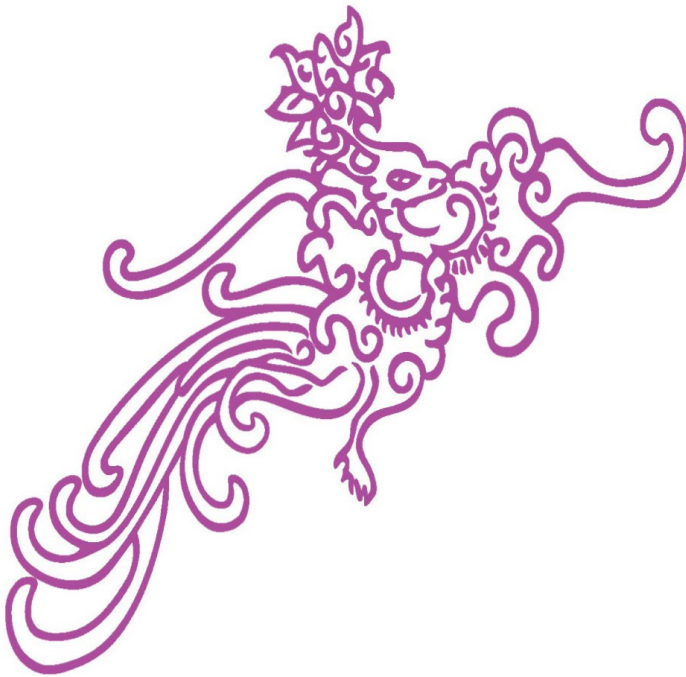


Asian American Women's Coalition

2020 *Annual Banquet*

Program Book



Celebrating AAWC Scholars
Continuing our Legacy

President's Message



On behalf of the Asian American Women's Coalition (AAWC), thank you for all your support to the AAWC Scholarship Banquet for the past 32 years. Your contributions to our scholarship program have allowed us to fulfill our mission to promote the advancement of Asian American women through leadership and mutual support.

This year, on AAWC's 33rd Annual Scholarship Banquet, we considered the COVID-19 pandemic as an opportunity to change the way we approach our scholarship program. First, we awarded scholarship grants to all 27 applicants to show our deep commitment to the well-being of Asian American girls. Second, we prepared a Virtual Banquet so you can still join us in celebrating our 2020 scholarship recipients, and in wishing them success in their future endeavors.

We thank you – our donors, friends, and colleagues in the greater Philadelphia area and beyond – for generously contributing to the AAWC scholarship program. Your assistance have made it possible for us to support more Asian American girls who wish to pursue a college education. I would like to especially thank the Powell Family Foundation and PECO, who have been our long-time partners in this program.

I would like to acknowledge the AAWC Advisory Board, Board of Directors, and Officers, and our members for their contributions and support to the organization. As always, AAWC is grateful to our co-founders, Cecilia Moy Yep and the Honorable Judge Ida K. Chen, for their invaluable guidance.

Be safe and well, and we look forward to seeing you in person at our 34th annual banquet!

Elizabeth (Liz) Lai Featherman 黎嘉欣
AAWC President, 2020

Message from the Co-Founder



Congratulations to the Class of 2020!

AAWC is aware of the disappointments that so many of you have had, missing your prom and the dream of walking across the stage to receive your diploma. No one could have ever known the impact that this pandemic would have on our lives.

AAWC started our scholarship program 24 years ago for young Asian American female high school graduates. We understand the importance of providing needed financial assistance as these young graduates plan for college. We continue to be concerned for the scholars and their needs during this difficult time. So rather than cancel our fundraising efforts, we were determined to keep our commitment to our young scholars, and will support all who submitted applications this year.

AAWC wishes you well and even though you may be experiencing some challenges, we know you will have the perseverance to pursue your educational goals.

Cecilia Moy Yep
AAWC Co-Founder

Asian American Women's Coalition

The **Asian American Women's Coalition (AAWC)** is a multicultural organization with a mission to advance the interests of Asian American women through leadership and mutual support. AAWC was founded in 1987 by the Honorable Ida Chen, first female Asian American Judge in Pennsylvania, and Cecilia Moy Yep, founder of the Philadelphia Chinatown Development Corporation. AAWC's members include women from all professions and walks of life. AAWC has spearheaded numerous activities for the Asian community and collaborated with other organizations to raise awareness and provide support on issues of interest to the Asian American community. One of its main programs is providing scholarship support to graduating Asian American female high school seniors interested in pursuing a college degree.

