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AAUW PALM BEACH COUNTY BRANCH



# Notes

**Happy Happy January**

**Birthdays!**

**Marlene Block**

**Francesca Huneeus**

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**Join Us for Our**

**January Luncheon Meeting Saturday, January 20, 2017**

 **Where: Callaro’s Steak House, 717 Lake Ave., Lake Worth, FL 33460**

**When: Noon**

 **Directions: Route 1 to left (toward the ocean) onto Lake Worth Ave. Corner S J Street and Lake. Park on the street in front or on a side street. Remember the streets are one way.**

**Please RSVP to:**

Virginia vmackk69@gmail.com or

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

**Save the Dates!!**

September 19

October 17

November 21

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

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Notes and Whatnot

RSVP to vmackk69@gmail.com – thank you for RSVPing

**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.

Virginia Farace, Mary Swieskowski, Barbara Bailey, Donna Artes, Susan Berlin, Bev Agee, Sharon Trost, Susan King, Gay Konnagen, Barbara Wagner, Betty Rigdon, Maria Ascencio, Helen Gilmore, Deborah Nesbit, Maurcy Selko, Virginia Brooks, Joyce Waters, Melissa Sackl, Linda Casale,

May Goodstein, Lisa Peterfreund

We had a great time December 9 at the National Croquet Club. Good food served buffet style, beautiful building, and lovely grounds with die-hard croquet players playing in the rain. We exchanged gifts, mingled, and felt we had gotten our holiday time off to a good start!

**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**

Look for the hidden word in this issue. When you locate the hidden word, contact me at vmackk69@gmail.com and the first responder will win an exciting prize at the Holiday Extravaganza! Remember the hidden word/phrase is a word/phrase than makes no sense in the context used.

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**BOOK CLUB NEWS**

**By Virginia Farace**

Our branch book club enjoyed a holiday luncheon on Friday, December 1, at Atlantis Grill. Members brought a new wrapped book to exchange and discovered more good books to read!

The January 19 book to be discussed is *The School of Essential Ingredients* moderated by Amy Schwed and Donna DeSesa will present three titles for selection of the February book. The March book will be *A Gentleman in Moscow* moderated by Virginia Farace.

Front row left to right: Beverly Agee, Maurcy Selko, Susan Berlin, Susan King, Virginia Farace

Back row left to right: Donna DeSesa, Amy Schwed, Donna Artes, Jackie Winchester

Absent: Mary Swieskowski

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Educational and Legal News from AAUW National

Compiled by Betty Rigdon

Time to nominate women for NCCWSL- National Conference for College Women Student Leaders

 Conference to be held May 30 – June 3, 2018 at University MD, College Park

 Nomination forms at:

 www.nccwsl.org/2017/05/29/nominate-a-student-2018/

Student Advisory Council (SAC)

 Comprised of 10 students who advise AAUW on needs of college students

 They also spearhead campus activism projects and community outreach to AAUW

 student organizations as well as act as mentors at NCCWSL

 Member profiles available at : [www.aauw.org/2017/11/02/fearless-campus-leaders/](http://www.aauw.org/2017/11/02/fearless-campus-leaders/)

Secondary schools’ reporting of sexual harassment and bullying called into question

 79% of all public schools reported zero incidents

 AAUW’s 2011 research report, “Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment at School,”

 analyzed data from student surveys in which 48% of students reported sexual harassment

 of some sort

 Florida schools reports that 98% of schools had zero incidents

 AAUW continues to push for enforcement of Title IX that mandates that schools have

 harassment and bullying policies as well as Title IX coordinators in place

Know your Rights: Workplace Sexual Harassment

 Sexual harassment is form of sex discrimination and as such violates Title VII of the Civil

 Rights Act of 1964

 More information available at :

 [www.aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/know-your-rights-at-work/workplace-sexual-harassment/](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/know-your-rights-at-work/workplace-sexual-harassment/)

STEMpack: CyberSecurity- curriculum to introduce girls to cyber security and computer science

