



MAY PROGRAM

WRAP-UP PROGRAM

The last meeting of the Orlando/Winter Park Branch, AAUW, (for the 2011-2012 year) will be held on Saturday, May 12, at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Congregational Church on New England Avenue, Winter Park.

Get in early as we have several events for the day! First is the wonderful last breakfast of the year, provided by the inimitable Drew. Your mouths should be watering already! Secondly, we have the end-of-year business and information announcements, followed by the Installation of Officers for the 2012-2013 business year.

To top off the morning, we will be visited by Linda Fuller, Ed.D., Nova University, AAUW State Membership Chair and National Committee Member of College/University Relations. Dr. Fuller will update our branch on the benefits of the *C/U Partnership Program* for Orlando/Winter Park, as well as *C/U recruitment and retention strategies* since we have so many potential partners in this area. She is also involved in the *Student Advisory Council* that Dr. Santana, our UCF College/University Partner, is developing at her campus along with several other colleges in Florida—something we will be hearing more about over the next year.

Think now about whatever college(s) you live near and whether we may develop a partnership with it (them).

Those colleges won't know about us until we introduce ourselves and the benefits we can share through our connection with the American Association of University Women. Look around you right now! Be ready for our May meeting with your contact information or recruit a new College/University Representative (especially those of you who work in area colleges) and give Dr. Fuller a present on May 12. Give our branch a new college partnership, new AAUW members, and add to our record of College/University connections in Central Florida! Introduce those colleges and universities to AAUW!

Joan Rinaldi, VP Program Orlando/Winter Park Branch Branch C/U Representative

GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY May 12, 2012 9 a.m.

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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AAUW

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

Message From the President



I am sure that as this branch year ends, there will be many articles here in our faithful newsletter that will keep you aware of our upcoming month's activities as well as our closing breakfast meeting that will close up shop until our September tea. There will be infor-

mation about that, and plans for the next year will be announced at the tea as well. Start thinking about asking friends or potential members to get the tea on their calendars. September will be here quicker than we want it to be. At our last board meeting, we discussed many issues that will be further explained in our newsletter and at our next branch meeting to keep the membership informed. We had a lengthy discussion about the use of our branch email site and the major conclusion was that we follow what we have published in our directory which makes it very clear what is to be published in this way and what is not. Please visit page 11 of our directory for that information.

Karen Buchan's scholarship committee has again done a superior job of reading and recommending our

scholarship recipients for the next year. The board agreed to the amount of these scholarships and that will be covered by Karen here in the newsletter as well as at the next meeting when we will get to meet our new recipients at our breakfast.

The budget allotment for the student attending CCCWSL was also approved and will be further explained at our next meeting. We will look forward to reports related to the Florida State Convention—also at our May meeting by our members who were able to attend. The May meeting will be most important as we install our new officers to take over starting July 1. I hope we will have a good crowd to support the new board members. I am grateful for the years spent as your President and for all the help and support I received along the way that made it possible for our branch to be exciting, progressive, and alive with ideas for women who truly wear the AAUW colors.

Dr. Carol Ancona, President AAUW Orlando-Winter Park



Ng Nuí & Yim Wing Chun— Actress Sally Field may shudder at her long-ago portrayal of The Flying Nun, but the first for-real flying nun was nothing to shudder about—unless you were her opponent. Ng Nui lived during the tine of the Ming dynasty of China, famed for vases and other delicate creations. Her times were a lot harder on nuns than on ceramics. Political unrest and bandits meant that religious figures routinely were attacked even in their own monasteries. To keep their numbers from getting seriously decimated, nuns and monks took up martial arts. A feisty figure Ng originated her own punchy style of Shaolin temple boxing. Her most outstanding pupil was another nun named Yim Wing Chun, who developed her own system of martial arts, called wingchun after her and still widely taught today. The greatest popularizer of wing-chun? Kung fu legend, Bruce Lee.

Maríe Colinet—A traveling doctor and midwife, Marie Colinet of Berne worked a huge circuit, treating patients throughout Germany. In 1580, you had to be a "tackle anything" sawbones—a challenge that applied doubly to women. Marie did everything from minor surgery to C-sections. The professional highlight of her career came when she encountered a patient whose sight was being threatened by a nasty sliver of metal. Using a magnet, Dr. Colinet deftly removed the metal from her patient's eye—the first time such a technique was utilized. Her husband, and fellow surgeon, wrote up a glowing account of Marie's sleight-of-hand. But before many years had passed, Marie's successful innovation was routinely being credited to Dr. Fabricius—even though his part in the proceedings was his play-by-play description of watching his wife do it!

