



Orlando *** Winter Park BRANCHLINE

APRIL PROGRAM



Christine Mouton, President
AAUW Orlando-Winter Park

Christine Mouton is an Assistant Manager of the UCF Police Department and Director of UCF Victim Services.

Christine has over 20 years of experience as crisis responder, most recently responding to Las Vegas and coordinating staff for response to Parkland.

Christine will be sharing her experiences and allowing us insight into what is required when responding to mass casualty events.

GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY
April 14, 2018
9 a.m.

**First Congregational Church of
Winter Park**
225 S. Interlachen Avenue
(at New England Ave.)
Winter Park, FL 32789

\$18.00 per person
Reservations Required

RSVP: Diana Secor
407-929-3735
(Voice or text)
Dianasecoraaauw@gmail.com

Cash or check
payable at the door
(Checks should be made out to
"AAUW Orlando/Winter Park")

Or mail your check to:
Diana Secor
4153 Leafy Glade Place
Casselberry, FL 32707

You are responsible for
payment in full if you do not
keep your reservation.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

In order for the Church to purchase
the correct amount of food, your
reservation must be received no later than
Thursday, April 12, at 3 p.m.

THE COST OF THE BREAKFAST IS NOW \$18.

From the President

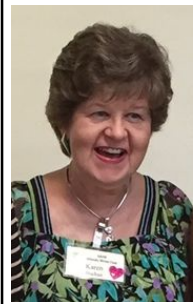


Dear AAUW Members,
First and foremost, thank you to Myra Gaziano and her team for the great literary luncheon held at the Interlachen Country Club on March 17.

The hard work, planning and coordination was outstanding. Thank you to all our members and friends who attended the event and made contributions to AAUW via our silent auction baskets created by Rosemary Vendena and, of course, our 50/50 which was over \$300 before the split. We hope to continue with this location for our future Literary Lunches as the served meal was superior to buffet service. Again, thank you Myra and team for a great event.

Christine Mouton
President

Scholarships



Twenty applications for our Orlando/Winter Park Branch Scholarships were received this year. The applications are being reviewed and the recipients will be announced in the May Branchline and invited to attend the May meeting.

Karen Buchan



The Branchline is moving! More information to come. . .

From the VP Membership



TIME TO RENEW YOUR AAUW MEMBERSHIP

Just a reminder that your 2018–2019 AAUW dues are due by July 1, 2018, so that there is no break in your membership. Your current membership will end on June 30, 2018. Make your check out for \$85 to AAUW Orlando / Winter Park and present your dues check at the April or May breakfast meeting, or you can mail your dues to:

Marcy Kysilka
2837 Lake Baldwin Lane, Apt. B104
Orlando, FL 32814

Wonder about your Membership dues? AAUW national membership dues are \$59, of which \$56 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution. The remaining \$3 is not

tax deductible because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's Section 501(c)(4) Capitol Hill Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities. Student dues are \$18.81, of which \$16.81 is tax deductible and \$2 is not. AAUW national life membership is \$1,180 and is fully tax deductible. \$12 of your dues goes to Florida State AAUW and \$14 to your local AAUW Orlando/Winter Park Branch.

If you are not sure of your membership status, contact Marcy Kysilka at 407-855-3321 or kysilka@bellsouth.net

Please update your membership list with Joan Agnew's new email address: Joanagnew39@gmail.com.

Beulah Ali-Carr

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SAVE THE DATES!

April 22-24, 2018
2018 AAUW

FL. STATE CONVENTION
Stepping Forward Together
Hyatt Regency Sarasota

Wednesday, June 6
12 noon to 1 p.m.
PACE Fundraiser
at Leu Gardens

Contact Judy McDonald if
you hear of any member who
is ill, having surgery, experi-
enced a loss, etc.

Judy McDonald
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"I got 2 years for filing false returns, but I
did save a bundle by doing my own taxes."

Interest Groups



It is time to think about what kind of special interest groups you would like to see in our AAUW Orlando/WP Branch next year. Contact me if you are interested in starting a new group.

I will be retiring at the end of this AAUW membership year

and want to thank the Special Interests Group Leaders for organizing so many great events all year long. The last two years have been a breeze with leaders who knew what they needed to do each month—with little help from me.

