



Northern Palm Beach County (FL) Branch

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Quick Calendar Glance

Monday, May 13, 2024, 6:00 pm
Spring Dinner - Installation of officers;
Scholarship winners @ NPB Country Club



Book Club News

May 16

Sue Sloane

The Women
by: Kristin Hannah



June 20

Doris Noble

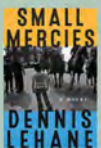
The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post
by: Allison Pataki



July 18

Jane Wattick

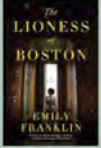
Small Mercies
by: Dennis Lehane



August 15

Natalie MacDonald

The Lioness of Boston
by: Emily Franklin



September 19

Shirley Koo

Lady Tan's Circle of Women
by: Lisa See



October 17

Mary Jane Saunders

Year of Wonders
by: Geraldine Brooks



President's Message

ANNUAL INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER

Monday, May 13, 6:00 pm
Farmer's Table
North Palm Beach Country Club
951 US Highway One, North Palm Beach

Join us at the North Palm Beach Country Club to welcome new officers and appointees, meet our scholarship and NCCWSL winners, and learn the identity of this year's branch honoree.

Virginia Farace, Bylaws, Policies and Parliamentarian of AAUW Florida, will conduct the installation of new officers. Liz Shapiro will continue as Vice President for Membership, Cheryl Plotkin as Treasurer and Mary Jane Saunders and Doris Noble will be installed as co-Secretaries. Our Charitable Foundation Board will continue with Diane Karlik Lynch remaining as Treasurer, Shirley Koo entering a second term, Mary Jane Saunders and Doris Noble completing the second year of their term.

We have reserved space in the North Palm Beach Country Club's private function space. The price is \$40/per person, with a delicious menu selection of Florida Orange Roasted Chicken or Grilled Salmon. RSVPs, to include check and choice of entrée, should be sent to AAUW NPBC, P.O. Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420, no later than May 8.

Mark your calendars now for the 2025 Annual Gala Benefit Luncheon.....it will be held on **Saturday, March 1, 2025**, at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Palm Beach Gardens!! It will be a Spring Fling, with Diane Cochran as the Benefit Chair.

If you have not already done so, please vote in the AAUW National Election.....the Election closes on Wednesday, May 15.....please let your voice be heard!

From April's Meeting



Jennifer Mead Gervasis pictured giving her presentation at April's meeting

AAUW FL Statement on Title IX in Florida

AAUW of Florida strongly condemns Governor DeSantis' decision not to comply with US Department of Education's recently announced Title IX regulations. The updated regulations restore and reinforce vital civil rights protections for all students to access school spaces and programs free from sex discrimination. AAUW's Public Policy Priorities call for "equitable access to education and climates free of harassment, bullying, and sexual assault." The updated Title IX regulations make these protections clearer for survivors, pregnant and parenting students, and LGBTQIA+ students. This rule will ensure every student has the freedom to learn and to be themselves in Florida and throughout the country. By not complying with the federally mandated Title IX, the Governor is not only putting our students at risk, but also putting federal funding to our schools at risk. We strongly encourage Governor DeSantis, Education Secretary Diaz, and Attorney General Ashley Moody to reconsider their position. For more information contact:

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May 2024 Installation Dinner

ANNUAL INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER May 13, 2024

North Palm Beach Country Club, **18:00** (6 pm)

Tickets are \$40 which includes, salad, entree of chicken or salmon, dessert, beverage and gratuity. Please send checks payable to "AAUW NPBC" to PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420-2043 to arrive **ASAP ASAP** Indicate your menu choice (**chicken** or **salmon**). Members and friends are welcome.

Membership dues renewal time.

Watch for your e-mail inbox for a reminder message from AAUW National. The deadline for many of us is June 30. If you joined at a different month, your renewal will be that month.

The price is still \$99 for national, state and local dues.



CONGRATULATIONS!



AAUW NCCWSL

Hello! My name is Kasey Steele, and I am from Plantation, FL. I am currently a second-semester sophomore at the FAU Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, majoring in Biology with a minor in Law and Society. I was given the opportunity to be a part of this conference due to being a Flagler Scholar at my university. This means that I was one of five students per year granted a full-ride scholarship. After completing my undergraduate degree, I plan on attending law school in order to combine my love of science and law. Currently, my plan is to become a patent lawyer in biotechnology. In addition to being a Flagler Scholar, I am a student ambassador and work in the admissions office as a student assistant. Besides school, I am passionate about reading, and you can usually find my nose in a book!



NPBC AAUW Doris Karlik Scholarship Recipients 2024

All receive \$1000

Acacia Higgins is currently dual enrolled at Palm Beach Gardens High School and Palm Beach State College. She will attend Florida Atlantic University in the fall with a major in Business with the goal of continuing on to an MBA. She is interested in becoming a business analyst to drive innovation and strategic growth.



Marlena Hutchinson will be a sophomore at the University of Florida after her graduation from Palm Beach State College with an AA degree. She is interested in becoming a Pediatric Occupational Therapist and is majoring in Health Sciences with a minor in Education Studies with a 4.0 GPA.

Jenna Kercheville will be a junior at Florida College, Temple Terrace, FL, studying nursing toward a BSN. She plans on continuing her education while working as a registered nurse, to attain a Doctorate of Nursing Practice and work in the pediatrics at a research hospital as part of a team.

Alle Robbins is finishing her AA degree at Palm Beach State College and will continue on as a Business major there to get her BA degree. She plans on concentrating in Health management with an aim to working in that field after graduation.

Haleema Warraiat is a junior Psychology major at Florida Atlantic University after graduating from Palm Beach State College with an AA degree. She plans to attend graduate school in Clinical Psychology to become a child psychologist.



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AAUW-FL SE Regional Conference 2024



AAUW-FL President Bea Holt Meeting held in the NPB Library Obert Room.

April 20 conference held at the NPB Library. Branches from Weston to Vero Beach were in attendance. Representing the Palm Beach County and NPBC branch are Judy Pierman, Virginia Farace, Shirley Koo, Jane wattick Deb Nelson and Susan Copperman



JOIN your Fellow AAUW

State Members at our Annual Meeting Gathering!

May 16 at 6:00 pm

Everyone will need to complete a pre-registration form in order to receive a personalized Zoom link to the meeting.

[Click here to register](#)

CALENDAR

Monday, May 13, 2024– 6:00 p.m. – Spring Dinner held at the North Palm Beach Country Club. Installation of officers. Introductions of Doris Karlik Scholarships for Women winners and our attendee to the AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders. Reservations required.

June 2024 – AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders. We sponsor a junior female student from FAU Honors College to this annual event held at the University of Maryland.

June/July 2024 – Tech Trek Florida STEM camps at Stetson University and Florida Atlantic University, Jupiter, for rising 8th-grade girls.