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A Message from our President

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Greetings AAUW Madison branch members! What a great program we had in April! Thank you to everyone who came out "in- person" at the Madison Public Library. It was so nice to see familiar faces after all this time. Joan Schaible gave a fascinating program- *Lesser Known First Ladies*.. Thank you to the Summit College Club and to Susan Mennella for another intriguing program!

Again, we are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our annual lunch which will be held on May 4th at the Basking Ridge Country Club. Please sign up today if you have not already. We are hoping for beautiful weather and to get reacquainted. <http://volunteersignup.org/7YQB3>

We have positions available on the board at AAUW Madison branch if you would like to get more involved. We are always looking for insightful new ideas and opportunities. Please contact Diane Pivarnik for information.

State wide at AAUW NJ there are two positions available, President and Treasurer. Please put your thinking caps on and brainstorm any people you may think would love to rise up to this worthwhile challenge and opportunity. Our state AAUW NJ. President, Karen Brown has been a stellar and dedicated President these past years and her service is inspiring to all of us.

The AAUW NJ state meeting will be held on June 4th in New Brunswick. If you would like to attend with me, please reach out to me by email BmorganNJ@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing every one May 4th for lunch in Basking Ridge!

Berly

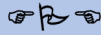
Notes from the Editor

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Book Group
05/11/22
- Board Meeting
05/16/22
- **Annual "Dinner"**
05/04/22
- **Book Sale**
06/06/22 to
06/12/22

Member News – Mary Sterling Campbell’s memorial service will be Sat. May 21 at 11am in New Vernon Presbyterian Church at 2 Lee’s Hill Rd. New Vernon. Lunch following at Olde Mill Inn.

Send information including directory updates to jpverson@yahoo.com. Input for the newsletter is due the day after the board meeting.



Announcements and Events



The Book Group

All are welcome to join us. Lots of conversation and sharing ideas on the book, author, and its reviews. Come and join us bringing your suggestions for future reads. Contact Kathleen Magill or Susan Mennella for more information and to be put on the list for the Zoom link. **NEW MEMBERS welcome!**
Contact Susan Mennella or Kathleen Magill to learn more or to be added to the email list.

The Book Group will meet on the second Wed of the month at 1PM.

May 11, 2022 at 1PM. The Rushmore Room at the Madison Pubic Library is booked. A Zoom link will also be sent prior to the meeting.

Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family" by Amy Ellis Nutt.



Mahjongg

Mahjongg group is resuming its schedule playing on the second and fourth Monday of the month. We meet at 11:30 am at Shirley Mutchler's home, 12 GROVE ST, MADISON. Bring lunch. **NEW MEMBERS welcome! We will teach you to play.**

May 9 and May 23

Board Meeting

Board meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. We will continue to use Zoom and links will be communicated to board members. Members are welcome to participate and should request login information from President. Since we are using Zoom, no snow days are planned
Check the newsletter & e-mails for changes.

2022: May 16 June 20

Message from the Nominating Committee: (Diane Pivarnik, Ann Huber & Susan Mennella)

The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for the role of Branch President. This role is crucial for the continued success of our branch. The position can be shared by two individuals. Anyone that steps up will find a strong, knowledgeable and supportive Board to help you. Board meetings will continue on a virtual platform and branch meetings will likely be a combination of some virtual and some in person for 2022-23. Please contact any member of the nominating committee for more information.

Madison Branch Activities

Monday May 4, 2022 at 12:30 PM

Annual (Dinner) Lunch – We had to move the event to Wednesday, May 4th 2022. We have reservations at the Restaurant at the **Basking Ridge Country Club** at 12:30pm. Please, **sign up using the following link** <http://volunteersignup.org/7YQB3>. Please register by Friday, April 29 so that we can give the restaurant a count. The last lunch we had, worked out well when everyone had cash available. Based on the lunch menu I estimate \$25 -\$30.

Book Sale

Our committee has made some decisions regarding the book sale in 2022, June 6-June 12. Once again, we will be at Saint Elizabeth University (note the modification of the school's name) in the same room on the lower level of the Mahoney Library. We will **not** accept Text Books, CDs, VHS Tapes or any other Audio Media (cassettes or records.) Preview admission for adults will be \$20 and Bag Sale (including bag) will be \$10 per bag. Detailed opening hours will be communicated shortly.

Please use the following links to sign up to help:

Sort on Monday through Wednesday volunteersignup.org/QWPFF

Sell on Wednesday (Evening) through Sunday volunteersignup.org/ATCAC

Community News

The nonprofit Adult School is offering the following free lecture to the community on **Monday, May 9, 2022 at 1PM at the Madison Community Arts Center, 10 Kings Road, Madison.** Pre-registration is required. Call 973-443-9222. Please register by phone only. Online registration will incur a \$10.00 nonrefundable registration fee.

Maggie is from Mendham Borough and has an inspiring story on how she worked in Nepal to empower and educate children.

160) Between the Mountain and the Sky: A Mother's Story of Hope and Love

We are excited to announce Maggie Doyne will be joining us to discuss her highly anticipated debut memoir, *Between the Mountain and the Sky: A Mother's Story of Hope and Love*. As the CEO and co-founder of BlinkNow, a nonprofit dedicated to serving the children of Nepal, Doyne has been globally recognized for her community-based and sustainable initiatives abroad. The book highlights Doyne's inspirational coming of age story spanning over a decade since she journeyed from her comfortable middle-class New Jersey home for the college gap year that forever changed the trajectory of her life. When Doyne first arrived in Surkhet, Nepal the area was just coming out of a civil war that left families in poverty and many children orphaned on the streets. After an unexpected encounter with a Nepali girl breaking rocks in a quarry, Doyne decided to invest her life savings of five thousand dollars to buy a piece of land and open the Kopika Valley Children's Home with a vision to care for, comfort, educate, and empower the children of the community.

The Summit College Club is planning a wonderful trip to historic Liberty Hall at Kean U. on **Wednesday, May 11th**. The museum and gardens are at 1003 Morris Avenue, Union. We will carpool to arrive there at 11:00 a.m. We will hear a program entitled, Ladies of Liberty Hall, enjoy a delicious box lunch, and tour the beautiful Liberty Hall gardens. Please let me know if any of your members need a ride and will offer a ride. They can contact me at 973-206-1538 or momapal@aol.com. We will meet in the parking lot of Christ Church on New England Ave., Summit at 10:15 a.m. Please send your check for \$40. per person made out to Summit College Club to our Treasurer, Janice Hartman, 5 Brook Hollow Lane, New Providence 07974. Janice needs your check by May 1 so we can provide a count to Liberty Hall. Savor the rich history and Springtime beauty of New Jersey in one delightful trip close to home.

AAUW National organization has updated its website including everyone's LOGIN. If you have not received this information OR have not updated your Login, please do so SOON. You will need to have a functioning new account to register and pay for 2022-23 membership.