



Daytona Beach (FL) Branch

TIDINGS

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Join us on February 20th for a

A guided tour of the **Mary McLeod Bethune Foundation Home.**



After the 11:00 tour, we will enjoy lunch in the University Coffee Shop.

Please choose from the following options:

Caramelized Onion Meatloaf

Chicken Marsala

Cornmeal Tilapia with Tartar Sauce & Lemons

Dessert choice:

Red Velvet Cake

Dutch Apple Pie

Send your \$15.00 check made out to AAUW Daytona Beach Branch to:

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Must be received by February 12, 2016

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President's Musings

This month our branch will visit the Bethune Home Museum. I have spent some time this year combing through our archives and I was delighted when I discovered the connection between AAUW Daytona Beach and this special museum which honors a woman who is both a local and a national hero.

In 1996, the National Agenda Special Interest Group the branch received a Community Grant from AAUW to catalogue and archive the contents of the Mary McLeod Bethune Home Museum. The goal was to establish the Mary McLeod Bethune House as a recognized National Museum and to bring to light information about this exceptional African-America woman who has contributed so much to our history. Dr Betty Seidmon and Betty Stern chaired the project. They sought advice from John Daniels, from the Pensacola Florida Historical Project, and from Wanda Bell, a museum curator and member of the branch, about the methods necessary to accomplish cataloguing the contents. Categories were assigned a number and each article in that category given its own number. The job of placing the number on each piece and recording a description, location and other information on a record sheet was enormous.

As soon as each piece was marked, branch member and photographer Pat Race took over a thousand pictures and they were placed in two volumes for the further identification of articles. Triplicate sets were made, one set to be kept in a vault for complete safekeeping, one for the college library and the third set to be kept at the Foundation Home for visitors and tours to browse.

Librarian, Harriet Nace, performed all the necessary work on the books in the home. She catalogued each book according to library standards and criteria under author, title and specific heading. There were inscriptions from many leaders and authors in the volumes.

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Fifteen members worked on this project including Susan Jano, Audrey Montgomery, Eleanor Montgomery, Jan Kingsley, Barbara Wolfe, Charlotte Rivell, Anne DuPont, Florence Richardson, Winifred Schlachter and Margaret Symonette. They had the capable assistance of BCC student, Sharon Smith.

The culmination of the project was a celebration on July 10th under a large tent placed next to the Bethune Foundation Home. It was the 122nd anniversary of Mary McLeod Bethune's birth. The community and AAUW members celebrated together drinking iced tea, eating sweets and touring the former home of a very special woman in history.

Join us on February 20 to learn more about Mary McLeod Bethune and remember the work our members have done.

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AAUW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – December 15, 2015

The meeting was opened at 6:35 p.m. by President Pat Ross. Board members in attendance were: LaBarre, O'Shaughnessy, Santoro and Sines. Rhodes attended by conference call.

Executive Committee minutes of November 19, 2015 were approved as read.

The Finance Officer's report was approved as presented.

O'Shaughnessy will send thank you notes to Hotchkiss House. Thanks to all who donated items for the raffle, made contributions and attended the tea.

Sines reported that 13 middle schools, 4 charter schools and 3 private schools will be contacted for Tech Trek.

Santoro reported that Lobby Day will be February 1st and 2nd. More information to be provided. She stated that she was disappointed with the lack of acknowledgment the branch received from the New Smyrna Beach Branch at the joint meeting.

NCCWSL registration is open and any college age woman is eligible to apply.

The General meeting will be held at Malibu Beach Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. on January 16, 2016. The next Board meeting will be on January 21, 2016 at 4 p.m. at City Center Library. Board meetings in 2016 will be the Thursday following the General Meeting.

LaBarre, Rhodes and Sines volunteered for the nominating committee. A slate of nominees must be presented at the February meeting. Openings are for Program Vice-President, Membership Vice-President, Reporting and Corresponding Secretary.

With no further business to come before it, the meeting was adjourned at 7: 30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elviria LaBarre
Reporting 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

Monday January 11th, we had a very good meeting, Deborah Shafer, Adult Services Head, Daytona Beach Regional Library, lead the discussion. It was wonderful to have someone lead us that had researched Harper Lee and both her books so thoroughly. We all had an opportunity to participate in the discussion. Deborah also told us about all the different events planned around the Big Read you can go to the library website or stop by your local library and get their newsletter to find out about all the events.

