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NOVEMBER PROGRAM

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Program Manager

**Retired & Senior Volunteer Program
(RSVP)**

"Be An Agent of Change"

RSVP builds volunteer experiences that mobilize and inspire caring adults – 55 and better – to make Central Florida a stronger community. We create programs that foster civic engagement by activating and educating people to be agents of change. We believe that the best way to meet the pressing needs of Central Florida is through meaningful volunteer experiences that have a proven impact on volunteers and the communities they serve.

Through service, we educate volunteers, creating engaged and compassionate citizens. Through partnership, we support local community organizations in achieving their mission goals. Through commitment to excellence, we open the door to philanthropy for corporations.

Following comprehensive training, **RSVP** volunteers work in programs that are designed to meet critical needs in the Central Florida community:

1. Early literacy skills (reading to and with 3- and 4-year old children);
2. Educational success (mentoring children and adolescents 7 to 15 years old);
3. Prevention of childhood obesity (working with Nemours Children's Clinic and Orlando Health professionals to (1) provide comprehensive services to teens with chronic conditions resulting from unhealthy habits and (2) teach teens living in impoverished conditions how to make healthy lifestyle choices viable within their environment;
4. Disaster preparedness (develop disaster preparedness plans for small non-profit organizations and businesses).

GENERAL MEETING

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 10, 2012
9 a.m.**

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

**\$15.00 per person
Reservations Required**

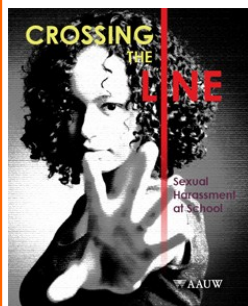
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keep your reservation.**

From the President's Desk

During the past few weeks, the issues of cyber-bullying and sexual harassment in our schools has blatantly attracted my attention. At my workplace, I reviewed two



grant requests to fund anti-cyber-bullying programs for youth in middle schools. I read AAUW's latest research report, *Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment at School*, and I noticed a poster highlighting that October is national anti-bullying month. "Hello" if that wasn't

enough, the startling "bullying" statistics and the dramatic effect that bullying has on the educational experience of millions of students, especially girls, left me quite shocked. Unfortunately, access to cell phones and the Internet has enabled bullying, especially cyber-bullying, to blast off far beyond the realm of the schoolyard. Nationally, AAUW is urging us to renew our commitment to help change the school climate so that all students can be free from this harassing burden that negatively impacts their educational performance.

Our branch, through the work of Dr. Maria Santana, College/University Partner Representative, is on the pulse of this issue and has been active in taking steps to combat this problem. In 2011, Santana's Women's Studies Department at the University of Central Florida (UCF) received funds from AAUW National to study bullying and sexual harassment in schools, and to implement the program, *Leading Out Loud* (LOL), which brought over 140

fifth-graders from Seminole County Schools to UCF for a one-day mentoring/training session on anti-bullying practices. Although the funding ended in May, the work continues in three Seminole County Schools. It is with pride that we can all say that our branch, through the partnership with UCF, is striving to end bullying and sexual harassment in our schools. Kudos to Dr. Santana and her Women's Studies Department Team for a job well done!

With the same spirit of working to help our youth have a better tomorrow, our branch will be hosting the annual PACE Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 15. This wonderful holiday celebration gives us an opportunity to tour the PACE Center as well as provide a festive feast for the girls and their families. Please be generous with your time and resources to make this the best holiday celebration for the girls. Special thanks are extended to Pat Stamm and Barbara Knapp for their ongoing leadership and coordination of activities and dedication to the girls at PACE.

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, I reflect on the many things for which I am truly grateful. At the top of my list is all of the help and support you have given to me in my new role as president, as well as for all you do for our branch. With that, my wish for all of you is a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday - enjoyed in the warmth and comfort of family and friends.

Myra Gaziano, President
AAUW Orlando-Winter Park

Minutes from October 13, 2012 General Meeting

President Myra Gaziano welcomed fifty-eight members and guests at a regular breakfast meeting on Saturday, October 13. Everyone was eager to hear the guest speakers, Ann Hellmuth and Michele Levy from Orange County League of Women Voters. They gave a presentation summarizing the ten Florida Constitution amendments which will be on our ballots this year. Voter guides prepared by the League were distributed. President Myra Gaziano presented certificates of appreciation to the speakers which represent a new tradition for our Branch. We will donate books to the PACE library bearing AUW bookplates honoring the guest speakers.

