

The Easton Edition

Easton, PA Branch Newsletter

CALENDAR

Newsletter Deadline Wednesday, August 15

Board Meeting Monday, August 24 at 3:30 pm Virtual Meeting

Branch MeetingSeptember - Date TBD

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2020

Here's to strong women, may we know them, may we be them, may we raise them

The Year in Review June 2019- June 2020 A Year Like No Other!

The year began peacefully in the summer and ended in virtual reality due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Let's begin with 'normal'. In the summer we continued with our successful Let's Read Math program which brought us to local libraries and elementary schools where we shared stories and math concepts with many eager children. Member, Becky Goldenberg opened her beautiful back yard for a branch picnic. Members enjoyed swimming, relaxed conversation, and delicious treats. Karol and Nancy, Co-Presidents attended a State AAUW retreat to learn about AAUW's new strategic plan, and along with Toni Hoffman, represented our branch at the Northampton Community College Quad Fest.

Prior to the pandemic we had several 'in person' programs including:

- A science program at the Nurture Nature Center
- A joint program with AAUW Bethlehem and League of Women Voters about the unique issues for Incarcerated Women
- A night at the Williams Center together enjoying Zimbabwe's first all-female vocal quintet
- A Holiday Tea at the historic home of Nancy Butow
- The Art and History of Stained Glass making with local artisan Linda Featherman
- Learning about how aging affects our brains with Dr. Elaine Revnolds
- A New Members Tea

The Year in Review - Continued

And then things changed. We had to cancel programs and activities and try to do what we could virtually.

Unfortunately, the programs/activities that we had to cancell included:

- A tribute luncheon for our Fifty-Year Members
- Our Authors' Luncheon
- Visiting our local elected officials in Harrisburg.

Our virtual world:

- We are working on having our Dessert and Scholarship awards presentation take place virtually
- Interest groups, branch meetings, programs, and board meetings have been 'virtual'
- Officer elections were held on-line

Some more good news:

- We were pleased to welcome five new members. Two previous members joined and one new member is dual.
- We were able to raise scholarship money through our Pointsettia sales and through your donations to the Authors' Luncheon. We awarded two high school seniors with \$2500 scholarships each and one Memorial Scholarship for a woman whose education was interrupted but has returned to college. We also awarded two students at Northampton Community college scholarships - one from our endowment fund and one through our STEM scholarship.

- We donated hats, scarves and gloves to incarcerated women.
- Our Diversity, Deeds, and Dialogue group made personal care bags for the women at Pinebrook Family Answers.
- We awarded Marlou Belyea the Outstanding Women award and Randi Blauth received the state Member Making a Difference. Pre-K for PA was awarded the Gateway to Equity award. We raised over \$500 towards AAUW funds and named Our Fifty-Year Members as Named Gift Honorees
- We received a Star in Communication and External Relations in the AAUW Five Star Recognition program

Your generosity and support have been greatly appreciated. Perhaps next year will begin 'virtually' and end 'normally' but whatever happens, we look forward to another year of programs and activities that bring us together in whatever way we can be in order to enjoy each other's company, learn new things, and support women's issues especially in this election year.

Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength.

Dalai Lama.

Public Policy News

Become a Two Minute Activist

Now more than ever, your voice needs to be heard in Harrisburg and Washington, DC. Follow this link and scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up and receive Action Alerts from AAUW:

https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/

Statement from Kim Churches

AAUW joins the country in mourning the losses of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor and countless other people of color who have been unjustly killed across our nation. Our country needs healing. But healing will only come with justice. As an organization we condemn racism.

Systemic racism is firmly rooted in the U.S. and today's injustices mirror our shameful history — from police brutality to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color. There can be no justice or equality when Black and Brown communities are seen as less deserving of basic human and civil rights.

On behalf of our 170,000 members and supporters, we commit to fighting for justice, long-term and lasting change, and we stand in solidarity against racism. We also acknowledge that as an organization we have our own work to do.

And, as a member of the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, we will work to advance the policies and systemic changes identified in the New Era of Public Safety: A Guide to Fair, Safe, and Effective Community Policing and Vision for Justice platform.

YOU'VE BEEN INVITED TO A ZOOM MEETING-WHAT NEXT??

Have you heard of friends having coffee together over Zoom? Book Clubs and other groups are meeting using Zoom. Classes are being taught using Zoom. Since the advent of social distancing and restrictions due to Covid-19, we miss our time with friends and family. Technology has provided us a vehicle to keep in touch with family members and social outlets. Many of us have used FaceTime for long distance communication but it limits the number of participants and ability to join groups.