Barbara Buchele

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MEA CULPA (My Bad)

Last month's calendar accidentally omitted the last three days of March. Old Timer's Disease? Multitaskitis? The answer is simple. Since February had 28 days, then the dates in March would be identical. So I copied the calendar from February, but forgot to add in the last three days for March. And to make matters even worse, Good Friday and Passover also disappeared along with those three days. We don't know whether to feel relieved or disappointed that only one person noted the omission.

So in an attempt to mitigate our own mistake, we decided to look back in history to find other calendar blunders that were a lot worse!

Go to page 7 and have yourself a good chuckle (we all need one about now).

Interest Groups

Lunching Out

DATE: Monday, April 9

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: TBA

The Lunching Out Group meets on the second Monday of each month. We seek out interesting (often ethnic) non-chain, family-owned restaurants.

If you would like to join us, call or email me to get on the contact list.

Linda Fessel

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Foreign Affairs

Jo-Ann McCaffrey 407-841-3640

JoAnnRoux327@gmail.com

When: Sunday, April 22

Time: 2 p.m.

Topic: **U.S. GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT AND THE MILITARY**

We will be meeting at the home of:

Karen Deo

3901 Orange Lake Drive

Orlando, Florida 32817

Telephone: 407-679-6186

Karen.deo@gmail.com

Don't forget your RSVP to Karen.

Foreign Films

At the Home of

Linda Fessel

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Call me at the number or e-mail shown above if you would like to be added to the list in order to receive more information about each movie. If you're a new attendee, please call me in advance for directions.

Next film (TBA) will be on April 30.

Linda Fessel

Dining Out At Night

When: Tuesday, April 10

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: Pannullo's

216 South Park Avenue

RSVP: Susan Hoke

If you would like to be added to the Dining Out email list, contact:

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BEGINNERS WELCOME

Mah Jongg meets every Thursday except the 2nd Thursday of each month (to accommodate those MahJonggers who also participate in the Walking Group).

Contact Linda or Karen for more information.

Linda & Karen

Current Issues

We will meet on Mon., April 16, at Westminster Winter Park, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the fireside room, located in the lobby area of the Towers. Bring your own lunch; coffee and tea are provided.

Topic: Issues of International Health Travel, presented by Leslie Lieberman.

**THE GROUP WELCOMES
NEW MEMBERS.**

Marcy Kysilka

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Dining In

When: Fri., April 6, 2018

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Home of

RSVP: Adrienne Katz

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407-636-6282

Please contact Chair Jane Rosen for information on this group:

Jane Rosen

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Cooking Globally

The next Cooking Globally dinner is scheduled for Friday, April 20, 6:30 p.m., Club 24, 1824 Summerfield Road, Winter Park. The theme country is Sri Lanka. For more information and to attend, please contact Rana Tiwari: ranatiwari@usa.net.

New members are always welcome to join this interest group.

Karen Buchan

Interest Groups

Booklovers

We are downsizing the Branchline so please consult your Reading List for this year to get a brief introduction for the titles we'll read this month.

Most Booklovers will read *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead.

Booklovers I will read *Beneath White Stars* by Holly Mandelkern

Booklovers VII will read *It Can't Happen Here* by Sinclair Lewis.

Ballots for next year's Reading List are in and the list will be published shortly. Happy reading!

(If you would like to join one of our Booklovers groups, please contact Ellen James, Booklovers Coordinator.)

Ellen James

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Theater Group

If you want to attend a show with this group, contact Jean Bubriski or buy tickets near Jean and meet her at the theater.

Thursday, April 5, 2018

7:30 p.m.

Mad Cow Theater

A View From The Bridge

By Arthur Miller



**An American tragedy, Greek in scale, Italian in heritage.
A story of immigration, lust, and the American dream.**

A working-class Italian-American couple sees the coming-of-age of their niece. The hushed arrival of illegal immigrant cousins causes tensions to rise. Friction between characters becomes violent, strained by clashing cultures and sexual identity. Published in 1955 shortly after Arthur Miller's defiance of McCarthyism and conviction for contempt of court, this play debates heritage, patriarchy, and the American Dream. *A View From The Bridge* is an American time capsule, echoing our current cultural climate.

Mad Cow Theater Box Office: (407-297-8788)

Ask for a seat near Jean Bubriski at B-7.



