

CALENDAR

Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, **September 15**

Branch Meeting

Thursday, **September 19, 6 pm**

Board Meeting

Monday, October 7 at 1 pm
Home of Nancy Butow

Branch Meeting

October 26 at 10am
NCC

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2019

"Never be limited by other people's limited imaginations."

— Mae Jemison, the first black woman to travel in space and 1994 AAUW Woman of Distinction and 2007 Achievement Awardee



What Powers Earth: Science on a Sphere - Energy and Solar Power

Nurture Nature Center
518 Northampton Str
Easton PA

Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 6 p.m.

The Easton community is fortunate to have a nationally renowned center dedicated to learning about the environment. It is highly regarded for its research and education on flooding and environmental issues.

6 pm Branch meeting and presentation by the staff of the Nurture Nature Center.

7:00 Public program: Science on a Sphere - Energy and Solar Power

The Science on a Sphere was developed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. It suspends from the ceiling and uses a four-projection system to create a breath-taking program. Open to all. Not to be missed!

Parking: There is a parking lot behind the building on the street parallel to Northampton Street. It says Nurture Nature staff only but you may park there. You will then need to walk around to the front of the building. The meters in front of the building will be covered to allow for dropping friends off. There is metered parking on the street requiring payment until 8pm. Everyone: Walk through the lobby. The elevators are to the left, the stairs are to the right. The program is on the second floor.

From the Presidents' Pens

Like minded values and people to share them with is one of our greatest strengths. Fairness for all is something we truly care about. Here's a quiz for you – How far into the year must a White woman work to earn what a man earned the previous year? A Black woman? A Native American woman? A Latina woman? (answers below). As an organization that 'empowers women and girls, this is our year to help do something about it. Pennsylvania AAUW in partnership with Governor and First Lady Wolf will soon be rolling out a pilot program to teach women skills for salary negotiation. AAUW is the only organization tackling gender disparities. This is our chance to make a difference and connect to a purpose that is close to our hearts. Are you retired? You can help lift up the next generation. So, stay tuned, we'll soon be sharing more about the mission. In the meantime, enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship of our many interest groups and programs for this coming year. We are looking forward to a great year.

Nancy Kinzli and Karol D'Huyvetters

(quiz answers – White woman – March 31, Black woman – August 22, Native woman -September 23, Latina woman -November 20)

A Note about this year's programs

Please note that the programs for this year will be on various days. There are two Tuesday programs, three Thursday programs, two Saturday programs and the Holiday Tea which will be on a Sunday. We sincerely hope this is not an inconvenience to anyone and was due to availability of rooms, speakers, etc. We'd love to see you whenever you are able to come.

The story of women's struggle for equality belongs to no single feminist nor to any one organization but to the collective efforts of all who care about human rights.

Gloria Steinem

Board of Directors

Elected Officers	
Co-Presidents	Karol D'Huyvetters Nancy Kinzli
Membership Vice President	Randi Blauth
Finance Officer	Fran Kennedy
Appointed Officers/ Positions	
Program Committee	Karol D'Huyvetters Nancy Kinzli
Secretary	Rosemary Baker
Newsletter	Toni Hoffman
Public Policy	Toni Hoffman
Diversity	Roemary Baker
Scholarship	Claire Degnan Chris Zweifel Nancy Berry
Yearbook	Nancy Kinzli
Historian	Nancy Butow
C/U Liaison	Toni Hoffman
Event Coordinators	
Let's Read Math	Fran Kennedy Karol D'Huyvetters
Evening at the Williams Center	Rosemary Baker
Holiday Party	Nancy Butow

Branch Programs

September 19, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.
Nurture Nature Center

**What Powers Earth: Science on a Sphere –
Energy and Solar Power**

October 26, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.
Joint Program with Bethlehem, & LWV
**Hear Their Voices: Women + Incarceration =
Barriers**
Northampton Community College

November 19, 2019 - 8:00 p. m.
An Evening at the Williams Center
**Nobuntu – Zimbabwe's first all female vocal
quintet**

December 15, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.
Holiday Tea
at the home of Nancy Butow

January 16, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.
Art of Stained Glass Making
Linda Featherman
Palmer Library

February 20, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.
The Aging Brain - Dr. Elaine Reynolds
Palmer Library

March 21, 2020 – 12:30 p.m.
Honoring Our 50 Year Members Luncheon
The View at Morgan Hill

April 18, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.
Authors' Luncheon

May 19, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
Scholarship and Awards Dessert
First Presbyterian Church

Dear All AAUW State and Branch Leaders,

Greetings from AAUW National, and we hope you are enjoying a restful summer.