Zoom is an easy, reliable method for video and audio communication, conferencing, webinars and meeting with any size group of people in different locations. It works with mobile device, desktops and telephones. Lately, it is being used in many different environments such as education, business and training facilities.

Our branch has been using Zoom for board meetings, branch meetings, committee meetings and interest groups. It has facilitated communication and provided a vehicle for us to continue as an organization.

If you want to join a ZOOM meeting or event and are using a computer or laptop, the first step is to download Zoom Cloud Meetings. Prior to the meeting you will be sent an email with a link to the Zoom meeting. Open the email and click on the Zoom link. It will look something like this: https://otago.zoom.us/j/123456789. It will take you to the meeting and the host will let you in to join the meeting.

If you are joining from a mobile device (Android smartphone/tablet, Apple iPhone/iPad) download the Zoom Cloud Meetings app from the App/Play Store. Use the same procedure to join the meeting.

If you are unable to join from Zoom on a computer or mobile device, then you can join on the telephone instead. If you would like to attend a Zoom meeting via telephone: write down the meeting ID number sent to you, Dial 1-646-558-8656 and when prompted, enter the meeting ID, followed by the # sign.

For addition information on zoom, go to: https://blogs.otago.ac.nz/zoom/how-to-join-a-zoom-meeting-step-by-step/

NEWS YOU CAN USE

YEARBOOKS

The Yearbooks will be put together this summer. We really want to make sure all the information is correct and that we can get them to you in a timely manner. If there are any changes to your information please call or email Nancy Kinzli at 610-217-2671 or nancykinzli@gmail.com Thank you!!

AAUW STATE CONVENTION CANCELLED

This year's 2020 State Convention has been cancelled. We were hoping to attend and share ideas with you. The theme of this year's convention, Purple Sashes and Persistent Women, was to be in celebration of 100 years of suffrage. We will be working on a Suffrage program for our branch. Since the convention rotates every other year with a summer retreat, next year there will hopefully be a summer retreat.

A FREINDLY REMINDER

It's time to pay your AAUW dues. It is really easy to pay on-line but if you prefer, you can mail the form that is included in this newsletter. Your dues help support fact-based, non -partisan research, advocacy for Title IX, women's health, and civil rights. We continue to work to break down educational and economic barriers. AAUW is a great way to connect with others with similar values and share in a community. Paying dues in a timely manner, by July 30th, helps us to receive a star in the 5 star program and get our Yearbooks out faster.

SAVE THE DATE SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS CEREMONY JULY 28, 2020 ZOOM EVENT

It's time to recognize the accomplishments of our branch – Scholarship Recipients, Gateway To Equity Award Recipient, and Branch Member Awards. Mark your calendars for July 28, 2020 at 7:00 pm to participate in the Awards Ceremony. It will be quite different this year but it is important that we recognize our accomplishments in spite of the social restrictions due to Covid-19 virus.

The Board researched and discussed different options for the Award Ceremony. We are committed to ensuring a safe environment for all of our members to participate while celebrating our successes. Therefore, we decided to have the ceremony via Zoom. We have had many meetings via Zoom and can easily teach members to participate either by laptop, cell phone or dial-in. If you need assistance to participate through Zoom, we have included a tutorial for your reference or call Karol D'Huvvetters.

Plan to join us on July 28, 2020 at 7:00 to meet our Scholarship Recipients and Gateway To Equity Award Recipient and honor our outstanding branch members. We will be sending out the agenda and link to join the Zoom event at a later date..



It's That Time of Year!!! AAUW Dues June 2020 - June 2021

Annual dues: National \$59.00 (\$56. is tax deductible)

PA State \$10.00 Easton Branch \$15.00 TOTAL \$84.00

You may pay on-line by clicking on the link in the email you will be receiving by May 1.

If you prefer to **pay by check** please make payable to AAUW Easton Branch and mail to AAUW Easton Branch P.O. Box 1464 Easton, PA 18044-1464

Online you will have the option of making an additional contribution to:

- · Area where most needed
- Economic Security for Women
- Leadership Initiatives for Women
- Education and Training for Women
- Governance and Sustainability

If you pay by check and would like to contribute to any of these areas, please specify which area and add that amount to your check.

If you would like to donate to our Easton Branch Scholarship Fund, please specify that and add that amount to your check.

If you prefer to donate to our branch (scholarship fund or operating) online, use the "Donate" button on our website.

