

Northern Palm Beach County Branch Out

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Calendar

Tuesday, October 11 – Voter registration deadline.

Monday, October 17 – 6:30 p.m. Branch meeting. Wendy Link, Palm Beach County Election Supervisor. North Palm Beach Library.

Thursday, October 20 – 1:15 p.m. Book Club. "Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles. Via Zoom.

Saturday, October 29 – Deadline to request vote by mail ballot.

Tuesday, November 1 – 7 p.m. Bridge group. Via Zoom.

Monday, November 7 -6 p.m. Branch board meeting. Via Zoom.

Tuesday, November 8 - 7 a.m to 7 p.m. Election Day.

Thursday, November 17 – 1:15 pm. Book Club. "The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History" by Elizabeth Kolbert. Via Zoom.

Saturday, November 19 – 10 a.m. Branch meeting. Barbara McQuinn. Palm Beach County School Board. North Palm Beach Library.

Monday, December 5 – Branch Holiday Party hosted by Liz Shapiro.

Save the Date Annual Benefit Luncheon & Silent Auction

Saturday, February 11, 2023 DoubleTree by Hilton Palm Beach Gardens

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Election 2022 Information

Monday, 6:30 p.m., October 17

North Palm Beach Library
303 Anchorage Drive, North Palm Beach, FL

You won't want to miss our October meeting. We're fortunate to have Wendy Sartory Link, supervisor of elections for Palm Beach County, join us to talk about the elections coming up November 8.

She'll also answer questions, but would appreciate getting them before the meeting. So email them to <u>Jane Wattick</u> before October 17.

This meeting will be in person only, and we encourage you to bring guests. It's a great opportunity to introduce AAUW to a prospective member.



Wendy Sartory Link

Link was appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis on January 18, 2019, and on August 18, 2020, was elected to the position. Previously, she was president of Wendy Sartory Link, PLLC, and the managing partner of Ackerman, Link & Sartory, P.A. focusing on commercial real estate, general business transactions, and business consulting with an emphasis on strategic initiatives, crisis management, and leadership development.

She has been a mentor for young professionals and is currently involved in more than 10 community organizations. She has served in a leadership role in more than 17 organizations on both a county and state level and has more than 30 years of legal experience. •

Early start will make fundraiser a success

It's not too early to start collecting items for baskets and the silent auction at our annual Charitable Foundation fundraiser and to let your friends and colleagues know about the event.

The luncheon is from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Palm Beach Gardens. Congresswoman Lois Frankel will be the guest speaker.

Flyers with the lunch details and reservation deadline will be distributed in November.

We need medium- to large-sized baskets and the items to fill them – such as gift cards, wine, coffee, pet items, etc. Bring suitable baskets and items to a branch meeting or contact <u>Deborah Nelson</u> for pick-up.

Also let her know if you can solicit basket items and gift certificates from local retailers, or if you have suggestions of businesses to contact. We are planning no more than 20 baskets this season.

This is our major fundraiser and we'll need many volunteers. Email <u>Diane Cochran</u>, benefit chair to help. ◆



Staff needed at this summer's camps

Tech Trek Florida will be inperson this summer, after two years of virtual sessions due to the pandemic.

Two camps will be held to provide rising eighth-grade girls with hands-on experience in STEM activities. One camp will be at Stetson University in Deland, and the other at Florida Atlantic University's Jupiter campus.

Camp staffing needs. Susan Berlin, co-president of the Palm Beach County branch and a dual member of our branch, is the director of the camp at FAU, which will be held June 17 to June 23, 2023.

Contact her if you're interested in any of the following staff openings, or can recommend someone:

- Assistant camp director.
 This person will need to physically be at the camp for the week and help with planning.
- Coordinator for the professional women's night banquet. Involves making

arrangements with the Abacoa Golf Club and recruiting women in STEM to participate in the event, which will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 21.

- Someone to plan evening activities for the campers.
- Someone to help with organizing afternoon workshops.

Branch volunteering. MJ Saunders is our branch contact for Tech Trek and needs help identifying principals of local private schools. There will be opportunities to interview girls for the camp starting in February.

