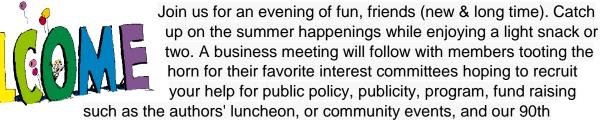


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WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR



anniversary celebration. No experience needed.

Following the business meeting we will hear from Toni Hoffman who was invited to the **White House United State of Women Summit** held in Washington DC on June 14th, 2016. It brought together 5,000 people at the Washington Convention Center to discuss issues important to women - from equal pay and reproductive health to economic independence and civic duty. They also had a chance to overhear Oprah Winfrey and Michelle Obama have a little girl talk center stage about Obama's time in the White House.

Come join us for the start of a new year.

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 20, 7 pm **Location:** Palmer Library, 1 Weller PI, Easton, PA

Please RSVP by Friday, September 16 Let a board member know if you need a ride.

From the Presidents' Pens:



There is a time in history when women's voices must be heard, or forever be silenced. It's not because we think better than men, but we think differently. It's not women against men, but women and men. It's not that the world would have been better if women had run it, but that the world will be better when we as women, who bring our own perspective, share in running it.

Betty Bumper, conference speech (1985)

Every Vote is a Voice.....

Fran & Nancy

Public Policy



It's time to Get Out the Vote with only a little more than two months until the election. If you are interested in helping register voters, please contact Toni Hoffman at <u>tsh44@ptd.net</u>. And remember, it's not just registering voters that's important; making sure those first time voters get to the polls is just as vital.

The Association of Lafayette Feminists, in collaboration with other student groups is registering voters the week of September 5. They have been supplied with many AAUW materials to aid in explaining the importance of voting to future voters.

Toni Hoffman Public Policy Chair

Board of Directors

Elected Officers

Co-Presidents

Finance Officer Membership Vice President

Appointed Officers/Positions AAUW Funds C/U Liaison Diversity Historian Interest Group-Coordinator Newsletter Editor Program Committee

Public Policy Publicity Scholarship

Secretary Website/Facebook Manager Yearbook Nancy Butow Fran Kennedy Colleen Kuschke Nancy Berry Annette Stoody

Janice Lupackino Toni Hoffman Rosemary Baker Peg Opthof Vacant Maggie Duffy (October) Nancy Butow Fran Kennedy Toni Hoffman Karol D'Huyvetters Margaret Gering Claire Degnan Rosemary Baker Toni Hoffman Suzi Campbell

Easton Branch Programs

Date/Time	Program	Location
Tuesday September 20, 7 pm	Welcome Back with Refreshments White House United State of Women Summit	Palmer Library
Tuesday October 18, 7 pm	Film Festival at the new FAMS Theater	248 N Third Street FAM Theater
Friday November 18, 8 pm	Evening at the Williams Center Contemporary Dance Program	Lafayette College
TBA (December)	Holiday Celebration	ТВА
TBA (late Jan/early Feb)	ТВА	ТВА
Saturday March 18	Interbranch Diversity Program	ТВА
TBA (April)	ТВА	TBA
Tuesday May 16, 7 pm	Dessert and Scholarship Awards	First Presbyterian Church of Easton

District East Meeting

Date:	Saturday, October 22
Location:	Mandell Hall at Delaware Valley University, 700 E Butler Ave, Doylestown
Time:	10 am - 2 pm

Featured will be two speakers on campus sexual violence. The cost to attend is \$12 for a box lunch, and reservations are due October 12. More information will be coming.

Fundraisers:

Poinsettia Fundraiser:

Dear Members,

Information is forthcoming concerning the Holiday Poinsettia Drive. Please check with family and friends for their orders. I encourage you to participate in this event and if anyone is interested in helping our with delivery or orders, please contact me.

Thank you, Janice Lupackino

Twice Chic Boutique 129 N. Third Street

Clear out your closet and raise money for AAUW Easton branch. E-mail twicechicboutique.com to make an appointment. Clothing must be clean/laundered and on hangers.

