it. There is also an extension to the tour in Moldova to consider.

Please contact Barb by phone 717-774-5559 or email [warfelb@yahoo.com](mailto:warfelb@yahoo.com)  
if you are interested in this adventure.

To read over the tour information, please click on the [link below](#), or refer to your 06.27.22 email from Barb that has the brochure attached. Questions? Feel free to call or e-mail Barb.

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1117102>

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 4 Valamar Lacroma Dubrovnik Hotel, Dubrovnik

Day 5 Atrium Hotel - Safir Hoteli, Split

Day 6 The Lyra Hotel Plitvice, Plitvice Lakes

Days 7, 8 Amadria Park Hotel Agava, Opatija

Days 9, 10 Grand Plaza Hotel Ljubljana, Ljubljana

Day 11 Sheraton Zagreb Hotel, Zagreb



HIGHLIGHTS...

Dubrovnik, Choice On Tour, Cilipi Family-Style Dinner, Split, Diocletian's Palace, Plitvice Lakes National Park, Opatija, Istrian Peninsula, Farm-to-Table



## AAUW and Partners : Opportunities and Updates

Mark your calendar for **September 21, 2022** to meet the Carlisle Branch AAUW at our media event in the **Capitol Rotunda at 10:00 am.** for the presentation of the **Beyond Suffrage White Paper** to members of the General Assembly.



BEYOND SUFFRAGE: Reclaiming the Future Women's Economic Security Forum Was held on Thursday, May 5 from 4:00 — 8:00 pm at the Cumberland County Historical Society. The event was free and an evening meal was served. 75 persons participated.

Our objective was to compile community feedback from the evening in a white paper which will be presented to our Pennsylvania legislators as they consider several bills that will impact women's economic security, including equal pay, paid leave, and the minimum wage.

We also created an Equity Quilt. Participants were given a fabric square and asked to depict examples of how they have experienced inequities in their lives which have hindered them from economic success. Volunteers have sewn the squares together into a quilt which will also be presented to legislators at the Capitol.



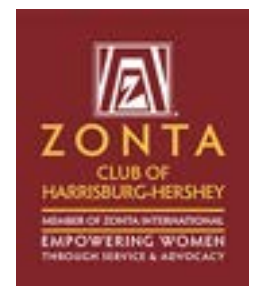
The visible symbol of our labors.



Patty Kim, State Representative for District 103 in Dauphin County will be attending the presentation.

### An Invitation to the Harrisburg Branch AAUW for the September 8, 2022, Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey Dinner & Program from our own Kathy Gates

Thursday, September 8th  
Penn State University Harrisburg Campus, Library  
Time: 5:30 PM - registration and social time  
6:00 PM - dinner  
6:45 PM - 8:00 PM - program including special guest speaker, Lisa Burton, Governor of District 3, presentation to scholarship winner, & updates from Zonta Committees and Golden Z-Club



Please let me know by Thursday, September 1, if you plan to attend. I will send you parking lot directions. I hope that you will join us for this special program to start our new and exciting Zonta Club year. We will partner with Greenlight Operation for this biennium. You can follow us on Facebook at *Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey* and our website at [zontaharrisburghershey.org](http://zontaharrisburghershey.org).

Questions, let me know.

Sincerely,  
Kathy Gates  
Zonta Club Membership & Social Media Chair

# Harrisburg Book Festival

Pennsylvania's Largest Annual Gathering for Book Lovers

## WHAT

**Presented by the Midtown Scholar Bookstore**, the Harrisburg Book Festival is the largest party for books in Pennsylvania. With activities across five days, the festival will feature an outdoor tent sale, author events, blind-date-with-a-book, scavenger hunts, children's story times and face painting, and the grand opening of our new rare book and collectibles annex.

**Over a dozen visiting authors will** make appearances at the Harrisburg Book Festival, including discussions and signings with the most celebrated and award-winning voices in literature working today.

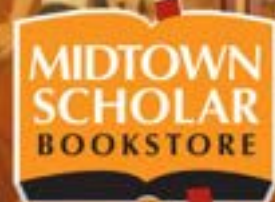
**More than 7,000+ attendees** are expected to visit the bookstore across the five day festival.

