



Orlando *** Winter Park BRANCHLINE

MAY PROGRAM

JOIN US FOR OUR LAST GENERAL MEETING



Meet Rosene Johnson, the new Executive Director of PACE.

In her short tenure at PACE Orange, she has hired eight new teachers and staff, including a Program Manager and a Special Projects Coordinator. She was recognized by the Orlando Business Journal as a *Top 40 Under 40* business leader. She is a published author and researcher in the child development field and recently was appointed by Governor Rick Scott to serve on the Valencia College Board of Trustees.

Also say hello to Kayla Pate, Special Projects Coordinator for PACE. She will be our liaison to the Center. Before coming to PACE, Kayla's background was in marketing and event planning. She graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Women's Studies and Communications from Hollins University. Kayla also holds a certificate in Leadership Studies from the Better Leadership Institute.

ALSO

Installation of new officers

ALSO

Meet our scholarship recipients

GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY
May 12, 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)
Dianasecoraauw@gmail.com

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

Or mail your check to:
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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, May 10, at 3 p.m.

THE COST OF THE BREAKFAST IS NOW \$18.

From the President



Dear Members,
I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your support over the last two years. As many of you know, due to work-related commitments, of which there are many, I have chosen not to seek a

second term. I believe that it is in the best interests of this branch for me to step aside and allow someone the opportunity to continue the great initiatives of AAUW Orlando Winter Park. I have enjoyed the opportunity to become more familiar with both the State and National organizations during my tenure, and I will continue to support the wide array of fundraising initiatives that our branch sponsors. However, I cannot leave without acknowledging that there are still many areas that need attention from our members. We lack support for our appointed committee chair positions, and this is preventing us from being even more successful than we currently are.

AAUW is an organization that champions the equal rights of all women, regardless of ethnic/cultural background or social economic status. We are an organization that PAYS IT FORWARD by providing scholarships to young women studying in STEM fields and PACE students entering college or technical school, often as the first member of their family to ever have that opportunity. We also gather supplies or make donations to improve the lives of others who have greater needs than our own, whether that is books for the PACE library, food for the PACE pantry, clothes for the PACE boutique, or coats and blankets for the homeless. There is a wide array of other feminist organizations in our community and many are not even aware of AAUW. We accomplish great things as an organization, but think of what we could do if we collaborated with other similar organizations in our community. AAUW is not just social, it is political, and it is community-minded. This is the year that we can all collaborate to achieve great things.

Best wishes,

Christine Mouton

Scholarships



Six young ladies will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships. We are excited to report that they are all studying in STEM areas; five at UCF and one at Rollins College.

Two B.A. Degrees:

- (1) Christina Fuleihan-Biochemistry/Molecular Biology/Philosophy, and
- (2) Geraldine Versfeld-Electrical Engineering/Chemistry

Two M.A. Degrees:

- (1) Yuen Yee Li Sip-Nanotechnology, and
- (2) Ramiah Vickers- Biomedical Sciences with a Cancer Biology Track

Two Ph.D Degrees:

- (1) Kaitlin Huffman-Chemistry, and
- (2) Kathleen McCormac-Chemistry

All have been invited to the May meeting, and at this time, at least three plan to attend.

Karen Buchan

May is possibly derived from Maia, an obscure Roman goddess, although it could come from Maius, or "Great," which was one of Jupiter's favorite nicknames. It was regarded as an unlucky month for marriage by the ancient Romans though some of the more ancient were lucky to get married at all. In medieval England, people got up with the dawn and went a-Maying. This consisted of going to the fields and forests and bringing back branches of trees and flowers, a merry custom which forced landowners to put up signs reading: "Keepe Offe," "Do Not Picke Ye Bloomers," and "Trespassers Will Be Shotte." Features of May Day include Maypoles (from which comes maypole syrup), Mayonnaise, Mayhap, and Mayhem.



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 to avoid a 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 May breakfast meeting to the Treasurer.



How long have you been a member of AAUW? Do you know that if you joined in 1968 or before, you may be eligible for Honorary Life Membership in AAUW? As a life member of AAUW, you do not have to pay National or State AAUW dues. Contact your membership VP, if you would like more information on what you need to submit to the National Office for this Honorary Membership.

Beulah Ali-Carr

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News From PACE

This month we would like to introduce Kayla Pate, Special Projects Coordinator for PACE. She will be our liaison to the Center and is a dynamo!

Before coming to PACE, Kayla's background was in marketing and event planning. She graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Women's Studies and Communications from Hollins University. Kayla also holds a certificate in Leadership Studies from the Better Leadership Institute. She is passionate about girls' education and is excited to do her part to eliminate the school-to-prison pipeline.

