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Women Painting Florida Cici and Hyatt Brown Museum of Art

Learn more about this exhibit dedicated to women who created an amazingly diverse group of wonderful images in a wide range of mature styles, all

contributing to the glorious chronicle of Florida art. (Featured painting: Edith Wyckoff Kuchler; Packing Barn, ca. 1940)

Lunch and a Guided Tour of the Exhibit Saturday, November 19 at 11 am Education Center

Group Admission \$8 (Free for MOAS members) **Boxed Lunch \$10** (see end of newsletter for choices)

RSVP Pat paross@aol.com, 386-252-1659
Send payment and lunch order form to:
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(By November 11)

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President's Musings

At this time of year when we recognize things we are thankful for, I thought that you might be interested in these items that I, and our branch, should be grateful for:

I want to thank Janet Nace for her generous gift in memory of her mother, Harriet. Harriet was a wonderful asset to our branch and our community and is much missed.

Thank you to Ann Smith and Carla Christiansen from the LWV who worked with the Daytona and New Smyrna AAUW's and Smart Growth to ensure that the candidate's forum we presented was both professional and extremely informative, professional and informative

Thank you to Tracy and Stacy and their staff at Masterpiece Jewelry for the lovely Wine and Cheese Fundraiser for our scholarship programs. They also provide the gift certificates we include with our thank you notes to speakers at no cost. It is wonderful to have a woman-owned business which is so supportive of community causes.

We miss seeing Patricia McMullen at our branch meetings, but we are very grateful for her generous donation for scholarships. Patricia is a great example of being involved even when you cannot be present.

Thank you to Susan Bayley and Susan Jano. Their work on the Author's Luncheon will enable us to make a \$400 contribution to the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund.

Thanks to the time and energy Mary Ann Sines and her committee devote for the opportunities local girls have to attend Tech Trek. For some of the girls who attend this may be a life-changing experience.

We should all appreciate the fact that we can help to provide scholarships for women who are working to try to change and improve their lives. Education is the best way to provide opportunity.

Thank you to those members who have stepped up to serve on the board or to help with our various projects. Without you, none of what we do would be possible.

Thanks to Betty Parker who makes our outreach to new members possible and the rest of you encourage friends and acquaintances to join us for activities that you think will interest and inspire them.

I cannot help but be thankful that our country has finally embraced the idea that anyone, even a woman, can be President.

There are so many more people and things which touch my heart and support AAUW's mission, but most of all, I am grateful for interesting and committed friends who share my concern for equity. AAUW has always been my touchstone when I moved, providing me with contacts who share my interests and concerns. I am glad you are in my life and in my community.

Patricia Ross
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AAUW General Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2016

WITH NEW SMYRNA BEACH AAUW & THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, EMBRY RIDDLE AVIATION CENTER ATRIUM

President Ross opened the meeting at 11:20 am. She welcomed the NSBAAUW and the League of Women Voters, introducing the Volusia County League President, Claudia Roth.

President Ross introduced 2 members of the Volusia County LWV, Judy Provost (Professor Emerita of Rollins College) and Ann Smith (Past President of the LWV, Volusia County).

President Ross spoke on the importance of exercising our right to vote, noting that "Your Vote is Your Voice", encouraging us to make our voices heard.

Judy Provost and Ann Smith gave us an update on the proposed amendments to the FL State Constitution and the Volusia Charter, first explaining how amendments get on the ballot. They then educated us as to the effect of each amendment.

Ann Smith informed us that any early voting ballots that have become damp or wet due to damage from Hurricane Matthew must be replaced.

The LWV 2016 Nonpartisan Voter Guide and Guide for Florida Voters put out by the Florida Bar were handed out. The LWV and Volusia Bar Association have an informative video, "Judicial Elections in FL. Why & How?" (view at www.lwvvc.org and additional videos at

www.floridabar.org). Judy Provost stressed the importance of voting on the retention of justices on the court and encouraged us to learn more about the justices by visiting the FL Bar website.

President Ross thanked Judy & Ann for the excellent presentation, and gift certificates were given by VP of Programs, Carol Buckels.

