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AAUW DAYTONA BEACH

PRESENTS

UNEQUAL EXPENSES AND LIFESTYLES: THE FIGHT FOR EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN

M.C. SANTANA, DIRECTOR, WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2016

11:30 a.m.

Malibu Beach Grille

5543 S. Williamson Blvd. Port Orange Florida 32128 (In the Pavilion)

RSVP June Rhodes <u>386-673-5758</u> or

june@rhodestravel.us.com

Check for \$15 must be received by April 5.

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June Rhodes

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Daytona Beach FL 32174

Lunch includes salad, entrée, and choice of coffee tea or soda.



Board of Directors 2015-16

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President's Musings

Congratulations and Thank you!

At the March meeting we elected new board members:

VP Program: Carol Buckels and Synthia Fletcher

Treasurer: Patricia Ross Secretary: Patricia Rae

Thank you for your willingness to serve. The new board members will be installed at the May meeting. Their terms begin on July 1.

Thank you also to Betty Stern who has agreed to serve as parliamentarian, Dee Lorenzini who will be helping with hospitality and Betty Hendricks who will be making reservation calls. What can YOU do to help? There are lots of jobs both large and small with which we need help. When many members share the work we become a stronger and more vibrant branch. Please get involved!

Patricia Ross

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AAUW Daytona

I am excited to report the following four students have been selected to participate in Tech Trek 2016: Rania Chehaitli, Cloe Phillips, Angelina Huckins, and Mina Simone Avery.

There were 180 nominations from middle school teachers throughout Florida, of those 124 submitted applications and were interviewed. Finally, 60 girls were chosen who matched the qualifications established by AAUW national.

We continue to work to raise the \$60,000 needed to fund the camp this year. We will have the opportunity to donate at our convention in Palm Garden April 15 through 17.

Mary Ann Sines VP Programs

AAUW Annual Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2016

The Annual Meeting was opened at 12:40 p.m. by President Pat Ross.

The Annual Meeting Minutes of 2015 are incorporate herein and made a part hereof by reference.

LaBarre reviewed the proposed changes to the By-laws which had been presented in the last newsletter and made a motion to approve the changes, Christine Brewer seconded the motion which was approved unanimously with no further discussion.

Sines, Chair of the nominating committee announced a proposed slate of officers for vacancies for 2016-2017 as follows:

VP Programs: Carol Buckles and Synthia Fletcher

Treasurer: Pat Race Secretary: Pat Rae

There was no nomination for VP of Membership.

There were no additional nominations for the floor. The slate was approved unanimously. Ross reviewed the Budget for 2016-2017 which had been previously approved by the Board. With no further business to come before it, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Elviria LaBarre Secretary

AAUW Executive Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors- Feb. 25, 2016

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by President Pat Ross. Present were the following Board Members: LaBarre, O'Schaughnessy, Rhodes and Sines.

The Board meeting minutes of January 21, 2016 were approved as read.

The General Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2016 were approved with the following changes: The Bethune Cookman museum grant was for \$4,750 and not the \$5,000 announced at the meeting. An addition to the minutes was that the 50-50 drawing was to benefit Tech Trek. The Finance Officer's proposed budget for 2016-2107 was approved as presented. The National Fund includes monies for Tech trek and NCCWSL.

Sines reported that it costs \$1,000.00 for one child to attend Tech Trek. Of which, \$50.00 is paid by the family. The state sent an e-mail requesting that the branch cover the cost of \$1,000.00. O'Shaughnessy stated that as long as there were funds for NCCWSL and the STEM

and Non-traditional student college scholarships and the funds were available she had no objections to funding Tech Trek and that there were specific funds designated for Tech Trek. Sines made a motion for a minimum of \$750.00 be allocated to Tech Trek to cover the cost for a local student to attend. Rhodes seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Rhodes stated that the budget for next year will be balanced. There will be a "Game Day" and Authors luncheon.

Sines advised that the March meeting will be at Embry Riddle and the speaker will be Colonel Ramos on Women in the military. Cost for the luncheon is \$20.00 due by March 11, 2016.

Sines reported that a total of 7 students out of 8 who applied for Tech Trek were interviewed. She is hoping to reach the 8th student.

Ross reported that she sent two letters to two college partners and two students have applied for NCCWSL, one from Stetson and one from Embry Riddle.

O'Shaughnessy provided a written report on the DSC STEM expo at the News Journal Center, a copy of which will be incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Ross advised that there will be a streaming program on "Barriers and Bias" on March 31, 2016 in the Island Crowne room at 1900 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach.