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AAWC Scholarship Program

The Asian American Women's Coalition (AAWC) established its scholarship program in 1996 to provide financial support to female Asian American high school seniors who are preparing to go to college. Scholarship recipients are selected by AAWC's Scholarship Selection Committee based on academic achievement, financial need, and community service.

Initially funded by member contributions, the scholarship program has gained support from various donors and allowed AAWC to increase the number of scholarship recipients through the years. Since 1996, AAWC has awarded over \$650,000 in scholarship assistance to 267 Asian American female high school graduates.

To support its scholarship program, AAWC established a Scholar Development Committee to monitor the progress of AAWC scholars, provide mentoring, and initiate networking opportunities among the scholars.

In 2020, the AAWC Board approved the recommendation of Scholarship Committee to award scholarships to all 27 applicants. AAWC considered that this would be an appropriate response to support Asian American families whose needs have been exacerbated by the current health crisis. Of the 27 scholarship recipients, three will be awarded 4-year scholarships and 24 will receive a one-time merit award.

The 2020 scholarship committee is composed of Katherine Ngee (Chair) and Gloria Yu.

2020 AAWC Scholarship Recipients



**Winnie Wong
Xuemi Zhang
Yang Zheng**



**Ainsley Arquitola
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Four-Year Scholars

XUEMI ZHANG

Cecilia Moy Yep Scholar



Xuemi moved from the rural parts of Fuzhou, China to America when she was seven years old. At an early age, she saw her parents struggle to find stable jobs to support their family in America. She helped by being responsible for household chores and taking care of her younger brother. Xuemi works at a part-time job to pay for expenses and future college tuition, and also volunteers at the South Philadelphia Library. Even with her family obligations and work, she continues to maintain a 3.7 average at Academy at Palumbo High School and participates in extracurricular activities like the Rock Band, Robotics Club, and Choir. Xuemi believes that giving back to the community is an essential to growing up and to finding one's purpose. She aspires to major in Business at the Community College of Philadelphia, and then complete her degree at Temple University. Although she is still undecided about her concentration in business, Xuemi knows that her past experiences and her hardworking parents will support her journey to become the first college graduate in her family.

YANG ZHENG

PECO Scholar



Yang was an immigrant child who came to the United States only knowing how to say her name in English. After a few years in the United States, she was able to translate and make phone calls for her parents. As a student at the Bodine High School for International Affairs, Yang has served as the president of the Asian Student Association and was a member of the National Honor Society and World Affairs Council. Her commitment to giving back is

evident in her 400 hours of community service, including her volunteer activities with several local organizations. Her participation in her school's Robotics Club and the ACCESS Engineering Program of the University of Pennsylvania sparked Yang's interest in engineering. She has also attended several workshops in computer science, electrical and mechanical engineering. Yang will be attending Drexel University in the fall and majoring in engineering.

WINNIE WONG

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Winnie immigrated to the United States with her parents in 2003. She is the first person in her immediate family to attend high school and college. At a young age, Winnie learned to adjust to the new culture and helped her parents by interpreting for them and making medical appointments on their behalf. At Archbishop Ryan High School, she served as president of the Community Service Corps and the National Social Studies Honor Society. For the past 4 years, Winnie participated in the girls swim team, where she has won numerous medals and served as co-captain in her senior year. Winnie plays the cello, and is a member of her school orchestra and the Philadelphia All-Catholic Orchestra. She has also been playing the piano for 14 years at Settlement Music School. In addition, Winnie has volunteered at the Chinatown Medical Services for the past 2 summers, translating for Chinese speaking patients and filing medical documents. This fall, Winnie will enter New York University to pursue Neuroscience and Bioinformatics in the hopes of becoming a pediatric neurologist.

AAWC thanks Cecilia Moy Yep, PECO, and The Powell Family Foundation for their continuing to fund our 4-year scholarships.