We are pleased to announce that AAUW is launching a new [Five Star Recognition Program](#) to celebrate the efforts of our AAUW states, branches and other affiliated AAUW organizations as they continue to advance gender equity on the community, state and national levels. We are excited to work alongside each of you to highlight these important efforts to empower women and increase AAUW's impact across the country.

The Five Star Recognition Program is an opportunity for every AAUW affiliate — states, branches, chapters and student organizations — to be nationally recognized for proven levels of achievement in implementing our strategic plan goals. Through engagement and activities that advance the AAUW [strategic plan](#), affiliates can earn recognition through five major focus areas:

- **Advancement** by supporting the greatest needs fund or one of the strategic plan's focus areas
- **Communications & External Relations** by using web and social media that feature Work Smart Online
- **Programs** that align with the strategic plan
- **Public Policy & Research** by moving AAUW's Public Policy agenda forward
- **Governance & Sustainability** by ensuring effective leadership succession and strategic plan alignment.

The Five Star program begins July 29, 2019 and ends June 30, 2020. No opt-in is necessary; every AAUW affiliate is a participant and can be recognized for their efforts.

Steps are easy:

- Organize your priorities
- Plan your efforts and actions
- Report your progress
- Bask in national recognition!

Stay tuned. There is more to come, including a webinar in September that will formally introduce the program to all AAUW organizations.

We look forward to working with you over the next year to share your successes as you empower women and girls, ensuring AAUW's impact is as strong and powerful as ever!

Thank you so much for ALL you do,
Kim Churches and Kendra L. Davis
CEO. Senior VP

SAVE THE DATE
Mark your calendar now for

Saturday, OCTOBER 26 at 10AM.
Alumni Hall, Northampton Community College



Hear Their Voices: Women + Incarceration = Barriers

This is a joint program with AAUW Bethlehem and the Northampton County League of Women Voters.

Membership Memo

Your membership committee (Randi, Toni, Rosemary, Nancy K. and Karol) has been hard at work all summer! It's been fun to brainstorm new ideas and begin to develop them. We want **AAUW Easton** to have a more visible presence in the community and we hope to take part in more community activities. We have a wonderful new graphic to go along with our AAUW logo. If you know a place where we can leave branch brochures or maybe hang a poster, let us know. We have a bright, new AAUW tablecloth to be used at all events and promotions, and are working on spiffy branch t-shirts for members! There's a new interest group and an interesting, diverse schedule of programs coming up. We would like **YOU** to be Easton AAUW ambassadors. Please invite your friends and neighbors to our programs. Share your stories of AAUW with anyone who supports our mission of changing the climate for women and girls.

Randi Blauth
Membership Chair

Calling all branch members interested in public policy issues!

I'm proposing a public policy interest group that would meet once a month or so to converse about issues of importance to us. We could pick a topic and come prepared to discuss the pros and cons of an issue, the stance of AAUW on the issue, the stance of Republicans and Democrats on the issue and the merits of each position. We can discuss local issues as well as state and national issues. Ideally, we could take action after our discussion and raise our visibility by writing Letters to the Editor, Op-Eds, getting petitions signed, etc.

If you are interested in being a part of this group, let me know. We can discuss how often to meet and the meeting dates and times when we're together.