Vicki Leon's Uppity Women of Medieval Times

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From the Membership Director

Your 2012-2013 AAUW Dues are due

The 2011-2012 Membership year will end on June 30, 2012. It is time for you to renew your AAUW Membership now.

If you would like to win a free membership for the 2012-2013 AAUW year, send in your check today. All the names of the people who renew their dues now will be entered into a drawing, which will take place at the May meeting. As you know, we send \$49 dues to Washington AAUW, \$12 to Florida State AAUW, and we keep \$14 for the Orlando/Winter Park Branch. Members do not have to be present to be entered into the drawing.

Make your \$75.00 check out to "AAUW-Orlando/Winter Park" and mail to:
Rosemary Vendena
291 Isle of Sky Cir.
Orlando, Florida 32828

You may submit your dues checks at the beginning of the May breakfast meeting.

Note: Those who joined AAUW after March 15, 2012, are included in a 15-month membership, up to June 30, 2013, and do not have to submit another check now. If you are not sure of your status, contact Rosemary at <u>407-282-1023</u> or rovendena@hotmail.com

WILL YOU BE ONE OF THE THREE LUCKY PEOPLE TO WIN A REFUND?

Barbara Buchele

Give a grad a gift of a free AAUW membership

AAUW members can give a recent grad—a friend, daughter, son, granddaughter, grandson, niece, or nephew—a free AAUW membership within two years of graduation. If you know someone whom you think would be interested in joining AAUW, log on to the National AAUW website and fill out the form. The graduate will then become a member-at-large, at no cost to you or the grad. If your grad would like to become affiliated with a branch, she or he will have to join a local branch and will be responsible for paying the state and local branch dues.

Barbara Buchele

DID YOU KNOW...?



The dog days of summer aren't named after dogs. They're named after Sirius, the Dog Star, which prominently rises and sets with the sun during this time of year. The ancients thought the heat of Sirius com-

bined with the heat from the Sun created this doggone hot time of the year.

We see tin after tin of sardines in the stores, so it must be pretty easy to catch a sardine, right? Actually, it's impossible, because there's no such fish as a sardine. The name applies to any small fish packaged in sardine cans. They're usually pilchard or small herring.

From the Nominating Committee

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

As outlined in our branch By-Laws, at our annual General Meeting the following persons were elected by unanimous vote to serve our branch for the July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 seasons:

President: Myra Gaziano

Vice President for Membership: Barbara Buchele

Finance Director: Pat Stamm

The following persons were elected to serve on the Nominating Committee for July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013:

Judy McDonald Martha Williamson

As called for by our By-Laws, other members will be chosen in the fall of 2012. If you wish to serve on the Nominating Committee please notify Myra Gaziano.

Martha Williamson

Scholarships

The scholarship committee reviewed the applications and, with the Board's approval, is pleased to announce that three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded this year. The three recipients are:

Melissa Kweller is currently enrolled at Nova Southeastern University pursuing an MBA with a concentration in Management.

Abigail Lemay is working on a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning at UCF; her primary interest within the field is affordable housing development.

Katherine Salgado attends Barry University where she is pursuing an M.S. in Mental Health Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy. The three recipients have been invited to attend our May breakfast meeting.

Last year we awarded our first scholarship in the amount of \$800 at Valencia College (formerly Valencia Community College). This year we will be able to make a scholarship award of \$1,000. Those applications will be reviewed next month.

Karen Buchan

Community Relations Coordinator Webster University - Orlando

New Members

Noel White

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Email: noelmere@aol.com

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Marymount College, B.A. Psychology,

1997

Nicole Elinoff (Student Member) 3915 Gathering Dr. Orlando, FL 32817

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University of Central Florida,

B.S., Psychology,

Corrections

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Seminole State, A.A., General Ed. 1997

Rollins, B.A. Organizational Behavior 2008; Masters HR, 2010

New Address

Eleanore Cowan 5754 Parkview Pointe Drive Orlando, 32821

New Phone: 407-778-1805

Interest Groups

Booklovers (6 Groups) **
Foreign Films
Colleges & Universities
Dining Out/Potpourri
Foreign Affairs
Garden Group
Museums/Galleries
Out-to-Lunch

Foreign Films

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

Our next film (TBA) will be presented on Monday, May 21, 2012.

