

Calendar

Saturday, July 7 – Noon. Start of 8-week self-defense course. Ultima Fitness Performance, West Palm Beach.

Thursday, July 12 – 11 a.m. Start of 8-week self-defense course. Ultima Fitness Performance, West Palm Beach.

Saturday, July 14 – 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. High tea. Teapots & Treasures Cafe, Juno Beach.

Sunday, August 26 – Women's Equality Day, commemorating passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution allowing women to vote.

Monday, August 27 – 6 p.m. Branch board meeting. Palm Beach Gardens Library.

Monday, September 17 – 6:30 p.m. Annual Branch Season Kickoff meeting. Pot luck salad and dessert. Patricia Ross, President, AAUW Florida. North Palm Beach Library.

Monday, October 15 – 6:30 p.m. Branch meeting. 2018 election, ballot questions. League of Women Voters representative. North Palm Beach Library.

Saturday, October 20 – 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Paella party, members and guests. Gayle Cratty's home.

President: Shirley Koo
tccny12@gmail.com

Newsletter: Carol MacDonald, editor
carol.macdonald@yahoo.com
Carol Whalen, distribution manager
caroltriggs@aol.com

Web: <http://northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/aaunpbc/

High Tea

Teapots and Treasures Cafe and Curiosities



Saturday, 11:30 a.m., July 14
14137 U.S. Highway 1, Juno Beach

“A delightful place to exhale.” That’s what Teapots & Treasures Cafe in Juno Beach promises. So come to high tea Saturday, July 14, and enjoy tea, scones, soup, tea sandwiches, and desserts. Bring a prospective member or other guest, too.

The discounted cost of \$25 per person includes tax and gratuity. Space is limited, so email Shirley Koo, branch president, that you’d like to come, and mail your check made out to AAUW NPBC to our PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420. ♦

Free self-defense course offered

High tea not your cup of tea? How about self-defense? We’re partnering with several other women’s organizations to support a free, eight-week, self-defense course in West Palm Beach.

There is no cost to our branch or anyone taking the course, which will be taught by self-defense expert Jose Cortes of Ultima Fitness Performance in West Palm Beach. Saturday sessions from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. will begin July 7. Thursday sessions from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. begin July 12.

Call Mike Roca at Ultima to register: 561-659-1724. ♦

Time to renew your membership

If you haven’t renewed your membership yet, it’s time. The fiscal year starts July 1, so your \$86 dues are actually over due.

Paying online is fast, easy, and secure. Go to the Membership page on our branch website –

<https://northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net> – where you’ll see *Renew Membership Today–CLICK HERE*. That takes you to the log in page on the national website.

Use your AAUW member id and password to access the Member Services Database and your contact information. Click on *Renew my membership* on the left. Follow the instructions to pay securely by credit card. There’s a phone number on the page if you need help.

You can also mail your check to Sally Bailey, AAUW Treasurer, PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420. ♦

Officers installed; scholarship winners, branch honoree named

Susan Berlin, past co-president of AAUW Florida, inducted incoming officers at our installation dinner, May 14, at Brio Tuscan Grill. She is co-president of the Palm Beach County branch and has dual membership in our branch.

The three officers inducted to fill branch openings for the 2018-20 term were Jane Wattick, vice president for program; Sally Bailey, treasurer; and Chari Kelley, secretary. In addition,

Jacque Balaschak and Diane Karlik Lynch return to our Charitable Foundation board. Shirley Koo, president, and Carol Renick, vice president for membership, continue their terms.

Sue Slone, Tech Trek Camp director, was named this year's AAUW Educational Opportunities Foundation honoree.

Three of four winners of the Doris Karlik Local Scholarship were introduced: Jameesha Rock and Laura Angelie Diaz, \$1,000

scholarships, and Pamela Gores, a \$500 scholarship. Kimberly Gordon, recipient of a \$1,000 award, was absent.)

Also introduced were Ashley Beckford, who received the \$2,500 Friends of the North Palm Library Scholarship, and Paulina Oporto Cespedes, the student we sponsored to attend the AAUW National Conference for College Student Leaders May 30 to June 9 at the University of Maryland. ♦



Above, from left: Shirley Koo, Jacque Balaschak, Diane Karlik, Sally Bailey, Jane Wattick, Chari Kelly, Carol Renick.



At right, Laura Angelie Diaz, far left; Ashley Beckford; Paulina Oporto Cespedes; Jameesha Rock; Pamela Gores.



Above, from left: Jacque Balaschak, Ashley Beckford, Laura Angelie Diaz, Pamela Gores, Jameesha Rock.

At right: Cheryl Plotkin, Paulina Oporto Cespedes, Shirley Koo.



Scholarship winners and guest with Doris Karlik (standing) and Jacque Balaschak, second from left.



Above: Paulina Oporto Cespedes, Judy Pierman.



Above, from left: Laura Angelie Diaz, Doris Karlik, Jameesha Rock, Pamela Gores.

At right Sue Slone, Gayle Cratty.



Above: Susan Berlin, Sally Bailey.

Meet 'our' Tech Trek Campers

Our branch selected and sponsored five of the 64 girls who attended the 2018 AAUW Florida Tech Trek Camp on the Palm Beach State College Campus in Boca Raton.

The girls (*right*) arrived for the week-long camp on Sunday June 10, ready to attend core courses and workshops that would pique their interest in STEM careers.



From left: Cassie Koca, Victoria Rose, Nina Hughes and Iga Panas. Not pictured, Shea Rosen.

Core courses, workshops. Each camper attended one of four core courses – App Inventor, Robotics, Marine Biology, or Engineering – that met every morning through Thursday.

