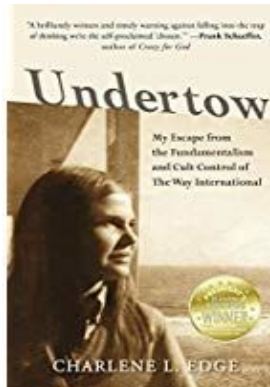


**Orlando *** Winter Park
BRANCHLINE****MARCH PROGRAM****SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019****11 a.m.****Interlachen Country Club
2245 Interlachen Ct.
Winter Park, FL 32792****SPEAKER: CHARLENE EDGE**

The Orlando/Winter Park Branch of the American Association of University Women proudly presents

The 18th Annual Spring Literary Luncheon

Author Charlene Edge will discuss her new book:

Undertow: My Escape from the Fundamentalism & Cult Control of The Way International

***Sit-down Luncheon**

***Silent Auction**

***Opportunity Drawing**

***Book Sales and Signing**

It's been a policy of our chapter for many years that if a member makes a reservation for the general meeting, but does not attend and does not cancel at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, she is still required to pay. This ensures that the chapter can meet the expenses for the meeting. The \$18 pays for the room rental, a gratuity for the speaker as well as the food. We notify the caterer of the reservations number, then we pay the caterer based on the actual meeting head count or the reservations number—whichever is higher. So, if a member doesn't show up, we still have to pay the caterer for that person's inclusion in the head count.

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.

Contact: Judy McDonald murren@bellsouth.net

From the President



I had many ideas for this column and I have chosen to write a brief review of the history of Women's History Month.

According to Wikipedia, Women's History Month traces its beginnings back to the first International Women's Day in 1911. Then in 1978, a

group in California celebrated Women's History Week. This was followed by an historic conference in 1979 at Sarah Lawrence College co-sponsored by the Women's Action Alliance and the Smithsonian Institution where women mounted an effort resulting in President Carter's 1980 proclamation of the week of March 8th as National Women's History Week chosen because March 8th was International Women's Day.

In 1981, Congress passed a joint resolution designating a week in March as Women's History Week. By 1986, fourteen states had declared March as Women's History Month. After being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress passed a bill, Pub. L. 100-9, that designated the month of March 1987 as Women's History Month. Since 1988, U.S. presidents have issued annual proclamations, and these are available on Wikipedia. In March 2011, the Obama administration released, *Women in America: Indicators of Social and Economic Well-Being*. This report was the first comprehensive federal report on women since the 1963 report by the Commission on the Status of Women.

The National Women's History Project declares annual themes. A sample from recent years includes:

- 2016: "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government"
- 2017: "Honoring Trailblazing Women in Labor and Business"
- 2018: "Nevertheless, She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination against Women"
- 2019: "Visionary Women: Champions of Peace & Nonviolence"

From President Trump's 2018 proclamation:

Our history is rich with amazing stories of strong, courageous, and brilliant women. Since America's founding, women have played an integral part in American innovation and productivity, while simultaneously raising generations of lively children and providing leadership in their local communities. Time and time again, women have demonstrated resilience in the face of unprecedented challenges.

And we will continue to do so.

Leslie Sue Lieberman, Ph.D
President, AAUW Orlando/Winter Park Branch
Professor Emerita UCF

*AAUW member, Dr. Ruth Edwards, Director of Education for the Winter Park Public Library, will lead a discussion and readings from her book, **Becoming a Black Woman**, at the March meeting of the James Baldwin Book Club at the Hannibal Square Heritage Center in Winter Park.*

"For as long as I have been consciously aware of it, I've encountered Black women who could complete my sentences. We know the same anecdotes and adages, and often cite the same source(s) of origin for these "knowings": my mother, my grandmother, my aunt . . . the list continues. I wanted to find out how we do this."

In this gathering, Dr. Edwards will share readings from her book and engage in dialogue with the group. Copies of the

book are available for purchase at Hannibal Square Heritage Center.

Ruth's talk will be held on March 10 at 2 p.m. in the Hannibal Square Heritage Center, 642 W New England Ave, Winter Park.

All are welcome, but please sign up using the Winter Park Public Library calendar.

<https://www.wppl.org/baldwin-book-club-3>

Article submitted by Nancy Flaherty

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US



Orlando/Winter Park AAUW
celebrates its 90th birthday with

**CAKE
AND
CHAMPAGNE**



General Meeting: February 9, 2019 Guest Speaker: Rachel Simmons, Archivist Winter Park Library



Rachel Simmons instructs us on how to preserve our own treasured books and photos.



