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# DECEMBER

## Quick Calendar Glance

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### May, 2026

- National Conference for College Women Student Leaders

### June/July 2026

- Tech Trek



## This & Next month's books

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The Overstory  
Richard Powers



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The Lion Women of Tehran  
Marian Kamali



# President's Message

Wishing you all the very best for the Holiday Season.....a time to be thankful for all our families and the friends we have made through AAUW. The good work we accomplish through AAUW, benefiting young women in our community, is a reflection of our values and commitment to the future. As we reflect on the past year, and look forward to 2026, take a moment to congratulate yourselves on the fine work we have done. And be sure to join us on Monday, Dec. 8, for our holiday celebration and some good cheer.

Happy Holidays and all good wishes for a Happy New Year!





# 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 of FINGER FOOD!.....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 4 and 5 year olds at the Hispanic Human Resources Council's Child Development Center.

Can't attend, but have books, call Judy @ 561-389-0714

OUT &  
ABOUT



January 29, 2026, 10am to noon at the Norton Museum to see the Rembrandt exhibit. You need to book your ticket online for the 10-noon slot, and then meet at the front doors to the Norton at 10! Think about carpooling as parking can be tricky!



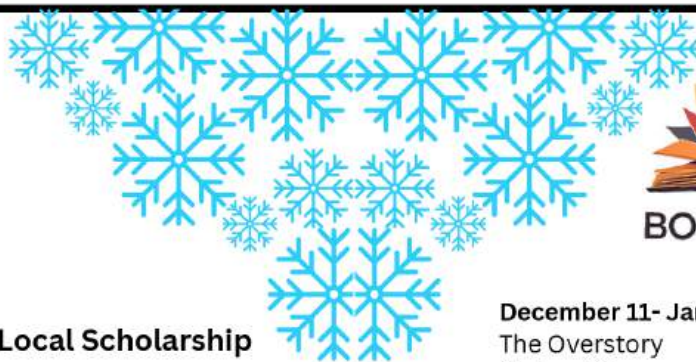
Art and Life in Rembrandt's Time is a landmark exhibition of more than 75 works from The Leiden Collection — one of the world's foremost private collections of 17th-century Dutch art. It is the largest exhibition of privately held Dutch 17th-century paintings ever organized in the United States. Among the highlights are over a dozen astounding paintings by Rembrandt van Rijn and the only painting by Johannes Vermeer in a private collection.

Read more - click [here](#)

Click [here](#) to buy your tickets!

Interested in running for an officer position for the AAUW FL State offices - click [here](#). For more info or to apply, please contact Gloria Hilton at [glorialhilton@verizon.net](mailto:glorialhilton@verizon.net)





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.

YOU ARE  
*Invited*

Activities at The Benjamin School  
Please contact [Amanda Pierman](#) for  
more information.

BENJAMIN HALL  
THE BENJAMIN UPPER SCHOOL CAMPUS

Friday, December 6, 2024 \* 6:30 p.m.

Free Admission  
For more INFORMATION CALL  
**561-472-5998**

Friday, December 13th at 3 pm



30<sup>th</sup> Annual Variety Show!  
January 24, 2026  
Click [here](#) for tickets



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The Overstory  
Richard Powers



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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



**Bridge Group**



Contact:  
Shirley Koo at  
[tcccn12@gmail.com](mailto:tcccn12@gmail.com)

*thanks  
for your  
support*



AAUW Treasurer, Cheryl Plotkin presents a check to the NPB Library, received by Julie Morrell, in appreciation for their service and support.



*thank you*

Jennifer Sullivan, Senior Vice President,  
Cultural Council for Palm Beach County, for a  
great November meeting!



## 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.



LIFETIME OF INSPIRING  
FUTURE TRAILBLAZERS

**AAUW**

# March 7, 2026

Gala Luncheon supporting- NPBC  
Charitable Foundation.  
DoubleTree Hotel,  
Palm Beach Gardens.

*get!*  
YOUR  
**TICKETS**

*Click Here*



**CONTACT**



**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](#).

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

## BRANCH BROCHURE

**CLICK HERE**







# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



## HELP!

- 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.

Want to advertise in the luncheon's program? Click [here](#)!

Want to donate to our program and causes? Click [here](#)!

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 for Charitable Foundation Inc.

Use credit card registration link on website or checks with form below



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 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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### **About AAUW**

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.**

[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)





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 \_\_\_\_\_





**Web:**

<http://northernpalmbeachfl.aauw.net>

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**Famous Women's birthday in December**

- Britney Spears: 2nd 1981
- Taylor Swift: 13th 1989
- Catherine of Aragon: 16th 1485
- Christina Aguilera: 18th 1980
- Julianne Moore: 3rd 1960
- Judi Dench: 9th 1934

**AAUW Members' Birthday**

- Lonnie Ehmann - 4th
- Jacquie Balaschak - 20th
- Francine Mantyh - 21st
- Liz Shapiro - 25th
- Mary Jane Saunders - 27th



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