

The Easton Edition

Easton, PA Branch Newsletter

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Newsletter Deadline Saturday, April 15

Branch Meeting

April Luncheon to Honor 50 year members April 15, noon at The View at Morgan

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2023

In a time of drastic change, it is the learners who inherit the future. Eric Hoffer



A Journey With AAUW

On April 15, 2023, our Branch is having a luncheon to recognize and celebrate the women in our branch who have been members for 50 years or more. This is our monthly program and all members are invited to join us for lunch. During lunch, our 50-year members will be recognized. There will be a brief business meeting to vote for the new branch officers.

At this time the following slate is presented:

Lisa Spitale and Fran Kennedy – Co-Presidents Dr. Kathleen Morgan – V.P. Membership Becky Goldenberg – Finance Officer

Please see flyer for luncheon details and to RSVP.



A Journey with AAUW

Join us for a luncheon to recognize and celebrate the women in our branch who have been members for 50 years and more.

Where: The View at Morgan Hill

Time: 12:00

Date: April 15, 2023

R.S.V.P.: Karol D'Huyvetters or Rosemary Baker by

April 10,2023

A complementary lunch choice will be offered to 50 year members. All other members will be able to order off the lunch menu.

From the Leadership Team

The Playing Field is Changing: More Super Role Models for Women

There are more women in roles that have How can you and I help to promote traditionally been male dominated. continuation of these changes in roles Baseball has been typically a male that are highly visible to the public? dominant sport but lately there are Through membership in organizations like changes. Sarah Edwards at age 26 was AAUW, we continue to advocate for named the first female coach in the history equality for all and to promote equality in of the Phillies."Paving the way for younger the workplace. AAUW, through our generations of women to be able to grab support as members, can and does fight some of these opportunities -- it fills my for legislative changes. AAUW continues heart, honestly" said Edwards. She is the to battle for fair pay and economic franchise's first on-field female staffer.

"Look, I've got two daughters, so anytime you include females in whatever business it is,I think it's great," said Phillies manager Rob Thomson. "I had some time to speak with her during our organizational summit, and she seemed very knowledgeable."

Other women have had prominent roles in involved. As part of an organization of the Major League Teams over the past few thousands, our collective voice can and vears. They include Alyssa Nakken as a will be heard. Major league assistant coach in January 2020 for the Giants, Kin Ng became the

Marlins first female general manger and Rachel Balkovec recently was named manger of an affiliate Yankees Minor League team.

Changes are also occurring in politics. Joanna McClinton was voted PA. House Speaker. She is the first Black woman to win this post. She is highly respected by her colleagues.

opportunity for women. As a national organization, it can help pass hundreds of pieces of legislation. The Legal Advocacy team has supported plaintiffs in more than 125 gender equity legal cases. It is important for the future of our children that we continue to support this organization financially and continue to be actively



AAUW Easton Branch Meeting March 21,2023 at the Palmer Library

Toni Hoffman, Leadership Team, called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. There were 11 members (one via zoom) and 4 guests present.

The Financial report was accepted as printed in the newsletter.

The branch has been governed by a Leadership Team the past two years. We will be returning to Co-leaders. Toni presented the following slate to be voted on at our April 15 luncheon. The slate is: Fran Kennedy and Lisa Spitale-Co-Presidents; Rebecca Goldenberg-Finance Officer and Dr. Kathleen Morgan-Membership Vice President.

The following upcoming events were announced:

April 15 Luncheon to honor 50-year members

--May 4 Girls Recognition Night - Volunteers are needed. Photographer is needed.

--May 16 Scholarship and Awards Dessert

--July 28-29 AAUW PA Summer Retreat in Gettysburg

The business meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

Toni introduced Dr. Stacey Zaremba, Moravian University professor, who led the discussion on the book **Wordslut** by Amanda Montell.

Respectfully Submitted, Rosemary Baker

January 18, 2023	Income	Cost
Banking		
Fees		
Interest	\$1.87	
Fundraisers		
Donations	\$64.00	
Lunafest	\$2,567.18	\$308.76
Poinsettia Sale	\$700.00	\$426.00
Other Fundraisers	\$700.00	\$380.00
Membership		
Branch Dues	\$720	
Postcards/Brochures		\$45.75
Yearbook		
Newsletter		\$47.95
Other Printing		\$19.68
Insurance		\$200.00
Mailbox		\$182.00
Postage		
Publicity		
Miscellaneous		
Officer Expenses		
Membership		
Leadership Team		
Finance Officer		
Programs		
Meeting Rooms		
Public Policy		
Scholarship		
Honorariums/Speaker Gifts		\$50.00
Diversity		
Socials/Holiday Party		\$306.01
Other Expenses-GRN		
Member Assistance		
	\$4,753.05	\$1,966.15

















Gateway To Equity



The Gateway to Equity Award was presented to Family Connections of Easton. The award honors an individual, group or organization that has shown by action and philosophy the promotion of the AAUW mission to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

We're honored to receive the Pennsylvania AAUW Gateway to Equity Award



Family Connection OF EASTON

News You Can Use

Power Partnership: AAUW and Ms.