Posing before Shaye's poster are (L to R) Leslie Lieberman (Current Pres.); Barbara Knapp (Pres. 1995-1996); Collette Davis (Recording Secretary (2015-2017); Linda Fessel (Branchline Editor 2009-2019); Max Reed (Pres. 2014-2016); Pat Stamm (Pres. 2002-2006)



Shaye Glover, UCF student, is clearly passionate about the poster she prepared using information gathered from our own archives at the W.P. Library.

VP Membership



Please see Phyllis Hall's information (next column) about membership renewal.

Welcome to our new members:

Taylor, Constance
connieataylor@icloud.com
 Illinois State U., B.S. Ed., 1988
 Seattle Pacific U., M.Ed., 2012

Wilson, Carleta
 Rollins College, BGS, 1969
 Rollins College, M.Ed Admin. 1970
 Rollins College, Ed. Sp Admin. 1976

[As of 2/9/19, we have 181 members which includes the PACE Director and UCF reps.]

Maria Bonnet
Marpazbonnet@gmail.com

PACE

Thanks to all who brought items for the STEM classes. PACE now has enough STEM supplies to last till the summer semester.

Thank you to all who continue to bring food for their pantry; it is still needed and greatly appreciated. The family of one of the PACE girls suffered a devastating fire in their home. They are currently living in a motel and would appreciate foods that can be heated in a microwave. When emergency help was needed by this family, PACE reached out quickly to our AAUW PACE team. They knew that there would be immediate help.

Kayla Pate, the outreach person at PACE, requested that we add deodorant to our food wants. (We did not ask her why!) As always, gift cards are highly valued. They are used for desperate food needs, the dream shop, and emergencies like the fire.

Anne Landrum

Director for Finance

As you are writing dues renewal notices in the next few months, please include me as the contact person for renewals.



Your check for \$85 should be made payable to AAUW Orlando / Winter Park.

Mail check to
 Phyllis Hall, 481 Forest Court
 Altamonte Springs 32714

Dues renewal deadline is June 30.

If you are paying at a meeting, **please write a separate check**, i.e., don't include it with the general meeting check. This helps us with accounting.

New members always ask how the \$85 is split up. The major portion of our dues (\$59) goes to the National Organization to support the many programs that AAUW advocates and champions. The FL State organization receives \$12, and our chapter retains \$14 which is used for operations.

Of the \$59 national dues, \$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.

Important Reminder: Anyone who signs up as a new member at one of our monthly general meetings will only pay half and will get her breakfast for free!

Phyllis Hall

*The Branchline does not publish members' addresses and phone numbers. Information on all our members can be found on our website (Orlando-fl.aauw.net) under the Members Only menu. Contact Linda Fessel (LFessel@embarqmail.com) or Maria Bonnet (Marpazbonnet@gmail.com) for the password

THIS MONTH'S PHOTO GALLERY

Exploring Central Florida strolls the wetlands of the Oakland Nature Preserve (but never gets their feet wet).



We haven't even started out yet, but everyone heads for the porch chairs. Practicing for the future?



Cooking Globally

On February 15, the Cooking Globally group had a record number of fourteen attend a delicious Italian dinner. We welcomed five first-timers: Camri McCormick, Cynthia Pesch, Ruth Webb, Patricia Lancaster and Linda Hammersla. Susan Turo coordinated an outstanding menu that ranged from a Stuffed Turkey Roll to melt in your mouth Tiramisu. Oh, did I mention, there were two other desserts accompanied by eight bottles of wine? Everyone enjoyed the fabulous food, great conversation, and camaraderie with their AAUW sisters.



The Deos in Tortola

Hoops had to be removed before taking your seat in a carriage, and then they were hooked onto the back of the carriage.

And we thought those 1950s crinolines were a pain!

Guess we have come a long way.

Submitted by Karen Buchan



From the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the slate of nominees for 2019—2021.

These are two-year terms which run from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

We will vote at the April General Meeting. The new officers will be installed at the May General Meeting.

Recording Secretary (General Meetings)
Christine Porter (has agreed to serve another term)

Recording Secretary (Board Meetings)
Pat Nichols (has agreed to serve another term)

Director for Finance: Ginny Gilmer

V.P. Programs: Karen Gillett

If you would like to be considered for any of these positions, just contact a member of the nominating committee to get your name on the ballot.

Linda Fessel: lfessel@embarqmail.com
 Phyllis Hall: PhyllisCath814@gmail.com
 Nancy Flaherty: nef.public@gmail.com
 Karen Buchan: kgb@unknownegg.org

An organization can
 only succeed when
 its members get
 involved.



Please Read

[Unexciting, but Important]

Our Orlando/Winter Park Bylaws state that the membership must be given 15 days written notice before the meeting when bylaws changes are to be brought to a vote. A two-thirds affirmative vote of those present and voting will be needed for approval. Therefore you are now receiving written notice about the proposed changes which will be voted upon at our Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 13:

As currently written:

Article IX

Section 1a:

The elected officers shall be president, vice presidents for membership and programs, secretary and director of finance.