Next month February 8th we will review *Architect's Apprentice* by Elif Shafak, Susan Bayley will review. We have a treat for everyone, we will be having lunch at Bosphorus, a Turkish

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restaurant in Winter Park; we will have our discussion there. We will car pool; more information will be forthcoming.

We now have a book for March, *The Scent of Scandal: Greed, Betrayal, and the World's Most Beautiful Orchid* by Craig Pittman, he is an award winning environmental journalist for the Tampa Bay Times, his website is interesting and contains a good description of the book and also reviews. Mr. Pittman will be the featured author at the Library Author Luncheon, being held on Friday April 8, 2016.

Susan J.

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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Around Town



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Girls on the Run of Volusia County and Breast Cancer Fund

Save the Date!

Come join us for an evening at the movies while supporting Girls on the Run of Volusia County. Proceeds benefit our Scholarship Fund, which enables any girl to participate in the program regardless of her family's ability to pay

Choose your Venue and Mark your Calendar now!

Athens Theatre, DeLand, Florida

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

[CLICK HERE](#) to Purchase Tickets Now \$20 General Admission/ \$10 Students

[CLICK HERE](#) for additional information

Reception from 5:30 - 6:30 PM at the Elusive Grape

133 North Woodland Boulevard

Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar will be available

Cinematique Theater, Daytona Beach, Florida

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

[CLICK HERE](#) to Purchase Tickets Now \$20 General Admission/ \$10 Students

[CLICK HERE](#) for additional information

More information regarding receptions and ticketing is available on the above referenced sites, as well as at www.gotrvolusia.org and the Girls on the Run of Volusia County Facebook page

Films are appropriate for adults (high school age and above).

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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 Florida



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A STEM Camp Built for Girls, by Women

AAUW Florida is planning for Tech Trek 2016 during the week of June 12-18. Sixty girls entering the 8th grade in the Fall of 2016 will meet at camp to explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) with some Arts and Reading added in to make it STREAM. The Camp will be held on the Palm Beach State College Boca Raton Campus. The girls will reside in the dorms at the adjacent Florida Atlantic University's Campus.

The forty-four 8th grade girls who attended the week-long 2015 Tech Trek Florida camp in June left camp with a much greater appreciation of the wide range of interesting opportunities available in the STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) than before they arrived at camp. The camp took place on the campus of Eckerd College in St. Petersburg from June 27– July 3, 2015. These girls were selected from a pool of 250 then 7th grade girls who were nominated by their science or math teachers and then went through a selection process that included responses to questions, an essay and finally a personal interview.

The camp activities included workshops, hands on exploration, investigation, experimenting and learning about robots, aeronautics, geology, food chemistry, forensics, mathematical and engineering applications, computer simulation, and coding Apps, along with gaining insights into some of Florida's environmental problems. One evening six STEM career professional women and role models explained to the girls what their careers included, why they enjoyed the work they did, and how exciting STEM careers could be.

The camp activities gave the girls opportunities to enhance their social skills and develop more self-esteem as they worked on various projects and experiments. They met new people and made new friends who also were interested in STEM. One of girls said that “building a hot air balloon; creating something out of nothing, like tissue paper, by ourselves and making it work was a terrific accomplishment”. Other girls described their camp experiences as “awesome”, “extraordinary”, “exciting”, “incredible” and “a unique educational experience.

Last year two students from Volusia County were selected to attend Florida Tech Trek. Branch member, Synthia Fletcher, was a volunteer. Girls are nominated by their teachers and hopefully local girls will attend again this year. Thank you to Mary Ann Sines for getting the information out to the local middle schools.

At the Tech Trek camp the girls are immersed in a world that empowers and encourages them to think about themselves as future scientists, engineers, mathematicians, and computer specialists.



What is the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders?

NCCWSL is where college women make their future what they want.

As America's premier conference for college women, NCCWSL provides a transformative experience for attendees and prepares them to be the next generation of leaders. Each attendee becomes a part of the conference's 30-year legacy.

On June 2-4, 2016 nearly 1,000 college women from every state and from around the world will gather at the University of Maryland to learn collaborate and be inspired.

At this two and a half day conference, students

- Choose from more than 50 workshops that prepare them for life after college
- Meet inspiring role models including Women of Distinction awardees and speakers
- Make connections for life
- Discover their future from 100 graduate schools and employers

Gain the confidence and skills to return to their campuses and communities ready to take action

If you know a college student who may be interested, encourage them to register at www.nccwsl.org. Some scholarships are available for interested students.

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...**

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- 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.



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