

Our thanks to the generous book donors & volunteers who make this year's sale possible. A record 4,287 boxes of books are ready for the event!

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May 9-12 Used Book Sale set to launch



Shoppers of all ages enjoyed the 2025 sale.



With just a few days left until **May 7 Move-in Night**, books for the 2026 sale are ready to go. The sale will run **Saturday, May 9, through Tuesday, May 12, 9 am-8 pm. On Tuesday, the sale closes at 7 pm.** Check out auwstatecollege.org/used-book-sale for details.

Last call for book sale volunteers: If you have not already scheduled your volunteer shift(s), contact Book Sale Volunteer Coordinator [Donna Trapp](#) today with your availability. **If you are signed up to volunteer**, check out the [BOOK SALE BULLETIN](#) for everything you need to know.

A must-read chapter on promoting the sale: *Five Easy Steps*

--Revisit and share the [3-25-2026 CDT Used Book Sale column](#) by Dina Liberatore, AAUW State College Marketing & Communications Co-VP. It highlights the spirit of the sale.

--If you are involved in other community groups, share the dates of the sale and personally invite members to attend! While the sale is our largest fundraiser of the year, it also provides an opportunity for readers, teachers, and community librarians to restock their shelves.

--Share via social media – Follow the sale @AAUWSCBookSale on [AAUW State College](#) and on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

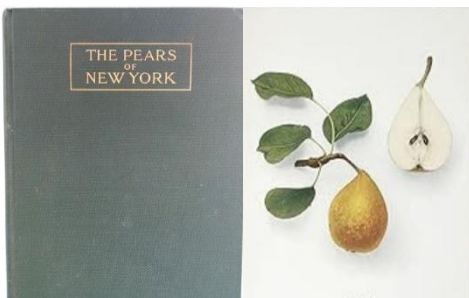
--Send a [Book Sale Flyer](#) through your network and ask that it be passed along.

--Stress how book sale dollars are used – Proceeds fund grants to support projects of Centre County nonprofits that align with AAUW’s mission to advance equity for women and girls. To name just a few, 2025 grants were awarded to the [CentreStem Robotics](#), [Mid-State Literacy Council](#), [GoReentry](#), and [STEMPoweredGirls](#). Visit [AAUW State College](#) for the full list. Sale proceeds also help support branch scholarship programs and national AAUW initiatives.

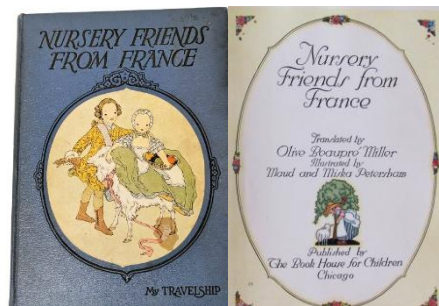
– Mary Ann Blair and Kat Miller, 2026 Used Book Sale Co-Chairs

A sampling of featured books in the Special Collections room

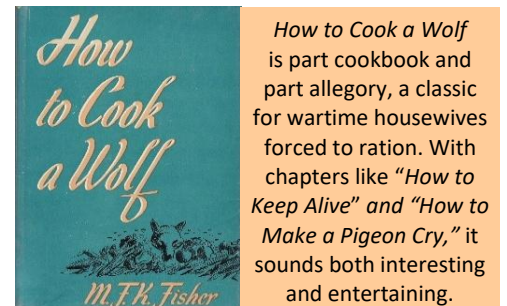
Our special collections team has recently completed cataloging and pricing hundreds of books that are deemed “special.” The books will be on display in the Special Collections room, near the Exit door of the book sale. A complete listing of Special Collections and vintage paperback collections is available on our website, <https://aauwstatecollege.org/used-book-sale/> (click on “Special Collections”). To follow is a small sampling of treasures discovered:



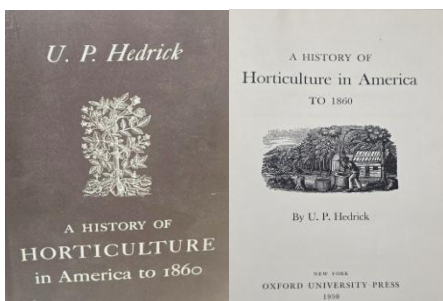
The Pears of New York (1920) is a very comprehensive volume, including 80 gorgeous color plates.