This year, Ms. Celebrates 50 years as a groundbreaking feminist magazine. And AAUW has been the premier organization advancing gender equity for 141 years. Over our long and overlapping histories, both AAUW and Ms. have sparked new laws and ushered in social movements. Now, as part of a special partnership, we're pleased to offer AAUW members a free, one-year subscription to Ms. And everyone can access AAUW CEO Gloria Blackwell's recent Ms. article about the need to push harder for women leaders.

Newsletter Information

Wouldn't you like to learn how to put a newsletter together or just use WORD for all the articles? 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 she wishes 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.

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. Ads should be no larger than business card size and 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.

YOUR GOLDEN TICKET

Soon it will be time to renew your AAUW membership. As you do, I hope you'll reflect on the value of membership in this national organization.

In what other organization can you advocate for policy issues affecting women and girls and have representation in Washington, D.C? Where else can you effectively challenge the status quo and have over 170,000 women behind you? **This is not politics.** We are non-partisan and hold precious the values of equity and equality. AAUW provides workshops and webinars on myriad issues that are important to our everyday lives. Pay equity, Title IX (which is not just women's sports-it's also intimate partner violence on college campuses), public education, student debt, family leave and more. As AAUW members, we don't have to support every issue. It's up to each of us which issue(s) receive our support.

AAUW PA is there with ideas and support for us as well. Our local branch provides not just advocacy and educational programming, but interest groups where we can meet each other, share our thoughts and have fun. This year we've had programs on body image, redistricting, book bans, and how language affects women. We socialized at our holiday party and will do so again at our upcoming luncheon to honor our 50 year members. Soon we will celebrate our local seventh grade girls at a STEAM Girls Recognition Night and award scholarships to local women on their way to college. WE DID ALL THAT!

I have met so many people and learned so much from being an AAUW member. I've grown in ways I didn't expect. I hope you'll consider your affection for the organization that gives so much and more.

Dues for the 23-24 year until July 1, 2023 will be: National: \$72.00; State: \$10.00; Local \$15.00. After July 1, 2023 state dues will increase by \$2.00 to \$12.00. So don't wait. You may renew beginning April 1, 2023 online. You may send a check to Fran Kennedy. Check your branch yearbook for her address.

—Randi Blauth Membership Vice President

May 16, 2023 Municipal Primary



Your Vote is Your Voice.



Office of the President

AAUW Easton Branch Scholarship Fund Ms. Frances A. Kennedy PO Box 1464 Easton, PA 18044-1464

Dear AAUW Easton Branch Members,

I am honored to send you this note of gratitude for your support of Northampton Community College.

Students are the primary reason that NCC exists, and your generosity in support of our mission enables us to provide excellent, accessible and comprehensive learning experiences in partnership with the dynamic and diverse communities that we serve. "Community" is quite literally our middle name, and we are so deeply grateful for the thoughtful community partners who help us in so many ways to improve the lives of up to 30,000 NCC students each year.

While many students come to NCC right out of high school to start their higher education journeys, a growing number also find NCC at other points in their lives and careers. We are proud and humbled to be a beacon of hope for students of all ages to gain the skills, knowledge and confidence that will successfully take them to a four-year institution, upskill themselves in their current line of work, or find a new career path in an ever-changing business landscape. I'm inspired every day by our thoughtful and generous supporters who give their time, talent and treasure for the benefit of those pursuing their future at NCC.

While NCC is one of the most affordable colleges in Pennsylvania, more than half of our students...54%...would not be able to attend if they did not receive some form of financial aid. Through our NCC Foundation, we are able to provide up to \$1,000,000 in student scholarships to make the college experience possible each year. All proceeds from our annual Golf Tournament and Food & Wine Gala directly benefit students through scholarships. Support provided for our Spartan Aid Student Fund helps hundreds of students stay afloat and stay enrolled every semester with onetime emergency assistance grants. And there's so much more. Gifts to all areas of the college promote accessibility, innovation, and academic excellence for our students. YOU help to make that possible.

I'm enthusiastic for what's ahead at NCC, and know that our success is built <u>together</u> with our community. Please accept my deepest appreciation for being a part of our enduring commitment to building better futures for our students. When we transform their lives, we transform our community. Thank you.

With gratitude,

David A. Ruth, Ph.D. President

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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: Susan McNamara



April 16, 7:00 pm on Zoom Hostess: Carol Inman **West with the Night** by Beryl Markham

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging Chair: Rosemary Baker



April 6, 7:00 p.m. Hostess: Zoom Topic: Discuss future topics of interest.

International Relations

Chair: Fran Kennedy



April - No meeting May - Planning meeting set up through Doodle poll. Contact Fran if you wish to be part of the poll.

Out To Lunch Chair: Claire Degnan



All members welcome. Wednesday, April 19, 12:30 p.m. Location: Nazareth Diner RSVP to Claire by April 14th.

Bridge Chair: Rosemary Baker



Contact Rosemary for date and time. New members welcome.

Mah Jongg Chair: Becky Goldenberg



April 10, 1:30 p.m. April 24, 1:30 p.m. Hostess: Susan, Lois

Stitch and Be Chair: Toni Hoffman



April 6, 2:30 p.m. Hostess: Susan McNamara

Tapas Dining



Date and hostess to be determined.

Women & Science Chair: Susan McNamara



Date:Thursday, March 30 Topic: **Beaverland** by Leila Philip Continue reading. Zoom at 7 pm.

Walking Group Chair: Fran Kennedy Every Friday 9 am. Call Fran for details.

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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, 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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