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AAUW Value Statement

By joining AAUW we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Mission & Diversity Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to members to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national orientation, disability, or class.



JUNIOR GIRLS RECOGNITION AWARDS, 2019



Dear Ladies,

This was a banner year for our Junior Girls Recognition Awards! We celebrated our 18th year honoring fifteen of the most outstanding, articulate, and accomplished young ladies to date. We discovered during each girl's presentation that all the girls performed multiple and diverse services for their school and local communities. Truly an amazing group of young ladies!

Our speaker this year was the Honorable Jennifer O'Mara, Pennsylvania State Representative for the 165th House District, which includes the townships of Springfield, Marple, Radnor and the borough of Morton. Ms. O'Mara is the youngest State Representative and only the second woman to represent the district. She spoke frankly about her past and how it shaped her decision to run for election.

Ms. O'Mara talked about how she believes there is more that unites us than divides us, and that she is committed to the idea of government working to serve the people. She encouraged the fifteen honorees, "As young women, do not let anything hold you back, have courage even when the roadblocks of Life are in your way, and accept challenges no matter how scary they may seem, do it!" The audience enthusiastically applauded her and after the ceremony, Ms. O'Mara stayed and talked to each of the honorees.

Also, in attendance that evening were three members of the AAUW West Chester branch. They were very impressed with our ceremony and the idea of honoring junior girls for their community service as well as accomplishing a good academic standing. They got a chance to talk to the members of our branch who attended the ceremony and discussed the process of how to go about setting up this type of program with the hope of starting a similar program in their branch.

The evening was a great success and hopefully all who attended left with wonderful memories. More information about this and other events can be found on our website:

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STEM Scholars Recognition Awards

On **Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 7:00** AAUW Eastern Delaware County in collaboration with Delaware County Community College will have its third annual celebration of freshmen girls. The purpose of the [STEM Scholar Recognition Award](#) is to recognize the achievement of freshman girls enrolled in Delaware County public high schools, who have excelled in science, technology, engineering and/or mathematics and express an interest in a STEM career(s). The speaker for the evening is Stephanie Edwards, Technical Solutions Associate Engineer, Heraeus Group and former DCCC student. The event will be held in the STEM auditorium at Delaware County Community College's Marple campus on Media Line Rd. If you would like to attend this impressive event or have more questions, please contact Anne Mosakowski, amosakowski@gmail.com or Sherryl Feliciani, scfeliciani@gmail.com. We hope to see our AAUW members on Thursday evening!



Our next Book Group: **Friday, May 10, 2019 @ 12:30** in Wesley Hall at Covenant UMC. Greta Hodgson will be discussing Kristin Hannah's newest book, **The Great Alone**. Please plan to come with your lunch and discuss this book!



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