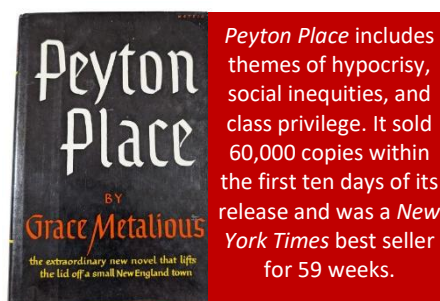
Nursery Friends From France (1927) is a charming book from the *My Travelship* series.



How to Cook a Wolf (1942) is an American book about food and cooking during wartime rationing.



A History of Horticulture in America to 1860 (1950) was a definitive work for the time.



A First Edition! Once considered scandalous, *Peyton Place* (1956) has sold over 22 million copies.

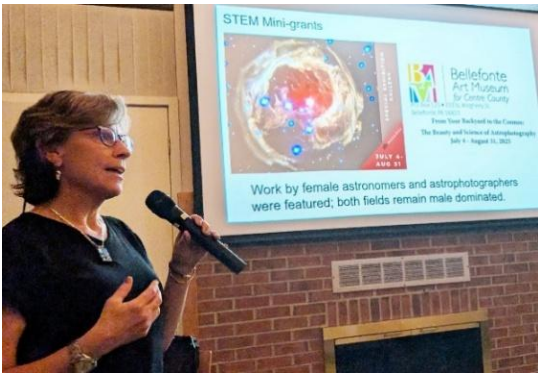


Woodstock-Ultimate Collector's Edition (2009) features a suede fringe cover and a set of 3 DVDs.

The full Special Collections author and title PDFs cover unique, fragile, and valuable books generally priced over \$25. In addition to books on display in the Special Collections room, 14 themed collections of vintage paperbacks that may be found three locations: the Special Collections room, the Collector’s area of the Arena floor, and adjacent to the Comics section.

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

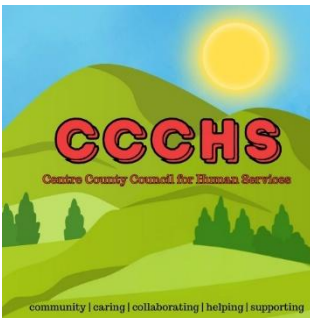
AAUW SC STEM Committee provides overview at April 16 program



The April 16 branch program in Foxdale was a wonderful overview of the [AAUW State College STEM Program](https://aauwstatecollege.org/stem-mini-grants/).

Left, STEM committee member Kristin Dreyer spoke about the mini-grant program. She was joined by AAUW State College STEM Co-Chair Michele Crowl. **More:** <https://aauwstatecollege.org/stem-mini-grants/>.

Branch president Carline Crevecoeur honored at CCCHS dinner



Volunteers from 21 local volunteer organizations were recognized at the April 23 Centre County Council for Human Services Rose Cologne Volunteer of the Year Dinner. We were proud to have Branch president Carline Crevecoeur represent our organization. Ten branch members were on hand to congratulate Carline. See more: [CCCHS Dinner](#).

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS BRUNCH

May 30 Awards & Scholarships Brunch reservations due May 20

At the May 30 brunch, we will honor branch award and scholarship recipients, welcome new members, reconnect with old friends, and install new officers for 2026-2028 terms.



Program Details – The banquet will take place on **Saturday, May 30, at Wyndham Garden**, 310 Elks Club Road, Boalsburg, PA 16827. A *Meet & Greet* starts at **10:00 am**. The brunch and program will begin at 10:30 am, and we estimate that the event will run until about 12:30 or 1:00 pm.