Announcements:

Carol Buckels announced our event on Saturday, November 19th, at the Education Center, Cici & Hyatt Brown Museum of Art. A docent guided tour of the exhibit dedicated to "Women Painting in Florida" begins at 11 am, followed by a catered box lunch. We will be able to browse the mezzanine, normally closed to the public.

President Ross reminded us of:

- -Thursday October 20th, 6:30 pm, Candidates Forum, United Church of Christ New Smyrna Beach. This nonpartisan event, which we are co-sponsoring with the LWV and Smart Growth, involves County Council and NSB Zone 4 candidates, and will be moderated by the LWV.
- -Wednesday October 26th, 2-5 pm, Masterpiece Jewelers fundraiser. Wine & cheese provided and 20% of the sales are donated to AAUW.
- -Sunday December 11th, Holiday Scholarship Tea, Hotchkiss House (next to Lilian Place) Our 50/50 Raffle earned \$75 for NCCWSL.
- Jane Hartnett made announcements for NSBAAUW. We are invited to join their members on a trip to Cuba, March 25th April 2nd, 2017.
- Four new members joined our branch today.
- President Ross thanked Embry Riddle & Sodexco Catering for a lovely venue and lunch.
- Meeting adjourned at 1 pm.
- Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Rae, Secretary

AAUW Day Trippers

Volusia County Farm Tour

Friday before Thanksgiving - Join us for a drive around Volusia County exploring the

interesting farm based businesses that fuel our local economy. The routes have not yet been set

for this year, but it is always an interesting explore. We will carpool and enjoy both friends and

new contacts in the community. Contact Pat Ross paross@aol.com 386-252-1659 to participate

in this year's event.

Where We Live: A History of Florida and Daytona Beach with Dr. James Clark and Mark Lane

Monday, November 21

What do you know the about the historical impact of Daytona Beach and Florida? Learn about

where we live and learn with author, Dr. James Clark, and journalist, Mark Lane, as they

fascinate us with stories of our local community and state. We will meet at 5pm at Bahama

Breeze and then drive to the Willie Miller Instructional Center auditorium on Embry-Riddle's

Daytona Beach Campus, 600 S. Clyde Morris Blvd. The speaker begins at 7 p.m. with seating

available beginning at 6 p.m.

AAUW 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

November 14 – Book Club: *Ines of My Soul*

December 12 – Book Club: *H is for Hawk*

AAUW 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

Seeking Success for Girls in STEM



2007-08 AAUW Selected Professions Fellow Unoma Okorafor

October 04, 2016

"What has been one of your most rewarding experiences?"

The question was a difficult one for 2007–08 <u>AAUW Selected Professions Fellow</u> and founder of the <u>Working to Advance STEM</u> Education for African Women (WAAW) Foundation Unoma Okorafor.

"Being a part of other people's success stories," she replied.

Mentorship has always been a primary factor in Okorafor's success. While she pursued her doctorate in electrical and computer engineering at Texas A&M University, her mentor introduced her to new opportunities, including AAUW fellowships, and was a strong role model for success in both STEM and academia as a woman of color.

Winning the AAUW Selected Professions Fellowship allowed Okorafor to continue her own mentoring work, tutoring middle school girls from low-income families while she finished her engineering studies. She distinctly remembers the first time she was called a mentor; it was an extremely emotional experience and a pivotal first step toward founding the WAAW Foundation. She also recognized that the only differences between herself and these girls were the privileges of a supportive family, financial support from AAUW, and mentorship. Creating the WAAW Foundation was Okorafor's way of passing on some of that privilege.

She saw dramatic changes in her mentees' self-confidence as they began to understand who they wanted to become and what they wanted to do in the future.



In Abuja, Nigeria, Unoma Okorafor's WAAW Foundation organizes annual STEM residential camps for secondary school girls.

Today, the WAAW Foundation has supplied over 30 college scholarships, trained over 200 fellows, and mentored approximately 200 young girls through their STEM camps in 10 African countries. The campers also build supportive relationships with each other and their mentors — not unlike the AAUW Tech Trek model.

Each workshop or camp at WAAW begins by allowing the girls to list the problems in their lives and in society. Issues like government and education, among other institutionalized problems, often come up. The aim of this exercise to help campers realize that "the solution lies within **you**, within **us**: women need to see the agenda of things that concern us and put it at the forefront." With education, Okorafor believes that women can solve problems within their presently male-dominated communities.