Saturday, April 28, 2018

2 p.m.

Annie Russell Theater

Rollins College

9 to 5: The Musical

Based on the 1980 hit movie, *9 to 5* is a joyful musical comedy about female friendship – the kind of friendship that inspires you to stand up for yourself, find love, or follow a dream!

Co-workers Violet, Judy, and Doralee fantasize about getting even with their sexist boss, Mr. Hart. In a hilarious turn of events, their fantasies turn into a scheme to rid Consolidated Companies of Mr. Hart for good and give the whole business the makeover it so desperately needs! With loveable characters and songs you love, *9 to 5* is bull-headed besties in bell-bottom suits.

Annie Russell Box Office: (407) 646-2145

Jean has tickets J101 & J102.

Jean Bubriski

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949-278-7293 (phone or text)

Interest Groups

Museums & Galleries

The March Museum and Gallery Group was treated to an archival view of historical AAUW albums that are stored at the Orlando Regional History Center. Dr. Adam Ware shared with us some information about how documents are stored and insights into the local culture reflected in the AAUW materials. Phyllis Hall, our AAUW historian, was also in attendance and added to our understanding of the stored materials.

In April, we hope to visit the Eldora historic home preserved at the Canaveral National Seashore site accessed from New Smyrna Beach. The tentative date is Wednesday, April 11. Lunch in New Smyrna to follow.

If anyone has a National Park pass, bring it along and everyone in the car enters free of charge. Look for an April email with more details.

Get out there!

Pat Wilson

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The Eldora State House is the last remaining home from a resort community that flourished on the shore of Mosquito Lagoon between 1900 and the late 1930s. The home was restored and opened to the public in 1999.



On New Year's Day, just about every corner of the world flipped a calendar in accordance with the system commissioned by Pope Gregory XIII in the 1580s. Contracts, leases and birthday candle production all depend on the Gregorian agreement that the year begins on Jan. 1 and lasts exactly 365

days, 5 hours, 49 minutes and 12 seconds. Even in cultures that maintain their traditional calendars as well, smartphones all ticked over to 2018 on the same day.

As the Julian calendar marked the passing of century after century, its shortcoming became clearer. The years were about 10 minutes too long, thus losing about three days every 400 years. That was not slippage that anyone would notice in a lifetime, but by the 16th century, it had added up. The dates were about 10 days misaligned with solstices, church festivals and other seasonal markers. In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII decided that a tweak was due.

But it took some of us longer than others to fall into line behind the good Gregory's celestial timekeeping. The British and their American colonies did not like the idea of having their dates dictated by the Catholic Church and

so stuck with the previous calendar makeover, the one done by Julius Caesar in 45 B.C. They waited until 1752, by which time the more wobbly Julian calendar was off track by 11 whole days.

That year, to line up with the Gregorian system, the Brits and Americans lopped 11 days out of September in one chunk. At one second after midnight on Sept. 2 it became Sept 14. Everyone's birthday shifted accordingly. George Washington, who was born on Feb. 11, 1732, celebrated his 20th—and each subsequent one—on Feb. 22, a change that mattress and furniture stores observe to this day.

"There were riots in Britain that year," said Denis Feeney, a classics professor at Princeton University. "People wanted their 11 days back."

Calendar management—which is essentially applying a man-made template over the movement of the Earth relative to the sun or the moon—has been a maintenance chore for humanity since the dawn of, well, dawns. (We may need to do it again around the year 4,000, so don't make any appointments beyond then just yet.)

Steve Hedrix (*Retropolis*)

**March 17, 2018
17th Literary Luncheon
Interlachen Country Club**



AAUW Member, Holly Mandelkern, was our speaker for this year's Literary Luncheon. She spoke about her recently published book—*Beneath White Stars: Holocaust Profiles in Poetry*. In the picture on right, Holly holds one of many illustrations from her book by Byron Marshall.



Above: Interlachen Country Club: A beautiful venue for our event.

Left: Holly relaxes after a wonderful presentation.

Right: Myra Gaziano, Literary Luncheon Chair, thanks those who contributed to the success of this event.



Interest Groups

Walking Group

Join the *Ladies of the Sneakers* as we return to New Smyrna Beach for another of those famous Hannah Bonnet walking tours. The walking group enjoyed Barbara Zafuto leading us along Canal Street and Flagler Avenue in character as the 1950s' first female mayor of NSB. Hannah is back with a new tour.