New membership directories for 2012-2013 were distrib-

uted to everyone attending.

Following the program presentation, we heard from Board members and committee leaders about all of the Branch activities. Barbara Buchele reported on the new members joining at the September Tea—and one who joined at the October meeting. Jean Walker summarized fundraising plans for this year. Florence Bacas Snow announced the date, January 14, 2013, for the LAF event, presentation of the film *The Invisible War*. Susan Hoke gave a Public Policy update. Martha Williamson summarized the special interest group activities, including new groups now being organized.

Rosemary Vendena for Missy Baker

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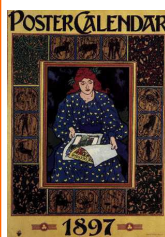
If you hear of any member who is ill, undergoing surgery, has experienced a loss, etc., please let our corresponding secretary know so that a card can be sent on a timely basis.



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Calendars

I am asking all members to collect any NEW 2012 calendars and bring them to the next AAUW function. These will be collected at Booklovers meetings or at the AAUW board meetings and forwarded to me. I will distribute these in early January to elderly and disabled adults in Winter Park who live on very minimal fixed incomes and would be delighted to have a free calendar in which to record appointments and outings.



Linda Hinckley



NOVEMBER 15, 2012—Annual PACE Thanksgiving luncheon (11 a.m.)

DECEMBER 8, 2012—Calling All Crafters for the Holiday Boutique. Want to sell your work/sales as part of a fundraiser for the Educational Foundation of AAUW? Friends and family can participate for a \$35 contribution to the EF funds. Get a table at our Holiday meeting to sell your creations! Call Jean Walker: 321-972 8561 or email jeanyiw@cfl.rr.com.

JANUARY 14, 2013 — The *Invisible War* at the University Club of Winter Park (7 p.m.)

MARCH 9, 2013 — Literary Luncheon at the University Club of Winter Park (11:30 a.m.)



Special Interest Groups

Our branch has 21 Special Interest Groups (8 are Booklovers). Join at least one and make new friends. Groups met throughout September and October. Several new ones are getting organized. Be part of structuring your group from the start so it meets your needs best.

We welcome Ginny Gillmer as leader of the Bridge group. Please read the notices from specific Interest Groups in this issue. Contact the Interest Group chairperson below to sign up and/or get information. If you do not receive a response within a week, please let me (Martha Williamson) know. 407 677-1186 bibliamor@aol.com

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Dining In Group: Chair Karen Buchan (407-427-3501) buchankg@webster.edu

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Garden Group: Chair Ann Winn (407 831-9685) harriswinn@hotmail.com

Museums/Galleries Group: Chair Dee Smith (407-876-4986) deedadocent@aol.com

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Progress for Women Group: Chair Abby Lemay (321-439-6994) alemay@stetson.edu

Social Tennis Group: Chair Marlene Freelove (407-803-2027) marlenefreelove@gmail.com

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Booklovers

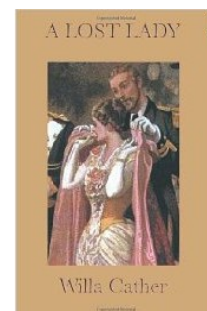
November Selection

I am delighted to announce that we have successfully launched two new book groups, Booklovers VII and VIII.

In November, all Booklovers groups will read and discuss *A Lost Lady* by Willa Cather. This short novel, written in 1923, tells the story of Marian Forrester and her husband, Captain Daniel Forrester, who live in the town of

Sweetwater along the Trans-continental Railroad. The novel is written mostly from the point of view of a young man, Niel Herbert, who witnesses the corruption of Mrs. Forrester's character, as well as the corruption of the West itself.

Nancy Osterberg





Dining Out

The Dining Out group will travel to Southwest Orlando in November. Watch for an email with the place and date. We go to smaller restaurants and meet at 11:30 a.m.

In October we went to Tommy Addison's on Orange Avenue in Orlando. We met the owner and told him the purpose of our visit. He was delighted. The food was good and reasonably priced. The conversation was both interesting and enlightening.

Come join us; meet our new members and reacquaint with friends. Please let me know if you will join us. Also, if you have a favorite restaurant in a different area of Orlando, send the information to me. (407-971-0565)
patsnpans@yahoo.com

Pat Stamm

Can you imagine Thanksgiving dinner today if the Pilgrims had landed in Africa instead of America? You ever try to stuff a hippopotamus?



