

Dr. Claire Passantino Honored at Pennsylvania AAUW Convention

The distinguished Susan K. Nenstiel Humanitarian Award was presented to Yardley resident, Dr. Claire Passantino, EdD, at the Pennsylvania State American Association of University Women (AAUW) Convention held in April.

Dr. Passantino was nominated by the Makefield Area Branch of the AAUW for her untiring efforts in developing and administering the Let's Read Math program.

The award is named for the past Pennsylvania state AAUW president, Susan K. Nenstiel, and the recipient of this annual award is chosen for innovative and/or exemplary service to her AAUW

branch, to her community, for promoting AAUW's mission of equity for women, positive societal change and continuing intellectual growth.

Dr. Passantino has also received other awards and accolades resulting from the development of the Let's Read Math (LRM) program.

This fun and educational initiative introduces children from kindergarten through fourth grade to math concepts by reading children's story-books, then doing math-related activities.

The basic idea behind LRM is to remove the fear of math from children at an ear-

ly age so that kids realize that math is a part of everyday life and is something that is easy to understand and accomplish, not something to be dreaded.

The LRM program devised by Dr. Passantino is implemented with the assistance of the Makefield Area branch AAUW members.

It is a project of AAUW to help foster math education and become involved in the

community.

Membership in the AAUW is open to holders of an Associate or higher degree from an accredited college or university.

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Dr. Claire Passantino (left) receives her award from Susan K. Nenstiel

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