Both Kayla and Rosenne, our new ED, will be guests at our May General Meeting. Please be sure to say hello.

Many thanks to so many of you who have answered the call to help fill the new Food Pantry at PACE. As a reminder, many of the young ladies come from homes at the poverty line. When a student comes to school hungry, she isn't equipped to learn. The Food Pantry will be supervised and used to help those in need. Again, many thanks to all of you who help by bringing non-perishables or gift cards to our general meetings and interest groups.

Suggested items are:

dry pasta
canned pasta sauces
oatmeal
graham crackers
flour

pancake and muffin mixes (just add water)
canned fruit and vegetables
canned meats - tuna, chicken, salmon
boxed almond milk
dry cereal
peanut butter
jelly
puddings
soups/stews/chili in a can
raisins
canned/boxed 100% juice
rice
beans

small gift cards (\$10 or \$15) to allow the purchase of perishables such as milk, eggs, etc. - Aldi's, Publix, Winn Dixie, Target, Walmart, etc.

Please no glass containers and no candy or sugar sweetened drinks.

Many, many thanks!

Your PACE TEAM



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SAVE THE DATE!

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, experienced a loss, etc.

Judy McDonald
murransouth.net

"Each day, we wake slightly altered, and the person we were yesterday is dead."

John Updike

"The universe is under no obligation to make sense to you."

Neil deGrasse Tyson

"A vacuum is a hell of a lot better than some of the stuff nature replaces it with."

Tennessee Williams

"Isn't it nice to think that tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet?"

Novelist Lucy Maud Montgomery

"Our government must forever be a kind of war of about one half the people against the other."

John Adams

"If the law is on your side, pound on the law. If the facts are on your side, pound on the facts. If neither are on your side, pound on the table."

Carl Sandburg

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. Next year we may need new chairs for the Museum/Galleries group and the Dining Couples Group. Contact me if you would be interested in chairing either of those groups or starting another group.

I will be retiring at the end of this AAUW membership year, and I am delighted that Joan Liberman has stepped up to become the Special Interest Coordinator for the next membership year.

Again, I 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
Interest Group Coordinator

Booklovers: Coordinator (9 groups) Ellen James (407-857-0044) ellenjames54@gmail.com

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Mary Ann DeVillavilla (407-389-1822) madvill@earthlink.net



Appreciating My Branch Sisters

After my mother's death in February, my branch sisters rallied in dramatic fashion. Never could I have imagined the ingenuity and caring they shared from emails, cards, calls, and food, through memorial assistance. Our talented flutist, Irene Pruzan, even performed at the memorial to the delight of everyone. If anyone ever wonders why they should join our branch, please inform them that they will never make better friends anywhere. Thank you for your support, dear sisters.

Martha (Williamson)

Interest Groups

Lunching Out

DATE: Monday, May 14
 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.

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Foreign Affairs

Jo-Ann McCaffrey 407-841-3640
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When: Sunday, May 27
 Time: 1 p.m. **(NEW TIME)**
 Topic: CHINA AND AMERICA: the new geopolitical equation

We will be meeting at the home of:

DELIA FUENTES
 235 West Fawsett Road
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Don't forget your RSVP to Delia.

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.

No film in May (Memorial Day)
 Next film (TBA) will be on June 25.

Linda Fessel

Dining Out At Night

When: 2nd Tuesday of the month
 Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Where: TBA**

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

Susan Hoke
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**Watch your email for where we are going this summer.

Mah Jongg

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BEGINNERS WELCOME

Mah Jongg will meet every Thursday during June, July and August. Call Linda or Karen for more information.

Linda & Karen

Current Issues

We will meet on Mon., May 21, at Westminster Winter Park, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the fireside room, located in the lobby area of Westminster Towers. Bring your own lunch; coffee and tea are provided.

Topic: Gun Control

**THE GROUP WELCOMES
 NEW MEMBERS.**

Marcy Kysilka
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Dining In

When: Fri., May 4, 2018
 Time: 7 p.m.
 Where: Home of Sherry Levy
 RSVP: Sherrylevy@aol.com
 407-869-6773

Please contact Chair Jane Rosen for information on this group:

Jane Rosen
 mjrosen@hotmail.com



The Dining-Out group met in April



Salt-encrusted fish!

Interest Groups

Booklovers

As we wind down the year we find that most Booklovers are reading *A Place We Knew Well* by Susan McCarthy.

Booklovers VI will be reading *The Garden of Evening Mists* by Tan Twan Eng.