On the morning of Thursday, April 12, we'll walk along Riverside Drive as we listen to Hannah's stories of New Smyrna's historic homes and old wharf. The cost for this walking tour is \$10, which supports the New Smyrna Beach Museum.

Lunch will follow at the Corkscrew Bar and Grill on Canal Street.

For more information or to sign up for this walk, contact Missy Baker (407) 644-5661 or bakerworks@gmail.com before Friday, April 6. Also, let her know if you will attend the walk and the lunch. Attendees will receive an email with all the details early that week.

For more information about the Walking Group, contact:
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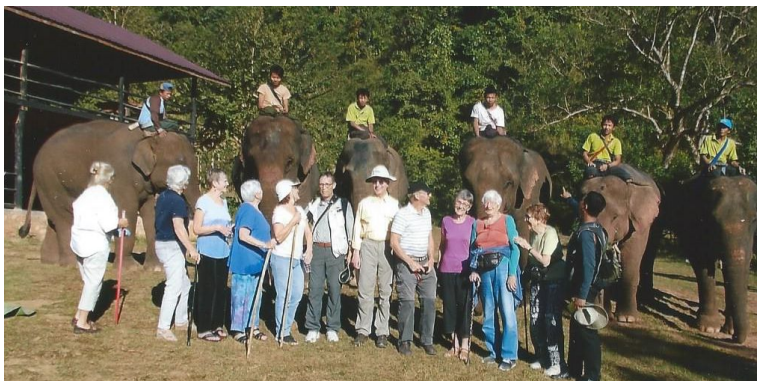


Barbara Zafuto as Her Honor Mayor Hannah Bonnet



Touring Stetson University in Deland on a chilly March 8.

From Our Members



Our member—and fellow walker—Pearl Steele, has walked pretty much on every continent. These pictures are from her most recent trip to Burma (one of her former residences).

Above: Can you spot Pearl?

Upper right: Those shack-like buildings are actually a hotel!

Bottom right: A dog in the street appears totally unimpressed by the identically-garbed ladies. (Pearl swears the dog was alive!)



APRIL 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Easter April Fools' Day	2	3 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers I <u>6:30</u> Board Mtg.	4 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IX <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers II <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VII	5 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	6 <u>7 p.m.</u> Dining In	7
8	9 <u>11:30 a.m.</u> Lunching Out	10 <u>1:30 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VI <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Dining Out	11 <u>9 a.m. thru</u> <u>lunch</u> Museums/ Galleries	12 <u>9 a.m. thru</u> <u>lunch</u> Walking Grp <u>7 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VIII	13	14 <u>9 -11 a.m.</u> General Meeting
15	16 <u>10 a.m.-1 p.m.</u> Current Issues	17 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers V	18	19 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers X <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	20 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IV <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Cooking Globally	21
22 <u>2 p.m.</u> Foreign Affairs Earth Day	23	24	25	26 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	27	28
29	30 <u>1-4</u> Foreign Films					

Did You Know . . . ?

Coca Cola was originally green.

Mexican General Santa Ana had an elaborate state funeral for his amputated leg.

"I am." is the shortest complete sentence in English.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history: Spades=King David; Clubs=Alexander the great; Hearts=Charlemagne; Diamonds=Julius Caesar.

The term "the whole 9 yards" came from WWII fighter pilots in the South Pacific. When arming their airplanes on the ground, the .50 caliber machine gun ammo belts measured exactly 27 feet, before being loaded into the fuselage. If the pilots fired all their ammo at a target, it got "the whole

9 yards."

The phrase "rule of thumb" is derived from an old English law which stated that you couldn't beat your wife with anything wider than your thumb.

The nursery rhyme "Ring Around the Rosey" is about the plague. Infected people with the plague would get red circular sores ("Ring around the rosey . . ."). These sores would smell very badly so common folks would put flowers on their bodies somewhere (inconspicuously) to cover the smell of the sores (" . . . A pocket full of posies . . ."). People who died from the plague would be burned to reduce the spread of the disease ("ashes, ashes, we all fall down!")

What do bullet proof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and printers all have in common? They were all invented by women.