In addition to traditional brunch offerings, the menu includes salmon, chicken, vegetarian dishes, side salads, and more.

Register online at [2026 AAUW Banquet Registration](#). You will have the option of paying online or mailing a check. **Reservations are due by Wednesday, May 20**, and the cost to attend is **\$35 per person**. Contact Branch Program VP [Betsy Manlove](#) with questions.

Recognize branch honorees – We look forward to recognizing the 2026 branch honorees at the Awards & Scholarships Brunch. Honorees include *Outstanding Woman* – **Candace Davison**; *Member Making a Difference* – **Gail Agans and Angie Hughes**; *Gateway to Equity Award* – **National Day of Racial Healing-State College**; *Named Gift Honorees* – **AAUW State College Board of Directors and Board President Carline Crevecoeur**; *Centre County Council for Human Services Volunteer of the Year* – **Carline Crevecoeur**. [Meet the honorees](#). – *Suzanne Kerlin & Chriss Schultz, Scholarship Co-Chairs*



Meet our 2025 scholarship recipients – The Scholarship Committee has reviewed this year’s grant applicants and selected the scholarship recipients. They will be introduced at the Awards & Scholarships Brunch, where we will learn about their journey and their plans for the future.



– *Leslie Laing, Scholarship Chair*

MEMBER FOCUS

Welcome, new member Melanie Moskel - melaniemoskel@gmail.com



I am a Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist committed to helping individuals, couples, and groups navigate life’s challenges with clarity and resilience. I currently serve as a psychotherapist with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs at the Medical Center in DuBois.

In addition to my work with the VA, I am the owner of New Journey Counseling LLC, a private practice I have operated for 15 years. My clinical specialties include partner relational issues, anxiety, depression, trauma, and LGBTQIA-affirming care. I am dedicated to providing inclusive, evidence-based support that empowers clients to create meaningful change.

I am a proud graduate of Pennsylvania State University, and I reside in Centre County with my husband. We are enthusiastic supporters of Penn State football and wrestling and look forward each year to the AAUW State College Used Book Sale.

Our daughter, Riley, is a Penn State graduate and works as a geologist for the Department of Environmental Protection. Our son, Maxwell, is a graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania with dual degrees in Finance and Economics.

I am passionate about organizations that advance equity and expand opportunities for women and girls in higher education. I am excited to become involved with the local AAUW chapter and contribute to its mission.

Welcome, new member Marcha Reumel - marchareumel@live.com



I am an educator and curriculum designer with a strong commitment to advancing workforce education and promoting ethical leadership. Currently pursuing a doctorate in Workforce Education and Development at Penn State, I blend hands-on experience from my role as a police commissioner in Suriname with a solid academic background.

I have designed and taught courses ranging from leadership skills for supervisors to effective teaching strategies for workplace learning. My teaching is enriched by ethics, culture, diversity, and inclusion. With my unique background in both policing and education, I connect with diverse audiences across government, business, and public safety sectors.

I am currently pursuing a dual-track Ph.D. in the Workforce Education and Development and Comparative International Education Program at Penn State, I am an instructor in SMEAL College of Business, a student worker at Penn State Global Learning, and actively contributing to various academic leadership activities at Penn State.

I joined AAUW to continue my passion for advocating for women's rights and more. Throughout my professional journey, my focus is on educating women and empowering them. As a woman, I'm aware of the challenges women face, especially in the workforce. Currently, I'm a doctoral candidate in the College of Education at Penn State. My research focus is on ethical decision-making processes within organizations. AAUW is a space where I can learn and contribute to support women-related activities.

Renewing your AAUW membership

Membership Matters

Total annual dues are \$96. This includes AAUW National-\$76; AAUW Pennsylvania-\$12; and AAUW State College-\$8.

Honorary life and lifetime members do not pay national dues.

