

CHIPS

The monthly newsletter of the Westchester Branch of the American Association of University Women, Westchester County, New York



Westchester AAUW Has Been
Empowering Women and
Girls Since 1933

SEPTEMBER CO-PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Abby Hirsch and Judith Walsh



Welcome to our year of 2024-2025. We know that this is going to be an exciting year with wonderful programs and important advocacy work as we continue to have and support programs to help girls and women.

Our branch is one of the largest in the state and we are confident that we can become even larger. This past spring at the New York State AAUW Conference we were acknowledged for so many of the programs that we do. A larger membership, of course, would allow us to do more. Perhaps you have a friend or colleague who does not know about AAUW. Invite the person to one of our meetings so that the individual can learn more about us.

One of our goals this season is to encourage more members to attend our meetings in person instead of on zoom. We want to see the shoes that people wear! Along with this, we hope that people will have a chance to socialize and get to know one another. To make this happen, we are going to have a social time before the program. Come, have a cup of coffee or a cup of tea, a small snack and get to know one another. We hope you will join us so that we can see you head to toe!

As you know, we have many different interest groups and action groups which are part of our organization. Look at this list, which is in the yearbook, and see which you want to join. They never get too full. Many thanks to you who have led these groups in the past, and we look forward to all that will happen this year. Many thanks to Sue Lambert, who has been our CHIPS editor for over 20 years and has done such an extraordinary job creating this publication monthly during her long and remarkably successful tenure. We are all very thankful for all that she has done to create CHIPS for us so that we have been able to stay involved and learn about all the happenings in our organization. CHIPS will continue and we are happy to welcome Susan Goodwin in the role of editor.

Another person worthy of and deserving of thanks is Marcia Keizs. Marci led us for over two years as one of our co-presidents. During this time Marcia helped us to move forward in many ways, such as helping in our transition to Constant

Contact as our new vehicle for communication. She has been a dedicated and successful president, and we thank her for all she has done. The good news is that Marcia is not disappearing and will remain on our Board this year.

We look forward to seeing all of you soon and sharing another wonderful year at AAUW.

Westchester Women: Envisioning the Future

**Wednesday, September 11, 2024 5:00—7:00pm
at Casaletto Restaurant**

15 S. Central Ave, Elmsford, NY 10523

(west/down Tarrytown Road from the Greenburgh Library)

House Salad or Pasta Fagioli / Choice of Chicken Francese, Eggplant Rollatini, or Broiled Salmon / Roasted Potatoes and String Beans / Soda, Coffee, Tea and Cookies / Cash Bar

Let's start the new AAUW year by gathering to share dinner and to envision the future!

Selected Branch members will discuss what the next year holds for our Westchester Branch. We invite everyone to bring a potential new member.

Please RSVP by Sept. 1 by sending a check made out to AAUW Westchester for \$40 per person (Tax & Tip Included) to:

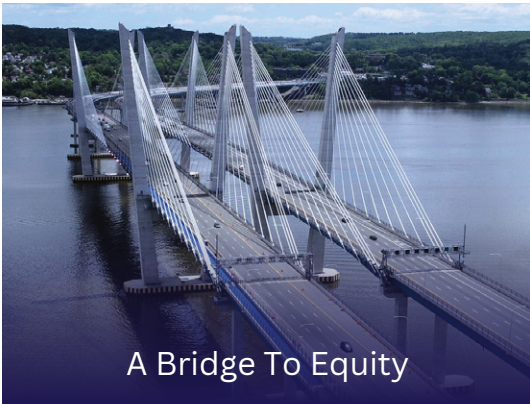


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The AAUW mission is to advance gender equality for women & girls through research, education and advocacy.

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A Bridge To Equity

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

VISION: Equity for ALL

OUR VALUES: Intersectional. Inclusive. Intergenerational. Empowering. Though we are nonpartisan, we are not values-neutral: We fight to remove the barriers and biases that stand in the way of gender equity. We train women to negotiate for pay and benefits and to pursue leadership roles. And we advocate for federal, state and local laws and policies to ensure equity and discrimination.

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**Join Us!
for the
AAUW Atlantic Regional Conference**

Connecting Voices from the Everglades to the Northern Border

September 27th-29th, 2024

Virginia Crossings Hotel & Conference Center
1000 Virginia Center Pkwy, Glen Allen, VA 23059



Hotel Amenities

- The Tavern Bar & Grill
- The Glen Restaurant
- Fitness Center
- Free Wifi
- Room Service
- Free parking

Nearby Attractions



- Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
- James River Cellars Winery
- Richmond National Battlefield Park
- Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
- Children's Museum of Richmond
- Crossings Golf Course



Register below:

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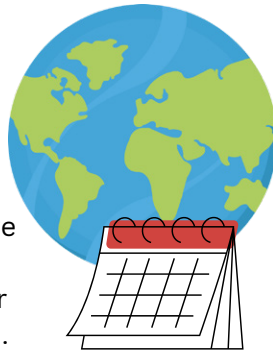
Visit Our Website

WESTCHESTER-NY.AAUW.NET

**BOARD MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE
WEB PAGE**

CURRENT ISSUES INTEREST GROUP

The Current Interest Group will meet via zoom on Friday, Sept. 13 at 10 am. Come join this informative forum. If you haven't attended before, please contact Ellen Leuner so the zoom link can be sent to you.