Merit Scholars

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JENNY HUYNH



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SENMI LI



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Temple University - Psychology

Calla Lily Alpha Sigma Rho Sorority – Temple University

JULIA TRAN



West Catholic Preparatory High School

Temple University - Chemistry

Merit Scholars

Christina Kong

CINDY NGUYEN



*Mastery
Charter
Thomas
Campus*

Temple University – Health
Sciences

Sandra Featherman Memorial

JOYCE LI



*Central High
School*

Drexel University – Health Sciences

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*John W.
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Education/Mathematics

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IVY LI



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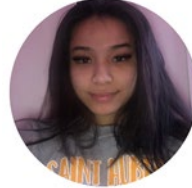


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School for
Girls*

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Sciences

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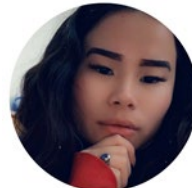


*Central High
School*

Muhlenberg College – undecided

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& Biomedical Science

Merit Scholars

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- 2018:** Four-Year Scholars: Angela Dong; Jaquelyn Chow; Anna Vien Nguyen; Sarena Roeng;
Merit Scholars: Linda Young; Sameet Mann; Thao Nhu Truong; Eva Silvie Low; Jingwen Lin; Alexa Baldon; Tiffany Huynh Nguyen; Anna Quan; Pauline Zheng; Siqi Zheng; Sharon Yun; Jingru Lin; Michelle Chan; Julie Ho; Nang Wunn Noon Naw; Amy Huang
- 2017:** Samantha Chiu, Villanova; Helen Ly, UPenn; Than Than Nain, Millersville University; Ngan Tran, Lehigh; Xinmeng Wang, Drexel
Merit Scholars: Lin Jia Chen, Michelle Do, Sha Eh, Alyssa Noelle Geniza, Jessica Ha, Tina Hang, Katharine Keo, Dana Ly, An Nguyen, Kathleen Nguyen, Jenny Ni, Mi Phong, Thank Song, Julie Tan, Xinyi Xie
- 2016:** Yan (Amy) Chen, Temple; Helen Luong, Temple; Ellen Wirawan, Philadelphia University; Shu Lin Zhao, Drexel
Merit Scholars: Bernice Chen, Penn State; Olive Hernandez, Penn State; Ada Huang, Drexel; Arleen Lee, Arts Institute of Philadelphia; Na Lin, Temple; Amber Liu, Drexel; Yia Lu Liu, Drexel; Tristy Paulose, University of Texas; Chutong Tan, La Salle; Ashley Truong, Temple; Cynthia Vo, West Chester University; Yingying (Iris) Xue, Temple; Anni Zhang, UPenn
- 2015:** Joann Wong, Drexel; Savana Mai, University of Virginia; Huidan Mei, Temple;
Merit Scholars: Sydney Chin, Kelly Chu, Kathy Lam, Queenie Lam, Lauren Louie, Hua Lin, Jennifer Pachucki, Kim Tang, Lisa Zhang, Miaoqing Zeng, Xinqian Zheng
- 2014:** Jenny Mak, Drexel; Meiling Rong, University of the Sciences; Amy Liang, University of the Sciences
Merit Scholars: Jennifer Eap, Jenny Hoang, Megan Mo, Jiaqi Liu, Winly Mai, Anna Pham, Alicia Reyes
- 2013:** Trinh Nguyen, Temple; Sherry Yao, UPenn; Sefy Paulose, Drexel; Guia Longasa, University of the Arts
Merit Scholars: Thy Hong Vu, Xinwei Li, Go Khawm (Christina) Vung, Emily Zanker, Xiaou Huang, Time Nguyen
- 2012:** Tsz Ting (Maggie) Cheung, Temple; Sandy Wang, Drexel; Kane Lee, University of Maryland; Yongyu (Vinnie) Feng, University of the Sciences; Trang Dang, Penn State; Peiyang Lin, Temple
Art Scholars: Hee Hyun (Joyce) Jo, Wheaton College Conservatory of Music; Julianna Melissa Bautista, London's Central School of Speech & Drama
Merit Scholars: Carmen Chan, Cassandra Chen, Connie Chen, Karen Cheung, Lisa Cheung, Anita Ching, Kathleen Escarcha, Gisela Giolafina, Shuru Huang, Shi Qing Kuang, Eugena Lee, Shelley Leung, Amy Ng, Duyen Quach, Christine Tang, Minh Thu Truong, Kelly Yao, Jenny Zhang, Xue Yan Zhang, Ling Feng Zhou

