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FEBRUARY

Quick Calendar Glance

Monday, February 10, 2025, 6:30 pm

- Our Sister's Place; Robert Cole

Saturday, March 1, 2025, 11:30-2:30pm

- Benefit luncheon

March 22, 2025

- Scholarship Applications Deadline

Monday, April 21, 2025 – 6:30 pm

- Sarah Norton; Director of Education for Friends of MacArthur Beach State Park.

Monday, May 19, 2025, 6:30 pm

- Spring Dinner

June/ July 2025

- Tech Trek Florida

American Association of University Women Meetings are held in the Obert Meeting Room, North Palm Beach Library, 303 Anchorage Drive, NPB, unless otherwise specified.

Book Club News

February 20

Virginia Farace

The House in the Cerulean Sea by T.J. Klune



March 20

Mary Jane Saunders

Ride Of her Life: The True Story of a Woman, Her Horse and their Last Chance Journey Across America by Elizabeth Letts



President's Message

Happy Valentine's Day, and President's Day.....February may be the shortest month, but there is lots going on! Our Branch meeting is Monday, Feb. 10; Out & About, Wednesday, Feb. 12; Book Club, Feb. 20, and of course, all roads lead to our Annual Gala Benefit Luncheon on Saturday, March 1!! If you have not already sent your RSVP, now is the time! Be sure to invite friends and family to this fun afternoon!

Thanks to all who came out to the Berry Fresh Café on Saturday, Jan. 15 – amazing how packed it is for Saturday breakfast.....it is definitely “the Season”!

Out & About at the Norton Museum of Art!

Wednesday, February 12, meet at the Museum at 11:00 am.....visit the two exciting exhibitions, Sorolla and the Sea, Strike Fast, Dance Lightly: Artists on Boxing And stay for lunch at the Restaurant! Admission is \$15 for seniors; \$18 for general admission. Please contact Dorothy Evangelista to rsvp..... email jaedo50@hotmail.com; cell: 914-489-8506

Need volunteers to bring a snack for the Branch meetings – February 10 and April 21.....contact Jane Wattick if you are willing!

The AAUW State Southeast Regional Meeting

- Venue – North Palm Beach Library
 - Date: Saturday, 15 March 2025
 - Branches: N. Palm Beach County (Host), Ft. Lauderdale, Melbourne, Nova SE University, Palm Beach County, Pompano Beach, Stuart Area, Vero Beach, Weston
- The conference will be scheduled from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., with sessions on leadership, advocacy, programming, and membership, use of technology, per your recommendations. Lunch will be served. Registration is \$25/per person. Registration forms to follow!



Please update your contact information!

We are trying to update our branch's contact information to create an up-to-date roster and contact booklet. Please [click here](#) or scan the QR code above to enter your details.

February 20 - Virginia Farace

The House in the Cerulean Sea
T.J. Klune



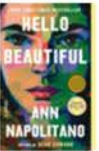
March 20 - Mary Jane Saunders

Ride Of her Life: The True Story of a Woman, Her Horse and their Last Chance Journey Across America
Elizabeth Letts



April 17 - Shirley Koo

Hello Beautiful
Ann Napolitano



May 18 - Sally Bailey

Tom Lake
Ann Patchett



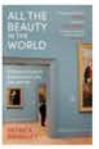
June 19 - Susan Copperman

The Faculty Lounge
Jennifer Matthieu



July 17 - Jane Wattick

All the Beauty in the World
Patrick Bringley



Out and About



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January's out and about



The AAUW Florida Public Policy Education Forums

Wouldn't you like more in-depth information on the important issues facing Florida from an equity-focused viewpoint? Then be sure to attend as many AAUW Florida Issue Forums this year as you can. All sessions start at 6:00 PM, are open to AAUW members and guests and require pre-registration.

Table with 4 columns: Topic, DATE, SPEAKERS, and RSVP. It lists three forums: 'Florida Legislative Preview' (Feb 13, 2025), 'Pay Gap, Caregiving & Economic Security' (March 6, 2025), and 'Gender and Race Equity in STEM' (April 3, 2025).

You will need to RSVP for each session individually. Once you RSVP you will receive a Zoom link for the session. If you have any questions, contact Mary Gatta, Co-Public Policy Director, AAUW Florida at: gatta.mary@gmail.com

COMING SOON Duchessa™

Apparel | Accessories | Home Décor

An evening event at Duchessa on April 10, 2025
All purchases will benefit AAUW!





Robert Cole joined the administrative team at Our Sister's Place in 2022. Our Sister's Place operates a thrift store and provides advocacy services for individuals impacted by domestic violence. In his role as executive director, he is responsible for all operational functions of the organization including marketing and fundraising. Cole has considerable experience working with charitable initiatives including founding a food pantry and a community garden. He is a past recipient of the Jefferson Award in recognition of his commitment to public service. Cole is a proud member of the Actors' Equity Association.

Please bring gently used clothes and accessories for men and women, household items, and furniture to be used for their thrift shop.



