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President's Message

Happy Thanksgiving to all.....hope you all will be joined by family and friends for a day of feasting and (probably) football!



Plan to join your fellow members and friends for a dynamic program on Monday, Nov. 17. Jennifer Sullivan of the Palm Beach County Cultural Council will be joining us to discuss the current situation for arts funding in the State.

We were treated to a fascinating topic, followed by Q &A, presented by Nicole Baganz, Assistant Director of the FAU Stiles-Nicholson Brain Institute, at our October meeting. Check out the website www.fau.edu/brain for more information on seminars, etc. There is so much to learn about the workings of our brains.

Welcome to new members..... Cindy Hughes Harris and Lisa Gustinelli!! Hope to see you at the Branch meetings, and the annual Holiday Party!

The March 7, 2026 LIFT Honors Luncheon plans are in full gear.....Susan Copperman, Chairman, is moving forward with great plans to increase attendance..... Please bring your donations of wine, gift cards, silent auction items to the November Branch meeting!

November Meeting



Jennifer Sullivan, Senior Vice President, Cultural Council for Palm Beach County

Jennifer Sullivan is a creative strategist, community leader, and an arts advocate with more than 25 years of experience. She is currently Senior Vice President of the Cultural Council for Palm Beach County where she manages a team that supports professional artists and cultural organizations through services that include exhibitions and performances, professional development, grants and funding, tourism marketing, and community engagement. Last year, she oversaw programs and services that provided a record \$12.4M in grants to cultural organizations and artists; generated \$40K in art sales; engaged 300 arts administrators in professional development workshops; served 300 families with arts enrichment; garnered 1.12M website visits; and earned 108M PR impressions for arts and culture.

Jennifer frequently travels to Tallahassee to advocate for funding and other important issues on behalf of the arts and tourism sectors. As part of the Cultural Council's executive team, she has extensive experience in strategic planning, budgeting and fundraising. She has also led the local arts agency through a rebrand, pandemic relief plan, and the development of an arts equity plan to guide the organization both internally and externally.

Previously, she held senior positions at O'Donnell Agency, a leading public relations firm with a roster of corporate clients around the Southeast; Ideabar, a marketing agency created inside The Palm Beach Post newspaper (owned by Cox Media Group); and the Community Foundation for Palm Beach & Martin Counties, a center for local philanthropy.

Jennifer is passionate about arts advocacy and service to the community. She currently serves on the board of Nonprofits First and the Education Advisory Board for the Village of Royal Palm Beach. Additionally, she is on the board of the new Multicultural Resource Center in Palm Beach County, and part of the communications committee for the Norton Museum of Art. She also enjoys speaking about the arts to various community and business groups.

A Florida native, Jennifer is a graduate of Florida Atlantic University and enjoys fishing, camping, and exploring state parks with her husband. She has two children attending Florida state colleges.



THANK YOU Nicole L. Baganz for your outstanding presentation at our October branch meeting!

~ Holiday ~ PARTY



Our Annual Holiday Party is Monday, December 8.....thanks to Liz Shapiro, this year's hostess with the "mostest" !! Join us to celebrate the Holiday season, at Liz's home, 8385 Ironhorse Court, West Palm Beach, from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Guests are welcome!!

It's a potluck.....members whose last name starts with **A through N**, please bring a **sweet item**. Those members whose last name starts with **O through Z**, please bring a **savory item**. Please bring your own alcoholic beverage.

Please email Liz at cookrag@aol.com to RSVP, let her know if you are bringing a guest, your driver's name for gate access and what food you will be bringing. Also, please let her know if you can assist with clean up after the party.

Please bring a book to the party suitable for our adopted class of 3 and 4 year olds at the Hispanic Human Resources Council's Child Development Center.



On behalf of the Northern Palm Beach County branch of AAUW, we are delighted to invite you to the annual LIFT Benefit Luncheon honoring Former Florida Chief Justice Barbara Pariente. In keeping with AAUW's mission to promote gender equity for girls and women, we are proud to celebrate Justice Pariente who, over the course of her stellar career, has LIFTed others by living a Lifetime Inspiring Future Trailblazers. The luncheon will be held on **Saturday, March 7, 2026**, at the DoubleTree Palm Beach Gardens from 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM.

There are several ways to register for the event.

- To secure your seat today, please take a moment now to visit the registration page by clicking [here](https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/aauws-lift-benefit-luncheon). The link can also be accessed by entering the following into your web browser: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/aauws-lift-benefit-luncheon>. If you would like to secure seats for yourself and others, you may register for multiple people by adding the corresponding number of luncheon entrees.
- If you would like to sponsor a table, please click [here](#).
- If paying by check, please make it payable to Charitable Foundation, Inc. NPBC AAUW, and mail it to PO Box 32043; Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420-2043.

For more information, questions, or support with registration, please contact Susan Copperman at 646.673.3380 or via email at scopperman@gmail.com.