The Florida Convention will be April 15-17. Lilly Ledbetter will be the key note speaker.

LaBarre made a motion, seconded by O'Shaughnessy to publish the proposed by laws changes in the next newsletter. Motion passed

O'Shaughnessy announced that the annual Women's History Month luncheon will be on March 29, 2016 at noon at DSC.

The Library Author's luncheon will be Friday, April 8, 2016 at 11:30, Craig Pittman, author of "The Scent of Scandal, Greed, Betrayal and the World's Most Beautiful Orchid" will be the speaker.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15.

Respectfully submitted.

Elviria LaBarre

Secretary

AAUW General Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2016

The meeting was opened at 12:56 p.m. by President Pat Ross.

Embry Riddle students are student members of AAUW National and should register on line. Sines noted that the April meeting will be on April 9, 2016 at Malibu Beach Grill at 11:30 a.m. the speaker will be Dr. Maria Santana who will speak on equal pay for women. She reported that Tech Trek is a camp for girls entering the 8th grade, 5 students can be nominated per school. 13 students were eligible for interviews. The students completed an application and essay. All of the students were outstanding.

The May meeting will be a celebration of the branch's 70th anniversary and will be held at the Haliafax Historical Museum on Beach Street.

O'Shaughnessy advised that there was a STEM scholarship meeting at DSC at which time New Smyrna, Flagler and Daytona Beach branch representatives committed to continuing to fund STEM scholarships for DSC.

Ross announced that a student from Embry Riddle and Stetson will attend NCCWSL. She also reminded everyone of the Bias and Barriers streaming program to be held on March 31 at 3:30 p.m. at the Island Crowne room at 1900 N. Atlantic Ave. Daytona Beach. The Florida Convention will be held from April 15-17 in Palm Beach Gardens. The 50-50 drawing benefitted NCCWSL.

With no further business before it, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elviria LaBarre Secretary

Book Club

Meets Second Monday of the Month at 10:30 AM
City Island Library, Daytona Beach
For more info call Susan Jano: 386-671-2593 or email sszjano@msn.com

April 11 -- "Cuban Revelations: Behind the Scenes in Havana (Contemporary Cuba)" by Marc Frank.

Frank, a US born journalist, living in Cuba for 25 years, offers an account of daily life in Cuba at the turn of the 21st century and just before the US Embassy opening. Susan Jano will review.

May 9 -- "Soldier Girls" by Helen Thorpe. A sizeable percentage of American soldiers sent overseas since 2001 have been women. Surrounded and far outnumbered by men, women solders have a decidedly different experience. Thorpe follows the lives of three women over 12 years on their paths in the military, overseas in combat and back home. MaryAnn Sines will review.

Don't forget last month's author, Mr. Pittman, will be the featured author at the Library Author Luncheon, being held on Friday April 8, 2016.

State Convention

The 2016 **AAUW** Florida Convention and Annual Meeting will be held at the Palm Beach Gardens Marriott Hotel, 4000 RCA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens beginning **Friday, April 15th** and closing on **Sunday, April 17th**. The program will include interesting speakers and workshops and an opportunity to find out more about what other branches do. If you are interested in carpooling and/or sharing a room, please contact Pat Ross

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AAUW's Newest Member Benefit

Office Depot and Office Max

Every branch needs office supplies! AAUW has collaborated with Office Depot and Office Max to give members a discount savings of up to 80% online and in stores. This includes print orders as well! Shop or print your in-store savings card now.

AAUW National News

Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership

AAUW's latest research report was released on March 30. If you missed the release, please watch the <u>leadership report launch panel discussion online</u>. You can use the <u>Barriers and Bias PowerPoint presentation</u> to keep the conversation going in your community or on a local campus. You can also participate in AAUW's original research by taking our <u>Implicit Association Test</u> on gender and leadership and passing it on to your colleagues, friends, and family. It takes just 10 minutes, and the results will inform AAUW's research on <u>women in leadership</u>.

Dear AAUW members,

Do you want to take an active part in AAUW? Do you have experience and expertise in the work of an AAUW committee or task force?

- · AAUW is looking for enthusiastic and responsible leaders.
- The work carried out by <u>committees and task forces</u> is the cornerstone of AAUW accomplishments.
- Active participation in <u>AAUW committees and task forces</u> enables participants to grow as leaders as AAUW advances its mission.

<u>Committee or task force</u> appointment by the national board is for a two-year term beginning July 1, 2016. Members may be re-appointed for another two-year term. Applicants may apply for no more than two committees/task forces.