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR A SUCCESSFUL BENEFIT LUNCHEON!!!!

As is the tradition, silent auction items and the auction of baskets filled with goodies are prime features at our fundraisers. And that means we rely on members to gather suitable items. We will be collecting items at the February Branch meeting. Items are needed to fill twenty baskets, which are often organized around a theme. Wine, coffee, kitchen items, spa items, and pet items are examples of themed donations in the past. Gift cards are always desirable. If you have some you don't intend to redeem, put them to good use and donate them! Items that can be bid on individually in the silent auction are also needed. Letters are available for you to use in soliciting donations from businesses. Very kindly, Liz Shapiro is hosting the basket filling at her home. For questions or if you would like to participate in the basket fun, please contact [Liz Shapiro](#) or [Diane Cochran](#).



Thank you January Meeting



[DONATE NOW](#)



Donate to send girls to Tech Trek Florida STEM Camp

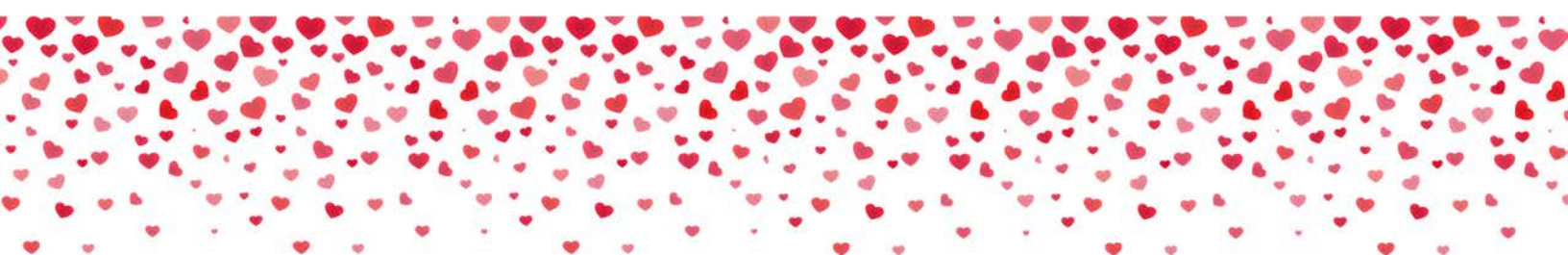


Deb Nelson, Susan Copperman, and Mary Zivanov (January's speaker) along with a Tech Trek camper and Shirley (VP of program)

Thank you to Mary Zivanov, Communications Coordinator for Florida Tech Trek, for providing the NPB branch an "inside, behind-the-scenes look" into the planning and execution of Tech Trek each summer. While the program itself takes place for a week in each of two Florida locations: FAU in Jupiter and Stetson in Deland, planning starts in early fall with extensive outreach to educators in Palm Beach County requesting that they nominate seventh grade girls who have an interest in pursuing STEM studies. Once nominated, girls must apply and participate in an interview process. At the same time, the team who runs the camp is busy putting together the curriculum for the week: core courses as well as more intensive workshops and evening programs, including Professional Women's Night. Each girl's participation in Tech Trek is 100% sponsored by AAUW so fundraising activities take place throughout the year to support as well. A highlight of Mary's session was hearing first hand from a Tech Trek 2023 alum who spoke about her participation and expressed her appreciation for having been afforded this valuable opportunity. Hearing her enthusiasm reinforces how important and how meaningful Tech Trek is.



Berry Fresh!





Northern Palm Beach County (FL) Branch

Empowering Women Since 1881

The Doris Karlik Scholarship for Women

\$500 to \$1,000

Deadline is **March 21, 2025** for Fall 2025 Award

Requirements:

1. Resident of Palm Beach County, FL
2. US Citizen, by birth or naturalization
3. Attending or planning to attend an accredited Florida college, university, or trade school as an undergraduate
4. 3.0 grade point average or higher (For high school seniors, your high school GPA. For college students, your college GPA only)
5. Submit a completed application form including personal statements
6. Submit an unofficial college (or high school, if you are a high school senior) transcript with your application

For Scholarship Application go to:

<http://northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net>

The Goal of American Association of University Women

AAUW (American Association of University Women) advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research, so all women have a fair chance in any endeavor.

American Association of University Women Northern Palm Beach County Charitable Foundation, Inc.

You are cordially invited!

45th Annual Gala Benefit Luncheon & Auction

Keynote Speaker
Mayor Chelsea Reed

Saturday, March 1, 2025 - 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

DoubleTree by Hilton - 4431 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens

\$70 per person (\$73 with credit card) -RSVP by February 21st

To: Ann Hutchins, 2207 Masterpiece Way, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410



Your support funds: Tech Trek Camps for 8th-grade girls, National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Doris Karlik Scholarships, and AAUW's National Mission



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\$25 may be tax-deductible.