Finally, please share this invitation with anyone you know who would also like to celebrate Justice Pariente.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Jane Wattick, President
Susan Copperman, Luncheon Chair





The 2026 AAUW NPBC **Doris Karlik Local Scholarship**

Application season is now open. We encourage our members to provide [this](#) application to interested female citizens from Palm Beach County. You may also go to our [website](#) under "Scholarships and Awards" for additional information and a link to the application.

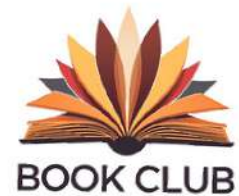
Scholarship winners will be announced in the Spring and invited to our May dinner.

If anyone is willing to serve as Scholarship Chair, or wishes to serve on the scholarship committee, please contact Jane Wattick.



FUN FACTS ABOUT NOVEMBER!

- November got its name from the Latin word novem, meaning "nine," because it was the ninth month in the ancient Roman calendar.
- November is the last month of the fall season in the Northern Hemisphere
- November's birthstones are topaz and citrine.
- The birth flower for November is the chrysanthemum
- The first medical school for women opened in Boston on November 1, 1848
- British archaeologist Howard Carter discovered King Tut's tomb on November 4, 1922
- November's Zodiac Signs are:
 - Scorpio: October 23 to November 21
 - Sagittarius: November 22 to December 20
- November's full moon, known as the Beaver Moon
- Two U.S. presidents share a birthday. James Polk (1795) and Warren Harding (1865) were both born on November 2, exactly 70 years apart
- November 1, 1800 – John Adams Becomes First President to Live in the White House
- Nov. 2, 1936 – The World's First Regular Public Television Service Launched
- Nov. 5, 1605 – Guy Fawkes Attempts Gun Powder Plot in England
- Nov. 8, 1895 – X-Rays were discovered by Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen
- Nov. 26, 1863 – First 'Official' Thanksgiving Following Lincoln's Proclamation
- President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address; Nov. 19, 1863.
- Publishers released Charles Darwin's "Origin of Species"; Nov. 24, 1859



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January 8 - Shirley Koo

The Lion Women of Tehran
Marian Kamali



February 12 - Susan Copperman

The World Played Chess
Robert Dugoni



March 12 - Doris Noble

Marriage at Sea
Sophie Elmhirst



Contact:

Shirley Koo at

tcccny12@gmail.com



January 29, 2026, 10am to noon at the Norton Museum to see the Rembrandt exhibit. More information to come!





It's Time for My Vote!

In November, AAUW is kicking off It's Time For My Vote!, our nonpartisan voter engagement campaign. To amplify this work, AAUW is pleased to announce that we are a Power Partner with the League of Women Voters on Unite & Rise 8.5 – alongside the National Council of Jewish Women.

Florida Legislative Preview **November 18, 2025 (6pm); Registration Info Below.**

The Florida Legislative Session starts early this year. We will be going to Tallahassee for Lobby Days on Monday, January 26th and departing on January 28th.

Participants will be able to spend the night on the 26th and the 27th with a subsidy from the state budget for half the hotel rate. They will be provided with materials to take to their legislators' offices.

Specific group activities will be dependent on the legislative schedule for that week, but we always try to visit and encourage the legislators who support our public policy principles. We will have a last-minute training session on Monday night and a dinner together at a restaurant on Tuesday evening. There will also be an allowance for travel based on mileage. Even with these subsidies, there will be considerable expense for lobby day's participants, so branches are encouraged to help these people with their expenses if possible.

In addition to Tallahassee lobby days, we are encouraging lobbying at home where groups from branches contact their local legislators (or legislative aides) during the times they are available. Approaching lawmakers with our agenda will count towards the Public Policy star, a part of the national AAUW Five Star program.

Don't forget about the Florida legislative preview on Tuesday November 18th at 6:00 PM. This is not just for lobby days participants, as we should all be aware of what the Florida legislature is doing.

**NOVEMBER 18,
2025
6:00 PM**

**FLORIDA
LEGISLATIVE
PREVIEW**

Please register for the Forum
at <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/riFGhaSERpaWuLGzNL7yMw>
Questions? Contact Public Policy Director, [Pat DeWitt, Ph.D.](#)

Barbara J. Pariente

Justice Pariente's legal and judicial career has spanned over 50 years. She retired from the Florida Supreme Court in 2019, ending a 21 year career as a Supreme Court Justice. She served as Chief Justice from 2004-2006. She has been a Floridian since 1973 when after law school graduation she clerked for a federal district court judge.

After her judicial clerkship, Justice Pariente settled in West Palm Beach, where she practiced civil trial litigation. She was also involved with her local Legal Aid Society and a founding member of the Palm Beach County Florida Association for Women Lawyers.

In September 1993, Justice Pariente was appointed to the Fourth District Court of Appeal, where she served until her appointment as the seventy-seventh Justice of the Florida Supreme Court on December 10, 1997. During her time on the Supreme Court, she worked to improve methods for handling cases involving families and children in the courts.