The foreign film group will continue to meet through the summer.

Foreign Affairs

Co-Chairs:

Juanita Blumberg 407-327-0398 juanitablu@yahoo.com

Jo-Ann McCaffrey 407-841-3640 JoAnnRoux327@gmail.com

TOPIC: "Energy Geopolitics: quandaries

intensify"

DATE: Sunday, May 20, at 2 p.m.

PLACE: Hostess/Moderator: Delia Fuentes

235 W. Fawsett Road Winter Park, Florida 32789

407-629-0865

For further information, contact Juanita.

AAUW members are urged to check out this stimulating group.

Booklovers

**AAUW Booklovers are forming two new book groups to meet once each month beginning in September. One group will meet in Winter Park in the afternoon, and the other group will meet in the Dr. Phillips area in the evening. We will have informational meetings (meet & greet with treats) in July or August.

Please email Nancy Osterberg, nsosterberg@gmail.com, or call her at 407-363-0269 if you would like to be included in either group. I hope to see you there!

(Booklovers information continued next page)

THE FIRST LADY OF COMPUTERS

The first computer programmer was a nineteenth-century noblewoman—Lady Augusta Ada Byron Lovelace, daughter of the poet Lord Byron.

Byron left his wife and daughter when Augusta was an infant. She was raised by her mother and given a strict classical education at home. As a teenager, Augusta displayed astonishing prowess in math. She was married in 1835 to the Earl of Lovelace, a kindly man ten years her senior, who supported her interest in math.

When she was 18, Augusta first heard of Charles Babbage's idea for an analytical engine, a calculating machine that was the forerunner of the modern computer. In 1842, she trans-

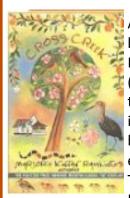


lated a paper on the engine from French to English, adding her own voluminous notes. In subsequent writings, she described the "loop" and "sub-routine" concepts, a century before their implementation in electronic digital computers.

Lady Lovelace and Babbage had a long and close friendship, and she was a dedicated partner in his work with the analytical engine. Unfortunately, she was held back by antifeminist attitudes and by her own obsession with gambling on horse races. The engine was never completed and her program never ran. She died of cancer at age 36. In 1982, the U.S. Department of Defense memorialized her work by naming a new Pentagon computer language "Ada."

Booklovers

May 2012 Selection



All Booklovers groups will be reading *Cross Creek* by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings (Pulitzer Prize-winning author) Originally published in 1942, *Cross Creek* has become a classic of modern American literature. This is the story of Kinnan Rawlings' experiences in

the remote hamlet of Cross Creek and her concern for the ecology before the term was popularized.

Doris Scott is once again organizing a Summer Reading Group at the Winter Park Library the first Tuesday afternoon of each month at 1:30 p.m. We will meet on June 5 to exchange book titles we have read and enjoyed. On July 3, Doris will act as moderator for *The Lost Wife* by Alyson Richman. The book selection for Aug.7 is yet to be announced. (If you wish to suggest a title and act as moderator, please email Doris at doris27m@aol.com.)

Have a great summer of reading!

Nancy Osterberg

BOOKLOVERS COORDINATOR: Nancy Osterberg 407-363-0269 nsosterberg@gmail.com

Booklovers I: meets on the first Tuesday afternoon of each month in Winter Park. Contact Doris Scott doris27m@aol.com 407-831-6652

Booklovers II: meets on the first Wednesday afternoon of each month in assorted locations. Contact Marianne McKinney; mmckinran@cfl.rr.com; 407-492-3003

Booklovers III: will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 3, at the home of Lyn Shapiro in Maitland. Moderator: Carrie Patterson. Contact Juanita Blumberg at 407-327-0398 (juanitablu@yahoo.com.) or Lynda Hinkley — hinckley j@bellsouth.net for information.

Booklovers IV: meets on the third Wednesday afternoon of each month in Lake Mary. Contact Christine Brown. catbird@cfl.rr.com 407-774-9501

Booklovers V: meets on the third Tuesday afternoon of each month in south Orange County. Contact Lois Kolski. <u>Lkolski@aol.com</u> 407-352-1146

Booklovers VI: will meet at the home of Grace Smith, 8600 Port Said St., Orlando, FL 32817 (424-744-0104), at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Contact Grace Smith: gsmith1131@gmail.com.