Our Past Scholars

- 2011:** Jennie Li, Tyler School of Arts; Si Li, University of the Sciences; Ting Lu, New York University; Pear Mok, Temple; Kelly Tran, Temple;
Merit Scholars: Kelly Ca, Tiffany Lee, Felly Velicia, Xiufen Wang
- 2010:** Jeong Hwa Kim, Emory; Weena Doyle, Drexel; Connie Liao, UPenn; Johanna Djuhadi, La Salle; Je Un Park, University of Delaware
Merit Scholars: Hanh Nguyen, Huong Nguyen, Tenzin Youten
- 2009:** Tanzin Fatima, Drexel; Thi Ho, UPenn; Sarah Lee, Rutgers; Dung Nguyen, Temple; Belinda Pang, Harvard; Christine Rhee, Harvey Mudd; Bachnhan Tram, Temple
Merit Scholar: Thu Ngan Han;
Methodist Hospital Nursing Scholar: Heana Yi
- 2008:** Xuxu Chen, Penn State; Sisi Liu, Penn State; Chan Mao, Penn State; Jennifer Wong, UPenn
Merit Scholars: Eva Jiang, Grace Kim, Jennifer Liu
- 2007:** Angela Nguyen, UPenn; Julie Son, UPenn; Chanranchna Thai, Penn State; Merit Scholars: Ansu Jacob, Tsz Ling Kwok, Claudia Leung, Shannon Yu; Methodist Hospital Nursing Scholar: Christina Maria Kong
- 2006:** Heeae Kim, University of the Sciences; Sharon Lee, Penn State; Bingqing Wu, Cedar Crest
Merit Scholars: Dimple Ceasar, Xiufen Chen, Fei Luo, Tina Nguyen, Qing Ying Wang
- 2005:** Linh Chia, Temple; Lilly Yue Deng, Harvard; Tri-hieu Ho, Penn State;
Merit Scholar: Nhung Ho
- 2004:** Varsha Abraham, Villanova; Danielle Bowes, American University; Morie Chen, Penn State; Ly Chou Kouai, Temple; Jia Kuang, University of Scranton; Win Chin Lee, La Salle; Lirui Li, Harvard; Hannah Park, Brown; Chanda Roeung, Temple; Hoang "Jessica" Tang, Columbia
Merit Scholars: Alice Huang, Jietang Mai, Mi Phung
- 2003:** Nancy Chhum, Penn State; Yu Na Kim, Wellesley; Wendy Kim Le, Drexel; Adrienne Lin, Stanford; Khushbu Patel, Penn State; Betty P. Tsang, Haverford; Nina Wong, UPenn
Merit Scholars: Tuong-vi Pham, Nhung Hoang
- 2002:** Gena Heng, Temple; Lily Mak, Drexel; Irene Woo, UPenn
Merit Scholars: Trang Do, Tu Quyen Nguyen, Emily Roh, Soeuth Sovann
- 2001:** Lily Lo, Yale; Sabrina Pang, Temple
Merit Scholar: Sharon Zheng
- 2000:** Betty Tsang, UPenn
- 1999:** Minnie Quach, Harvard; Hai Yen Nguyen, Swarthmore
- 1998:** Hyun Seung Kim, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
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- 1997:** Jessica Nguyen, Haverford
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- 1996:** Thoy Soeun

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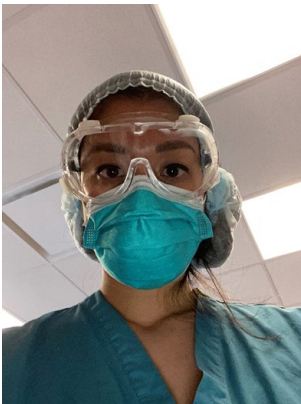
Weena Doyle – 2010 PECO Scholar

Narberth Ambulance – *Emergency Medical Technician, Basic Life Support Preceptor, Board Member*

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Christina Marie Kong Roldán – 2007
Methodist Hospital Nursing Scholar

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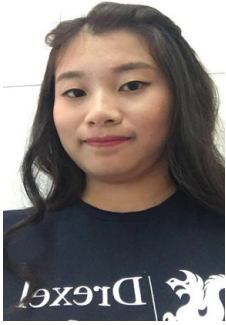