Booklovers VII will read *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman.

Two groups, Booklovers I (See Note 1 below) and Booklovers VII (See Note 2 below) will read over the sum-

mer. Contact Susan Hoke or Diana Secor if you would like to visit their groups.

The reading list for next year is out so it isn't too early to get started! Happy reading over the summer.

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

Ellen James
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NOTE 1:

Booklovers I, as always in **JUNE**, invites all Booklovers to come share what everyone is currently reading. In **JULY** we will be doing *The Scarlet Pimpernel*.

In **AUGUST** we will discuss *The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox*.

We meet at 1 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the 2nd floor conference room of the Winter Park Library. We welcome all visitors over these three months.

Susan Hoke
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NOTE 2

Booklovers VII is planning—unless something interferes—to meet throughout the summer at the Westminster Towers.

Diana Secor
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Calling all Trollopian:

When: July 25 at 1 p.m.

Where: Home of Collette Davis

What: Anthony Trollope's "An Autobiography"

If you have not yet purchased the book and would like to have explanatory notes, I recommend the *Oxford World's Classics* edition. I will send announcements (with directions) again in June and in July before the meeting. You need to contact Joyce Folsom before June 12 if you are interested in participating.

Joyce Folsom
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From Martha W. Superior Suggestions

Booklovers I (Susan Hoke, chair) regained first position in the suggestions percentage competition for 2018.

90% of its members contributed suggestions for the Booklovers Ballot.

Booklovers V (Maggie Kinst, chair) narrowly missed first with 87% of her members contributing.

Booklovers II (Joyce Folsom, chair) showed great improvement with 72%.

Booklovers I was awarded gift cards from Writers Block Bookstore in Winter Park and Bright Lights Bookstore in Casselberry. They will hold a drawing to see which two fortunate members win the gift cards.

Thanks to strong and persistent requests for a different kind of reading group, I'd like to start one this fall. As you know, our established Booklovers groups have always read intellectually stimulating books with literary merit.

Some of our members, however, would prefer to read books that emphasize enjoyment and optimism. If you are one of those readers, contact me so we can plan a new group.

Martha Williamson
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Interest Groups

Museums & Galleries

The last meeting of the year for the Museum and Gallery Group was at Eldora State House located in the Canaveral National Seashore. This is the last remaining original home in the community known as Eldora. It was first a farming community growing oranges and then medicinal saw palmetto in the late 1800's and early 1900's, but it then became a resort area for wealthy northern people wintering in Florida. Time passed, the community dwindled, and then in 1975 the area was preserved as a National Seashore. The house sat abandoned in the 70's and 80's until a non-profit group called the 'Friends of Canaveral' raised money to restore the home in 1989.

Next year the Museum Group will need a new chair to plan adventures. If you are interested or have a different vision for how to continue the group or incorporate it into one of the other groups, let it be known!

It's been a pleasure 'getting out there' with you!

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.



No one could figure out the use of this strange structure adjacent to the house.



A snake cactus



A beautiful day for climbing a midden. But even intrepid midden climbers need a rest.



So what is a midden?

Turtle Mound is the largest shell midden on the mainland United States. Once estimated to be 75 feet high, it is now 50 feet high. The turtle-shaped mound contains oysters and refuse from the prehistoric Timucuan people. Recent radio-carbon dates it around 1000 BCE. Visible seven miles out at sea, early sailors used Turtle Mound as a landmark and navigational device. Today, the site is owned and managed by the National Park Service as part of Canaveral National Seashore

Interest Groups

Cooking globally

We missed all who could not come. But we all thoroughly enjoyed everyone who did come. Our Sri Lankan evening was a great success, with dishes from Traditional to Modern to Fusion! The following dishes were presented:

1. Joan Liberman----- Shrimp curry and rice
2. Diane----- Fresh and pretty kale salad
3. Christine----- Coconut lentil curry
4. Anne Landrum----- Sri Lankan Rice sticks (noodles)
5. Adrienne Katz----- Coconut, jaggery dessert (flan with cashews)
6. Shubha----- guest----keeper of the key
7. Rana----- Kothu roti (Sinhalese--- veggies with flat bread pieces),
Masala Dosa (tamil)---- (made in front of members); and
rice and lentil crepes with a potato filling, served with sambhar (lentil soup with tamarind) and coconut chutney



The best though was the camaraderie and our stories, which highlighted the two main culinary styles of Sri Lanka—Tamil and Sinhalese (close but distinct), or recounted our adventures in finding the right ingredients. Some of us were ecstatic about how our dishes turned out; others were disappointed that the aromatics did not provide enough zing, but one and all laughed, joked, told stories, and talked food and more food!!