If there are any **changes or corrections** in your name or address please let us know below or email your changes to nancykinzli@gmail.com

Name:	
Address:	
Phone(s):	
Email:	
Life members and college university representatives pay state and branch dues Life Membership Lindergraduate affiliates from a C/LI partner	\$25. \$1180.00

Undergraduate affiliates from a non C/U partner Honorary Life Members

\$18.81 No dues

AAUW Easton Branch Meeting May 19, 2020 via Zoom

Karol D'Huyvetters, Co-President, called the business meeting to order at 4:05pm. There were 14 members present. She thanked Nancy Berry for hosting with her zoom account.

The minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Dues for 2020-2021 are now due. Payment can be made online or by sending a check to the branch.

The Dessert and Scholarship Awards is tentatively scheduled for July 28. There was discussion of holding this at an outdoor venue. We need to see where PA is at that time in regard to gatherings. Parks suggested-Penn Pump Park, Fairview Park, Riverview Park and Louise Moore Park. Issues discussed-social distancing, eating with masks, heat, comfort level. Karol will contact the parks and gather information on their policies, price, etc. Holding this via Zoom was also discussed. A suggestion was to contact the scholarship awardees for their preference -Zoom vs Outdoor venue.

Karol reported on the Authors' Luncheon. All authors are interested in participating in the next luncheon. \$1200 was raised for scholarships.

Public Policy-Toni reported you can vote in person or a mail in ballot. VotesPa.com has a ballot tracker to check if your mail in ballot has been received and recorded.

Nancy Berry reported that 38 scholarship applications have been received. The committee members are reviewing and evaluating them with their rating sheets. The committee will meet via zoom to choose the recipients.

The Book, Diversity and International Relations interest groups are meeting via zoom.

Ideas for programs for next year were discussed. National has suggested using this opportunity to participate in the Work Smart on line program. Discussions of programs for the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment include sharing voting experiences and having elected women office holders talk about running for office. There is a group Emerge which helps Democratic Women run for office. We could also contact their Republican counterpart and have a panel. Lois suggested that Sigal Museum had a Suffragist program scheduled. She will check on this. Michelle Geoffrion- Vinci, Lafayette professor, offered to do a program in early fall on College Life and Living with Covid-19.

Fran installed Nancy and Karol as Co-Presidents. They have agreed to serve a one-year term. The board is planning for their succession. A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 21 at 1:30pm via Zoom.

The business meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

Our program was "Time to Chat" - Grammar School

Respectfully Submitted:

Rosemary Baker

2019-2020 END OF YEAR REPORT: MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee: Randi Blauth, Membership VP, Toni Hoffman and Rosemary Baker met with Presidents Nancy Kinzli and Karol D-Huyvetters several times to develop a strategy for increasing membership and member interest. The following were determined:

Contact Judy Dickerson regarding branch help with Easton Book Festival to do book talks, or whatever they need. **Accomplished**

Contact Easton Ambassadors Main Street Initiative for AAUW participation for community awareness and contribution. **Accomplished**

Finish branch brochure and distribute to determined locations. **Accomplished**

Purchase AAUW tablecloth. Accomplished

Design branch t-shirts to be worn by members at community events to promote branch visibility.

Accomplished

Publicity: every program will be in the Easton Express, many programs will be advertised on the Palmer Twp. Electronic Board, the Mainstreet Initiative Calendar, Easton, Palmer and Nazareth Patches, Next Door Neighbor site, the Palmer Newsletter, The Morning Call calendar. **Accomplished**

Develop and create a Tri-Fold membership board to be taken to events to educate community about AAUW. Suzi Campbell, former member and graphic artist, graciously agreed to design this board for the branch non-gratis. The committee and other interested members gathered the pictures and information to go on the board. The goal was for it to be completed by December, 2019. This goal was not met. The goal was then moved with the final goal being June 1, 2020 so this board could be used at the July state convention. Randi Blauth will get the board as soon as it is safe to do so due to Novel Coronavirus. The committee needs to begin work on a narrative to go with the board.

The committee will work on an elevator speech for recruitment. Due to the Coronavirus, we may have to recruit a different way since meetings and programs next year may all be virtual.

The importance of supporting women's issues is more urgent now than before the virus.

We need to state this in a way that will encourage people to support a virtual organization.

Other:

Marlou Belyea was selected as Easton's Outstanding Woman of the Year. Nancy Berry interviewed Ms. Belyea. The interview and picture were submitted to the AAUW-PA state committee and our branch newsletter.

Several National members from this area were contacted and asked to join the branch.

