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AAUW Livonia Celebrates 48th Salute to Women

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Livonia Branch held its 48th “Salute to Women” Luncheon on Saturday, December 11, 2021. Annually AAUW Livonia Branch presents a “**SALUTE to WOMEN**” Award recognizing women whose efforts reflect the goals of AAUW and whose contributions enhance the quality of life. This year’s honoree was Tracey Stevenson Assistant Principal at Clarenceville High School.

Stevenson has worked in the educational field for over 20 years. She received her B.A. in Business Admin from MSU, MA. in School Counseling from Siena Heights University, and M.A. in Educational Leadership from Madonna University.

A passionate advocate for all students she believes to her core that all students can be successful. She has worked to establish a school culture that celebrates all students and is conducive to student learning and growth, be it academic, social or emotional. She is also active in coordinating efforts with community stakeholders to ensure students remain focused and receive appropriate attention to their needs.

While anyone in education, both teaching or administration, does their job 24 by 7, what Tracey does for the students and the organizations she works with in the community are not expected activities of her position. They are “beyond out of the box” and support the growth and development of youth. Stevenson continually looks for ways she might impact the larger community.

In 2020, she started a book club for girls during the COVID shutdown discussing intense topics that were themes within the books; this was so well received that it continues today. A Board member of Livonia Kids and Families she assisted in the creation of a food pantry program for Clarenceville School District; collaborating with Say Detroit and Growth Works she helped create workshops on personal growth and the importance of building positive relationships to make a difference for students struggling with finding a positive path to success in school and the community. Stevenson is also the Educational Ministry Leader at her church, El Bethel Baptist, in Redford where she organizes the Annual Project Get Ready - Back to School Rally providing school supplies and other accessories to adequately prepare children for a successful start to their school year.

Her most recent efforts are focused on a collaboration to create a mentoring program for middle school and high school age girls - Sisters Teaching Young Ladies Excellence - S.T.Y.L.E. with the goal to help young ladies in Detroit and the greater Detroit area make good life choices. Stevenson, who serves as co-executive director for this organization, says they plan is to launch in fall 2022. While still in the development stages, they organized a Walk to raise funds to heighten awareness for Sickle Cell Disease and its impact on those afflicted.

Stevenson is a wife, mother, daughter, and grandmother. She loves spending time with her family and friends. She is also actively involved with her community and church, and loves giving back to others.

AAUW – Livonia is pleased to present Tracey Stevenson their 2021 Salute to Women Award.

AAUW Livonia Branch is an affiliate of AAUW, with the mission of *Advancing equity for women and girls through education, advocacy, philanthropy and research* and is open to anyone with an associate degree or better. They hold monthly meetings on the third Tuesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church on Seven Mile in Livonia. Guests are welcome. Meetings are at 7PM except in January, February and March when they are held at 1PM. Please join us for interesting topics and great fellowship.

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Pictured left to right
Lynn O'Neil - President AAUW-Livonia, Awardee Tracey Stevenson and Charlie Mahoney