Rewritten proposal:

The elected officers shall be president, vice presidents for membership and programs, recording secretary for general meetings, recording secretary for board meetings and two directors for finance.

Current Section 1g:

The president, vice president of membership and director for finance shall be elected in even-numbered years. The vice president of programs and recording secretary shall be elected in odd-numbered years.

Rewritten proposal:

The president, vice president of membership, and one director for finance shall be elected in even-numbered years. The vice president of programs, recording secretaries and one director for finance shall be elected in odd-numbered years.

Currently there is no Section 1h

Written proposal for Section 1h:

Two vice presidents of program and/or two vice presidents of membership may be elected. If that occurs, then one would be elected in even-numbered years and one would be elected in odd-numbered years.

Rationale for changes: If the job is handled by two people, it is less work and less time-consuming for both. If they are elected in different years, there would always be one person with experience to help train the second.

Interest Groups

MARCH

Attention Members, new and established:

Please look over the list of interest groups and contact the leaders if you find ones that interest you. AAUW members are open, friendly and eager to engage fellow members. So many of us have found involvement in the groups to be an enjoyable and rewarding experience that deepens our connection to the AAUW chapter. Do take the plunge!

Scrabble Anyone? There has been some interest in forming a Scrabble group. Contact me if you would be interested in heading up a group.

Joan Liberman
Interest Group Chair
libermanjoan@gmail.com

Booklovers: Booklovers in March are reading *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah but Booklovers VII will read *The Last Painting of Sara de Vos* by Dominic Smith.

If you would like to be a Booklover, just contact Ellen James, Booklovers Coordinator, at (407) 857-0044 or ellenjames54@gmail.com

Booklovers Lite (aka Booklovers III): Booklovers Lite meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 1-3. In March, we'll meet at the clubhouse of the Marbeya Club Condominiums (between Carmel and Lake Howell Arms) right where Lake Howell Road comes into 436. We are reading *Mrs. Drew Plays Her Hand* by Carla Kelly. Contact Martha Williamson (bibliamor@aol.com).

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Mark your calendars now for the next two dinners held at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Winter Park's Club 24: Friday, April 19 – Korean coordinated by Joan Liberman Friday, June 21 – Swiss coordinated by Barbara Buchele For more information or to add your name to the email list, contact: Rana Tiwari (ranatiwari@usa.net) or Karen Buchan (kbg@unknownegg.org).

Current Issues: Meets monthly on the 3rd Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Marcy Kysilka: Kysilka@bellsouth.net

Dining Couples On Saturday, March 23, dinner will be at the home of Rosemary and Ken Vendena at 6:30 p.m. This group is still open to accept two more permanent couples as well as occasional substitutes. RSVP to Rosemary at rovendena@hotmail.com. If you are interested in becoming a member of Dining Couples, contact Robbi Willenkin (407) 960-4151.

Dining In: On March 1, Dining In will meet at the home of Eileen Garrison. RSVP to Eileen at eileengar@msn.com Contact Jane Rosen for more information about this group: 321-295-7689 or mjcrosen@hotmail.com

Dining Out (at night): Dining Out will meet on March 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Garp and Fuss 348 North Park Avenue Winter Park RSVP to Susan Hoke: 407-637-6857 or shoke@cfl.rr.com

Exploring Central Florida (ECF) On March 14, we will be going to The Orlando Wetlands. Address: 25155 Wheeler Road, Christmas 32709. We have volunteers to guide us on trams. Group leader is Karen Buchan: kbg@unknownegg.org Assistant: Collette Davis. dcollette@aol.com Arrival time is 9:45. Restaurant is to be announced

If you wish to be added to the contact list, contact Max Reed at 407-625-1664 (MaxReedFL@gmail.com) or Collette Davis at 407-682-1912 (dcollette@aol.com)

Foreign Affairs: Next meeting will be on Sunday, March 24 at 1 p.m. Contact Chair Dee Fuentes (407-310-1154) or tucu662@gmail.com for more information.

Interest Groups Continue on Next Page

Interest Groups (Continued)

Foreign Films: The next foreign film (TBA) will be on Monday, March 25, 2019, from 1-4 p.m. For more information and to be included on the contact list, contact Linda Fessel: LFessel@embarqmail.com

Lunching Out: Lunching Out will meet on Monday, March 11, at 11:30 a.m. For more information, contact Linda Fessel: LFessel@embarqmail.com

Mah Jongg: Mah Jongg will meet on Thursday, March 7, 14, 21, and 28. Beginners welcome. For more information, contact Linda Fessel: LFessel@embarqmail.com or Karen Deo: Karen.deo@gmail.com

PACE Center for Girls: The PACE Library, which was set up and organized by AAUW a few years ago, is in need of some resorting and renewal. If you would be able to join the group that will be improving the library, please contact Anne Landrum (407-539-1667) or alandrum2@cfl.rr.com

Sole Sisters (formerly the walking group) will meet every Thursday at 9 a.m. at Lake Baldwin at the pier (where Broad Street meets the lake).