"Both men and women need to be a part of the conversation," Okorafor insists. In her own experience — having a father in academia and an older brother who studied engineering — male mentors have been as critical to her success as female ones. She was fortunate to have men and women in her life who supported her success. However, until everyone begins to see that empowering women empowers entire communities, there will be limits to improvement. "Men need to understand the value of women and become advocates," says Okorafor. "Only then will we be able to expand the conversation."

With the help of her AAUW fellowship, Okorafor is creating invaluable spaces for those conversations to continue.

This post was written by AAUW Fellowships and Grants Intern Theresa Romualdez.

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 next meeting or sign them up online.

AAUW New Member Spotlight

This month we feature 4 new members!

SULAKSHANA SEN: Sulakshana joined our Branch in June, after seeing our ad in the newspaper and attending our May 70th Anniversary Celebration. She visited America from India, met her future husband and emigrated. She is interested in community activities, service, policies that affect women, and likes the support we offer women students via scholarships. Sulakshana studied at UCF, earning a Masters in Mathematics and a PhD in Curriculum & Instruction with a major in Statistics. She is a full time professor at Bethune Cookman and has been an adjunct professor at both Embry Riddle and Daytona State College. She and her husband, also a professor at Bethune Cookman, have a daughter who is attending college. Cooking, gardening and writing are Sulakshana's hobbies. She attended the Newark Writers Digest Conference and is awaiting publication of her book, "Truth has its Way". She is looking forward to helping with Scholarships and Tech Trek.

PADMINI PRASAD: Padmini was a member of AAUW 10 years ago, in New York. She was happy to re-join at the Author's Luncheon, due to an interest in women's issues and education. Padmini earned an MS in Physics in India and an MS in Computer Science from Union College, NY. She spent many years at IBM in NY, beginning as a Software Engineer, then Manager and retiring from her position as Projects Executive in 2009. The

lure of warm weather brought her to Florida. She has 3 daughters and 2 grandchildren. Padmini's interests include writing, reading, knitting, crocheting, travel and walking on the beach. The AAUW issues that interest her are women's education, STEM and Tech Trek.

KAREN BURKHALTER: Karen also joined our branch at the Author's Luncheon in September. Susan Jano invited her, and she is interested in the Book Club. Karen graduated from Stetson University, with a major in Spanish and a minor in German. She taught in Indiana, stayed at home when her children were young, retrained and became a police officer in Atlanta for 11 years, and returned to teaching Spanish in Georgia. Karen and her husband have 2 sons and 1 grandchild. They moved to Florida in 2006, when Karen's mom needed help. Her hobbies include reading, swimming, playing bridge and she is now studying French. She is interested in women's issues in general.

JOY TRAYWICK: Joy was so intrigued by the Author's Luncheon speaker in September that she decided to join that very day. She is interested in keeping informed of policies that affect women and in pay equity. Joy grew up in North Carolina, coming to Florida due to a full scholarship to study at Stetson University. She graduated with a Bachelors of Music Education. She also earned a Masters in Music Education from Rollins College. Joy loved the beach, so she settled in Volusia County, teaching at elementary and middle schools, as well as at Daytona Beach Community College. She has been involved in musical theater, is a church musician and currently teaches voice and piano privately. For 20 years, she was a professional vocalist in the group "Frank & Jo & the Sunshine Way", and was married to Frank. Subsequent to Frank's death, she met her second husband, to whom she has been married for 21 years. Jo & her husband love to travel.

WELCOME TO DAYTONA BEACH AAUW! WE'RE GLAD YOU'VE JOINED US!

AAUW Member Remembrance



JoAnne Eaton-Morriss, AAUW Daytona President 1995-97, died on July 15, 2016, at her home in Port Orange. She held a Bachelor of Arts in Education from Duke and two Masters Degrees from Slippery Rock University in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania --one in Remedial Reading and the other in Gerontology. JoAnne taught elementary school in Pennsylvania.