Justice Pariente was inducted into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame in 2008. She is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including most the American College of trial Lawyers' Justice Sandra Day O'Connor Award which recognizes a judge for their exemplary judicial independence. She received the Palm Beach County Jewish Federation's Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998 and the Jewish Museum's "Breaking the Glass Ceiling" award in 2002.

Justice Pariente is married to the Frederick A. Hazouri, who retired in January 2013 as a judge of the Fourth District Court of Appeal and who served as a mediator until 2025. Together, they have three married children, eleven grandchildren and one great grandchild. In 2003, Justice Pariente shared her successful treatment for breast cancer with the public, in hopes of promoting greater awareness of this disease.



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If you would like a copy of our current directory, please request it via email [here](#).

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- Baskets
- Silent Auction Items
- Programs
- Set up
- Selling tickets for raffle:
- Helping to check out winners:

Your help is needed for our 2026 Benefit Luncheon held on Saturday, March 7, 2026.

If you are interested in any of the following activities or positions, please click [here](#) to email your interest and availability.



For members and their guests who prefer to purchase their luncheon tickets or make donations for our event with a check, please complete the form and mail with your check payable to Charitable Foundation Inc to our PO Box.


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

46th Annual Benefit Luncheon & Auction

Honoree and Keynote Speaker
Barbara Pariente,
Former Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court

Saturday, March 7, 2026 - 11:30 am to 2:30 pm DoubleTree
by Hilton - 4431 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens
\$75 per person - RSVP by February 15 th
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Use credit card registration link on website or checks with form below

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\$25 may be tax-deductible.

Print and complete this form, and RSVP by February 15 2026, to PO Box 32043, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420-2043 Include a check made payable to Charitable Foundation, Inc. NPBC AAUW

Name _____ Tel _____

Address _____

Email: _____

Chicken Piccata _____ Salmon with Dill Sauce _____ Vegetarian _____

Total Number of Meals _____ Special needs? _____

Who to sit with? _____

Can't attend or wish an additional donation. Your monetary contribution is appreciated! \$ _____ Program Preference? _____



Doris Karlik Scholarship for Women

Application Information

Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,000. Next deadline is March 20, 2026. There is no fee to apply.

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 for **undergraduate** study.
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 (see page two).
6. Submit an unofficial college (or high school if you are a high school senior) transcript with your application.
7. Have two individuals directly submit a letter of reference, well before the deadline, one of which should be from a teacher or professor.

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY U.S. MAIL BY MARCH 20, 2026.

Grade point averages and funding sources will be verified before final awards are made. Personal interviews may be required by the scholarship committee. Awards will be made based on GPA, written personal statement of career goals, demonstrated financial need and family responsibilities. Recipients will be announced in April. Scholarship funds will be available beginning with the fall semester of the 2026--2027 school year.

All application materials are for internal use only. No information will be shared with any other organization.

Send Completed Application To: AAUW Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 32043
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33420

To Download Scholarship Application go to: <http://northernpalmbeach-fl.aauw.net>

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The American Association of University Women has been the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls since 1881. Our Northern Palm Beach branch was established in 1959 and was a driving force behind the creation of the North Palm Beach Library in 1969. Today we're part of a community of more than 170,000 AAUW members and supporters nationwide – Tenacious and trailblazing women working for equity.

Together we can achieve a vision of equal opportunity for all.

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Amount of Award \$500-\$1,000

Deadline is March 20, 2026

Name: _____

College Student ID#: _____

Address: _____
Street City County Zip Code

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth _____

Marital Status: _____ No of Children: _____ Ages: _____

U.S. Citizen: _____ Yes _____ No Naturalization Date: _____

I will be a: _____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior Expected Graduation Date: _____

College Major: _____ College Minor: _____

GPA: _____ Credit Hours completed to date: _____

College/University where scholarship funds will be used: _____

Previous Education: School Location Years Attended Graduation Date

High School _____

Community College/College _____

Volunteer Work _____

Employment history _____

1. In 300 words or less, please attach a personal statement including your career goals, and how you plan to achieve your goals.
2. In 300 words or less, please attach a statement of why you need a scholarship. Include current resources (i.e. means of support, employment status, unusual circumstances, funding sources). List dollar amounts received for scholarships, assistantships, grants, other money sources (including amount of college loans).

I authorize the release of this application and any supporting information involved in the selection of scholarship recipients.

Signature _____

Date _____

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Famous Women's birthday in November

- Marie Curie: November 7, 1867
- Grace Kelly: November 12, 1929
- Scarlett Johansson: November 22
- Emma Stone: November 6
- Whoopi Goldberg: November 13
- Christina Applegate: November 25

AAUW Members' Birthday

- MJ Range: November 3rd
- Suzanne Herzing: November 15th
- Randi Hausner: November 24th



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