Level 1: the whole circle around the lake, 2.5 miles, moderate walk; 1 hour and 15 minutes;

Level 2: A shorter walk from the pier to the dog park, 0.7 miles.

We will meet every Thursday at the same place. Time will change in the summer.

No need to indicate attendance every week. We will be there. Just join us.

We will have coffee, etc., afterwards. There are several nice places to choose from across the pier.

If interested, please sign up initially by contacting D. Fuentes tucu662@gmail.com or Ginny Gillmer virginia.gillmer@gmail.com

Theater Group: The Chair for this group is Jean Bubriski, jbubriski33@gmail.com (or 949-278-7293). See below for more information about the season's final show.

Walking Group: See Sole Sisters



AAUW 2018-2019 Theatre Group Group Leader: Jean Bubriski

Apr. 27, 2019

2 p.m.

Sweet Charity

YOU NEED TO BUY YOUR OWN TICKET FROM THE BOX OFFICE. My seat is F124. When you call or email the Annie Russell Box Office, ask to be seated near Jean Bubriski and the AAUW Theatre Group. Their phone is 407-646-2145 and the email/website is annieboxoffice@rollins.edu. The Box Office Manager, Chelsea Highland, knows about our group.

Please email Jean at jbubriski33@gmail.com or call 949-278-7293 if you are planning to join us for any of the plays.

LET'S MEET IN THE ROSE GARDEN BETWEEN THE ANNIE RUSSELL THEATER AND THE COLLEGE CHAPEL AT 1:45 FOR EACH PLAY!

Mark your calendars for this one-night only event:

March 23, 2019, @ 6 p.m. in the Pegasus Ballroom

Join us for our annual FREE student-led production of ***The Vagina Monologues***, a play that celebrates female sexuality in all its complexity and mystery. Performed in cities across the world and on hundreds of college campuses, the play has inspired V-Day – a dynamic grassroots movement to end violence against women and girls. Witty and irreverent, compassionate and wise, Eve Ensler's Obie

Award-winning masterpiece gives voice to women's deepest fantasies and fears, while raising awareness of the violent atrocities that continue to affect women and girls on a global level.

Doors open at 6 p.m. Performance begins at 6:30. The Pegasus Ballroom is located in the UCF Student Union. Free parking is available in Parking Garage F, located at the back of campus in Knight's Plaza.

Carpooling is recommended.

MARCH 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 7 p.m. Dining In	2 11a.m.-2 p.m. LITERARY LUNCHEON
3	4	5 1 p.m. B-Lovers I	6 10 a.m. B-Lovers VIII 10 a.m. B-Lovers IX 1 p.m. B-Lovers II 1 p.m. B-Lovers VII	7 9 a.m. Sole Sisters 1 p.m. Mah Jongg	8	9
10	11 11:30 a.m. Lunching Out	12 1:30 p.m. B-Lovers VI 6:30 p.m. Dining Out	13	14 9 a.m. Sole Sisters 9 a.m. thru lunch Exploring Central FL 1 p.m. Mah Jongg	15 10 a.m. B-Lovers IV	16
17	18 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Current Issues 1:30 Brd. Mtg.	19 1 p.m. B-Lovers V	20	21 9 a.m. Sole Sisters 1 p.m. B-Lovers X 1 p.m. Mah Jongg	22	23 6:30 p.m. Dining Couples
24 1 p.m. Foreign Affairs	25 1 p.m. Foreign Films	26	27 1 p.m. B-Lovers III ("Lite")	28 9 a.m. Sole Sisters 1 p.m. Mah Jongg	29	30 31

MARTIUS



March, called *Martius* by the Romans, got its name from Mars, the god of war. It was considered a propitious time to start fighting, provided you out-numbered the enemy. March was the first month of the year until 46 B.C. when Julius Caesar, who

had to do something to get his mind off Cleopatra, started messing around with the calendar. It continued to be the beginning of the legal year in England until 1752, the English not wishing to make a change hastily. (To Brexit or not to Brexit . . .)

St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland, died on March 17 in 464.

The most famous legend told of him is that he miraculously drove all the snakes and venomous creatures from the island by banging a drum. He did so well that Irish soil is still supposed to be death to any such beast that

touches it. Another legend says that he used the shamrock, with its three leaves and a single stem, to illustrate the idea of the Trinity. On his deathbed he asked his friends to have a drink to ease their pain. Compliance with his last words is an explanation of the Irish predilection for whiskey

