



# AAUW PALM BEACH COUNTY

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January 31, 2015

AAUW Palm Beach Branch's Fundraiser

Fun in the Florida Sun!!

Location: Chesterfield Hotel's Leopard Lounge

363 Cocoanut Row, Palm Beach

Time: Doors open at 10:30a.m. program starts at 11:00a.m.

You have three tickets – be sure to return your unsold tickets to Virginia Farace

We need items for the auction, so be sure to ask restaurants, stores, liquor stores, etc. for gift cards. Gift cards are popular auction items. Actual "things" are more popular auction items than service items are. Auction items can be left at Susan Berlin's office-address at top of newsletter.

We are going to have lots of fun at this fundraiser:

A Sommelier will teach us about wine and lead us in a tasting

Giorgio Armani makeovers from Saks 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Interesting and valuable items will be auctioned



*See you at the Chesterfield!!!*

## Notes

### **HAPPY HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!!**

Lorraine Newby  
Francesca Huneus  
Martha MCMullen

### **General Meetings**

2015  
January 31  
Leopard Lounge-Chesterfield  
Hotel-Fundraiser

February 21  
E R Bradley's Beach Club

March 21  
Prime Catch – Boynton  
Beach

April  
Callaro's

### **New Members!!**

Malini Shivcharran  
Amy Schwed

Educational and Legal News from AAUW National

Focus of AAUW National Convention to help members gain inspiration and practical tools to bring back to local branches

More workshops, events and opportunities for personal and professional development

Kim Boggs received inspiration for Space Trek at 2011 convention (see below for further information)

Space Trek Camp at Morehead State University initiated by Kentucky AAUW under Kim Boggs

Started in 2012 with 12 high school girls

Activities included building a small satellite, tracking it, interpreting data and drawing Conclusions

AAUW Community Action Grant helped to launch camp

Tech Trek to serve 1600 middle school girls across US in 21 locations in 2015

Empower girls to succeed in STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics)

Program launched in 1998 by AAUW in California

2012 AAUW National established Tech Trek Pilot Program

Lockheed Martin has awarded \$90,400 for 2015

Also Lockheed Martin employees to mentor participants at camps held at University of

Alabama, Huntsville; Stanford University and Richard Stockton College

90% of past participants noted confidence had been boosted to succeed in science courses and 78% said the same for mathematics

Annual Art Contest

To advance and recognize women artists

Currently only 5% of art displayed in US museums done by women, only one major

museum dedicated to women artists

Six winning entries to be featured on note cards mailed to AAUW members in the spring

Jan. 7-28- Submission period, may submit 2 pieces

Jan. 29- Feb.4- 50 pieces to be selected by nomination committee

**Be Sure to Bring Your Business Cards, Brochures, Etc. to Be Displayed on **The Networking Table****

Our Branch needs some volunteers in order to better serve you.

Contact Susan Berlin to see where your talents can help us all!

Feb. 5-25- members vote on nominations

Contest rules: [www.aauw.org/resource/art-contest-rules/](http://www.aauw.org/resource/art-contest-rules/)

\$mart \$tart will be expanded to teach professional women to negotiate better salaries and Benefits

In past \$mart \$tart has trained thousands of college women to negotiate better deals

Supreme Court Hears Pregnancy Discrimination Case

Oral argument heard Dec. 3 in Young v. UPS

Peggy Young, a UPS worker, requested temporary light-duty due to complications of pregnancy...UPS denied request

Court will decide if 1978 Pregnancy Discrimination Act means what it states-

Accommodations are required for workers who need them due to pregnancy

AAUW led rally outside US Supreme Court and on social media at #StandWithPeggy Fight Gender discrimination on campus

Campus Outreach Grants of up to \$750 available to support programs to teach college students about gender discrimination

AAUW's Lisa Maltz stood with Lilly Ledbetter and President Obama as he signed 2 Executive Orders that banned federal contractors from retaliating against workers who discuss their salaries

Be Sure to Invite Your Friends, Family, Co-workers, Whomever, to Our Fundraiser January 31, 2015. Come have fun in the sun with AAUW and tame a panther.

### **To Protect Our Children**

If you suspect someone is being trafficked, or you want information:

Call:

1-888-373-7888 or

Text:

INFO or HELP to

233733 (BeFree)

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center toll free hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Calls are anonymous and confidential.

POAST – Partner Organizations Against Sex Trafficking – held a meeting last month. This group of organizations is raising awareness of the problem of trafficking in our area with special emphasis on minors who are trafficked. The groups have a speakers list with trained speakers. They are also approaching schools to try to teach the signs of trouble for teachers to notice. On Jan. 11, AAUW is participating in a "Tweet Storm" to our government representatives in support of Human Trafficking Awareness. April has been designated "Human Trafficking Month". More information will be forthcoming.