One did.

Five new members joined the branch. Two previous members rejoined and one new member is dual. Member Spotlights were submitted to branch newsletter.

A Shape the Future Brunch was held on March 7, 2020. Three prospective members attended and all three joined the branch. The dual member also attended.

As of May 25, 2020 the Easton branch has 56 members. Forty-three are regular members and thirteen are life members. This count doesn't include the three new Shape the Future members.

I'd like to recognize the entire Board of Directors for their support, enthusiasm, and help with recruitment.

Randi Blauth, Membership Vice President

2019/2020 Easton AAUW Interest Groups Yearly Review

With Covid-19 disrupting life it was an eventful spring for our Interest Groups. Zoom meetings kept things rolling for most groups. For Bridge and Mah Jongg though it meant a shut down.

The **Book Discussion** group read a wide range of fiction and non-fiction this year. All books generated lively discussion by the attendees. It will be continuing to meet via Zoom over the summer.

International Relations focused on how Climate Change influenced trends around the world. The topic was well researched by the members and provided much food for thought. The group will continue meeting over the summer via Zoom firming up the topic list which will still be Climate Change with a drill down on 'Water' issues.

The **Mah Jongg** group, meeting twice a month, had a good year honing their skills playing the American version of the game till Covid-19 interrupted. Not a difficult game to pick up the essential elements quickly, the group welcomes new players. The group may resume play over the summer with precautions such as masks and hand sanitizer with the tiles washed after play.

The **Bridge** game played twice a month with a dedicated small group of players till Covid-19 struck. It will resume once it is safe to meet and handle cards.

Diversity: Deeds and Dialogue, with members from the Easton and Bethlehem AAUW branches, read several books this year to provoke discussion of social issues and to expand their concept of social justice and action. They will continue meeting through the summer via Zoom.

Rotating Gourmet had no events this year due to Covid-19.

The **Out To Lunch** group had several lunches before Covid-19 arrived. It was a small but enthusiastic group of diners. We'll see what the Fall brings in dining out possibilities.

The **Tapas Dining** group held two events of small plate dining that provided a varied menu that pleased the taste buds of attendees. The second event was via Zoom and was a virtual cocktail party but much fun as attendees raised their glasses and conversation flowed.

New interest group **Stitch and Be** was able to successfully continue meeting via Zoom and will be meeting over the summer. Conversation and projects flowed seamlessly.

Submitted, Yvonne Payne, Interest Group Coordinator

Scholarship Recipients

Lily Adefila

Lily is our Memorial Scholarship recipient this year. She currently attends Northampton Community College (NCC). She participates in the work study program in the NCC Help Desk as an Information Technology Support - Student Mentor. She has had past employment in their work study program in the Financial Aid and NCC Printing Departments. Lily has been accepted into the Information Systems Management Degree Program at Muhlenberg College. Her goal is to become a software engineer and develop applications. She resides in Bethlehem, PA.



Bailee Kupper

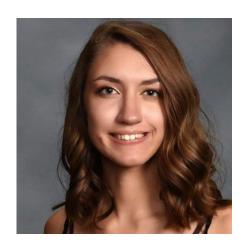


Bailee has been an Easton resident her whole life and attended Palmer Elementary School. She graduated from Easton Area High School in the top 3% of her class and is a member of the National Honor Society and the Italian Honor Society. Bailee will be attending East Stroudsburg University in the fall with a major in Early Childhood Education.

Bailee worked at Paxinosa Elementary as an after school program aide throughout high school and began working at Cheston Elementary as well. This helped her realize that her passion was working with children. Several teachers have helped to shape who she is today and have influenced her decision to become a teacher and make a difference in the lives of her students.

Kristen Stopfer

Kristen Stopfer is the daughter of Pam and Karl Stopfer. As a senior at Bangor Area High School, Kristen was an active member of Marching Band, Musical, Chamber Choir, Women's Chorale, Class Cabinet, and Student Government. She will attend the University of Pittsburgh in the fall to major in Biology.





Congratulations to our 2020 scholarship recipients. We wish them luck as they enter the next phase of their lives.

How to Be a Five Star Branch

We would love to be a 5 Star Branch and we have until June of 2021 to do it but **we need your help!** The Five Star program aligns local branches with the mission of AAUW National. There are things that are more difficult to do during the age of Covid 19 but there are **two things** that are easy to do.

- 1. When you donate to AAUW during this annual giving drive, allocate your donation to the **Greatest Need/Area Most Needed**. AAUW is working hard to remove educational and economic barriers for women and girls in a fair and equitable manner.
- 2. If you haven't already paid your dues, please do it soon. We need everyone renewed by the deadline.

