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 AAUW PALM BEACH COUNTY BRANCH



# Notes

**Happy Happy September**

**Birthdays!**

**Donna Artes**

**Joyce Waters**

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**Join Us for Our Monthly Meeting Saturday, September 23, 2017**

 **Where: The Beach Club**

 **One 7th Ave N, Lake**

 **Worth, FL**

**When: 2:00 p.m.**

 **Directions: Federal Highway East (toward the water) onto 7th Ave N. The Club is at the end of 7th Ave on the water. The Restaurant entry is in the center of the building.**

**Please RSVP to:**

Virginia vmackk69@gmail.com or

561-271-5277- as always we need your RSVP

 **Note the time – 2:00 p.m.**

**Save the Dates!!**

September 19

October 17

November 21

Information will be coming as to why …………..

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Notes and Whatnots

Welcome back – a rather explosive welcome back with the hurricane and its attendant damage but at least it is not 52 inches of snow.

Our first meeting is going to be Saturday, **2:00p.m.** **Septmember 23** at the Beach Club, a restaurant located amid the Lake Worth Golf Course with its scenic water view. This will be a meet and greet so be sure to locate members and visitors you have not met before and introduce yourselves. The topic to be considered is “Stereotypes”, something we have all encountered. You are in the company of accomplished, phenomenal, women who will be interesting and fun.

**Did you know…..**

**AAUW** was started with only 17 women….

AAUW has Fellowships for women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks.

It is amazing what 17 women can accomplish.

Your Branch Needs Your Help!!

Facebook and Web Site – Susan B has been maintaining these sites, but she no longer has the time to devote to updating these sites. So, if you have any experience maintaining a Facebook page and/or updating an existing web site, please contact Susan Berlin at 561-642-4720 or svberlin@bellsouth.net. Susan will be more than happy to show you how to manage the sites. You need not be responsible for both sites – if you can take the responsibility for one site, this would be a tremendous help!

Melissa Sackl needs some leads for speakers especially for October!! Please contact her – 561-578-1725, sacklmd@gmail.com.

Sept. 15th – Cocktails 4:40-6:00p.m. at Grato – see “Save the Date” 1901 S. Dixie Hwy, WPB. Come Schmooze and laugh!

**Your Branch Needs**

**People who have experience writing grants. We are applying for some grants for Tech Trek Camp and need help with the buzz words used in grant writing. Contact Susan Berlin if you know someone-**

**561-642-4720**

**AAUWFLberlin@gmail.com**

Prez Mess September 2017

Dear Members,

“It took me quite a long time to develop a voice, and now that I have it, I am not going to be silent.” Madeleine Albright

Welcome to another exciting season of AAUW events! Our membership is growing, and I am looking forward to meeting our newer members. This year, our programming and events will be explore AAUW’s core values and reflect our mission statement. If you have a topic or program that links AAUW’s message to our community, please contact Melissa Sackl, Director for Program.

 AAUW supports equal opportunity for all women and girls by providing opportunities for growth and learning. Once again, our branch will be involved with the StartSmart program, a campus-based program that educates students about the gender pay gap and how to negotiate salary and benefits. Betty Rigdon present Start Smart at FAU in November. Palm Beach County sponsored and presented a StartSmart event at Lynn University in April to commemorate Equal Pay Day 2017.

At our May meeting, we had a discussion about what type of programs and events members would like to see this season. As a result, we have scheduled a variety of luncheons, events, dining opportunities and “Cocktails and Convos” (Happy Hours!) at different times and dates. We are looking for volunteers to help with the different events. If you love theater and would like to arrange for a group to attend a performance, if you enjoy trying different restaurant venues, or if you like relaxing in the evening with a glass of wine with friends, the board could use your help in planning these programs.

Join us, and bring a friend or two!

Susan

“I’d rather regret the things I’ve done than regret the things I haven’t done.” - Lucille Ball

Legal News from AAUW National

Compiled by Betty Rigdon

Title IX celebrates 45 years

 Guarantees equal access to federally funded higher educational programs and a safe environment free of gender discrimination

 Now women outnumber men at most institutions and receive the majority of all degrees at all levels – associate degrees since 1978, bachelor degrees since 1982, master’s degrees since 1987and doctoral degrees since 2006

**Current**  **challenges** - sexual harassment, large gender gap in engineering and computing fields,disproportionate student loan debt, over-representation of women in lower paying jobs, under-representation of women in tech and academia, women’s athletic teams still receive smaller percentage of operating and recruiting dollars, and pregnant and parenting students are steered toward less rigorous schools

Due to gender pay gap it takes women 2 years longer to repay student loans

AAUW’s latest research report is “Deeper in Debt: Women and Student Loans”

AAUW advocates for ways to avoid debt such as affordable higher education, improved support for low-income students and resources to help students at risk for dropping out

2017 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Awardee is ServJustice, Inc. founded by Laura L. Dern

 ServJustice enforces victim rights and holds perpetrators and enablers of sexual violence accountable in campus, criminal and civil systems, provides legal assistance in campus hearings to victims, and provides policy advocacy and institutional training to communities.Reporting of Sexual Crimes on College and University Campuses needs improvement

 Clery Act passed in 1990 requires colleges and universities that receive federal funds to disclose campus crime statistics. In 2013 the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) was amended to include that the Clery Act must also report on domestic violence, dating violence and stalking

 Statistics from 2015 showed that 89% of campuses reported zero incidents of rape, 9%

 reported incidents of domestic violence, 10% reported dating violence and 13 %

 reported stalking incidents. More work needs to be done to achieve accurate statistics