Please view the *link* below to read about the opportunities available and apply. Applications will be accepted through Monday, April 25, 2016.

Feel free to forward the information to your AAUW networks.

http://www.aauw.org/resource/committee-task-force-volunteer-application/

AAUW Committee Appointments Task Force	

AAUW and the League of Women Voters often work together to educate voters. After recent a meeting to discuss how we could work together to Get Out the Vote, Carla Christianson offered this information on local sources of information.

"Where can we go for information we can trust about a candidate?"

It is a difficult challenge to answer that question. It would appear that we all have our own criteria of what we trust based on who is funding the site and what kind of information it supplies. Speaking as an individual, I suggest is that you begin with the website for a party's own platform. The latest platform is 2012 because the 2016 platforms will be decided this year at the conventions. Then check the candidate's websites and read what they say they stand for and how they will govern and implement their ideas.

The site: http://www.vote411.org/ is supported by the League and has registration and voting information for every state as well as a voter guide. There is more information about the presidential candidates including candidate websites and their answers to various questions the League asked. The League of Women Voters website: http://www.lwvvc.org/ will have information from local candidates who choose to answer the questions we send them closer to the election. Also in the fall there will be a voter guide put out by the State League providing more information on presidential and state candidates as well as the Florida ballot initiatives.

The AAUW website <u>www.aauw.org</u> has information on voting records for the Congress, as well as position papers on a number of women's and education issues.

A new resource comes from Daytona State: http://researchguides.daytonastate.edu/elections. The site offers a wide range of information including news, polls and issues as well as more links for voter research, campaign finance, and ethics.

f you want to know who has given money to the candidates: http://www.opensecrets.org/ or http://www.followthemoney.org/ lists information about donors to each candidate. There is a wealth of other information available on the sites.

To check the correctness of a candidate statement: http://www.factcheck.org/ and http://www.politifact.com/ are non-partisan reviews for accuracy of statements made by candidates. An interesting site: http://insidewith.com/ has a test to see which party you are most aligned with. It also posts the results of many interesting polls on a variety of issues.

When you go to a site for information read the tab "about us" and see who funds the site and who runs the site. If you need to find out more, Google those names. If you have determined you trust this site based on your several searches, then try the site out. If you believe a slant exists, you may want to verify on your own the validity of the information in question. Yes, sometimes it is a great deal of work to search for answers you trust.

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Connecting With our College University Partners

Campus Action Grant

AAUW Daytona and the Stetson chapters of NOW and Students Against Sexual Assault have received a Campus Action Grant from the Legal Advocacy Fund to host a week of gender

equity events in the Fall. Stay tuned for updates on this exiting new opportunity to reach out to local students on equity issues.

Membership Renewal

You can renew your membership by sending your check for \$72 to June Rhodes, 50 Coquina Point DR, Ormond Beach, FL 32174, or online at www.aauw.org (Be sure you log into the Membership Database and choose branch membership).

Those who have renewed by our 70th Anniversary Celebration in May will be entered in a drawing to receive the National portion of your membership (\$49) for free. New members who join at a branch event are eligible for reduced fees through the Shape the Future campaign. Encourage your friends to join our branch and to attend our events.

Give A Grad A Gift

Did you know you that you can share AAUW with a recent graduate for free?? AAUW members can give recent college graduates a free, one-year AAUW membership within two years of graduation, at no cost to you or them. **With a gift of AAUW membership, you will...**

- Expose the grad to the power that comes from belonging to a national women-led organization of more than 170,000 members and supporters who believe in and advance equity and education for women and girls.
- Expand their networking opportunities through career development opportunities and community action projects.
- Keep them current on the events and people that affect their life as they receive *Mission & Action, AAUW Outlook, Action Network* alerts, and more.
- Increase their buying power with access to member only discounts.

Look for the form at the Salad Lunch or sign them up online.

WANTED: A Few Good Women

A member who would be interested in working on Public Policy. This position includes educating members on AAUW public policy positions, working with our partners on public policy events and contacting (and encouraging members to contact) elected officials. AAUW is strictly no-partisan and we focus on issues.

Thank you to Dr. Madeline Santoro who has so ably served as the branch Public Policy Chair for the last several years.

The branch is in need of a member who is willing to serve as VP Membership. Please contact Mary Ann Sines, Chair of Nominating Committee if you might be willing to volunteer.

We will also need to fill a variety of appointed positions in the next year. Please consider how you could help to make the branch stronger and volunteer you talents and time.



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