Your board is working hard in all the other areas: planning programs, working on community resource mapping, keeping our websites and social media in line with national, engaging in public policy, and developing a new succession plan but we can't become a Five Star Branch without YOU!

It's Happening! Scholarship and Awards Ceremony

On Zoom July 28, 2020 at 7pm

Please come and meet this year's three scholarship recipients, honor our award winners, and thank your board for their time and efforts. **RSVP** to Toni Hoffman. Check the yearbook for her email and phone. She will send you a zoom link. If you are a first time user of zoom we would love to assist you.

Finance Re	port 6/30/2020						
Projected Membership Dues]			
AAUW National	\$2,773.00	50-3 Paid Life	e = 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	Credits		Debits		Net
Banking						1	
Fees		\$24.00					
Interest			\$1,30				\$1.30
Conferences 7/19-6/20		\$700.00		s	173.66		\$526.3
Fund Raisers		4					
Williams Center(@14 people)	\$350.00	\$280.00	\$455.00	s	280.00		\$175.00
Donations	3000.00	4200.00	\$90.00	-	200.00	ŝ	90.00
Authors Luncheon	\$2,500.00	\$400.00	4	ŝ	100.10	Ť	\$1,183.96
Poinsettia Sales	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$391.00	-	156.00		\$235.00
Other Fundraisers	0000.00	\$100.00	\$12.85	-	100.00		12.85
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Branch Dues	\$750.00		\$780.00				
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Yearbook Printing & Mailing		\$200.00		s	59.80		
Newsletter		\$50.00		s	47.28		
Other Printing		000.00		s	167.08		
Insurance		\$600.00		s	527.00		
Mailbox		\$106.00		s	106.00		
Postage		\$50.00		s	42.90		
Branch Publicity		\$75.00		S	66.59		
Miscellaneous		\$200.00		s	202.53		
Officers' Expenses		9200.00		-	E0E-00		
Membership		\$25.00		s	117.18		
Presidents		\$50.00		9	117.10		
Treasurer (Quicken & Postage)		\$50.00		s	37.29		
Programs		330.00		9	07.20		
Meeting Rooms		\$200.00		s	33.33		
Public Policy		\$50.00		s	29.46		
Holiday Party		\$250.00		S	172.29	\vdash	
Scholarship Des(room,desserts,gifts)	\$300.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	9	172.23		
Speaker Gifts	3300.00	\$140.00	30.00	s	8.00		
Diversity		\$140.00		S	52.53		
Other Expenses		\$100.00		S	95.39		
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TOTALS	\$1,050.00		\$3,014.21	-	2,683.31		\$2,224.45

SHOUT OUT TO BOARD MEMBERS

On behalf of AAUW Easton Branch Members, we want to recognize all the time, energy, involvement and support the board members have willingly volunteered to our branch. We know that volunteers are not often acknowledged for their importance to the success of an organization but we know that you have given your most precious gifts – time and talents. You are special and tremendously valued by the Easton Branch.

Many members have voiced that they greatly appreciate the hard work and dedication of each board member. They recognize that it takes a super team to move our branch forward and express their "THANKS". The high level of quality involvement by each board member is distinguished. Our branch's success is celebrated because of you as a board member. The innovation and creativity brings joy and a sense of pride to our branch. The members of the branch wish to let you know you deserve a big round of applause and commendations!



Educating Ourselves

"We said Black Lives Matter. We never said Only Black Lives Matter. We Know All Lives Matter. We just need your help." (A protest sign carried by a young African American girl)

This is a time of great unrest and multiple protests. Unfortunately, this is about more than unjust deaths. This is rooted in systemic problems from redlining to evictions, to unequal education, disparity in health care, and lack of retirement The list of inequalities is long. benefits. Many are asking what does it mean to fight for equality? What can we do? Will we allow the status quo to continue? Not everyone feels comfortable protesting and not everyone knows what they can do but almost everyone feels like they should start somewhere. When filmmaker Ava DuVernay was asked what can we do, her answer was simple, "Educate yourselves". When Judy Woodruff of PBS asked former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice a similar question, she responded, "My personal passion is educational opportunity because it is a partial shield against prejudice". With these thoughts in mind we have included some suggestions of books related to racism for adults and children and a list of websites.