Hope everyone has a great summer.

Best,
Rana



Marjory Stoneman Douglas (April 7, 1890 – May 14, 1998) was an American journalist, author, women's suffrage advocate, and conservationist known for her staunch defense of the Everglades against efforts to drain it and reclaim land for development. Moving to Miami as a young woman to work for *The Miami Herald*, she became a freelance writer, producing over a hundred short stories that were published in popular magazines. Her most influential work was the book *The Everglades: River of Grass* (1947),



which redefined the popular conception of the Everglades as a treasured river instead of a worthless swamp. Its impact has been compared to that of Rachel Carson's influential book *Silent Spring* (1962). Her books, stories, and journalism career brought her influence in Miami, enabling her to advance her causes.

As a young woman, Douglas was outspoken and politically conscious of the women's suffrage and civil rights movements. She was called upon to take a central role in the protection of the Everglades when she was 79 years old. For the remaining 29 years of her life she was "a relentless reporter and fearless crusader" for the natural preservation and restoration of South Florida. Her tireless efforts earned her several variations of the nickname "Grande Dame of the Everglades" as well as the hostility of agricultural and business interests looking to benefit from land development in Florida. She received numerous awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and was inducted into several halls of fame.

Douglas lived to 108, working until nearly the end of her life for Everglades restoration. Upon her death, an obituary in *The Independent* in London stated, "In the history of the American environmental movement, there have been few more remarkable figures than Marjory Stoneman Douglas."

Walking Group

The *Ladies of the Sneakers* returned to New Smyrna Beach for another famous Hannah Bonnet walking tour (we understand there are now four tours!). Barbara Zafuto again took on the role of Mayor Hannah Bonnet, and on the morning of Thursday, April 12, we strolled along Riverside Drive listening to Hannah's stories of New Smyrna's historic homes and old wharf. Lunch followed at the Corkscrew Bar and Grill on Canal Street.



As Archie and Edith liked to remind us—those were the days. Remember when no one pumped their own gas, and attendants checked under the hood as well as the air in the tires? Not only was the gas cheap, but you might even be able to start a collection of dishes or glasses. And don't even get us started on green stamp books!



This month's Walk, the last of the year, will be the morning of Thursday, May 10. We will be touring the gardens – vegetable and flower – at **UF/IFAS Extension Center of Orange County**.

You will be overwhelmed by the vastness and beauty of these gardens. Located on Conway Road, they are experimental, extensive, and impressive! Founded in 1914, many Extension professionals have contributed to identifying needs and developing programs to solve those needs. This network of Master Gardeners is available to help those of us without green thumbs. Our Walk Leader, Karen Buchan, is a volunteer member in culinary. In keeping with the theme of the day, lunch will be at Cork and Fork, a Farm-to-Table restaurant.

Group members will receive an email with further details. RSVPs may be sent to Assistant Leader Barbara Knapp, [407-282-5449, bcknapp1949@gmail.com](mailto:bcknapp1949@gmail.com).

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MAY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers I	2 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IX <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers II <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VII	3 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	4 <u>7 p.m.</u> Dining In	5 Cinco de Mayo
6	7	8 <u>1:30 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VI <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Dining Out	9	10 <u>9 a.m. thru lunch</u> Walking Grp <u>7 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VIII	11	12 <u>9 -11 a.m.</u> General Meeting
13 Mother's Day	14 <u>11:30 a.m.</u> Lunching Out	15 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers V	16	17 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers X <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	18 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IV	19
20	21 <u>10 a.m.-1 p.m.</u> Current Issues	22	23	24 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg	25	26
27 <u>1 p.m.</u> Foreign Affairs	28 Memorial Day (observed)	29	30	31 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg		

Did You Know . . . ?

Rosalind Franklin developed an X-ray technique allowing her to capture the first photos of DNA. A colleague showed her work to Watson and Crick without her knowledge, and the pair published its Nobel Prize-winning articles.

Francis Sommer, a Cleveland librarian was able to speak 94 languages. She said, "I am afraid to cram any more words into my head. Either the top will come off, or I will wake up speaking Babel."

Moderata Fonte (1555-1592) The Italian Amy Schumer of the 16th century wrote witty feminist prose, penning sentences like, "You ought to consider the fact that history books have been written by men who never tell the truth except by accident."

Babbage is called the father of the computer for his 1837 "Analytical Engine," but Ada Lovelace (daughter of Lord Byron) was the brains behind the computer's algorithm—the first in history.