

**Packer Collegiate Institute
Hart Lower School Library
Gender Equity Bibliography
2006**

The following bibliography is not exhaustive, but hopefully reflects books that portray nontraditional roles. There are many more materials in the Lower School Library. Professional materials have not been included.

Nonfiction Books

811 G

Grimes, Nikki. Meet Danitra Brown.

A collection of 13 original poems that stand individually and also blend together to tell a story of feelings and friendship between two African-American girls.

920 C

Chin-Lee, Cynthia. Amelia to Zora: Twenty-Six Women Who Changed the World.

Presents brief, illustrated biographies of twenty-six women, one for each letter of the alphabet, who have made history in their various fields, including naturalist Jane Goodall, and democratic leader and political prisoner Aung San Suu Kyi.

920 C

Chin-Lee, Cynthia. Akira to Zoltán: Twenty-Six Men Who Changed the World.

Introduces students to twenty-six men who changed the world through peaceful methods.

973.3 A

Amstel, Marsha. Sybil Ludington's Midnight Ride.

The story of Sybil Ludington's ride on horseback to rouse American soldiers to fight against the British who were attacking Danbury, Connecticut during the American Revolution.

B AILEY

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. Alvin Ailey.

Describes the life, dancing, and choreography of Alvin Ailey, who created his own modern dance company to explore the black experience.

B BLY

Christensen, Bonnie. The Daring Nellie Bly: America's Star Reporter.

Introduces the life of Nellie Bly who, as a "stunt reporter" for the New York World newspaper in the late 1800s, championed women's rights and traveled around the world faster than anyone ever had.

B BRECKINRIDGE

Wells, Rosemary. Mary on Horseback: Three Mountain Stories.

Tells the stories of three families who were helped by the work of Mary Breckinridge, the first nurse to go into the Appalachian Mountains and give medical

care to the isolated inhabitants. Includes an afterword with facts about Breckinridge and the Frontier Nursing Service she founded.

B EDERLE

Adler, David A. America's Champion Swimmer: Gertrude Ederle.

Describes the life and accomplishments of Gertrude Ederle, the first woman to swim the English Channel and a figure in the early women's rights movement.

B GLOVER

Glover, Savion. Savion!: My Life in Tap.

Examines the life and career of the young tap dancer feet who choreographed the Tony Award-winning Broadway show "Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk."

B JEMISON

Raum, Elizabeth. Mae Jemison.

An introduction to Mae Jamison, the first African-American women astronaut, discussing her childhood in Chicago, her education and work as a doctor, her career at NASA, and her activities after leaving the space program.

B KNIGHT

McCully, Emily Arnold. Marvelous Mattie: How Margaret E. Knight Became an Inventor.

Describes inventor Margaret E. Knight's childhood, explaining how her interest in mechanical innovations began, and tells the story of her invention of a paper bag maker and her legal battle for the patent after someone stole her idea.

B LIMON

Reich, Susanna. José!: Born to Dance: The Story of José Limón.

An illustrated biography of Mexican-born dancer Jose Limon, who moved to the United States and later became world famous as a dancer and choreographer.

B STONE

Hubbard, Crystal. Catching the Moon: The Story of a Young Girl's Baseball Dream.

Presents a biography of African-American baseball player Marcenia Lyle, whose love of baseball as a child allowed her to break the gender barrier by becoming the first female member of the professional Negro Leagues.

Folktales

398.2 F

Ragan, Kathleen. Fearless Girls, Wise Women, and Beloved Sisters: Heroines in Folktales From Around the World.

Collects 100 tales from around the world, including Africa, Western Europe, Native American cultures, Asia, and the Middle East, that feature a heroine.

398.2 H

Hodges, Margaret. The Boy Who Drew Cats.

A young boy's obsession with drawing cats changes his life.

398.2 S

Sierra, Judy. Tasty Baby Belly Buttons.

Urikohime, a girl born from a melon, battles the monstrous onis, who steal babies to eat their tasty belly buttons.

398.2 Y

Yolen, Jane. Not one Damsel in Distress: World Folktales For Strong Girls.

A collection of thirteen traditional tales from various parts of the world, each of whose main character is a fearless, strong, heroic, and resourceful woman.

398.21 S

San Souci, Robert D. Cut From the Same Cloth: American Women of Myth, Legend, and Tall Tale

A collection of twenty stories about legendary American women, drawing from folktales, popular stories, and ballads.

398.22 K

Kellogg, Steven. Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind Crockett: A Tall Tale.

Sally Ann, wife of Davy Crockett, fears nothing--and proves it when braggart Mike Fink tries to scare her.

Picture Books

E BANG

Bang, Molly. Ten, Nine, Eight.

Numbers from ten to one are part of this lullaby which observes the room of a little girl going to bed.

E BECHTOLD

Bechtold, Lize. Buster, The Very Shy Dog.