There are three different ways to renew your regular membership:

1. Pay with a check, and mail to AAUW State College, Box 735, State College PA 16804.
2. Pay online at our branch website: <https://aauwstatecollege.org/join-aauw/>.
3. Pay online at AAUW national: <https://www.aauw.org>. If using the national website, make sure to include State and Branch information. You will need to scroll to Pennsylvania and then State College. Otherwise, you will only have a national membership and will not be a member of the branch or state. Log-in with the email and password that you have used before. If you have never logged in to the national site, follow the instructions to create an account. Once you are logged in, check and update the contact information.

NOTE: If you are renewing your membership this month, would like to save a stamp, and are coming to the May 9-12 Used Book Sale, you can drop off your completed yellow membership renewal form (received in late April) with a check at the Info Table in the Arena’s front lobby.

Invite a friend/colleague to join AAUW for *half price* at the book sale!

AAUW has a special membership campaign called *Shape the Future* that encourages people to join AAUW for the first time at specified AAUW events, and one of these is our May book sale. Annual membership for new members will be **\$48, half price from the normal \$96 rate**, and this includes membership in the local branch, the state organization, and AAUW National. Membership forms will be available at the AAUW State College table across from the Cashier tables closest to the Exit door.

Shape the Future

Have a membership question? Ask Candace Davison and Kerry Smith, AAUW State College Membership Co-VPs, membership@aauwstatecollege.org.

Engage with the branch by becoming active on a committee!

engage If you are not currently “engaged” with the branch, or would like to shift directions, check out the list of [ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES](#). Committees and activities need new members, and all welcome your interest.

ONLINE BRANCH EVENTS CALENDAR: [Online Calendar](#)

Need a log-in? Contact Angie, technology@aauwstatecollege.org

Just for Fun Membership Events



Above: Carline Crevecoeur, Kerry Smith, (with Lola), and Connie Schroeder after a Thursday walk.

AAUW State College Morning Walks

We walk (and talk!) **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30–8:30 am**, at the **Boalsburg Military Museum**. In addition to all the health benefits of walking, *Morning Walks* provide a chance to meet and catch up with other AAUW members. It’s fun, and a great way to start the day. [If you walk an hour a day](#), it is a simple way to significantly improve your health, for heart health, brain health, and much more.

All walking speeds are welcome! Contact Carline, president@aauwstatecollege.org, if you plan to join us.

Let your creative side blossom: Thursday, May 28, 6-8 pm



The next meet-up of the branch's *Crafty Chicks* takes place at the Discovery Space (1224 North Atherton) on **Thursday, May 28, 6-8 pm**. Bring your own craft to work on or take part in some that are provided! After a summer hiatus, we hope to resume in the fall. Questions? Check in with [Angie Hughes](#) or [Kat Miller](#).

AAUW State College website updated!

I'm happy to introduce the redesigned AAUW State College website! The layout is simplified



This banner of women at the top of the Home page portrays the branch's commitment to diversity.

with an emphasis on drawing attention to our contributions to the community and, of course, the book sale.

Additionally, the Members' Portal was reworked to become more useful and add value to your life as a member of our branch. There is now a searchable Member Directory (which only includes members who have registered for the

site). There's also a Rideshare Directory, where you can find people who live nearby willing to carpool to meetings and events (one of the primary reasons from the member survey for not attending programs).

Please contact me at technology@aauwstatecollege.org if you don't have a login for our website. I will use the email address you use to contact me, unless otherwise specified.

—Angie Hughes, AAUW State College Technology Chair

PUBLIC POLICY

Updates on May 19 Primary Election

The deadline to register to vote in the May 19th primary is May 4th. You must request a

Mail-in Ballot no later than May 12th. **Polls are open 7 am to 8 pm.**

Learn more: <https://centrecountypa.gov/238/Elections-Voter-Registration>.



Republicans, you do have competition in your election for county party chair. Three are running. Please consult your party organization for details.