 Institutions must develop proper handling procedures for reports of sexual violence and should consider conducting climate and victimization surveys as well as develop prevention programs

Update on LAF defendant Aileen Rizo

 U. S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit ruled against Rizo in Rizo v. Fresno County Office of Education

 Court ruled that using prior salary alone to calculate current wages can be permissible

 Rizo argued that this practice perpetuates existing pay disparities and undermines intent of Equal Pay Act

 AAUW continues to support Rizo and has signed an amicus brief in support for her petition for a rehearing en banc- that is in front of all the judges of the court rather than a selected panel- and urges Ninth Court to reconsider

Two-Minute Activist messages now available via text messages

 Sends targeted communications to your phone about advocacy issues

 Features include how to phone your legislators

 Text “AAUW” to phone number 21333 to sign up

 Message and data rates may apply, read AAUW’s privacy policy for more information

 Text “STOP” to 21333 to quit receiving messages

http://

Our Own Women’s March in Delray Beach After Luncheon

Educational News from AAUW National

Compiled by Betty Rigdon

Women’s Equality Day August 26, We have come a long way

 Commemorates the passage of the 19th Amendment, granting women the right to vote

 AAUW still working on women’s equality in education

 AAUW founded in 1881 when popular belief held that higher education for women would harm their health and would cause infertility. In response, AAUW published its first research report in 1885, “Health Statistics of Women College Graduates” that refuted these claims

Nominate a student for 2017-18 AAUW National Student Advisory Council (SAC)

 SAC advises AAUW about gender equity and leads campus activism

 Members serve as peer leaders at NCCWSL

 Application deadline is Sept. 25 at 11:59 pm PT

 Application form online at: aauw.org/resource/nominate-a-student-to-apply-sac

AAUW’s 2017-18 Fellowships and Grant Awardees announced

 250 women and community projects will receive $3.7 million from AAUW

Applications now open for Educational Funding and Awards

 More information at: aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards

 *Six categories*:

*\* American Fellowships* – deadline Nov. 15

 For women pursuing full-time studies to finish dissertations, conduct post-doctoral research or to prepare search for publication

 Funding - $6,000- $30,000

*\* Career Development Grants*- deadline Dec. 15

For women pursuing certificate or degree to advance career, change career or re-enter workforce

Funding- $2,000-$12,000

*\* Community Action Grants* – deadline Jan. 15

 Funding for programs or non-degree research to promote education and equity for women

 Available to individuals, non-profit organizations or AAUW branches and states

 1 year grant- $2,000-$7,000

 2 year grant - $5,000-$10,000

*\* International Fellowships*- deadline Dec. 1

 For non U.S. citizens or permanent residents pursuing graduate or post-doctorate education in U.S.

 Funding - $18,000-$30,000

*\* International Project Grants* – deadline Jan. 15

For alumnae of AAUW’s International Fellowships now in their home country and pursuing community-based projects to improve social advancement and economic empowerment of women

Funding- $5,000- $7,000

*\* Selected Professions Fellowships*-deadline Jan. 10

 For women pursuing full-time study in master’s degree or professional degree program in areas like STEM, law, business or medicine

 Funding- $5,000-$18,000

Save the Dates!

September 15 – Friday Cocktail and Conversations 4:30-6:00 p.m. at Grato, 1901S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach. Drop in and sit for a spell – Discussion of School Vouchers

September 23 – Meet and Greet at the Beach Club

October 28 – Luncheon Meeting Hacienda Restaurant – We need a speaker

BRING A FRIEND TO THE FIRST MEETING IN THE FALL-

December – Holiday Extravaganza at National Croquet Club - Noon

Janurary 20 – Luncheon Meeting – Embracing Other Cultures

February 17 – Fundraiser Tea Is For Tech Trek

March 17 – Annual Meeting

April 21 – Norton plus lunch

May 19 – Installation of New Officers – Lunch and Program



2017-2018 Officers

President: Susan Berlin

Secretary: Virginia Farace

Program: Melissa Sackl

Membership: Barbara Wagner

Finance: Linda Newton

Communications: Virginia Brooks and Sharon Trost

Development: Betty Rigdon

Public Policy: Maurcy Selko

We Need Your Help –

The Board has been brainstorming some activities that are just plain, old fashioned FUN, but we need your input regarding the activities you would like to do, as well as volunteers to take some leadership planning and executing the plans. Let us know what interests you and how you will help organize the activity!!

FUN!!

* Theater: Duncan or Eissey Theater, Maltz Theater (Jupiter), Crest (National Geographic Speakers)
* Norton Museum
* Society Four Arts
* Gift baskets at Holiday party – use has presents
* Tea: Serenity, Flagler, Chesterfield, Breakers (harpist) – invite Northern Palm Beaches
* Day trips: Mounts (Box Lunch), Morikami, Zoo, Science Museum, Vizcaya (bus?)
* Salt Station
* Cocktails and Convos – Jardin, Blind Monk, Brio, Rendezvous
* Fundraisers:
	+ Artisans on the Avenue (Betty Wilson) Wine and Cheese
	+ Zoo – has restaurant
	+ Tea
	+ Luncheon
	+ No event – just pay money
	+ Pay $5.00 extra per event towards fundraiser
	+ Scavenger Hunt
* Speaker: Lori Berman, Lois Frankel(561-998-9045 – Felicia Goldstein), Linda Geller Schwartz

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