In three stories, Buster the dog overcomes his shyness to make a friend, discovers his special talent, and helps Phoebe find the garbage bandits.

E BRADLEY

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker. Ballerino Nate.

After seeing a ballet performance, Nate decides he wants to learn ballet but he has doubts when his brother Ben tells him that only girls can be ballerinas.

E BRETT

Brett, Jan. Trouble with Trolls.

While climbing Mt. Baldy, Treva outwits some trolls who want to steal her dog.

E BRIDGES

Bridges, Shirin Yim. Ruby's Wish.

In China, at a time when few girls are taught to read or write, Ruby dreams of going to the university with her brothers and male cousins.

E CARLE

Carle, Eric. Mister Seahorse.

After Mrs. Seahorse lays her eggs on Mr. Seahorse's belly, he drifts through the water, greeting other fish fathers who are taking care of their eggs.

E COMPESTINE

Compestine, Ying Chang. The Story of Noodles.

Left alone to prepare their family's prize-winning dumplings for the annual cooking contest, the young Kang boys accidentally invent a new dish, "mian tiao," or noodles. Includes a cultural note and a recipe for long life noodles.

E COONEY

Cooney, Barbara. Hattie and the Wild Waves: A Story from Brooklyn.

A young girl from Brooklyn, New York enjoys her summer at the Beach where she can paint and listen to the wild waves.

E COREY

Corey, Shana. Players in Pigtails.

Katie Casey, a fictional character, helps start the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, which gave women the opportunity to play professional baseball while America was involved in World War II.

E CRISTALDI

Cristaldi, Kathryn. Baseball Ballerina.

A baseball-loving girl worries that the ballet class her mother forces her to take will ruin her reputation with the other members of her baseball team.

E CURTIS

Curtis, Gavin. The Bat Boy & His Violin.

Reginald is more interested in practicing his violin than in his father's job managing the worst team in the Negro Leagues, but when Papa makes him the bat boy and his music begins to lead the team to victory, Papa realizes the value of his son's passion.

E DEPAOLA

De Paola, Tomie. Oliver Button is a Sissy.

His classmates' taunts don't stop Oliver Button from doing what he likes best.

E DILLON

Dillon, Leo. Rap a Tap Tap: Here's Bojangles-- Think of That!

Rhyming text and illustrations describe the dancing of Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, one of the most famous tap dancers of all time.

E ERNST

Ernst, Lisa Campbell. Sam Johnson and the Blue Ribbon Quilt.

While mending the awning over the pig pen, Sam discovers that he enjoys sewing the various patches together but meets with scorn and ridicule when he asks his wife if he could join her quilting club.

E FIERSTEIN

Fierstein, Harvey. The Sissy Duckling.

Elmer the duck is teased because he is different, but he proves himself by not only surviving the winter, but also saving his Papa.

E FUNKE

Funke, Cornelia Caroline. The Princess Knight.

Princess Violetta, raised by her widowed father, the king, to ride and joust just like her brothers, is horrified when he announces plans to hold a tournament, the winner of which will win her hand in marriage.

E FUNKE

Funke, Cornelia Caroline. Pirate Girl.

Captain Firebeard and his ruthless band of pirates kidnap a girl named Molly; however, Molly is not afraid and turns the tables on the surprised group of thugs.

E GEESLIN

Geeslin, Campbell. Elena's Serenade.

In Mexico, a little girl goes on a journey to learn to be a Glassblower and gains confidence along the way.

E HENKES

Henkes, Kevin. Chester's Way.

Chester and Wilson share the same exact way of doing things, until Lilly moves into the neighborhood and shows them that new ways can be just as good.

E HILTON

Hilton, Nette. The Long Red Scarf.

After all his female relatives refuse to knit him a scarf, they go on about their business, driving the cows, building a crib, and doing other activities, and in the meantime, Grandfather learns to knit himself.

E HINES

Hines, Anna Grossnickle. Daddy Makes the Best Spaghetti.

Not only does Corey's father make the best spaghetti, but he also dresses up as Batman and acts like a barking dog.

E HOWE

Howe, James. Horace and Morris But Mostly Dolores.

Three mice friends learn that the best clubs include everyone.

E ISADORA

Isadora, Rachel. Max.

Max finds a new way to warm up for his Saturday baseball game—his sister's dancing class.

E KEATS

Keats, Ezra Jack. Louie.

A shy, withdrawn boy loses his heart to a puppet.

E MCCULLY

McCully, Emily Arnold. Beautiful Warrior: The Legend of the Nun's Kung Fu.

Tells the story of two unlikely kung fu masters and how their skill in martial arts saves them both.

E PINKWATER

Pinkwater, Daniel Manus. Dancing Larry.

Larry the polar bear follows in the footsteps of little Mildred Frobisher's ballet class to overcome strict Madame Swoboda's admonition that "bears have no place in ballet."

