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The Tiempo



From the President's Desk:

The Tampa AAUW Mirror

A young lady recently graduated from college. As a gift, she received an AAUW Tampa Mirror and a two-year membership in the Tampa AAUW Affiliate. Puzzled, the new graduate confided in her neighbor, an AAUW member, that she thought the gift was "odd".

Her neighbor asked, "What do you see when you look in the mirror?" The girl replied in an astonished tone, "I see me!"

The neighbor replied, "Then you are looking at the mirror at the wrong angle. So the graduate said, "Ok. When you look in the mirror what do you see?"

The neighbor took the mirror and looked into it carefully and thoughtfully. She said, I see me working alongside other members having fun and supporting each other as we address issues that will change the lives of girls and women in our community and across the globe. I see our goal is not power, showmanship, or counter-productiveness. I see our success is measured as we work harmoniously and in earnest to help build and support policy locally and nationally that will address AAUW's goal of equity for girls and women in schools, the workplace, and in the community.

The young graduate was quiet and pensive as she looked into her mirror once again.

Bert Dunbar, PhD, ARNP, NEA President

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Newsletter Submissions

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January Meeting Highlights

The January meeting proved to be a bevy of activity with 24 members and guests attending. Reverend Martha Vaguener presented a message that was so inspiring she will be repeating the message at the February fundraiser. There was a lively discussion about lunch prices, lunch for guests, and if having a Speaker's fund is desirable and feasible. A committee will share more about the issue in the near future. It's that time of year to shore up our resources and check our finances. So an auditing committee- chaired by John Chaplick, and a nomination committee- chaired by Dr. Gloria Hilton was approved.

Area Chairs for the Silent Auction- Connie Fountain, Book Sales and Signing-Dr. Gloria Hilton, and Membership- Shella Miller gave updates for their sections. Four authors have committed to be onhand and one more is tentative. Additionally the baskets for raffle are shaping up nicely. **This is an event you don't want to miss!**

The Authors and their works:

John Chaplick- The River Grass Legacy, Bridge of the Paper Tiger, Forbidden Chronicles of a Roman Centurion

Scottie Jacob Fingar- Therapeutic Breathing: Resources for Health Professionals and the Rest of Us Yvonne McShay- Our Lakeland and Are You a Prepositional Phrase?

Dana M. Rosser-Thru Thick and Thin: Facing Obesity thru the Eyes of a Loved One

Debora M. Coty- Too Blessed to Be Stressed Series (tentative)

A preview of some of the 10 or more baskets to be raffled:



Beers and Ales from around the world and exotic snackscaviar, smoked oyster, etc.



Harry and David's Munchies



Trader Joe's Basket—Numerous goodies including Famous Trader Joe's Cookie Butter, US Grade A Taste of Vermont Maple Syrup, Himalayan Pink Salt Crystal, Organic Single Estate Ceylon High Grown teas and many more items



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Presents

An Extravaganza of the Arts

Saturday, February 24, 2018 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tampa Palms Golf and Country Club 5811 Tampa Palms Boulevard, Tampa, FL (Donation: \$50 includes admission and lunch)

Featuring Performances by:



James Tokley Tampa's Poet Laureate



The Flexible Four Quartet of the:



Betty Chester Pianist and Organist



This is an opportunity to contribute Also, you may purchase tickets to to a worthwhile cause and immerse yourself in the arts by Tampa Bay artists including music, poetry, books, quilting, paintings, and much more. Authors will be on hand to sign their fiction and or non-fiction work- after purchase.

There will be a silent auction with items such as a 60 minute massage, paintings, quilts, etc.

participate in drawings for lavish baskets such as Prestigious Chocolates and European Wines or Exotic Teas and Crumpets, etc.

The silent auction, ticket purchasing for drawings, book purchases, and signings begins at 10:30am. Winners will be announced at the end of the program.

Reservations are required. Please send your check to Mattie Parr, Secretary of AAUW Tampa - 638 Citrus Wood Lane Valrico, FL 33594. On the memo line of your check, please place your meal choice -chicken, fish, or vegetables. For further information, you may contact Mattie @ (412) 551-4018. Deadline for making reservations is Wednesday, February 21, 2018.



Proceeds will benefit the Tampa American Association of University Women Scholarships, STEM activities and branch programming. AAUW is a 501c(4) non-profit and non-partisan organization. Your donation is not tax deductible.



Membership Matters

Director of Membership, Shella Miller

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Please remember our Membership Drive, with the goal of increasing membership by 10 new members themed, *Each One Bring One to Empower!* There will be a prize for first and

second place for the member who signed up the highest number of new members. Membership is open to anyone holding an associate's (or equivalent, e.g. RN), bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. The total cost for these great benefits is \$74.00 (\$49.00 national, \$12.00 state, and \$13.00 local branch dues). I am excited to report in the near future members will be able to join and remit dues online. Thank you for your support of AAUW!

