



Orlando *** Winter Park BRANCHLINE



OCTOBER PROGRAM

Dr. Anna V. Eskamani is a life-long resident of Orlando and, since 2018, has represented District 42 in the Florida State Legislature.

She has received numerous awards for her work on behalf of her constituents—particularly for women and girls, including Planned Parenthood and PACE.

Eskamani is the daughter of immigrants, a UCF graduate with a Ph.D. in Public Administration and holds certificates in women and gender studies. Her background and legislative actions range from energy and climate issues to community arts and the beautification of Orlando.

Today she will share with us her vision for Orlando—*The Probable and Improbable*.

A government big enough to give you everything you want is strong enough to take everything you have.
(Gerald Ford)

From barbarism to civilization requires a century; from civilization to barbarism needs but a day.
(Will Durant)

Saturday, October 18, 2025

9:30-11:30

**First Congregational Church of Winter Park
225 S. Interlachen Ave., Winter Park**

COST: \$20

HOW TO PAY

1. Cash or check at the door or
2. Zelle or
3. Send check to the following:

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P.O. Box 884

Winter Park, FL 32790

(allow 5 days delivery time)

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RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15

USE THE RESERVATION EMAIL BELOW:

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

From the President



Fall officially arrived on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 2:19 p.m. in the Orlando area, although it is a little difficult for us, to think of it being Fall when stepping out into temperatures in the 80's and 90's!

Daylight Savings Time will end in our area on *Sunday, November 2* when clocks will "fall back" one hour to 1 a.m. local time. Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on Nov 2 than the day before. There will be more light in the morning and less

light in the evening. Catch phrase for the time change is usually referred to as FALL BACK and SPRING FORWARD. (Diana has more to say about DST on the next page.)

Our **Kick Off meeting**, held Saturday, September 13, was very successful. Many thanks to our members who participated in setting this up and making it a success. Judging from the activity and conversations that filled the room, our attendees enjoyed catching up with friends, old and new, and visiting our activity tables. We look forward to an active and fulfilling year at the Orlando-Winter Park AAUW branch.

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From the President

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Our new schedule of programs for the coming year to be presented at our Breakfast program/meeting has been arranged by our VP of Programs, Dr. Leslie Sue Lieberman. The speaker for **Our October 18 program** will be **Dr. Anna Eskamani**, Florida Representative, speaking on *"The Probable & Improbable: The Future of Orlando"*. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please note the date—**October 18, third Saturday of the month**. The change was made to accommodate the Winter Park Fall Art Festival, with its accompanying crowds and traffic, which is being held the week-end of October 11-12.

Diana Secor, President
AAUW Orlando/Winter Park

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight Savings Time will end in the Orlando Florida area on **Sunday, November 2, 2025**, when clocks will be set back one hour from 2 a.m. to 1 a.m. local time. This time change is part of the standard national schedule where Daylight Savings Time ends on the first Sunday in November. Sunrise and Sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on November 2 than the day before—more light in the morning and less light in the evening. These changes in time settings are familiarly known as: Fall Back, Spring Forward.

Florida is one of 20 states which has declared for keeping Daylight Savings Time permanent. Since this has passed the Florida Legislature, why has this not happened?

While Florida has passed state legislation to make DST permanent, it requires approval from the U.S. Congress to become law;

Federal law has historically prohibited states from changing time zones without Congressional action, making permanent DST a federal issue.

In discussing this issue, our President, in January noted: "Daylight Savings Time is inconvenient and very costly to our Nation"

Diana Secor, President
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PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS

Once again we at AAUW are planning our Thanksgiving celebration for PACE. Throughout our country, families come together to celebrate Thanksgiving with wonderful and traditional food. For the past twenty-five or so years our members have come together to generously provide the PACE girls and their families a fabulous Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings. Again this year we ask for your help and participation. You can sign up at the Branch meeting or call or email Susan Rosoff to volunteer.

Susan Rosoff can be reached at 407-797-4332 or srosoff@atlantic.net

Here is what is still needed:

Volunteers to serve

Money to purchase Turkeys and any other needed items

Turkeys	Mashed Potatoes
Sweet Potatoes	Corn
Green Bean Casserole	Gravy

Corn Bread Casserole

Dessert – Pies: Apple or Pumpkin

Mac and Cheese

Stuffing – Meat or Vegetarian

Cupcakes, Cookies, Brownies

Pans to use in the warming trays will be available at the General meeting in October and November.

Thanks for always supporting PACE girls.

Submitted by Anne Landrum

Your PACE team.

Ann B.
Anne L.
Barbara K
Karen B.
Karen G.
Pat S.
Roberta C.
Sue M.
Susan R.



And some things never change!

The 55 delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention had more on their minds than creating a new form of government—they were also there to party! One receipt listed, among other items, 156 bottles of liquor. Alexander Hamilton, one of the main framers of the Constitution, was under doctor's orders to consume no more than "three glasses of wine" per day, and the fact that this regimen was considered moderate says a lot about the drinking habits of our forefathers—or fifth fathers. To be able to drink that much and still have the wherewithal to formulate a new government means our Founding Fathers had a pretty strong constitution.