Print and complete this form, and RSVP by February 21st, 2025, to Ann Hutchins, 2207 Masterpiece Way, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410. Include a check made payable to **NPBC AAUW Charitable Foundation, Inc.**

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Meal choice: Chicken Masala__ Teriyaki Salmon (GF) __ Pasta a la Verdure __

Please seat me with: _____ Total meals: _____

To pay by credit card: Email Cheryl Plotkin at aaunpbc@gmail.com with (1) how many of each meal choice you wish to purchase, (2) the total number of meals, and (3) your name, phone number and email. She will send you a confirmation email invoice into which you may securely enter your credit card information.

Additional donation \$_____. Can't attend? Your monetary contribution is appreciated! \$_____



American Association of University Women
Northern Palm Beach County (FL) Branch
Charitable Foundation Inc.

PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420

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March 1, 2025 - 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

DoubleTree Hilton

4331 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

Auction Donations:

I would be happy to provide the following prize/s for use in the Basket Auction and Silent Auction. I understand this donation is tax-deductible (based on the fair market value of the item) as allowable by law.

Company/Vendor/Individual _____

Item Description _____

Fair Market Value _____ Contact Person (please print) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Email _____ Signature _____

Please check one: _____ Item mailed OR _____ Item to be picked up by _____

Please specify when & where _____

Auction donors will receive the following:

- Listing as an auction sponsor in the program
Signage in the auction area

Complete this form and include it with donated items NO LATER THAN February 1, 2025

NPBC AAUW, PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420



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Advertisements in Event Program:

All ads must be provided as camera-ready PDF or jpeg files. Deadline for all ads is February 7, 2025. Email files to amandaMpierman@yahoo.com with your contact information.

Event Program Size: 5.5 inches wide x 8.5 inches high - with 1/2 inch margins

Full-page Color Ad - Dimensions 4.5 inches wide x 7.5 inches high- \$100

Half-page Color Ad - Dimensions 4.5 inches wide x 3.25 inches high - \$65

Quarter-page Color Business Card Ad - Dimensions 4.5 inches wide x 2.5 inches high - \$40

Donations in Support of Our Programs:

Cash Donation \$ _____ supporting:

- National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) / \$1,000 per students
- Florida Tech Trek/ \$1,100 per student
- Doris Karlik Local Scholarships/ \$500-\$1,000 per students
- AAUW National Programs

Payment Information:

Make checks payable to Charitable Foundation, Inc., NPBC AAUW. Mail with this form to PO BOx 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420. If you wish to pay by credit card, email Cheryll Plotkin at aauwnpbc@gmail.com. She will send you a confirmation email invoice into which you may securely enter your credit card information.

Ads: \$100 full page _____ \$65 half page _____ \$40 quarter page _____

Donations: Cash Donation Amount \$ _____

Total: \$ _____ Check Enclosed Send me an invoice to pay by credit card

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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Web:

<http://northernpalmbeachfl.aauw.net>

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/aaunpbc

Facebook Group:

www.facebook.com/groups/aaunpbc

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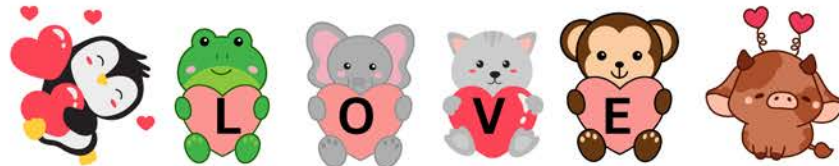
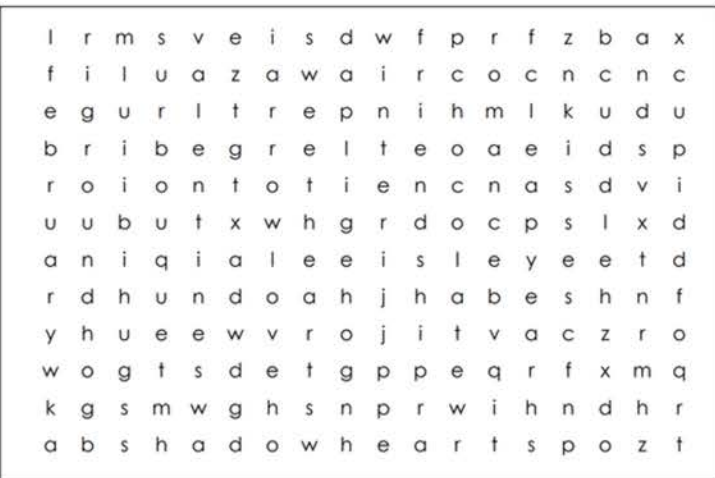
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- **June, 2025**– AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, We sponsor a junior female student from FAU Honors College to this annual event held at the University of Maryland.
- **June/July 2025** – Tech Trek Florida STEM camps at Stetson University and Florida Atlantic University, Jupiter for rising 8th grade girls.

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘



sweethearts
valentines
friendship
groundhog
chocolate
leap year
february

romance
bouquet
hearts
winter
kisses
cuddle
shadow

cupid
arrow
love
hugs