Nancy and Karol, Co-Presidents

Websites

Black Lives Matter: https://blacklivesmatter.com/

The Movement for Black Lives: https://m4bl.org/

Color of Change: https://colorofchange.org/

Campaign Zero: https://www.joincampaignzero.org/#vision

The African American Policy Forum: https://aapf.org/

ACLU:

https://www.aclu.org/.../aclu-joins-more-400-coalition-partne...

Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ): https://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/

"No matter
how big a nation is, it is
no stronger than its weakest
people, and as long as you keep
a person down, some part of you
has to be down there to hold him
down, so it means you cannot
soar as you might otherwise."

- Marian Anderson

Books Related to Racism

A partial list based on a search of the most recommended books on racism for adults. There are many more wonderful books. Listed in alphabetical order by author.

Michelle Alexander: The New Jim Crow

Carol Anderson: White Rage

James Baldwin: The Fire Next Time

Matthew Desmond: <u>Evicted</u>
Robin DiAngelo: <u>White Fragility</u>

Michael Eric Dyson: Tears We Cannot Stop

Ibram X. Kendi. Stamped from the Beginning and

How to be an Antiracist

Ta-Nehishi Coates. Between the World and Me

Wesley Lower: They Can't Kill Us All

Ijeoma Olvo: So, you Want to Talk About Race

Bryan Stephenson: <u>Just Mercy</u>

Beverly Daniel Tatum: Why Are All the Black Kids

Sitting Together in the Cafeteria

Isabel Wilkerson: <u>The Warmth of Other Suns</u>
Malcom X. and Alex Haley: <u>The Autobiography of</u>

Malcolm X

A few other authors: Richard Wright, Toni Morrison, Maya Angelou, Zora Neale Hurston, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Frederick Douglass and Ralph Ellison.

Books Related to Race - for Children Based on lists by the NY Times

Adults

The ABC's of Diversity: Helping Kids (and Ourselves!) Embrace Our Differences. Carolyn B. Helsel, and Y. Joy Harris-Smith

Ages 0-3

<u>We're Different, We're the Same</u>. Bobbi Kates Books by Ezra Jack Keats – <u>The Snowy Day, A</u> <u>Letter to Amy, Hi Cat, Whistle for Willie</u>.

Ages 3-5

Saturday. Oge Mora

Hair Love. Matthew A. Cherry

Ages 5-8

<u>Each Kindness</u>. Jacqueline Woodson and EB Lewis

Black Is A Rainbow. Angela Joy Ekua Holmes The Youngest Marcher. Cynthia Levison (Note: It is about 9-year-old Audrey Faye Hendricks who spends a week behind bars in 1963 Birmingham).

Ages 5 and up

A Kids Book about Racism. Jelani Memory

Ages 7-10

Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions. Chris Baron and Don Tate (about the black engineer behind the Super Soaker Water Gun)

Ages 9-12

"Something Happened in Our Town": A Child's Story about Racial Injustice (about a police shooting)

Brown Girl Dreaming. Jacqueline Woodson Resist: 35 Profiles of Ordinary People Who Rose Up Against Tyranny and Injustice. Veronica Chambers and Paul Ryding.

Not My Idea: A Book About Whiteness. Anastasia Higginbotham

Ages 12 and up

All American Boys. Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely (the effects of police brutality from the perspective of two teen boys: one white and one black)

"Stamped: Racism, Antiracism and You". Jason Reynolds and Ibram X Kendi

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 All meetings contingent on control of the Coronavirus pandemic and may be held virtually.

Book Discussion Chair: Toni Hoffman



July 20, 7:30 pm Hostess: Toni Hoffman Book: **The Fifth Child** by Doris Lessing

Diversity: Deeds and Dialogue Chair: Rosemary Baker



July 22, 7:00 pm Hostess: Zoom

Topic: **Stamped From the Beginning**, Preface, Prologue,

Part 1

Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Chair: Rosemary Baker



Call Rosemary for time and place

Mah Jongg

Chair: Toni Hoffman



Nothing scheduled at this time.

Stitch and Be

Chair: Yvonne Payne



July 2, 2:00 pm

Hostess: Yvonne Payne

Rotating Gourmet Chair: Lois Wildrick



Taking a break over the summer with hopes to meet again in the fall.

International Relations
Chair: Fran Kennedy



July 30, 1:30 p.m. Hostess: Fran Kennedy Topic: Planning Meeting

Out To Lunch

Chair: Claire Degnan



Members meet for lunch. All members welcome.

Tapas Dining

Chair: Yvonne Payne



Members (and spouses) explore small plate dining.

Virtual event June 14 at 5 pm.

American Association of University Women

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