AAUW Westchester Branch Meeting Minutes (updated January 4, 2022)

The Crabtree Kittle House Restaurant

December 1, 2021: 12:30 pm

1. Ellen Leuner welcomed us with the news that we may have in-person Branch meetings at the Greenburgh Library from January through May. The large auditorium will allow 40 people to register ahead of time. Details of registration will follow. The library will set up a zoom for those who don't attend in person.

The Greenburgh Library will keep the information of who is registered and determine whether the covid numbers will allow us to safely meet in person. The library tech person will help us zoom our meetings from the auditorium to those who cannot attend.

- 2. Marie McKellar told us about the January and February presentations.
- 3. Thanks:
- a. Thea Jacobs for organizing the distribution of our gifts to the children of inmates of the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility.
- b. Crabtree Kittle House for setting up the Dining room to meet our needs for the lunch and gift collection.
- c. Sue Perko for donating painted bottles for our place settings.
- 4. Marie McKellar introduced our guests, Jennifer Fecu and Dorothy Muller.

The speaker, Jennifer Fecu, enlightened us to the factors and experiences that lead to her incarceration. Jennifer spoke about the way the College Program at Bedford Hills helped her improve her life and dedicated her to strive to help traumatized women and protecting them from experiencing repeating abuse and trafficking.

During dessert and after members spoke with Jennifer and Dorothy.

Respectfully Submitted

Elaine Weiss