E POLACCO

Polacco, Patricia. Rotten Richie and the Ultimate Dare.

Richie and his younger sister Trisha face off in a contest to see whose hobby is more challenging.

E RYAN

Ryan, Pam Muñoz. Amelia and Eleanor Go For a Ride.

A fictionalized account of the night Amelia Earhart flew Eleanor Roosevelt over Washington, D.C. in an airplane.

E WABER

Waber, Bernard. Ira Sleeps Over.

A little boy is excited at the prospect of spending the night at his friend's house but worries how he'll get along without his teddy bear.

E WELLS

Wells, Rosemary. Shy Charles.

Being painfully timid and shy does not keep a young mouse from rescuing his babysitter in an emergency situation.

E WILLIAMS

Williams, Suzanne. Library Lil.

A formidable librarian makes readers out of the once resistant residents of her small town, and even converts the leader of a tough-talking television-watching motorcycle gang.

E YOLEN

Yolen, Jane. Owl Moon.

On a winter's night under a full moon, a father and daughter trek into the woods to see the Great Horned Owl.

E ZOLOTOW

Zolotow, Charlotte. William's Doll.

William's father gives him a basketball and a train, but more than anything in the world he wants a doll.

Fiction Books

F ARNOLD

Arnold, Louise. Golden & Grey: (an unremarkable boy and a rather remarkable ghost).

When a downhearted ghost becomes the "invisible friend" of an eleven-year-old boy who is an outcast in his new school, the two help each other find their place in their respective worlds.

F CAMERON

Cameron, Ann. Julian's Glorious Summer.

When his best friend, Gloria, receives a new bike, seven-year-old Julian spends the summer avoiding her because of his fear of bikes.

F CREECH

Creech, Sharon. Granny Torrelli Makes Soup.

With the help of her wise old grandmother, twelve-year-old Rosie manages to work out some problems in her relationship with her best friend Bailey, the boy next door.

F CREECH

Creech, Sharon. Love That Dog.

A young student, who comes to love poetry through a personal understanding of what different famous poems mean to him, surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.

F DAHL

Dahl, Roald. Danny, the Champion of the World.

A young English boy describes his relationship with his father and the special adventure they share together.

F DICAMILLO

DiCamillo, Kate. Because of Winn-Dixie.

Ten-year-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her dog, Winn-Dixie.

F DOWELL

Dowell, Frances O'Roark. Dovey Coe.

Accused of murder in her North Carolina mountain town in 1928, Dovey Coe, a strong-willed twelve-year-old girl, comes to a new understanding of others, including her deaf brother, as she attempts to clear her name.

F HOWE

Howe, James. Pinky and Rex.

Rex and her best friend, Pinky, each the proud possessor of twenty-seven stuffed animals or dinosaurs, find their visit to the museum and its gift shop complicated by Pinky's little sister.

F IBBOTSON

Ibbotson, Eva. Journey to the River Sea.

Sent with her governess to live with the dreadful Carter family in exotic Brazil in 1910, Maia endures many hardships before fulfilling her dream of exploring the Amazon River.

F MCKAY

McKay, Hilary. Dog Friday.

Ten-year-old Robin Brogan is determined to keep the dog he finds abandoned on the beach from being impounded by the police.

F MCKAY

McKay, Hilary. Indigo's Star.

Spurred on by his youngest sister, Rose, twelve-year-old Indigo sticks up for himself and a boy who has replaced him as the primary target of the school bullies.

F MATHIS

Mathis, Sharon Bell. The Hundred Penny Box.

Michael's love for his great-great-aunt, who lives with them, leads him to intercede when his mother wants to toss out all of his aunt's old things.

F MORPUGO

Morpurgo, Michael. The Butterfly Lion.

Trying to run away from boarding school in England, a boy encounters an old woman who tells him the story of Bertie and his beautiful white lion.

F ORR

Orr, Wendy. Nim's Island.

Nim loves her island home and the animals she shares it with. But when her scientist father goes away on a research trip, trouble begins, and a new E-mail friend could be the only one who can help.

F RODDA

Rodda, Emily. Rowan of Rin.

Because only he can read the magical map, young, weak and timid Rowan joins six other villagers to climb a mountain and try to restore their water supply, as fears of a dragon and other horrors threaten to drive them back.

F SPINELLI

Spinelli, Jerry. Crash.

Seventh-grader John "Crash" Coogan has always been comfortable with his tough, aggressive behavior, until his relationship with a Quaker boy and his grandfather's stroke make him consider the meaning of friendship and the importance of family.

F THIELE

Thiele, Colin. Storm Boy.

A boy living on a desolate beach in Australia rescues a baby pelican that becomes his constant companion.

F WALTER

Walter, Mildred Pitts. Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World.

Raised in a home full of females, ten-year-old Justin feels that cleaning and keeping house are women's work until he spends time on his beloved grandfather's ranch.