Amy Liang – 2014 Powell Family
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Virtua Memorial Hospital (NJ) – *Vascular
Surgery Physician Assistant*

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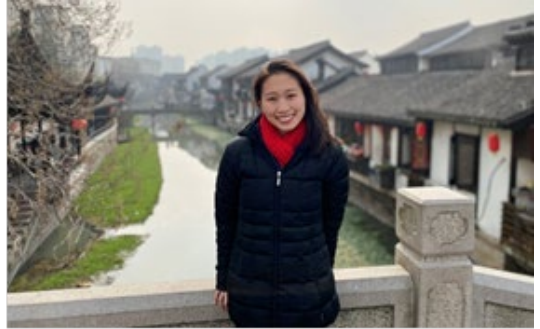
Shu Zhao - 2016 PECO Scholar



Shu is a first year medical student at Drexel University College of Medicine. She is a volunteer at Drexel Streetside Clinic-Prevention Point Philadelphia, which provides free health care services for Kensington residents. Shu conducts medical interviews and physical exams for patients, promotes the importance of vaccinations particularly for Hepatitis A, and provides operational support to other volunteer physicians.

Anni Zhang - 2016 Pearl Lee of Janney Montgomery Scott Scholar

Anni graduated from the University of Pennsylvania - Wharton School of Business in May 2020, and will be moving to New York to start her full-time job as an investment banking analyst.



Sammantha Chiu - 2017 Keystone First Scholar

Sammantha completed her second year at Villanova University, and secured an externship at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia this summer. She is actively involved with the New Student Orientation Program at Villanova, where she served as Orientation Counselor and will be in the Planning Committee to design the entire program for the incoming class of 2024. Sammantha will lead a Campus Ministry retreat in the 2020 fall semester.

2020 Updates *From Our* Alumni Scholars

Ngan Tran - 2017 Powell Family Foundation Scholar

Ngan finished her junior year at Lehigh University and is volunteering at VietLead this summer. Her original summer plans to intern for the American Council in Lithuania has been postponed for summer 2021.



Thang Song – 2017 George Yep Memorial Scholar

The Watermark at Logan Square - *Certified Nursing Assistant*

Thang is a senior at La Salle University, majoring in Public Health and a candidate for the Public Health Master's Program. Her career goal is to become a Physician Assistant.

Xinmeng Wang - 2017 PECO Scholar

Xinmeng is a Marketing major at Drexel University-Lebow College of Business. She recently completed her co-op at the Philadelphia History Museum. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she and her family donated 50 face masks to the Chinese Students and Scholars Association of Drexel University (CSSAD), and helped CSSAD distribute health packages to international students.

Angela Dong - 2018 Cecilia Moy Yep scholar

Angela is a sophomore at Drexel University and is taking classes online from now until September. She is excited to start her first co-op position at the end of September.

2020 Updates *From Our* Alumni Scholars

Anna Vien Nguyen - 2018 Powell Family Foundation Scholar

Anna completed her sophomore year at the University of Pennsylvania. This summer, she will be assisting the Castleman Disease Collaborative Network at Penn Medicine, which has shifted its focus from trying to find the cure to Castleman Disease to using what they have learned to find treatments to COVID-19. She has been volunteering with them since the summer after 11th grade. On her spare time, she tutors students from her alma mater, Masterman High School, and assists them in their college applications.

Jacquelyn Chow - 2018 PECO Scholar

Jacquelyn finished her sophomore year at Swarthmore College and is a webpage assistant for the Asian American Women's Coalition.

Sarena Roeung - 2018 PNC Bank Scholar

Sarena is a second-year student at Drexel University, majoring in Chemical Engineering with a minor in Engineering Leadership. At Drexel, she is involved in several academic research projects, including research on microbubbles used to deliver oxygen to tumor cells through the Students Tackling Advanced Research (STAR) program. She is also a mentor for freshmen students in Drexel's College of Engineering through the Engineering Leadership Scholars Program. She is excited to start her first co-op position as a Process Engineer at a manufacturing facility. Outside of school, Sarena is a cat care volunteer at PAWS Old City Center.