Save the Dates



90th Branch Anniversary Reception Saturday, October 1, 2016, 2 pm - 4 pm Northampton Country Club, William Penn Highway



Community One Read Saturday, November 5, 2016, 9:30 - 11:00 am Alumni Hall, NCC Topic: Homelessness in the USA and Lehigh Valley Read the book, *Breakfast at Sally's,* hear what panelists have to say and join the discussion



Authors' Luncheon Saturday, April 29, 2017 at the Pomfret Club, Easton The next planning meeting is at Fran Kennedy's home on Friday, September 30 at 1:30 pm

BUDGET PROPOSAL 2016-17 Banking	Budgeted Income	Budgeted Cost
Fees	\$0.00	
Interest	\$1.50	
Conferences 7/16-6/17		\$1,500.00
Fund Raisers		
Williams Center	\$400.00	\$300.00
Donations	\$900.00	\$100.00
Authors' Luncheon	\$3,500.00	\$1,700.00
Poinsettia Sales	\$450.00	\$280.00
Membership		
Operating Expenses portion of dues	\$975.00	
Membership - brochures, etc		\$50.00
Yearbook Printing & Mailing		\$90.00
Newsletter		\$50.00
Newsletter Ads	\$50.00	
Insurance		\$185.00
Mailbox		\$86.00
Postage		\$50.00
Branch Publicity		\$75.00
Scholarship Awards		
Jane Wait	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Scholarship 1		\$1,000.00
Scholarship 2		\$1,000.00
Scholarship 3		\$1,000.00
Programs		
Meeting Rooms		\$250.00
September Hospitality	\$100.00	\$75.00
Get Out the Vote/Public Policy	,	\$50.00
Holiday Party		\$100.00
I-B Luncheon/Gateway to Equity		\$100.00
Scholarship Dessert	\$450.00	\$350.00
Speaker Gifts/Donations		\$100.00
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Below is a thank you letter from one of our scholarship recipients.

August 26, 2016 Kristen Toppeta 1410 Fels Road Quakertown, PA 18951

The Jane Wait STEM Scholarship at Northampton Community College Honoring Marian Cunningham Past Co-President

Ms. Fran Kennedy C/O Northampton Community College Scholarship Office 3835 Green Pond Road Bethlehem, PA 18020

Dear Ms. Kennedy,

First and foremost, I would like to offer my sincerest gratitude to you. Thank you for awarding me The Jane Wait STEM Scholarship at Northampton Community College Honor Marian Cunningham Past Co-President. I wish I could put into words how appreciative and honored I am to have received this scholarship. This scholarship will be extremely helpful to aiding in my financial state, as a college student.

I would like to offer a small background about who I am. I am currently holding sophomore status at Northampton Community College as a Biological Science major and I am also a member of the Honors Program there. I have lived in Nazareth, Pennsylvania almost my whole life. My mom and I recently relocated to Quakertown, Pennsylvania where we moved in with my soon-to-be step dad and step-sister! I graduated from Nazareth Area High School in June of 2015. My favorite thing to do is travel; I have been to some amazing countries so far including: China, France, Spain, Canada, and Mexico. Exploring and understanding other cultures is so interesting and important to me. Some other things I enjoy doing are organizing, playing with animals, volunteering, researching on new topics, watching Emergency Room trauma videos, and spending time with those I love and care about.

After graduating high school, I attended Lebanon Valley College in the fall of 2015. I was not happy there, for a multitude of reasons, so I decided to come back home and transfer to NCC. NCC has made the whole process extremely easy and reassuring. NCC is much more affordable for me and I cannot express how lucky I am to attend such a prestigiously known community college. I am granted so many different opportunities at NCC! In the future, I plan to transfer to Arcadia University as a Biology/Pre-Medicine major. There, I hope to study abroad for a semester in New Zealand. After my undergraduate studies are complete, I will move onto Medical School to study to become a physician. As of right now, I am not sure what type of doctor I would like to become. I love helping people and the science of the human body has always been something very fascinating to me. Until I transfer, my biggest goal at NCC is to maintain my 4.0 GPA and get involved, as much as I am able to.

Once again, I would like to thank you for awarding me The Jane Wait STEM Scholarship at Northampton Community College. I am so fortunate to have been granted this scholarship. If you would ever like to get in touch with me about anything, please do not hesitate. Again, thank you so much!

Sincerely, Kristen Toppeta ktoppeta@spartan.northampton.edu

Getting to Know Us:

At our last Board Meeting it was decided to highlight members in our newsletter. We have not had time to interview anyone yet so some of our officers have written a few words about themselves to help you get to know them.