## WHEN

October 19th - October 23rd

## WHERE

Midtown Scholar Bookstore



Presented by the Midtown Scholar Bookstore

1302 North Third St. Harrisburg PA 17102





Volunteers are needed to help with Voter Registration at Kipona please call or email Darlene Kvaternik, 717-343-9426 [darlenekvat@gmail.com](mailto:darlenekvat@gmail.com) or Michele Emerson, 505-203-9090 [emersonmichele52@gmail.com](mailto:emersonmichele52@gmail.com)

Every August 26, we celebrate Women's Equality Day to acknowledge the accomplishments women have made and commemorate the 19th Amendment. But this year, we cannot celebrate. Join us and demand our government not only represent us but include us as equals. Although the actual event day has passed, there is much work to be done.

See [https://www.lwv.org/equal-rights/womens-inequality-day?utm\\_content=buffer7f0ff&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://www.lwv.org/equal-rights/womens-inequality-day?utm_content=buffer7f0ff&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer)



**COMMEMORATING CONSTITUTION DAY 2022 AT PENN STATE DICKINSON LAW: REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE IN THE WAKE OF THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION**

Penn State Dickinson Law, Dickinson College and the Department of Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies (WGSS), the **AAUW-Carlisle (PA) Branch**, and the YWCA Carlisle & Cumberland County invite you to join us on **Monday, September 12** for a series of reproductive justice events as we champion reproductive rights in the wake of the fateful decision by the Supreme Court of the United States in Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization, which overturned Roe v. Wade.



Dean Kimberly Mutcherson



Professor Melissa Murray



Dr. Mireille Rebeiz

**Kimberly Mutcherson Co-Dean and Professor of Law, Rutgers Law School**

Kimberly Mutcherson is an award-winning professor whose scholarship focuses on reproductive justice, bioethics, and family and health law. She has presented her scholarship nationally and internationally and publishes extensively on assisted reproduction, families, and the law. She was a visiting scholar at the University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics and the Columbia Law School Center for Gender and Sexuality Law.

**Melissa Murray**

**Frederick I. and Grace Stokes Professor of Law, NYU Law**

Melissa Murray teaches constitutional law, family law, criminal law, and reproductive rights and justice at NYU Law. Her research focuses on the legal regulation of sex and sexuality and encompasses such topics as marriage and its alternatives, the marriage equality debate, the legal recognition of caregiving, and reproductive rights and justice.

**Mireille Rebeiz**

**Associate Professor of Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies & Francophone Studies at Dickinson College**

Dr. Mireille Rebeiz (She/Her) teaches gender identity and international human rights laws at Dickinson College. Her teaching and research focus on women's, gender, and sexuality issues in armed conflicts in the Middle East and North Africa.

**Schedule of Events**

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Lunch and Learn**

with Dean Mutcherson and Professor Murray

Members of the community and partnering organizations are invited to attend this **free event** located in Dickinson College's Stern Center Great Room.

Lunch will be provided. However, seats are limited to the first 50 RSVPs

Reserve your seat(s) early.

4:30 to 5:45 p.m.

**Moderated Keynote Panel**

with Dean Mutcherson, Prof. Murray, and Dr. Rebeiz

Members of the community and partnering organizations are invited to this free event located in Dickinson Law's Apfelbaum Family Courtroom and Auditorium.

Seating is limited to the first 150 RSVPs

Reserve your seat(s) early.

For additional information and to register, see <https://dickinsonlaw.psu.edu/constitution-day>



## Take Note - Branch Updates:

### the Betty Sullivan Memorial Library at the YWCA

The YWCA is making some changes. In July, library Co-Chair Beth Klein met with Rhonda Hendrickson, Chief Operating Officer, and Lori Stoak-Verna to review and update our role as a branch with the newest plans for providing the Y guests with reading materials and space.

The current library room will be used to accommodate a new telehealth function and the library will be moved to the common room within the shelter They are building new bookshelves and our library sign will be there. They will send us a picture when it is finished.

The common room has substantial space with tables and chairs for reading. Another benefit of the relocation will be better access for the women who need a book in the evening or at night.

There will be three additional shelving spaces - a waiting area for walk-in clients (children's books), a waiting area for counseling clients (children's books and some adult/teen) and a visitation area (parenting and children's books).

We will not have direct access to those areas. Lori will maintain oversight and will let us know when we need books to replenish any of the areas.