Democrats, some people are running write-in campaigns for precinct committee person. If you are asked to help, please do.

Mail ballots remain safe and effective in Pennsylvania, but it's a very good idea to use the drop boxes if you can. If you use mail, it's smart to mail it back as soon as you can!

—Dianne Gregg and Mary Dupuis, Public Policy Co-Chairs

Pennsylvania House Bill 2358 addresses cyber education options

House Bill 2358 - *Ensuring High Quality Cyber Education Options for Students* - was introduced May 25, 2025, and referred to the Pennsylvania House Education Committee on April 6, 2026. This bill allows school districts that offer approved online education programs to be exempt from paying cyber school tuition for students who attend cyber charter schools outside the district. The bill also requires criteria to be developed for online programs to be approved.



Presently, school districts must pay tuition for students who attend a cyber charter school outside of the district, even if that school district has its own cyber charter. The cost varies from \$7,000 to \$29,000 per student. The latest information from the State College Area School District states that the cost to the district in tuition for regular students is \$16,218 per student per year and \$33,911 for Special Education students. Tuition is the same for brick-and-mortar schools as it is for cyber.

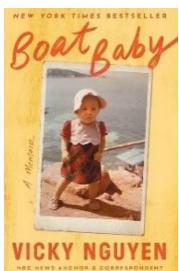
Pennsylvania House 82nd District Representative Paul Takac, (814) 308-0569, is on the Education Committee. Neither Scott Conklin, (814) 238-5477, nor Kerry Benninghoff, (814) 355-1300, are co-sponsors of this bill. Call them and emphasize the cost savings for taxpayers.

—Sue Johnston, AAUW State College Education Chair

DIVERSITY

Join ¡Adelante! Book Club: Thursday, May 28, 2:30 pm (virtual)

The next ¡Adelante! meet-up will be **Thursday, May 28, 2:30 pm**, on Zoom, when we will



discuss [Boat Baby: A Memoir](#) by NBC News Anchor and correspondent Vicky Nguyen. She tells the story of her family's daring escape from communist Vietnam and her unlikely journey from refugee to reporter. Schlow has one copy of the book, and there is also one copy available at the Centre County Library. It is also available on Libby for those who use the app.

Questions? [Sophie Penney Leach](#). Meeting link: [Adelante Book Club](#).

Community Diversity Group Conference: Monday, June 29



The Community Diversity Group, a frequent partner with AAUW State College, will hold their biennial Community Diversity Group conference on Monday, June 29, 2026. Visit [Community Diversity Group](#) for session topics and registration information.

--Branch Diversity Committee: Naana Nti (Chair), Linda Higginson, Sophie Penney Leach, Denise Rupert, Maria Schmidt, Melissa Landrau Vega

May: Focus on Foster Care & Mental Health



This month, branch Diversity Committee member **Denise Rupert** focuses on foster care and mental health awareness, both topics that are near and dear to her heart. Regarding mental health, Denise reports, *“Part of the reason I dropped out of college the first time is that I had undiagnosed ADHD, causing me to struggle in my classes, which started my anxiety and depression, leading me to contemplate suicide. At 45, I started to receive treatment, which allowed me to control my symptoms and return to college to finish my BS. I am now working on my Master's degree.”*

Foster Care Awareness Month

National Foster Care Month highlights the needs of over 391,000 U.S. children in care. As of 2026, data indicates that 70% of girls who age out of foster care become pregnant before age 21, and they are more vulnerable to sex trafficking and higher rates of mental health issues, including emotional, sleep-related, and self-perception problems.

Mental Health Awareness Month

Mental Health Awareness Month focuses on reducing stigma, fostering community connection, and promoting mental wellness. For ideas to help the National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI) raise awareness, visit <https://www.nami.org/>. According to the [Mayo Clinic](#), women are nearly twice as likely as men to be diagnosed with depression.

Pennsylvania Commission for Women Surveys due May 30: complete yours today!