Donations welcome. Remember you can make tax-deductible donations directly to Tech Trek Florida. Make your check out to AAUW FL Supporting Foundation, Inc. with Tech Trek on the memo line.

Mail checks to Tech Trek Florida, P.O. Box 2938, Jupiter, FL 33468.

Visit <u>Tech Tech Florida's</u> website for more information. ◆

President's message -

Help our branch grow

By Gloria Kaplan, President
AAUW Northern Palm Beach County

The pandemic proved to be a challenge for all organizations, and ours was no different. Like most, our membership roll is smaller.

But you can help by letting others know about AAUW, our mission, and what we do. Direct them to the branch, state, and national websites. And consider bringing a prospective member to a meeting. This month's program will be especially relevant to community members.

With your help, we're sure to meet the challenges. ♦

Hospitality coordinator

We've relied on Ann Hutchins to coordinate food and beverages for our regular branch meetings and other events as needed. But she's taken a well-deserved retirement from that job, so we need someone else to take over. Contact Gloria Kaplan for details if you can help. ◆

Branch interest groups

We're a mission-based organization, advancing equity for women and girls. But that doesn't mean we're all work and no play. If you like to read, play bridge, or visit local places of interest, consider joining our branch interest groups.

- Book Club meets via Zoom at 1:15 pm on the third Thursday of the month. Contact <u>Doris</u> Noble.
- Bridge Club meets via Zoom at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of the month. The November meeting is Nov. 1. Contact Shirley Koo.
- Out and About Group visits local areas of interest.
 Contact Dorothy Evangelista.

If you have suggestions for other activities, contact Gloria Kaplan. ♦

Branch meets NCCWSL attendee, Benjamin honoree

At our September kick-off meeting, we heard from two exemplary young women:

Drew Burgess, the Wilkes Honors College student we sponsored to attend AAUW's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders.

Skyler Malmberg, the latest recipient of the Benjamin School Junior Woman Award given by our branch for many years. ◆



Drew Burgess



Judy Pierman with Skyler Malmberg and her mother.



Northern Palm Beach County Branch: 2022- 2023 Calendar

American Association of University Women Meetings are held in the 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 19, 2022 6:30 pm - Season Kickoff, Salad and Dessert Pot luck; introducing the upcoming Season's programs and activities and honoring the Benjamin School Junior Woman Award winner and the NCCWSL attendee. This in person Branch meeting will also be available via zoom.

Monday, October 17, 2022, 6:30 pm – Wendy Link, PBC Supervisor of Elections

Saturday, November 19, 2022 10:00 am – Barbara McQuinn, PBC School Board, District 1

Monday, December 5, 2022 - Branch Holiday Party, hosted by Liz Shapiro

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Monday, January 9, 2023 6:30 pm - Dr. Julie Earles, FAU Wilkes Honors College

<u>Saturday, February 11, 2023</u> – 11:30 – 2:30 Doubletree Hotel, Palm Beach Gardens; Benefit luncheon for Charitable Foundation Inc. supporting Doris Karlik Local Scholarships and the AAUW State and National programs for women. U.S Representative Lois Frankel will be the guest speaker.

March 24, 2023 Deadline for Scholarship Applications - Charitable Foundation Inc. Northern Palm Beach County AAUW

Saturday, March 18, 2023 10:00 am – J. Rachel Gustafson, Norton Museum of Art, "For the Record: Celebrating Art by Women"

April, 2023- Virtual AAUW Florida Convention & Annual Meeting

Monday, April 17, 2023 6:30 pm- Historical Society of Palm Beach County

Monday, May 15, 2023, 6:30 pm - Spring Dinner - Installation of officers; Scholarship winners hosted June, 2023 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Univ. of Maryland, College Park. June/July, 2023 Tech Trek Florida STEM camp for 8th grade girls, held on the campus of Florida Atlantic University Jupiter campus and Stetson University in Deland, FL.

2023-2024 Annual Branch Dues: Pay on-line at <u>aauw.org</u> through the national membership database.

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