Bridge



The AAUW bridge group is in the initial stages of organization! If you would like to participate, please email Ginny Gillmer: virginia.gillmer@gmail.com.

Foreign Films

At the Home of Linda Fessel
 407-677-0317
LFESSEL@embarqmail.com

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 movie (TBA) will be Monday, November 29 at 1 pm.

Museums/Galleries

Johnathan Walz will be our docent for a tour ("The Mysterious Content of Softness") at the Cornell Fine Arts Museum on the Rollins campus. The tour will be on Thursday, November 1 at 10:45 a.m.

The entry is free for members and \$5.00 for non-members.

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There is a Sun Trust Parking Garage on Park Avenue. If you bring your white slip to the Museum they will validate your parking.

Parking will be best in the parking garage just across Fairbanks from Rollins entrance.

Carpooling will be available for those who would like to park at the OMA (Orlando Museum of Art). Sonie Braun and I can each take three people, but be sure to contact us if you wish to carpool from the OMA. Others are also encouraged to park at OMA to share carpooling.

There will be lunch after the tour at the Cafe de France at 526 Park Avenue South.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THE TOUR AND ALSO LUNCH. I NEED A HEADCOUNT FOR BOTH.

Please e-mail or call me when you check your calendar.

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Foreign Affairs

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TOPIC: Indonesia

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INTEREST GROUPS (Continued)



The PACE **Thanksgiving Lunch** will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2012. Still needed: corn, sweet potato casserole, money for turkeys and supplies.

AAUW will once again provide **Miracle Boxes** (see page 7) for all the girls for the holidays. PACE



will be providing us an updated list of what could be included in these boxes. Plan to bring your boxes to the November branch meeting or to one of the Interest Groups. We need one or two

drivers to pick up the boxes at the Interest Groups and bring them to a common point.

According to PACE director, Dee Rosado-Chan, the Center is looking for people to be directly in-

involved with the girls in many different ways, including, but not limited to, tutoring in reading, math and biology, speaking to a small group of girls about an interesting career or hobby, doing crafts with a small group, demonstrating yoga or relaxation techniques. All ideas are appreciated.

Thanks to more money from the Booklovers Groups, AAUW will be buying PACE a special software package to list and categorize the books in the **PACE Library**. Volunteers are needed for the library group to scan the books, arrange the library, determine new books to be purchased, etc.

If you would like to be involved in PACE in any of these ways, please contact Pat Stamm, patsnpans@yahoo.com, or Anne Landrum, alandrum2@cfl.rr.com.

Anne Landrum

More About



Many times I am asked how PACE is funded and what the success rate is. Here are some answers:

Current Stats:

- 125 girls served in 2011-2012
- 16 average age of girls entering PACE
- 67% live in neighborhoods with higher than average crime rates
- 42% reported substance abuse prior to going to PACE
- 33% had run away prior to going to PACE

Outcomes:

- 94% had no involvement with Juvenile Justice within six months of leaving PACE
- 94% were placed in appropriate education settings after leaving PACE
- 98% improved academic performance
- 76% were in school or employed three years after leaving PACE

Funding:

- 58% from the Department of Juvenile Justice
- 27% from the Department of Education

- 8% from in-kind contributions
- 6% from other public support
- 1% from private contributions/grants

We had one tour of the Center in October and would be pleased to do many more. If you would like to visit the Center and meet one or two of the girls, please contact me and we will set up a tour - 407-282-5449 or jbknapps@cfl.rr.com.

Barbara Knapp

The Pilgrims were originally heading for Hudson's River, but because of poor navigation and unexpected strong winds, the first land they saw was Cape Cod. The Pilgrims urged the crew of the *Mayflower* to sail further south (yes, there was a crew—the Pilgrims were simply passengers), but "dangerous shoals and roaring breakers" prevented it. By the time the *Mayflower* turned back, the crew was so tired of the Pilgrims' bickering and whining that they dumped them off at the first opportunity, Provincetown, Massachusetts.

(Leland Gregory's *Stupid History*)



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**WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW
MEMBERS. CHECK OUT WHAT
AAUW HAS TO OFFER AND THEN
GET INVOLVED!**

Correction

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Karen Deo will be mailing out the
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ceive them on line. If you need a
snail mail copy, contact Karen.