Linda Yang - 2018 Keystone First Scholar

Linda completed her sophomore year at Penn State University. She is considering a major in advertising in the communications school and wants to take some UX design courses. Linda joined an Asian business organization and found a strong mentor through the organization. This summer, Linda plans on taking real estate online courses to expand her knowledge base.

2020 Updates *From Our* Alumni Scholars



Cindy Chau - 2019 Richard C. Lai Memorial Scholar

Cindy completed her freshman year at Stanford University. She has been helping her family access financial support programs and services during the pandemic.



Morgan Hural - 2019 Independence Blue Cross Scholar

Morgan completed her first year at Bloomsburg University in the Dean's List with a 4.0 grade point average. She is involved with the Bloomsburg University's Dance Ensemble and Students Saving Shelter Animals Club.

Linda Jiang - 2019 PECO
Smart Ideas STEM Scholar

Linda completed her first year at the University of Pennsylvania – School of Nursing. She joined the executive board of APANSA (Asian Pacific Nursing Student Association) as a freshman liaison. Linda received her nursing scrubs in her second semester, and have been practicing taking vital signs and blood pressure measurements.



2020 Updates *From Our* Alumni Scholars

Jennifer Liang – 2019 Powell Family Foundation Scholar

Jennifer excelled in her first semester at the University of the Sciences, where she placed in the top 20% of the entering class and was officially invited to join the USciences Chapter of the Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society. As she begins her 2nd year, she plans to explore options toward having a well-rounded physician assistant degree. She has been selected to serve as treasurer of the Physician Assistant Club for the 2020-2021 school year.

Brenda Shou - 2019 Cecilia Moy Yep Scholar

Brenda completed her first year of Nursing at Drexel University. She is a member of the Liberty Scholars Learning Community, KPop Club, and Asian Students Association. She has volunteered at Old Pine Church's Saturday for Seniors Program, where she interacts with the elderly and prepares food for them. Brenda is currently searching for her first Co-op position this fall and looks forward to working in a hospital setting.

Michelle Wu - 2019 PNC Bank Scholar



Michelle completed first year at Temple University. She serves as mentor for Students Run Philly Style, providing guidance to high school students in their running goals, as well as their academic goals. In August 2018, Michelle co-founded a media collective called Via Lux Teen Media Collective under Big Picture Alliance. Via Lux seeks to help Philadelphia youth to express themselves through various forms of media, such as filmmaking. Through Via Lux, she has organized film screening events in partnership with the Philadelphia Film Society. Michelle also works as a cashier at a local convenience store during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Angela Zhi – 2019 Margaret Chin Academic Scholar

Angela is a freshman at Drexel University studying Chemical Engineering. She enjoys living in the Engineering Learning Community (ELC) and appreciates the support that it provides to students.

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2019 in Review

Signature Events

- Annual Meeting – March 2019 (PECO) featuring “*The Secrets of Success for Smarties*”
 - Recognition: Paul Michele
 - Community Service Project: Hunger on Campus in partnership with the Alpha Sigma Rho Sorority at Temple University
- Annual Scholarship Banquet –April 2019 (Ocean Harbor Restaurant); raised \$73,000 and presented 22 scholarship awards
- Annual Potluck Picnic – August 2019 (Brigantine, NJ)
- Holiday Party for local Asian American Children- December 2019 (Methodist Hospital)

Community Service

- Comcast Cares Day – May 2019; AAWC Vice President Marife Domingo led 15 AAWC members and scholars to clean up at Mifflin Square Park
- Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure – May 2019

Book Discussion Group and Events

- Art Museum – “Fabulous Fashion Exhibit”–January 2019
- Book Club: “The Last Boat Out of Shanghai” by Helen Zia –May 2019

Activities with Scholars

- Jewelry Making Workshop – April 2019
- Pre-Award Scholar Meet and Greet Event– April 2019 (Parish House at Holy Redeemer)
- Knitting and Crocheting Workshop -July 2019

Supporting Other Organizations & Events

- APABA-PA Annual Banquet
- Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Celebration
- PCDC Chinatown Night Market
- Holy Redeemer School Fundraiser Banquet
- Methodist Hospital Showcase: Designer Fashion Show & Trunk Sale
- PASSi – Grand Opening of the Evergreen Center
- Pearl S. Buck 2019 Woman of Influence Award honoring Nydia Han
- Philadelphia Suns Annual Fundraising Banquet