We will continue to supply the free box weekly with adult paperbacks, children's books and all age magazines and will provide coloring and holiday books periodically. Magazines appropriate to the interests of Y guests are always very popular. A subscription for *US* magazine has been ordered for the YWCA

**\*\*For the September 18 Brunch - and any live meeting this year, we would greatly appreciate donations of magazines like *Us* and *People* which you are no longer using.\*\***

Thank you from Beth and Judy



## Special Interest Groups Scheduled to Meet in September 2022

Afternoon Book Group Contact: **Kathy Krausse** [rdkrausse@icloud.com](mailto:rdkrausse@icloud.com) 717-697-5462

All sessions are hosted at Messiah Village. Lunch is at noon followed by the book discussion at 1:00 pm. Some times schedules are changed so please contact Kathy or Jan if you plan to attend. (Sometimes capacity is limited, so be sure to let them know.)

Tuesday, October 4, 2022 *Destiny of the Republic* by Candice Millard will be reviewed by Jan Reinhardt

Morning Paperback Book Group Contact: Dorothy Brown [dorothymb4ever@gmail.com](mailto:dorothymb4ever@gmail.com) 717-763-1080

All meetings, except the Planning Picnic, are hosted at Messiah Village at 10:00 am. Please contact Dorothy or Jan Reinhardt, to verify, if you plan to attend. (Sometimes capacity is limited, so be sure to let her know.)

Thursday, September 1, 2022 *Waterland* by Graham Swift will be reviewed Kathy Krausse

Nonfiction Book Group Contact: Christine Zuzack [czuzack@hotmail.com](mailto:czuzack@hotmail.com) 724-840-7908

All sessions are hosted at Messiah Village. Lunch is at noon followed by the book discussion at 1:00 pm. Some times schedules are changed so please contact Chris or Jan if you plan to attend. (Sometimes capacity is limited, so be sure to let them know.)

Thursday, September 8, 2022 *Destiny of the Republic* by Candice Millard will be reviewed by Jan Reinhardt

see also: <https://harrisburg-pa.aauw.net/special-interest-groups/>

**There's a LOT to learn with the new iOS 16.**

Jim Gates (Kathy's husband) is once again offering free iPhone classes-  
via Zoom.

From Jim:

Apple's newest operating system for the iPhone (iOS 16) will launch on September 13th or shortly thereafter. These classes are for beginners but even those with good experience can learn something.



There are MANY new features that you're going to want to learn about. Since I can't download it early, we'll be exploring the new features together. (Of course, I'll make sure I'm at least one class ahead) I'll help guide you safely

Classes are offered either Tuesday evenings beginning September 13 from 7-8:30 PM

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSfzEEycZ4u.../viewform...>

or Wednesdays beginning September 14 from 7-8:30 PM.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/.../iphone-foundations-for...>

- through Fredricksen Library

Both classes are via Zoom. Space is limited so sign up sooner rather than later.

**Harrisburg Branch Donation Suggestions 2022-2023**

An additional way to get involved with our Branch is to make a donation directly to one or more of the Branch's philanthropic endeavors. Each contribution helps us keep our initiatives on track and our bottom line sound toward meeting our philanthropic goals.

Beverly J. Smith Memorial Scholarship	\$ _____
AAUW Harrisburg Branch Member Memorial Scholarship	\$ _____
Sally C. Chamberlain Scholarship	\$ _____
YWCA of Greater Harrisburg - Betty Sullivan Memorial Library	\$ _____
AAUW Harrisburg Funds (local initiatives)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Please annotate check for the specific fund(s)' destination(s),  
and send check to:

AAUW Harrisburg  
P.O. Box 60911  
Harrisburg, PA 17106-0911



## Branch Members' Summer Immersive Experiences

August 4, 2022, the Culture Vultures and friends traveled to the Baltimore Museum of Art Exhibition of abstract expressionist Joan Mitchell.

right: Alane Balchunas reviews her tour map amidst the larger than life offerings. bottom right:Lorraine Slattery and Betsy Staz lunch with friends. bottom:front: guest,Kathy Bard, Anita McCarthy, friend, Kathy Seidl, 2 friends, Erica Voss Meloy, Lorraine Slattery, 2 friends, Betsy Staz, Alane Balchunas. back: Marcia Hajduk, Carol Pennington, Christine Zuzack, and our tour lead Barb Passeri-Warfel.



