

# Northern Palm Beach County Branch Out

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#### Calendar

**Monday, September 17** – 6:30 p.m. Branch meeting, North Palm Beach Library.

**Monday, September 20** – 12:30 p.m. Book Club. RSVP to Deb Lavan. *American's First Daughter* by Dray and Kamole.

Wednesday, September 26— Deadline to RSVP to Liz Shapiro for Benjamin School program.

**Monday, October 1** – 6 p.m. Branch board meeting. Palm Beach Gardens Library.

**Tuesday, October 2** – 7 p.m.. Bridge Club. RSVP Judy Pierman.

**Wednesday, October 10** – 1:15 p.m. Out and About. "Benjamin on Broadway." Benjamin School.

Monday, October 15 - 6:30 p.m. Branch meeting. Election and Ballot Questions. League of Women Voters' representative. North Palm Beach Library.

Also, deadline to RSVP to Gayle Cratty for Paella Party.

**Saturday, October 20** – 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Paella Party Fund Raiser. Gayle Cratty's.

Wednesday, October 24 - 11:30 a.m. Out and About. Palm Beach Photographic Centre exhibition.. West Palm Beach. RSVP Liz Shapiro.

**Tuesday, November 6** - Election Day.

#### 39th Annual Benefit Luncheon & Auction

11:30 am., Saturday, February 23 Sandhill Crane Golf Club Palm Beach Gardens

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### Annual Salad-Dessert Potluck

Monday, 6:30 p.m., September 17 North Palm Beach Library 303 Anchorage Drive, North Palm Beach, FL

Patricia Ross, AAUW Florida president, will join us as we kick off the 59th year of our branch with our annual salad-dessert potluck. She'll get us up to speed on the strategic planning that will set priorities for the state for the upcoming year.

This meeting, open to the public, provides a great opportunity for you to bring prospective members as your guests. They'll not only get the big picture from the state, but will also hear about the goals, programs, and activities for the branch for the coming year. And we'll all get time to socialize



Patricia Ross

We'll also get first-hand impressions about one of the programs from the beneficiary, Paulina Oporto Cespedes, the student we sponsored to attend this year's AAUW National Conference for College Student Leaders, held at the University of Maryland.

**Join and save.** Guests who become members at the meeting will save money. The "Shape of the Future" program gives a 50 percent discount on national and state dues for those who join at a branch public meeting or event. That brings the total to \$50.50, which covers \$15 in branch dues as well. To take advantage of the discount, payment must accompany sign-up at the meeting.

Current members who have not yet renewed are also encouraged to pay their dues at the meeting. The discount does not apply to current members, so they pay the total of \$86, which covers national, state, and local dues for the year.

**What to bring for supper.** Judging from past potlucks, we're in for a tasty, eclectic selection of salads and desserts. To keep the offerings balanced, members whose name begins with letters from A through O, bring a salad to share. Everyone else, bring a dessert.

Bring your food in an appropriate serving dish and include a serving utensil. Paper goods, eating utensils, and beverages will be provided. If you have any questions, contact Ann Hutchins, ashutch@umich.edu. •

## Directory delayed to include late renewals

Most years, we distribute the branch directory at the September meeting. But this year, we're waiting until the October general meeting because so many members have not yet paid their renewal dues.

The delay will also make it possible to include any new members who join at the September 17 meeting to take advantage of the special national and state dues offer.

#### Correct contact info needed.

The directory is our go-to source for members and general information about our branch, as well as national and state organizations. It's crucial that listings are correct. Sally Bailey did not receive any changes to the contact information in the last directory with any of the renewals she received. If your contact information has changed in any way, send it to her ASAP so the directory information will be correct when it is distributed in October.

Still time to renew. If you haven't yet renewed your membership, it's not too late. It's quick and easy through our branch website (northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net); at the AAUW website (aauw.org/membership/); by mailing a check made payable to AAUW NPBC to PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420, or bringing a check to the meeting September 17. ◆

## Volunteers needed to fill branch posts

Getting involved is the way to make the most out of belonging to AAUW, not to mention that it's the only way a volunteer organization can survive.

Throughout the year, there are many one-time opportunities for you to volunteer on specific events.

But if you can make a commitment for longer, we need to fill three key branch posts:

- **Treasurer** –to fill the remaining of the term of Sally Bailey, who is leaving the area soon.
- Public Policy Chair to keep members up-to-date on state, national and local issues relevant to AAUW's mission.
- **Co-historian** to gather and archive materials about branch activities.

Contact Shirley Koo if you can help – tcccny12@gmail.com. ♦

## Sign up for dinner and a show

**Dinner Club** gets together four times a year with dinner for eight. As a regular member you host one dinner and are a guest at the other three.

You can be a substitute if you don't want to host, and you might be called to fill in at a meal if you're lucky. Singles and couples welcome.

The first dinner for the 2018-19

year will be sometime in October, November, or December. Email Ann Hutchins, ashutch@umich.ed., If you're interested.

Theater. Interested in seeing the show *Waitress* at the Kravis Theater March 9 or 10? Sign up at the September meeting. Doris Noble will make arrangements for tickets. For questions, email her at dorisnoble200016@yahoo.com. ◆

#### Say 'Goodbye' to Sally

She took us by surprise!

Sally Bailey, who's been an integral part of our branch since July 1, 1980, told board members on August 27, that she'd



Sally Bailey

decided to move to North Carolina to be nearer to family.

We understand her reasons, and wish her all the best. But to say that we'll miss her is putting it mildly. Her official resignation is Sept. 24, but true to form, she's continuing her duties as treasurer, working on the directory, and updating the web site.