Hi! This is the start of my third year as co-president for the branch with Nancy Butow. My most memorable year in AAUW was in 1980 when I was a member in Puerto Rico and was able to go to Sierra Leone for 2 months as part of a delegation of 6 educators in AAUW, all expenses paid by the State Department. My strongest interests are in STEM and promoting international involvement. Both interests probably originate from time in the Peace Corps in Ghana as a maths teacher.

Fran Kennedy

Hi – I am a long time member of the Easton Branch and currently co-president with Fran Kennedy. My husband Bob and I have an old stone house we have been working on for over 40 years...and still have a to do list. I enjoy reading, quilting, working in my herb garden, genealogy research and keeping up with my four grandchildren.

Nancy Butow



Hi! I'm Karol D'Huyvetters. This summer, my husband, Jim, and I celebrated our 39th wedding anniversary. We lived in Corpus Christi, Texas for the first three years of our marriage and moved back to Pennsylvania. Since we retired, we are busy traveling to the different states. Last year, we visited the 49th state, Alaska, and the 50th state, Hawaii. In December, we will travel to Tortola and St. Croix for some breath taking snorkeling and destination wedding for my nephew. Also, we share a home at Lake Wallenpaupack with our son, Ryan and his wife, Emily.

Notices Regarding the Newsletter

If any member has information that they wish to have published in the newsletter, please email the information to **Fran Kennedy and Nancy Butow.** This would include births, deaths, marriages, happenings at cultural institutions. We also encourage submissions of photos of events and anything that you think may be of interest to other members.

Please note, however, that **submissions must be in by the 15th** of the current month to be included in the following month's newsletter. Otherwise it will be in the following month's newsletter.

Insurance Notification

AAUW does not have an Automobile Insurance Policy. Please be informed that there is no implied or expressed authority for an AAUW member to use a member's car for AAUW business. The Easton Branch assumes no responsibility for any member using a car for this purpose.

Newsletter Ads

Do you have a business or service that you would like to promote? The charge for including an ad is only \$5 for each issue. They should be no larger than business card size and they must come from members. Payment for ads should be made to the finance officer and she will notify the newsletter editor that the ad is ready to be placed.

Newsletter Costs

As officers of the branch, your board is concerned with the rising cost of printing and postage and what it does to our bottom line. If you have computer access, please consider receiving our newsletter via email. It saves the branch money and trees!

Member News

Recent birthdays we know about: Marlou Belyea - 90th on Labor Day, Zoe Roble and Sharon Trimble - August 31





Eric Trimble (Sharon's son) has been diagnosed with leukemia and is receiving treatment at the University of Pennsylvania. Cards can be sent to Sharon's address.

Interest Groups

The Easton Branch has several interest groups created to stimulate discussions, encourage networking and support the community. If you have ideas for additional groups, let us know. Every group looks forward to new participants. Call if you are interested in joining a group.

Book Discussion



Chair: Toni Hoffman- Third Monday of month Date: September 19, 7 pm Hostess: **Annette Stoody** Book: *Heat and Light* by Jennifer Haigh

Diversity: Deeds and Dialogue



Chair: Rosemary Baker Hostess: Froy Thompson Sept. 27, 7:00 pm Mah Jongg **Chair** : Toni Hoffman



Sept. 12 10:30 at the home of Lois Wildrick Sept. 26 10:30 at the home of Rosemary Baker

Rotating Gourmet **Chair**: Lois Wildrick



New members are welcome Schedules and menus to be sent in October

International Relations:



Chair: Jean Riker Hostess: Jean Riker Tuesday, Sept. 27, 1:30 pm Topic:Our Immigration Policies

Tuesday Evening Bridge Group



Chair: Rosemary Baker -Tuesday evenings Call **Rosemary** for more information

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AAUW National Easton Branch Co-Presidents Membership Easton Edition 800.326.2289

Nancy Butow, Fran Kennedy Nancy Berry/Annette Stoody www.aauw.org easton-pa.aauw.net easton-pa.aauw.net/contact/ easton-pa.aauw.net/membership/

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.

The AAUW funds include the Educational Opportunities Funds (formerly a part of the AAUW Educational Foundation) which help us to advance equity for women and girls through programs such as American and International fellowships and Community Action grants.

AAUW Funds also include the Legal Advocacy Fund which provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sexual discrimination, the Leadership Programs Fund (formerly the AAUW Leadership and Training Institute), the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, and the Public Policy Fund.

Advances equity for women and girls

Easton, Branch

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