Toni Hoffman
Public Policy Chair

Single Use Plastics and the Trex Challenge

The UU church in Bethlehem is taking on the Trex challenge to collect 500 pounds of clean plastics in 6 months beginning in September. In return the church will receive a beautiful Trex bench. Trex produces outdoor decking and furniture and NEEDS plastic. If you would like to help the church and find a good use for your clean plastic bags, you can start saving now and let me know (Fran). Start saving these plastics (only): grocery bags, bread bags, ziplock & other re-closable food bags, storage bags, dry cleaning bags, produce bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, bubble wrap and air pillows, cereal bags, wood pellet bags, salt bags, case overwrap, pallet wrap and stretch film. **Remember that all plastics need to be cleaned of any kind of waste.**

A Community Read at Lafayette College

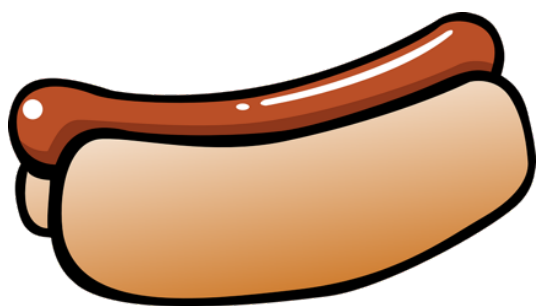
I was looking for something to read that would help me believe in the future and I came across Lafayette's community read, The Book of Delights by Ross Gay, a poet author of three poetry books, a Lafayette alumni, and professor at Indiana University. I watched his video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HcLEwL4WQnc> The book is a collection of essays that all remind one "how beautiful it is to be alive."

Ross Gay will be speaking at Lafayette on Wednesday, October 23 from 7:30-9:30 in Colton Chapel. Join other branch members for the keynote and book signing.

Fran Kennedy

SUMMERTIME FUN

Hotdogs, salads and deserts made for a refreshing picnic at the home of Becky Goldenberg and Hans Lauten. On July 21, 2019, members enjoyed gathering poolside while talking and eating many different tapas dishes. Several people even dipped their feet in the pool or went swimming to cool off. Becky and Hans' house is the perfect setting for entertaining. There were several small group seating arrangements outside by the pool where members and spouses socialized in a relaxed atmosphere.



There was plenty of room inside for a large buffet of many different tapas dishes, sangria and deserts. Also, Hans grilled



hotdogs and they were served with a variety of toppings. Several members avoided the heat by picnicking inside. A BIG THANK YOU to Becky and Hans for hosting our annual picnic.



SUMMERTIME FUN THROUGH LET'S READ MATH™

Members from the Easton Branch of AAUW had an opportunity to present Let's Read Math lessons to children at the Easton Public Library and Project Easton's Sizzle Summer Program for Easton Area School District elementary students. This was the twelfth summer that volunteers from the Easton Branch taught "Let's Read Math" lessons to 6 different groups of children. Each lesson involves an introduction to a math concept, a children's literature book that relates to the math concept that is reinforced with fun, hands on math activities.

"Let's Read Math" is an initiative that "Dr. Claire" Passantino, from the Makefield Area (PA) Branch of AAUW developed. Let's Read Math units combine quality children's literature books with themes related to mathematics and FUN math activities. The goal is to build positive attitudes toward math. Each lesson engages children and their parents in enriching, fun learning opportunities. Also, through the literature stories and related activities, children understand the relationship between math and daily living. Math concepts come out of the classroom and into daily life situations.

The **King's Commissioner** children's book was used with 38 children in attendance from Grade 2. The curriculum focused on counting and sorting using activities such as stringing pieces of various colored macaroni based on counting 2s, 3s 4s and 5s and making necklaces the children could take home. In addition, they completed some of the worksheets and we left some with the teacher who was going to follow up with them

in their classrooms to reinforce the concepts. Each child was given a "crown" thanks to Sue Kell who obtained them from Burger King!

Students in Third Grade read the book **Pigs on a Blanket** by Amy Axelrod. In this book, a family of pigs attempts a poorly planned trip to the beach. Children developed an understanding of telling time in digital and analog formats and elapsed time. During small group activities, children used clocks to tell time and retell the story.

Students in Fourth and Fifth Grade read the book **Salt in his Shoes: Michael Jordan in Pursuit of a Dream** by Deloris Jordan and Roselyn M. Jordan. Although children could easily name their favorite male basketball player, none of them could name a famous female basketball player. We were able to share the names of ten top female basketball players. This story recalled Michael's struggles in becoming a basketball player. With practice, persistence and a supportive family, he became famous. Children practiced measuring and graphing change over time. They really enjoyed measuring with a tape measure and even wanted to measure our height!