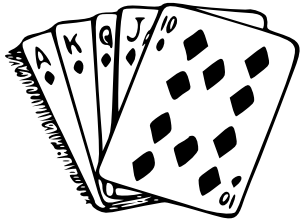
WELCOME!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Julie Grudin
Valerie Taplin
Miriam Ocasio
Shirley Roe

ART INTEREST GROUP

On Thursday, September 19th the Art Interest Group will visit Magazzino Italian Art Museum in Cold Spring for a private tour. If you would like to join us, please email Shelli Pines.



BRIDGE MEET UP GROUP

Bridge group meets each Monday at 1 p.m. on zoom. Contact Elaine Barbakoff for details and the zoom link.

LITERATURE GROUPS



TUESDAY MORNING LIT GROUP

The Tuesday Morning Lit Group will meet on September 10 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. We'll discuss *The Chancellor: The Remarkable Odyssey of Angela Merkel* by Kati Marton. Diona Koerner will lead the conversation. **Please contact Wilma Gitchel if you'd like to join us.**

EVENING LITERATURE GROUP

The Evening Lit Group will meet on Wednesday, September 18 at 6 p.m. at The Lexington Square Cafe in Mt. Kisco. Phyllis Dale will lead the discussion of *Dinners With Ruth* by Nina Totenberg. Please contact Marsha Savino by phone, e-mail or text to let her know if you plan to attend. **If you have questions about this group contact Sue Lambert at slamb47@aol.com. New members are welcome.**

JOIN AAUW WESTCHESTER BRANCH

Membership is open to anyone with an associate or equivalent, baccalaureate, or higher degree from an accredited college or university. To join, please complete this form and send a check payable to AAUW Westchester Branch to the address below. Dues for a new member are \$98 for the first year of membership, a \$10 reduction from regular membership dues, which are \$108/year. When you join the Westchester Branch of AAUW, you also become a member of the AAUW New York State and National organizations.

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Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

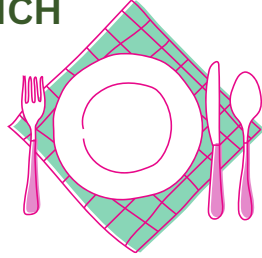
Email: _____

College/University, Degree, Graduation Year: _____

To join send a check to: Westchester AAUW, 455 Tarrtown Rd. #1354, White Plains, NY, 10607 or to get more information visit: westchester-ny.aauw.net

LADIES WHO LUNCH

The Ladies Who Lunch Group has a decades-long history of exploring the culinary delights of Westchester and nearby Fairfield (CT) counties.



The group meets at 12:30 p.m. on the third Friday of the month and members take turns selecting and contacting the restaurants involved. A key requirement is that the restaurant provides separate checks. Recent selections have ranged from Georgian (the country, not the state) to Turkish, Mexican, French, and Greek, all of which provide the group with a chance to explore a variety of ethnic treats. For more information, contact Jeanette Havens; space is limited, but you can join a waiting list to be notified of upcoming excursions.

There are time when one of our members is dealing with an illness, a loss or another personal crisis.

If you know a member who should receive our well wishes or support please send the information to our corresponding secretary, Susan Ferris Rights at susanferris123@gmail.com



TIME TO READ

AAUW Westchester Book Group Selections for 2024-25

READING LIST FOR EVENING LIT GROUP:

Dinners with Ruth
by Nina Totenberg
The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store
by James McBride
There Are No Rules for This: A Novel
by JJ Elliott
Someone Else's Shoes
by JoJo Moyes
The Personal Librarian
by Marie Benedict
The Frozen River
by Ariel Lawhon
The Paris Daughter
by Kristin Harmel
Master Slave Husband Wife
by Ilyon Woo
Lady Tan's Circle of Women: A Novel
by Lisa See

READING LIST FOR TUESDAY MORNING LIT GROUP

The Chancellor:
The Remarkable Odyssey of Angela Merkel
by Kati Marton.
All the Beauty in the World
by Patrick Brinkley
Master Slave Husband Wife
by Ilyon Woo
Astonish Me
by Maggie Shipstead
Eleanor
by David Michaelis
Yellowface
by R. F. Huang
The Widows of Malabar Hill
by Sujata Massey
The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store
by James McBride
Trust
by Hernan Diaz



Abby, Barbara, Marilee, and Nancy enjoy Untermyer Gardens

Editor's note: Dear Readers, It's a real pleasure to be your new editor and I look forward to working with you all! I don't mind telling you that I've been rather nervous succeeding the masterful Sue Lambert, whose creativity and ability to turn a phrase are truly unparalleled. CHIPS under Sue's tenure could have won a prize for excellence! Beyond those talents, Sue has been incredibly kind, giving generously of her time to help me get started. Thank you, Sue! Letters to the editor, suggestions, and corrections are all welcome - just contact me. SG



SEPTEMBER 2024

9/10	Deadline for October CHIPS issue	
9/10 10AM	Tuesday Morning Literature Group	Zoom
9/11 4PM	Board Meeting	
9/11 5-7PM	Branch Meeting - RSVP by Sept. 1	
9/13 10AM	Current Issues Discussion Group	Zoom
9/17 1:30PM	Poetry Interest Group	Zoom
9/18 6PM	Evening Literature Group	Lexington Sq. Cafe, Mt Kisco
9/19	Art Interest Group	Magazzino Italian Art Museum
9/27-29	AAUW Atlantic Regional Conference See Flyer on Page 3	Glen Allen, VA