Scholarships

The scholarship committee is pleased to announce the scholarship period is going well. We have received four applications and several inquiries have been made. If you know any student interested in applying, the application is available on the USF Scholarship website and the Tampa AAUW website. If any AAUW member is interested in participating in the interview and selection process, please contact the Director of Scholarships, Jacqui Vento at 813-787-5574.

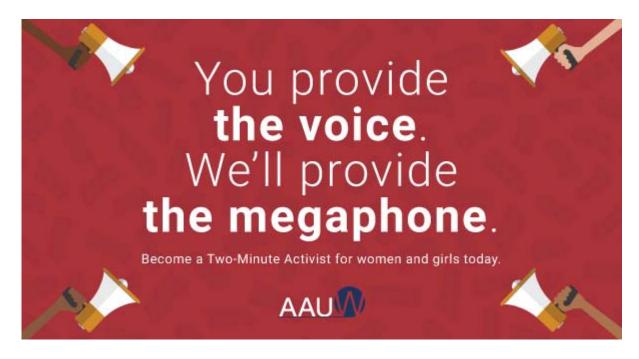
AAUW Elect Her

AAUW member and past House Of Representative member Betty Reed was honored at Bible Base Church in Temple Terrace, January 21, 2018, by members of Local Government and Senator Darryl Rouson. Mrs. Reed served for 8 years. She was passionate for sponsoring bills for the homeless population, health care. Her passion for health care is evident in funding she secured for area clinics and a bill for the study of infant mortality in Florida in 2010.

Angela Birdsong is running for County Commissioner District 2 (Temple Terrace, Brandon, Valrico, Northdale and a few other communities). She is an insurance business owner and an advocate for healthcare and the rights of all citizens. Let's get to know her and ELECT HER!

TAKE ACTION

Take action on issues impacting women and girls by joining AAUW's Action Network. All it takes is two minutes and an internet connection:



As a Two-Minute Activist, you will receive urgent email notices when your advocacy is needed most. We'll provide all the tools you need to call or send messages to your members of Congress, write letters to the editor for your local newspapers, contact your state legislators about pressing issues, and more.

Become a Two-Minute Activist

Receive urgent e-mail notices to contact your members of Congress right in your inbox. Join the AAUW Action Network today at: https://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/two-minute-activist/



General Meeting/Event Dates

General Meeting
Ethics Presentation
March 17, 2017

11 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Menu Options

Chicken Piccata, Salmon w/

Citrus Blanc, or

Pasta Primavera/Salad

Cost \$20.00

R.S.V.P. By March 14th

Joyce Ellsworth 813-971-6731

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(Even if you are not staying for the meal, please let Joyce know to allow for the appropriate room size)

Temple Terrace
Golf & Country Club
200 Inverness Avenue
Temple Terrace, FL 33617

February 02 Wear Red Day for Heart Health Awareness

February 14 Happy Valentine's Day

February 24 Fundraising Event
Extravaganza of the Art
Performers: James Tokley
Heralds of Harmony Quartet
Pianist, Betty Chester

March 17 Ethics Presentation

April 21 Nominations and Elections

May 19 Installation of Officers

June 16 Colors Day

Volunteer Opportunities



Annual Fundraiser

Volunteers and donations are still needed by the fundraising committee for our upcoming annual fundraiser event! This year's signature event "An Extravaganza of the Arts" will be on February 24th, Tampa Palms Country Club. Your time, talents, and resources are needed to make this year's

event a Success!

Volunteers are especially needed to support the Silent Action! Current volunteer opportunities exist for raffle ticket sales, collection of funds from auction winners, and auction items display/setup. Funds raised will support AAUW Tampa programming. Also if you have donations, please contact Connie at the below number. If you are able to serve or have donations, please contact Connie Fountain, Chair at newbeginnings63@msn.com or 813-892-1126.

Board of Directors' Nominations 2018-2019

A Nominating Committee has formed to find members to fill the following offices:

- Director of Finances- met term limits.
- Director of Scholarship Activities- will meet term limits June 30th.
- Director of Yearbook Activities- Vacant
- President- completes first term June 30th current president is seeking second term

Please step up to the plate if Dr. Hilton gives you a call or call her if you or someone you know is ready to serve- Email: **glorialhilton@verizon.net, cell 440-225-0442**. The Nominating Committee will report their findings in the April meeting.

Newsletter

Volunteers are needed to assist the newsletter editor with various media events in the areas of photography and publicity. Assistance is needed with taking pictures at events and general meetings. Also assistance is needed with publicizing AAUW events with local television, newspaper, and radio mediums. If you are interested in volunteering in either capacity, please contact the Newsletter Editor, **Kay Lee-Smith**, at 813-361-6334 or email: aauwtbnewsletter@gmail.com.

Birthday Greetings



Gloria Hilton, 8

Naomi Sweeting, 16

Catherine Gibson, 18

Shella Miller, 24

Shannon Ledbetter, 28

Directory Corrections/Additions

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 DOB June 14

*New Member