"Worry is like a rocking chair; it gives you something to do but never gets you anywhere."

Erma Bombeck

"The cave you fear to enter holds the treasure you seek."

Joseph Campbell

"The first 40 years of life give us the text; the next 30 supply the commentary."

Arthur Schopenhauer

"There is nothing better than a friend, unless it is a friend with chocolates."

Charles Dickins

Florida Annual Convention

The 81st AAUW Florida Annual Convention was held at the Marriott Resort on Hutchinson Island April 20-22, 2012. Incoming president Myra Gaziano and Barbara Knapp were among the attendees.

Friday's pre-convention workshop was "It's My Vote; I Will Be Heard" which is a national AAUW campaign. Samuel Lehman from AAUW Staff and a Grassroots Advocacy Coordinator led the workshop explaining how Florida was chosen as one of 15 states to receive impact grants to help ensure women get out to vote. He urged every branch to work to help women understand what is at stake for them at the ballot box.

Florida was honored to have Linda Hallman, the Executive Director/CEO of AAUW, as their leader-on-loan and she was the Keynote Speaker for the opening session. She also held a Town Hall for a very informative dialogue between the state, branch and national. In addition she led a breakout session, "The Power of Social Networking." This session showed how important social networking is in reaching

younger members.

At the Sunday breakfast, the speaker was Elle Helmer, one of the lead LAF plaintiffs in the case of sexual assaults in the military. Her story was riveting and upsetting.

Recognition was given to Orlando/Winter Park as one of 15 branches in the state that excelled in membership growth. The branch was also recognized as being 5th in the state in donations to AAUW Funds.

Most exciting was to hear that two branch members were winners in the Creative Writing Contest. **Linda Dunlap** received both a first and second place in Fiction, plus a second and third place in Experimental Poetry. **Holly Mandelkern** received a second place in Haiku Poetry and a

The 82nd Convention will be held at the Orlando Sheraton North, April 19-21, 2013. Lake Sumter Branch will host.

third place in Traditional Poetry. Congratulations to both!

Barbara Knapp

Legal Advocacy Fund

Entrepreneurs - And You and the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund

Katharine Graham said: "Once, power was considered a masculine attribute. In fact, power has no sex."

The following women proved they could do as well, or better, than men in their careers. We AAUW women "do our own thing" and prove, every day, that we deserve equal pay, though we may not be on a par with the following women and their careers.

COCO CHANEL: Diana Vreeland said, "Her first customers were princesses and duchesses, and she dressed them like



secretaries and stenographers." She influenced the working women of the 1920s to cut their hair, get rid of their stiff corsets, and wear "her elegant, uncomplicated designs which began to alter the way women of style looked and dressed." She taught women they could be "comfortable and

chic at the same time."

RUTH HANDLER: Ruth watched her daughter and friends playing with paper dolls and noticed their games of makebelieve centered on "teenage or career women cutouts," not on babies or children. Mrs. Handler became convinced that the girls were acting out future roles, and she decided it

was important for little girls' selfesteem to be able to "play with a doll that has breasts." And the "Barbie doll" was born—over 40 different models of them!



OPRAH WINFREY: "Using the now-legendary events of her own troubled life . . . turned her show into a non-threatening forum for exploring both the ordinary problems of ordinary women" . . . as well as subjects that **TIME** maga-



zine called "a direct pipeline to the nation's psyche." She "changed what America talked about in public." Her \$451 million empire makes her "the wealthiest woman in show business."

These women dared and they earned a fair pay. We may not be as well known as they are, but we also do our share,

and we deserve payment equal to what men earn doing the same job. The AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund is our recourse for fair pay in schools and in business.

Joan Rinaldi

From Our Members



Linda Dunlap and Martha Williamson will present installment two of their Tolstoy Series. On Thursday, May 17 at 10 a.m. they will review Anna Karenina at the University Club of Winter Park. One of two famous novels of adulterous passion (the other is *Madame Bovary*), most of us read it in our own peak romantic years. How does it hold up when read later in life? Come and see.