Each afternoon, the girls attended workshops that included DNA, Cybersecurity, Chemistry, Art and Math, Weather, Rockets, and Problem Solving. They also attended a personal finance course taught by Wells Fargo Bank personnel.

In the Problem-Solving workshop, campers learned how to make and give Power Point presentations, preparing them to talk at branch meetings.

By the end of Thursday afternoon, every girl had attended all eight of the workshops, finished their core courses, and attended Professional Women's Night sponsored by AT&T.

Meeting STEM professionals. The president of AAUW Florida, Patricia Ross, moderated

Professional Women's Night. Always a favorite, it gives campers the opportunity to ask questions of women in the field.

Unexpected issue. On Friday the entire group was to take an hour-and-a-half bus trip to visit the Aerojet Rocketdyne site in Jupiter. Unfortunately, the trip had to be cancelled due to a stomach bug that made its appearance Monday morning.

By Thursday six girls had been affected. After much consideration, we asked parents to pick up their daughters Thursday evening or before noon Friday to keep the bug from spreading. The only event campers missed was the visit to Aerojet.

As the girls were departing, their responses regarding camp were all positive. Parents were thankful for their daughters' experiences and understood the decision we had made. ■

–Sue Slone, *Tech Trek Camp Director.* ♦

For a full page of camp pictures, see page 6 of the June-July issue of the state AAUW newsletter, *floriVision*, just emailed (or mailed) to all members. ♦

Requirements to join AAUW won't change

Membership in AAUW will still require a college degree.

A bylaws amendment that would have dropped the degree requirement was voted down in a national election in June.

National AAUW had also proposed allowing non-AAUW members to be on the board of directors. That, too, was voted down. A national proposal to stagger terms on the board of directors passed, however.

More than 19 percent of all eligible members voted nationally. Our branch did better, with 28 of 60 eligible members voting.

A state election, also this spring, garnered less interest in our branch. Of 62 eligible voters, just 11 cast ballots on two issues. Both passed – one, to adopt national public policy priorities as Florida's, and the other, to send an official thanks to state representative Lori Berman and her assistant for work on pay equity for women.

Read more about both elections in the June-July *floriVision*, the state AAUW newsletter. Get details on the national election at www.aauw.org. ♦

What's on tap this year

We're a busy branch, as the list of activities on page 4 prepared by Cheryl Plotkin proves. Print it out as a reminder for yourself, give it to a potential member, or post it on a community billboard. ♦

Interest groups

You'll have to wait for fall for the Book Club, Out and About Group, and Dinner Club. But you're in luck if you want to play bridge this summer. Contact Judy Pierman for details. ♦

Baskets needed

We're out of the baskets we fill for the auction at our February benefit. Consider adding them to your summer shopping list. ♦



Northern Palm Beach County Branch: 2018-019 Calendar

American Association of University Women meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. , Obert Meeting Room, North Palm Beach Library, 303 Anchorage Drive, North Palm Beach, unless otherwise specified. Ask us about our branch interest groups: Bridge Group, Book Club, Dining Group, Theater, and Out & About. Interested persons are welcome. Contact us through our website for questions or let us know you plan to attend, need a ride.

Monday, September 17 - Pot Luck Salad & Dessert. Season Kickoff with Patricia Ross, President, AAUW Florida. Review of yearly priorities, programs and activities, introduction of our NCCWSL attendee.

Monday, October 15 - Election and Ballot Questions. A non-partisan discussion by a League of Women Voters' representative. Bring your questions. The public is welcome. Mid-term election is Nov. 6.

Saturday, October 20 - Paella Party, 3 to 7 p.m. Cratty home. Dinner event for members and guests. RSVP.

Monday, November 19 - Title IX in Palm Beach County Schools. The federal statute which provides equal treatment for women and girls, and much more. Diane Wyatt, Department of Safe Schools, PBC Schools.

Monday, December 10 - Branch Holiday Party. Cratty home. Bring guests and book donations for our adopted class at the Hispanic Human Resource Child Care Center.

Monday, January 14 2019 - Mindfulness and Stress Reduction Techniques. Sheila Griffin, Project Manager, Calcagnini Center for Mindfulness, Jupiter Medical Center.

Saturday, February 23 - 11:30 am - 39 Annual Gala Luncheon. Sand Hill Crane Golf Club. For Charitable Foundation Inc. supporting Doris Karlik Local Scholarships and the AAUW state and national programs for women and girls. Information: contact Gayle.cratty@gmail.com Tickets: contact ashutch@umich.edu

March 15, 2019 Deadline for Scholarship Applications - Charitable Foundation Inc. Northern P B C AAUW

Monday, March 18, 2019 - Pay Equity with Holly Griffin, Esquire, Employment Attorney, Gunster law firm.

April 2019 - AAUW Florida State Leadership Conference. TBA.

Saturday, April 6, 2019 - Happy Hour honoring new members, 4-6 pm, Salute Market, 5530 PGA Blvd.

Monday, April 15, 2019 - Arts in PBC. Debbie Calabria, Membership/Event Mgr, Palm Beach Count Cultural Council and annual meeting.

Monday, May 13, 2019 - Spring Dinner, Location TBD, Doris Karlik and North Palm Beach Library Scholarship Winners and Member Honoree to be announced. Officer installation. Advance reservations required.

May, 2019 End-of-Year Dining Club Social or Derby Party - All Members and Guests Welcome

June, 2019 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Univ. of Maryland, College Park.

June, 2019 Tech Trek Florida STEM camp for girls entering eighth grade, held on the campus of a Florida college or university. Location to be determined.

Website: <http://northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net> Membership: Carol Renick carolarenick@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/aauwnpbc/> Address: P.O. Box 32043 Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420