All the branch volunteers really enjoy this opportunity to work with the children in our community! The stories are excellent children's literature books with hands on activities to introduce and teach the math concepts. The longevity of the program, twelve years, speaks to the quality! Sharon Trimble, Toni Hoffman and Fran Kennedy were initially trained in Let's Read Math. Fran and Toni continue to volunteer for lessons. The children find the lessons enjoyable and actively participate in the fun, hands on lessons.

Let's Read Math™ Photo Gallery



Notices

Regarding the Newsletter

Wouldn't you like to learn how to do a newsletter or just use WORD and put the articles together? It is a great learning opportunity and would help tremendously. If this is you, please let Toni Hoffman know.

If any member has information that they wish to have published in the newsletter, please e-mail the information to **Toni Hoffman**. 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 newsletter after that.

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!

Budget July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020			
Projected Membership Dues			
AAUW National	\$2,773.00	50-3 Paid Life = 47 X \$59	
AAUW Pennsylvania	\$500.00	50 X \$10	
AAUW Easton	\$750.00	50 X \$15	
OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET 2019-2020 PROPOSAL 6/17/19	Budgeted Income	Budgeted Cost	Budgeted Profit
Banking			
Fees		\$24.00	
Interest			
Conferences 7/19-6/20		\$700.00	
	Budgeted Income	Budgeted Cost	Budgeted Profit
Fund Raisers			
Williams Center(@14 people)	\$350.00	\$280.00	\$70.00
Donations			
Authors Luncheon	\$2,500.00	\$400.00	\$2,100.00
Poinsettia Sales	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Other Fundraisers			
Totals	\$3,150.00	\$830.00	\$2,320.00
Membership			
Portion From Fundraisers Above	\$580.00		
Operating expenses portion of dues	\$750.00		
Membership-brochures, etc		\$100.00	
Yearbook Printing & Mailing		\$200.00	
Newsletter		\$50.00	
Insurance		\$600.00	
Mailbox		\$106.00	
Postage		\$50.00	
Branch Publicity		\$75.00	
Miscellaneous		\$200.00	
Officers' Expenses			
Membership		\$25.00	
Presidents		\$50.00	
Treasurer (Quicken & Postage)		\$50.00	
Programs			
Meeting Rooms		\$200.00	
Public Policy		\$50.00	
Holiday Party		\$250.00	
Scholarship Des(room, desserts, gifts)	\$300.00	\$360.00	-\$60.00
Speaker Gifts		\$140.00	
Diversity		\$100.00	
Honoraiums		\$150.00	
TOTALS	\$1,630.00	\$3,480.00	-\$1,850.00

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



September 16, 1:30pm
Hostess: **Nancy Kinzli**
Book: **Where The Crawdads Sing**
by Delia Owens

Rotating Gourmet

Chair: Lois Wildrick



Fall menus are being planned and members will be contacted to host.

Diversity: Deeds and Dialogue

Chair: Rosemary Baker



No meeting in September

International Relations:

Chair: Fran Kennedy



October 22, 1:30 pm
Hostess: Phyllis Finger
Book: The Weather Makers by Tim Flannery

Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Group

Chair: Rosemary Baker



Call **Rosemary** for more information

Out to Lunch

Chair: Claire Degnan



Members meet for lunch. All AAUW members are welcome. Check with Claire Degnan for information.

Mah Jongg

Chair : Toni Hoffman



September 9, 10:00 at Toni's
September 23, 10:00 at Lois's

September 25, 12:00 pm
Marblehead Chowder House

Stitch and B'

Chair: Yvonne Payne



September 5, 2:00 pm
Hostess: Susan McNamara

Tapas Dining

Chair: Yvonne Payne



This is a group of AAUW members (partners welcomed) who will meet to explore small dish dining.

American Association of University Women

AAUW National	800.326.2289	www.aauw.org
Easton Branch		easton-pa.aauw.net
Co-Presidents	Nancy Kinzli, Karol D’Huyvetters	easton-pa.aauw.net/contact/
Membership	Randi Blauth	easton-pa.aauw.net/membership/
Easton Edition	Toni Hoffman	easton-pa.aauw.net/contact/

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.

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