[Sophie Marceau as Anna in the 1997 screen version of Tolstoy's novel]

FROM THE GENERAL MEETING, APRIL 14, 2012: GUEST SPEAKER, DR. LAURENCE J. RUGGIERO







Joan Rinaldi with Dr. Ruggiero





Kudos to Cathy Giordano, who has added a third book to her publishing credits. In addition to her previous publications (The Poetry Connection and What If's, If Only's, and So What's), her third book is now available on Amazon.

News Print Poetry 2012 is mentioned in the Orlando Sentinel and the Winter Park/Maitland Observ-

Scott Maxwell, an Orlando Sentinel columnist, loved the concept of "poems ripped from the headlines." He even printed and praised the poem she wrote based on one of his columns.



"News print poetry is a form of poetry I developed that is based upon news stories in the Orlando Sentinel. I select words from the story, keep them in their original order, and without adding any words "find the hidden poem" in the story. I'm on Maxwell's blog, not in the actual newspaper. You can read what he wrote about me here."

http://blogs.orlandosentinel.com/ news local namesblog/2012/04/thesentinel-as-poetry.html

Cathy Giordano

Public Policy

This first item is very important for Florida. Charter schools are not required to fulfill all the demands assigned to public schools, nor are they required to enroll students they would rather not have in their schools, i.e., disabled or academically behind. Yet the legislature is pushing charter schools and giving them taxpayer dollars. AAUW has always promoted public schools.

School Voucher Programs Grow; Louisiana's Most Expansive

The use of school vouchers has expanded quickly in the last 18 months, with states such as Virginia, Florida and Indiana creating or expanding voucher or scholarship programs. An estimated 220,000 students nationwide are currently enrolled in the programs, which typically fund low-income students' enrollment in private schools. Louisiana is set to enact the nation's most expansive program, giving many parents control over the use of tax dollars to educate their children and allowing students to use vouchers to pay for state-approved apprenticeships, college courses, and private online classes while they are still in public schools. Gov. Bobby Jindal (R) expects to sign the legislation, which would also encourage the growth of charter schools, into law next week.

AAUW stands firmly by the belief that the country should provide an excellent education for all children, not private school youchers for a few.

Court Dismisses Lawsuit against Title IX Test

A court has dismissed a lawsuit that challenged the use of Title IX's three-part compliance test in high schools. The American Sports Council's lawsuit against the Department of Education questioned the constitutionality of applying Title IX's three-part compliance test in high schools since the regulations make no mention of high school athletics—only intercollegiate sports. A judge for the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia dismissed the case without hearing the American Sports Council's arguments.

AAUW strongly supports Title IX and opposes any efforts that would weaken its effectiveness. AAUW believes that expansion of athletic opportunities for girls and women must continue at both the high school and college levels, because it is important not only for the participants themselves but for the benefit of the greater community as well.

Voters Rank Education as Extremely Important Election Issue

A new report concludes that education is a top-tier issue for voters in 2012. Using a survey of registered voters in nine key swing states, the report found that 67 percent of swing state voters say education will be extremely important to them in this year's elections for president and Congress. Education ranks behind jobs and the economy (82 percent) and government spending (69 percent) but ties with health care (67 percent) and comes in before the federal budget deficit (64 percent). The report also found that the gender gap on education as a priority holds across party lines, with women placing a greater priority on education regardless of party affiliation.

AAUW believes a strong, free public education system is the foundation of a democratic society. We advocate increased access to higher education, especially for women in poverty, and promote efforts to close the persistent achievement gap that disproportionately affects low-income children and students from minority communities.

Supreme Court Hears Arguments on Affordable Care Act

The Supreme Court heard three days of arguments in April on the constitutionality of President Barack Obama's health care law. As expected, each of the three days of arguments brought large numbers of people rallying in support for and in opposition to the law. The Supreme Court is expected to make a decision in June, well before the election in November.

AAUW believes that, although not perfect by any stretch, many of the reforms included in the Affordable Care Act will improve the collective health of the American people. It is our hope that the elimination of pre-existing conditions and gender rating in the individual and small groups markets will result in better outcomes for more women. Unfortunately, many women will find that they have less coverage for full reproductive services due to far-reaching limitations in the new law. AAUW will continue to work to restore full access to all health care for women.