 Developed with AAUW partner Symantec

 Covers origins of internet, binary code, introduction to programming languages and

 coding, deconstructing a computer and more

 Program Intended for classroom use

AAUW’s “Playbook on Best Practices: Gender Equity in Tech” developed in conjunction with Dell

 Offers proven strategies and actions to increase representation of women in engineering

 and computing fields

AAUW’s LAF signs onto 3 Amicus Briefs

 Amicus Brief (friend of the court)- a person or group not involved in case but has a strong

 interest in the matter may petition court for permission to submit a brief that may influence

 the court’s decision

 Lazar v Kroncke- Lazar claims Arizona’s revocation-on-divorce statute to nullify beneficiary

 designation in an IRA account violates contracts clause of US Constitution

 Lazar lost her beneficiary status on ex-husband’s IRA upon their divorce

 AAUW involved due to its focus on women’s economic security issues

 The Commonwealth of PA v Donald J. Trump et al. and the State of CA, the State of Delaware,

 The State of MD, the State of NY, and the Commonwealth of VA v Eric D. Hargan in his official

 capacity as acting secretary of the US Dept. of Health and Human Services et al. - in Oct. the

 Trump Administration issued both the religious rule and the moral exemption rule to the

 Affordable Care Act- it allows employers to refuse to provide contraceptive coverage to its

 employees

 Plaintiffs allege that such actions expands the health care law’s original religious exemption for certain employers and the moral exemption is an illegal attempt to deny women access to necessary preventive health care

 AAUW supports reproductive choice and increased access to health care and family planning services

Tea for Tech Trek

Tech Trek

Remember February 17 is our fundraiser Tea for Tech Trek. We will be making baskets to auction. Additionally, we will be auctioning off items donated by local businesses. To help you solicit donations, a Merchant Solicitation Letter is included with this Poste Haste. Print it to take with you when you visit various businesses. Tech Trek is such a valuable experience for the girls who attend, so let’s make it possible for many girls to go!

Note for Future

There are several Happy Hours coming in the future – no RSVP is needed, just bring your happy self and show up! Get to know your fellow Branchers in a casual setting and have lots of fun.

January 19, 2018 is our next Happy Hour is at the Atlantis Grill starting at 4:30 p.m.

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Our Own Women’s March in Delray Beach After Luncheon

Save the Dates!

BRING A FRIEND TO THE MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

January 19 – Happy Hour at the Tea for Tech Trek Atlantis Grill 4:30 p.m.

January 20 – Luncheon Meeting – Callaro’s Steak House – Women Empowering Women

February 9 – Happy Hour at Rosalita – 4:30 p.m.

February 17 – Fundraiser T(ea) Is For Tech Trek – Chesterfield – 2 p.m.

March 9 – Happy Hour – Lake Worth Country Club – 4:30

March 17 – Annual Meeting – Violence Against Women -Callaro’s Steak House

April 21 – Activity at the Norton 2 p.m. –

 Lunch at Grato 11:30

 Meet at Norton 1:30 p.m.

May 19 – Installation of New Officers – Lunch at Atlantis Grill

Did you see the secret word/phrase???



**Did You Know?**

AAUW has been empowering women since 1887?

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



**AAUW Palm Beach County**

**Empowering women and girls since 1936**

Dear Merchant,

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a powerful community that empowers women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

AAUW Palm Beach County’s annual fundraiser will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at the Chesterfield Hotel in Palm Beach. Proceeds benefit the AAUW Fund, a 501(c)(3) entity. The AAUW Fund empowers women and girls through a variety of programs which include

* Tech Trek Florida, a week-long STEM camp for eighth grade girls. This interactive program allows participants to explore the wonders of science, technology, engineering and math and encourages girls to pursue a career in STEM.
* Salary negotiation workshops
* Scholarships to attend the National College Conference for Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) in Washington, D.C.
* Research on issues related to gender equity in education and the workplace.
* The Legal Advocacy Fund

Your support would be greatly appreciated. Please consider donating a gift certificate or item for our auction. The success of our fundraiser depends upon the generosity of our community and people like you.

Thank you for your consideration

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