Leigh Ann Chow was presented with her well deserved Named Grant Recipient award during the early August Scholarship Committee meeting. She is recognized for her efforts in continuing and improving our scholarship process.



Marcia Hajduk, Tom Diffenbach, and Bella are regular guests on Storytime with Madison Stokes - part of American Literacy Corporation's **Reading 365**



07.13.22 Floyd Stokes' 7th Annual Writer's and Illustrator's Camp at Ray's Place in Harrisburg - per Floyd "Mary Kratzer did an amazing job teaching the kids how to add flavor to their stories. Just as you need to season your food, you need to season your stories." (below)



In June, members Carol Buskirk and Dorothy Brown took an adventure to Peru. top: Carol, a weaver herself, with local weavers. right: Carol & Dorothy with group on the Peruvian rainforest treetop canopy walkway. bottom right: the ladies take in the local transportation in Rio Napo.





July 15. Carol Nechemias, Chris Zuzack and Kathy Seidl took in the Central PA Arts Fest at PSU main campus. Hats amidst the heat!



August 21. Carol Nechemias stopped to marvel at a sunflower while riding the Lebanon Valley Rail Trail.



The Walking Group, ready to tackle the **Letort Spring Run & Nature Trail**. l-r: Jane Pomerantz, Kathy Seidl, Marcia Nye, Marcia Hajduk, Lee Johnson, Carol Pennington, Kathy Bard, Barb Passeri-Warfel. kneeling: Chris Zuzack.



Barb P-W. was able to locate the creek? (see bottom right corner)



A much needed rest stop



Regrouping to find the parking lot

August 27. Members Christine Zuzack, Kathy Seidl, Carol Buskirk, Erica Voss Meloy, and Marcia Hajduk rallied in the heat for the 3rd annual **Run Wild for Wildwood 5k/10k walk/run** at Wildwood Park, Dauphin County.



and a reminder of coming events...



Candid photos of activities that include Harrisburg Branch members are always welcome! Don't be shy. Just please document with date, place, names what you are sending to the newsletter. Thanks very much.

## AAUW HARRISBURG DIVERSITY STATEMENT

AAUW Harrisburg condemns racism. We are committed to building a more just society where everyone, no matter the color of their skin, can live without fear, pursue their life goals, and thrive. Systemic racism is firmly rooted in the U.S., and today's injustices mirror our shameful history — from police brutality to inequality in educational opportunities to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color. Our country needs healing. That healing will only come with justice.

AAUW Harrisburg is committed to fighting for justice and long-term and lasting change and will collaborate with government officials, educators, and community organizations to address systemic racism and inequality in our community. To make a change, we must ACT, identifying ways in which each of us can optimize our recognition, acceptance and inclusion of all diverse groups and our roll in achieving equality in all its aspects in our community and our country, from patronizing minority owned businesses to contacting our government leaders. AAUW Harrisburg's Co-Presidents Marcia Hajduk & Erica Voss Meloy; Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging air Kathy Silks; and Membership Co-Vice Presidents MaryAnn Daniels and Kathy Seidl are leading this important effort.



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### OUR MISSION

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

### OUR VALUES

Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Principled.  
Inclusive and Intersectional with  
Equity for all.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Co-Presidents - Marcia Hajduk  
& Erica Voss-Meloy**  
**Program Vice President - Carol Nechemias**  
**Membership Vice Presidents - MaryAnn Daniels  
& Kathy Seidl**  
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Christine Zuzack, chair;  
Claire Powers, Kathy Silks, Carol Stark,  
& Barbara Passeri-Warfel

### 2022/2023 Board meetings

will be held via *Zoom* on the second Thursday of  
each month from 3:00 - 4:30pm

**September 8, 2022**

*Erica Voss Meloy or Marcia Hajduk will send meeting  
agenda information to the Board members*

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### **\*\*\*Newsletter Contributions\*\*\***

Any members who wish to contribute an article, upcoming event notice, or news item to the newsletter may do so by emailing them in the form of a Word document no later than the twentieth of the preceding month, to:

[hbgauwnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:hbgauwnewsletter@gmail.com)

### **Pictures Welcome!**

Pictures of any AAUW events, or branch members taking part in any other relevant community events, may be sent in as well.

***Picture submissions should be in jpeg format.***

Thank you! Carol