

## Paperback II Study Group Attended Author Event

Ten members of AAUW Bethlehem Paperback II study group attended an author event at Palmer Library on Oct. 16, 2018. We met Maryann McFadden(second from right in dark jacket),



author of THE CEMETERY KEEPER'S WIFE, a novel of historical fiction about the real Tillie Smith, servant girl at Centenary Seminary/College in 1886. A large statue of Tillie in Union Cemetery in Hackettstown, NJ, piqued Maryann's interest as a young child and eventually led Maryann to research Tillie's past and circumstances of her horrible death at age 19. Fantastic, gripping novel and surprisingly, new factual evidence about Tillie's story keeps occurring to author Maryann since the novel came out in April 2018!