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Public Policy (Continued)

Economy Gains 120,000 Jobs, Unemployment Drops to 8.2 Percent

March saw 120,000 new jobs created in the United States and the unemployment rate dropping from 8.3 percent to 8.2. The job growth fell below Wall Street projections, and marked the first time since November 2011 that employers added fewer than 200,000 jobs. Job growth had been stronger for men than women in most of 2010 and 2011, but women have enjoyed stronger job growth since December. This growth is largely due to the fact that recent job gains overall came in sectors that employ a large

number of women.

AAUW strongly believes that access to high-wage, high-skill jobs should be a right for women and girls from diverse racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, age, and disability backgrounds, and that access should include training for nontraditional jobs. AAUW maintains that creating opportunities for women – and opportunities that promote equal pay—is an essential part of the economic recovery.

Barbara Knapp

IN MEMORIAM

Eleanor Shaw Kenyon

(1/29/22 - 4/9/22)

Eleanor found peace on Monday.

Ele was born in Buffalo New York, where she met and married Wayne.

Ele loved to swim. At age 17, She swam in the Junior Olympics.

Ele attended Dennison University, An active member of Tri-Delta sorority.

During World War Two, Ele assembled parts for aircraft.

Ele raised four children, Carol, Nancy, Gary, and Patty. At Rollins College, Ele earned an MA And began a career in education.

Teaching first at Memorial Junior High, Then teaching at Boone High.

Ele taught social studies. Ele taught students to think.

Ele retired to teach peer mediation, and became a Circuit Court mediator.

Ele served on the boards of many Organizations for peace and justice.

Ele was honored with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian award for her dedication.

The Orlando Sentinel named her the "Queen of Peace."

Eleanor found peace on Monday. *



*This poem written by Catherine Giordano, a member of AAUW, is part of a series of poems she has written called News Print Poetry. Each day she takes an article from the Orlando Sentinel, and creates a poem by selecting words from the story, keeping them in their original order, and not adding any new words. This poem was based on the obituary of Eleanor Kenyon that appeared in the paper on March 25, 2012.

Myths of the Old West

Circling the wagons is an invention of Hollywood filmmakers who liked the way it looked on film. Accomplishing this task would take far too long to be of any use in an attack. However, some wagon trains did form a circle when they stopped for the

A much-beloved image of the Old West is that of wagon trains traveling in straight, single-file lines across the prairies. Wagon trains, whenever possible, traveled side-by-side up to ten miles wide, to avoid the billowing clouds of dust as well as the furrows, ruts, and potholes of previous travelers.

night, to create a makeshift corral to contain the animals.

Leland Gregory's Stupid History



I would like to thank all of our branch members who attended the annual Portraits of PACE. Pat Stamm, Joan Rinaldi and I had tables and were very gratified at the number of you who supported PACE. To illustrate the wonderful success of the program, I am printing a report that Mr. Ruiz, the Academic "Dean" of PACE, submitted to the ED this month. Please note the GPA score each young lady had when she entered PACE and the GPA score she had at the end of the last marking period. (To protect their privacy I am eliminating names.)

Started PACE	Current
2.2	3.1
1.6	3.0
2.1	3.0
2.0	3.1
0.7	3.0
2.4	3.1
	2.2 1.6 2.1 2.0 0.7

Girl #7	1.3	3.3
Girl #8	2.0	3.0
Girl #9	2.3	3.5
Girl #10	1.2	3.6
Girl #11	2.0	3.0
Girl #12	1.1	3.0
Girl #13	2.0	3.0

Again this year one of the businesses in Orlando is working with a group of six young ladies to prepare them for employment when they graduate. *Connections* served PACE last year with one graduate earning a job with them! This year the program has been expanded to 10 weeks. The participants begin each session with a class, i.e., "dress for success," resume writing, etc., and then they job shadow one particular employee. They have job responsibilities and also a mentor.

Barbara Knapp

PORTRAITS OF PACE — APRIL 25, 2012



Anne Landrum and Elinor Parker



Rosemary Vendena and Jean Walker



Pat Stamm, Cathy Messinger, Joan Rinaldi, Nancy Osterberg, Martha Williamson, & Mia (Mia graduated from UCF and is planning to go to law school.)



Anne Landrum, Nancy Osterberg, Martha Williamson



Tina Sharp, Joan Rinaldi, Eleanore Cowan, Cathy Messenger

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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 univer-sity. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full partici-pation 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 legis-lators and change makers that results in political, institutional and legal support for women's equity in all areas of life and work.

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