407-679-6186



Miracle Boxes

Ladies, Ladies, Ladies— another wonderful event takes
place in December that requires your kindness. Annually
we provide Miracle Boxes for the girls at Pace.

We use shoe boxes and cover the bottoms and tops sepa-
rately. We fill the box with items that girls 12-18 would
like to receive. Some of the items can include school sup-
plies, lipsticks, eye shadows, disposable cameras and per-
haps a coupon or gift certificate to develop the photos,
gift certificates to stores or food places and any other
personal items that even you might like to receive. The
cost should be around \$20.00 per box. Can you make
more than one box? Absolutely!!! We try to have the 55

boxes that would cover a full house at PACE.

When you have stuffed your box please just put the top
on with an ornament or pretty bow to decorate the box
top.

Your boxes in the past have been beautiful, plentiful and
always well appreciated. As one student once said and
wrote: "This is the most I have received ever." That says
it all.

I will collect your boxes at the November and December
meetings. The boxes will be distributed the last day of
school in December. Anyone wishing to attend the distri-
bution at PACE is always welcome.

Thank you again.

Pat Stamm

Public Policy

The national goals for this program during 2012-2013 are threefold:

1. To support a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity and diversity;
2. To achieve economic self-sufficiency for all women;
3. To guarantee equality, individual rights and social justice for a diverse society.

It is my goal to develop a project for us that will address the national goals. Anyone with an idea, please let me know.

Susan Hoke

Legal Advocacy Fund

Your Donation Counts!

November is the month when AAUW members have an opportunity to reflect on how the Legal Advocacy Fund helps to advance women's causes, and there are many reasons why we should continue to contribute to LAF. For the past thirty-eight years, LAF has contributed more than two million dollars in support for numerous cases involving gender bias and discrimination in our universities, in the military, and in the workplace. Those cases ranged from support of lawsuits to stop sexual abuse and harassment to women in the military; to stop gender discrimination in the workplace; and to preserve affirmative action where needed. During 2012, the LAF contributed \$100,000 to help defray the cost of several law suits.

This year, LAF has created the LAF Campus Outreach grant. AAUW members may apply for up to \$750 in funding to hold an event about a sex discrimination topic on a local campus during the school year. Thirteen grants have already been awarded for 2012-13, making it a record-breaking year. The events, so far, focus on the topics of sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, Title IX, and fair pay.

Another new program is the new, two-year initiative called "Healthy Masculinity." The initiative opened with a Summit on October 17-19, in Washington, DC. People from across the country came together to hear keynote speakers and to participate in a series of discussions about various topics relating to masculinity and to brainstorm solutions and strategies.

LAF has made an unprecedented investment during this election year in the nonpartisan campaign entitled, "It's My Vote: I Will Be Heard." The campaign is targeted at millennial women, (ages 18-31) who haven't, as yet, established a consistent history of voting by running registration drives, educating voters, and talking about AAUW Action Fund's priority issues.

Please continue to support LAF and its projects. Be assured that the many women we have helped through these projects are grateful to us for the assistance that we have provided them. Donations to the LAF are tax-deductible.

Thank you,

Florence Bacas Snow
LAF Advocate

Rock and a Hard Place

The Pilgrims docked in Plymouth Harbor after their initial landing, but it's doubtful they landed on Plymouth Rock, since it's not very big. The rock wasn't mentioned by anyone until nearly 100 years after the landing. Tomas Fraunce, a ninety-five year-old man, claimed his father told him the Pilgrims used the rock to debark from their ship. It's a great story, but Fraunce's father arrived in America three years after the Pilgrims. In an attempt to preserve the rock, it was moved, and in the process, it broke in half. The bottom half, it was decided, could stay where it was. Years later, the rock was put back where it belonged, cemented back to its base, and a monument was built around it. (That's when it was carved with "1620.") Because of its diminutive size, it is considered one of America's most "disappointing" historical landmarks.

(From Leland Gregory's *Stupid History*)



The Landing of the Pilgrims,
by Henry A. Bacon, 1877



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**"...because
EQUITY IS STILL
AN ISSUE.**

AAUW and the AAUW Educational Foundation

MISSION: To advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research. AAUW, founded in 1881, is open to all graduates who hold an associate's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

Advocating for Women and Girls

Equity is the legal right of all women and girls. AAUW frames and fosters factual, in-depth, objective dialogue among legislators and change makers that results in political, institutional and legal support for women's equity in all areas of life and work.

**For more information about AAUW, call the
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