Some people argue that protecting freedoms of "religion, speech, assembly, press, and petition" were the most important issues, and that's why they're in the First Amendment. James Madison initially proposed twelve amendments to the Constitution, but only ten were approved. The now-famous First Amendment was actually the Third Amendment in Madison's original draft. What were the first two? They dealt with congressional pay raises and reapportionment.



[Leland Gregory's Stupid History]

Here are some of the pictures taken at the September General Meeting kick-off. If you don't see yourself, you might have been at the buffet or in the bathroom. I might have missed you, or you might have missed the meeting. Hope to see you in October. **Reminder, due to the Winter Park Art Festival, our meeting has been moved to the next Saturday—October 18.**



Valentina Vianello (a friend of Cynthia and Louis), became a member today. Welcome Valentina!



Former member, Betsy Swart re-joined today. Welcome back, Betsy.



Interest Groups

Booklovers: Booklovers enjoyed *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* last season, so it was only natural that our readers nominated and selected James McBride's *The Color of Water* for our October title. His lyrical memoir is a tribute to his mother. Teeming with thoughtful observations, McBride would have us consider, "God is the color of water. Water doesn't have a color." I wish I could sit in on all the discussions this month.

If you'd like to sit in on a Booklovers discussion and wish more information, please contact me, Missy Baker, Booklovers Coordinator, bakerworks@gmail.com.

Booklovers Lite: Booklovers Lite meets monthly on the last Wednesday at 1 p.m. The group will meet on October 29, at 1 p.m. to discuss *Iona Iverson's Rules for Commuting* by Clare Pooley. The reading list is independent from those of the other book groups. If interested in being part of this fun group, contact chair Karen Deo: Karen.deo@gmail.com.

Dining In: Dining-In normally meets at noon on the first Friday of the month. Contact Jane Rosen for more information: 321-295-7689 or mjcroten@hotmail.com.

Exploring Central Florida (ECF): Contact Linda at LFessel@Comcast.net to get on the contact list. Tours will resume once the threat of hurricanes has passed and the weather is cooler.

Foreign Affairs: Foreign Affairs Interest Group will be discussing chapter 7: "*AI and American National Security*" in our *Great Decisions* book on Sunday, September 28 at 2 p.m. Susan Rogers will be presenting this topic. Contact Mary Himes for more information. mwaltzhimes@gmail.com

Lunching Out:

The date and place for Lunching Out has not been finalized yet. Check your emails for time and place. If you would like to join this group, contact Linda to get on the contact list.

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MahJongg: meets on Thursdays at Club 24 in Winter Park from 1-4 p.m. Want to learn the game? We will teach you. For more information, contact Karen Deo: Karen.deo@gmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

When you need to make your email reservations (aauwreserve@gmail.com), please also add your name. We often have more than one person with the same initials, i.e., cs, mw, pw. This will ensure we have the correct reservation. Also, please do not ask several people to make a reservation for you. This only serves to confuse the listing. We appreciate your help with this.

We note that more people are using Zelle, which cuts down on areas for possible errors, and it puts the money directly in the bank.

Thank you.

Diana



One of our long time, favorite interest groups was Classic/Foreign Films. I would like to resurrect this interest group. As many of you know, I am now in Lake Mary, so you need to be willing to come to Lake Mary (it's not really as far as people think). Let me know if you would be interested in joining Classic/Foreign Films Part Deux.

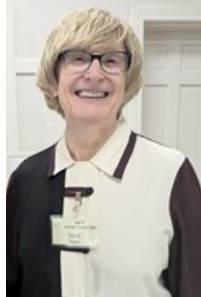
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Don't forget to pay your dues —\$100—for 2025-2026. If you don't remember if you paid, contact Ann Burnham or Irene Pruzan. If we have not received your dues by October 15, we cannot include you in the membership directory.

The breakdown is as follows:

National	\$74 (this portion is tax deductible;)
State	\$12
Branch	\$14 (now tax deductible)

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This bulletin board is for you to announce non-AAUW events that you would like to publicize and/or promote.

Adrienne's Global Dining:

Contact Adrienne Katz Katz for information on this group.
321-695-4445
katzaid@yahoo.com

OCTOBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IX <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers VIII <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers II <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VII	2 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	3 <u>12 noon</u> Dining-In	4
5	6	7 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers I	8	9 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	10	11
12	13 Indigenous People's Day	14 <u>2 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VI	15	16 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers X <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	17	18 <u>9:30—11:30</u> General Meeting
19	20	21 <u>1:30</u> B-Lovers V	22	23 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	24	25
26 <u>2 p.m.</u> Foreign Affairs	27	28	29 <u>10:30</u> BOD <u>1-3</u> B-Lovers Lite	30 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	31 	

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Diane Kennedy	Oct. 8
Sherry Levy	Oct. 20
Valerie Dunn	Oct. 21
Phyllis DeVelder	Oct. 25