Sally has served as president for both branch and state AAUW, in addition to a host of other positions. Well-versed in branch and state procedures, she could be counted on to answer questions about what to do and how to do it.

And she was quick to volunteer for tasks and help at events. If no one else, stepped up, we could count on Sally. She will, indeed, be missed. •

#### Get Out & About in October

Email Liz Shapiro if you'd like to attend these Out and About Group events (cookrag@aol.com):

- Wednesday, Oct. 10. 1:15 to 3 p.m. "Benjamin On Broadway" at the Benjamin School. Entertainment presented by students at the school. Email cookrag@aol.com by Sept. 26.
- Wednesday, Oct. 24. Visit to Palm Beach Photographic Centre, 415 Clematis St., West Palm Beach, to see Annual Juried Exhibition. Meet at restaurant (TBD) on Clematis Street first for lunch at 11:30 am. ◆

#### Sunshine and Shadow

If you've got news to share for Sunshine and Shadow, let Doris Karlik know. ♦

## Speaker, venue set for February benefit

Make sure you put February 23, 2019, on your calendar. You won't want to miss our 39th annual benefit luncheon, and you'll want friends and family to join you.

This year's event will be held at the new clubhouse at Sandhill Crane Golf Club, 11401 Northlake Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens.



Carey Haughwout

Carey
Haughwout,
Palm Beach
County's
elected
Public
Defender
since 2001,
will speak
on "Criminal
Justice

Reform." A board-certified criminal trial lawyer, she is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and has practiced criminal law since 1983.

She manages a 200person office, with an estimated 180 attorneys and 80 support staff. With a budget of approximately \$18.3 million, the office is responsible for more than 50,000 cases a year.

Luncheon chair Gayle Cratty and her committee have been hard at work to make this year's event a success.

But your help is needed. It's not too early to contact businesses that might be willing to donate items for the Opportunity Auction, or provide support in some other way. Contact Gayle at gayle.cratty@gmail.com. •

## Paella fund raiser set for Oct. 20

Here's your chance to enjoy paella prepared by a local chef and help add to our branch Charitable Foundation's coffers.

Chef Rafael Jiminez returns for our second annual paella party fundraiser to prepare the classic Spanish rice, chicken, sausage, and seafood dish Saturday, October 20.

The party will again be held at Gayle Cratty's home, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., 7780 Arbor Crest Way, Bay Hill Preserve at Bay Hill Estate, off Northlake Blvd. in Palm Beach Gardens.

Sangria will be also be served. Bring your friends for a fun, tasty time to benefit a good cause.

Make your reservations by Monday, October 15, and include payment by check or credit card. The cost per person is \$30 – \$32 if paying by credit card. A portion of the cost will be tax deductible.

To RSVP and pay by check, make your check payable to AAUW NPBC and



Chef Rafael Jiminez ready to serve the paella at last year's party.

mail it to AAUW PO Box 32043 Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420. Note in the memo line that it's for the paella party and the number of people attending.

To RSVP and pay with your credit card, email Cheryll Plotkin at aauwpbc@gmail.com and provide your name, telephone number, email, and number of dinner reservations you will purchase. She'll provide you with instructions for completing your purchase.

Email Gayle if you have questions about the event – gayle.cratty @gmail.com. ◆

## Sign up at September meeting to help at paella party

The chef will take care of the paella, but your help is needed to provide for the rest of the menu or volunteer for set-up and clean-up chores.

Sign up at the September meeting for any of the following tasks or donations, or email Gayle Cratty at gayle.cratty @gmail.com,to let her know how you can help:

- Appetizer
- Bread with oils & herbs
- Dessert
- Sangria
- Wine
- Seltzer
- Soft drinks
- Set up
- Clean up ♦



#### Northern Palm Beach County Branch: 2018- 2019 Calendar

American Association of University Women meetings are held at 6:30 p.m., Obert Meeting Room, North Palm Beach Library, 303 Anchorage Drive, NPB, 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 website for questions or let us know you plan to attend, need a ride.

Monday, September 17 6:30 pm - 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 15th 2018 - 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, 2018- Paella Party 3 to 7 p.m. Cratty home, dinner event for members & guests. RSVP.

Monday, November 19 – Tech Trek presentation from 2018 STEM camp, Sue Slone & Tech Trek campers

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

<u>Monday, January 14<sup>r</sup> 2019 - Mindfulness and Stress Reduction Techniques.</u> Sheila Griffin, Project Manager, Calcagnini Center for Mindfulness at Jupiter Medical Center.

<u>Saturday, February 23, 2019 - 11:30 am –</u> 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala Luncheon - Sandhill Crane Golf Club, Palm Beach Gardens. Speaker, Carey Haughwout, Palm Beach County Public Defender. Benefit for Charitable Foundation Inc. supporting Doris Karlik Local Scholarships and the AAUW State and National programs for women and girls. Information: contact <u>Gayle.cratty@gmail.com</u> <u>Tickets: contact <u>ashutch@umich.edu</u></u>

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 6 – 7, 2019 - AAUW Florida State Leadership Conference, Ocala, FL.

**April 2019 TBD** - Happy Hour honoring new members

Monday, April 15, 2019 - Arts in PBC, Debbie Calabria, Membership/Event Mgr, Palm Beach Cty 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 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls, held on the campus of a Florida college or university. Location to be determined.

2019-2020 Annual Branch Dues: Pay on-line at <u>aauw.org</u> through AAUW national membership database.

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