After moving to Port Orange, Florida, in 1983, JoAnne was an insurance agent for many years with Mass Mutual Insurance Company. JoAnne was very active and involved in: AAUW and The Guild of the Daytona Beach Museum of Arts & Sciences, for which she was a Past President.

During Joanne's time as president, Louise Chapman received a national grant to study Rose Bay with her students. The branch helped to raise money for the Doris Leeper Preserve. Joanne accepted a framed certificate on behalf of the branch from Gary Libby, MOAS president, recognizing AAUW's role in helping to start MOAS by establishing a children's museum on what is now the DBCC campus. Joanne was a source of information about the branch and the community. She was a mentor to new leaders. She loved playing tennis, golf, bridge, and Mah Jong, and was always working on a crossword puzzle. She will be deeply missed by our branch.

AAUW WANTED AD

WANTED: A Few Good Women

The branch is in need of a member who is willing to serve as VP Membership and Policy Director. Please contact Pat Ross, if you might be willing to volunteer. Please consider how you could help to make the branch stronger and volunteer you talents and time.

AAUW List of Upcoming Events

November 14 – Book Club: *Ines of My Soul* 10:30 am City Island Library

November 15 – Women Painting Florida 11 am Brown Museum/MOAS

November 19 – Daytrippers: Volusia County Farm Tour

November 24 – Daytrippers: Florida and Daytona Beach History- Dr. James Clark

7 pm Embry-Riddle

December 11 – Holiday Scholarship Social

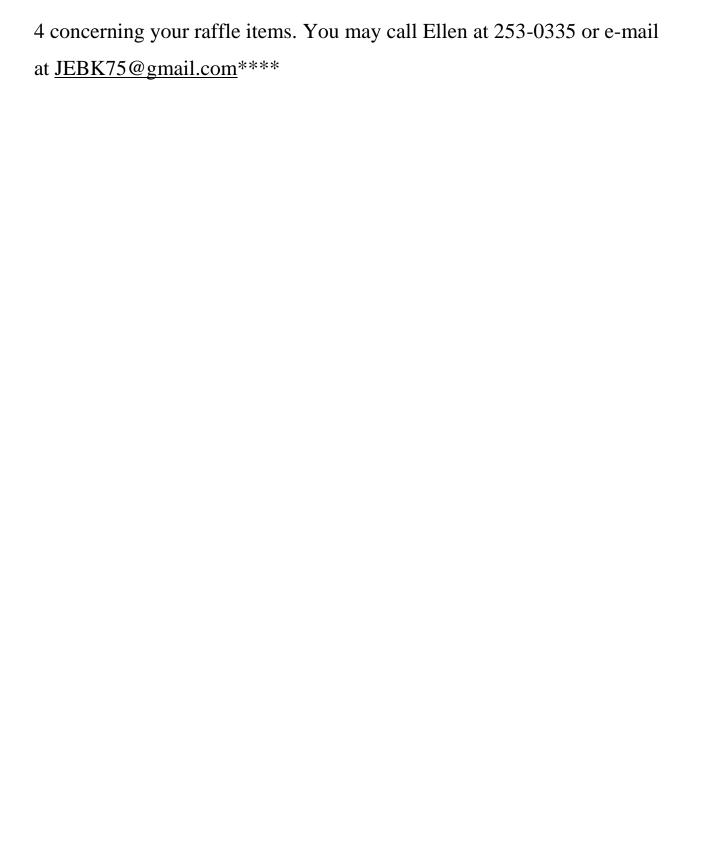
2 pm Hotchkiss House

December 12 – Book Club: *H is for Hawk*

10:30 am City Island Library



**** Holiday Tea Scholarship Fundraiser: Sunday, December 11, 2:00-3:00, Hotchkiss House 1000 S Peninsula, Daytona Beach (The Peninsula entrance would be easier to access than the Lillian Place entrance on Silver Beach, since work is being done on the bridge near the entrance to Lillian Place), next to Lillian Place. Tickets will be \$25.00 and invitations will be mailed. There will also be a variety of raffle items. Please gather up your raffle items and baskets and contact Ellen O'Shaughnessy at least a week prior to the tea concerning your raffle items or baskets so that there will be ample time to make labels for each item. Please contact Ellen by Sunday, December





The Honey Baked Ham Cafe Menu

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