The Governor's Commission for Women is almost finished gathering input from women across Pennsylvania for the State of the Woman Report, to better inform the Administration's policies that impact women. If you have not already done so, **please complete the [SURVEY](#) now. It takes 15 minutes to complete and is due by May 30.**

AAUW BEYOND the BRANCH

September 25-27 AAUW Atlantic States Regional Conference



AAUW State College to fund registration costs and most meals

AAUW Pennsylvania is host of the second [AAUW Atlantic States Regional Conference](#). AAUW members from 13 states will attend. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet and learn from other AAUW members. Please consider this seriously.

The conference begins on Friday at 1:30 pm with Gloria Blackwell, CEO of AAUW, and closes on Sunday with a wrap-up around noon. **AAUW State College will cover the \$249 conference registration cost** for up to 25 branch members to attend. This also covers all meals, except for dinner on Saturday night, when attendees may “dine-around” at one of 60 restaurants within three blocks of the hotel!

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: [Completed Program Notes](#)

Some Highlights: **Friday 1:30 pm** – Keynote from Gloria Blackwell, AAUW CEO; **Saturday am** – Voting rights panel including the League of Women Voters CEO, and sexual harassment in the workplace; **Saturday pm** – *Trending Topics:* AAUW Lobby Corps and Advocacy (Meghan Kissell), Civics Education, Pennsylvania Constitution and Judicial Autonomy; *Moving the Needle:* Branch and state presentations; **Sunday am** – People Demanding Action; Unite and Rise, League of Women Voters CEO; Women's Rights, Working Together, Law School Dean.

Conference Registration Steps

- To qualify for branch payment, members must register **by June 19**, using the branch registration page: [Conference Registration](#). If help is needed logging in, contact technology@aauwstatecollege.org.
- [REGISTER HERE](#), click the Individual Registration tab, and fill out the attendee information. Under "Responsible Party," select "Yes, my branch is paying for my registration. The representative responsible for payment is Gail Agans."
- Notify Gail Agans, treasurer@aauwstatecollege.org, as soon as you have registered.

Hotel – Members are responsible for their own lodging. The conference hotel is the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square. Book today at [Hotel Reservations](#). The reduced hotel rate of \$225 a night must be done through this portal. If the room is shared, each roommate pays \$115/night. Alternatively, the Holiday Inn on Chestnut Street is nearby, a 7-minute walk to the hotel. **We are now collecting rideshare information:** <https://aauwstatecollege.org/rideshare-directory/> - let us know if you are able to offer a ride, or need a ride.

BRANCH BEHIND-THE-SCENES

2025-2027 Elected Branch Officers

President – Carline Crevecoeur
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President-Elect – Molly Kunkel
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Full Board listing – [Board Leadership](#)

Questions –
info@aauwstatecollege.org

Invite to Branch Board Meetings

Monthly branch board meetings are open to all members who would like to attend. Learn about what is going on and share input. For the record of a recent meeting, see [3-2026 meeting minutes](#).

Join us at our next meeting:

Monday, May 4, 12:00–1:00 pm

In person: College Twp. Council Room (2nd floor)

Zoom meeting link: bit.ly/AAUWSCBoardZoom

Dial-in numbers: [301-715-8592](tel:301-715-8592); **Meeting ID:** 875 1248 8158; **Passcode:** 571829. If dialing in via cell, tap the phone number link and it will auto-dial the meeting ID and passcode.

Branch Bulletin Dates



Submission deadline: Monday, June 1

Send to: bulletin@aauwstatecollege.org

Note: Submissions of personal achievements or interests are also welcome.

Issue date: Monday, June 8

The State College Association of University Women is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, committed to transparency. For our most recent IRS 990 form, contact info@aauwstatecollege.org.



AAUW State College: 5-Star Recipient - AAUW State College received 5-Star recognition from AAUW National for outstanding efforts in 2024-2025, centered around five key areas: advancement, public policy and advocacy, governance and sustainability, programming, and communications.