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# The Tiempo



#### From the President's Desk:

#### A Coming Together and Moving Forward

As we near the end of this fiscal year, an opportunity exists to look back as well as forward. How did we do with our strategic plan? Our 2016-2018 Strategic Goals include:

- 1. Increase membership by at least 10%
- 2. Nominate at least four young ladies for Tech Trek camp each year.
- 3. Identify at least two activities that will increase the "user friendliness" of joining and maintaining membership in Tampa Affiliate.
- 4. Identify ways in which to fill vacant positions
- 5. Identify ways and means to increase community awareness.
- 6. Identify at least two activities with the purpose of engaging and bonding novice and experienced members.
- 7. Continue to offer at least two scholarships a year to upper-class USF STEM students.

We will have an opportunity to revisit, assess, and reset our goals in the October Strategic Planning meeting. Please put on your "thinking caps".

As Tampa worked towards meeting its strategic goals over the last two years, the Affiliate experienced a transition. The transition was brought on by a more than 20% increase in membership. The new members added to the diversity of thoughts on goal setting, problem-solving, and ways and means. How would it all come together? Well, the ideas and work of the experienced members and the novice members came together in a most beautiful form on February 24tth and pitched itself as "An Extravaganza of the Arts". I believe this can be a prologue to what Tampa can accomplish as we continue to move forward.

Berthenya (Bert) Dunbar, PhD, ARNP, NEA President

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# Fundraiser Highlights



Mr. James Tokley, guest speaker, center seated.

AAUW Tampa held its fundraiser "An Extravaganza of the Arts" on Saturday 24 February, at the Tampa Palms Golf and Country Club. It was an exciting day filled with door prizes, basket raffles, auction items, authors, food, musical entertainment, a ribbon of honor recipient, and a poet extraordinaire.

The door prizes, basket raffle and auction items were a hit. The au-

thors: John Chaplick, Deborah Coty, Scottie Fingar, Yvonne McShay, and Dana Rosser participated in the book signing and donated fifty percent of their proceeds to our branch. What an outstanding gesture!

The Ribbon of Honor recipient, Ms. Dotti Groover-Skipper, was recognized for her servant leadership in the area of human trafficking. Dottie was presented with a plaque,

pictured below with AAUW Tampa President and Director of Programs.

The musical influence of the Flexible Four of the Heralds of Harmony and Betty Chester set the mood. The Flexible Four serenaded members Shella Miller and Gloria Hilton, the birthday girls. The guest speaker, James Tokley's inspirational poetry reading enchanted the audience with his humorous and animated presentation. We were truly inspired! It was a wonderful event and all in attendance seemed to have enjoyed the festivities immensely!



Left to right: President Dunbar, Dottie Groover-Skipper and Irene Bembry

# An Extravaganza of the Arts Highlights

















Event pictures will be uploaded to the website

## **Tech Trek Report for Florivision**

To date 241 girls were nominated for this year's camp. They came from 60 schools and 16 branches. Currently we have 143 applicants who made the January 28 dead-line.

The branches with nominees and applicants have all received a packet of instructions for handling the interviews and ranking of their girls. Rankings are due February 28. Girls will be notified by the end of March of their acceptance to camp. We will develop a registration form. We still need to determine how to collect the \$50 deposit. We will keep branches informed.

We hope that all branches are working on fund raising for camp as it will cost about \$1100 per girl to provide this outstanding experience for 64 girls. We are expecting a carry over from National of \$32,255. We will need to raise all other funds and are depending on branches to do this for us, since we no longer receive the \$5000 from National AAUW.

We currently have been approved for Federal 501(c)(3) non-profit designation and need to contact our previous corporate donors. These donors, who contributed a total of \$10,000 last year, need our non- profit designation in order to support us.

We just learned that Symantec will donate \$1500 to Tech Trek Camps through National this year. They will sponsor a workshop that all the girls will attend.

Donations for Tech Trek Camp should be made out to AAUW FL Supporting Foundation, Inc. with Tech Trek on the memo line. Checks should be mailed to Tech Trek, P.O. Box 2938, Jupiter, FL 33468.

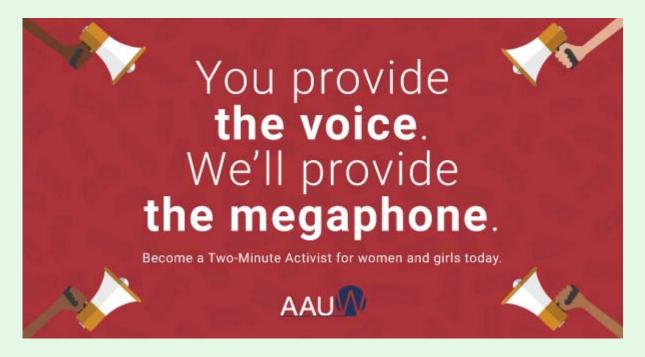
We are looking for college age girls to be camp counselors. These girls must be willing to stay in the dorm for the entire week, plus Saturday afternoon before camp. Anyone having a relative or friend who may be interested should contact Daphnie Desilus @ desilusdaphnie@yahoo.com.

Our core courses will be Robotics, App Inventor, Engineering and Marine Biology. Our workshop will be Cyber Security, DNA, Weather, Chemistry, Finance, Problem Solving, Science and Art and Rocketry. We are still working on the field trip and the evening activities will be similar to last year including the viewing of the film *Hidden Figures*. We are looking forward to another great camp!

Article by Sue Sloan, Camp Director

## 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**

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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-



# General Meeting Ethics Presentation Alice Prive 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* 

*jlellsworth@verizon.net* 

(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

### **General Meeting/Event Dates**

**March 17** Ethics Presentation

**April 21** Nominations and Elections

**May 19** Installation of Officers

**June 16** Colors Day

# **Membership Matters**



Director of Membership, Shella Miller shellamiller078@gmail.com

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 \$84.00 (\$59.00 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!

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### **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 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Director of Yearbook Activities- Vacant
- President- completes first term June 30<sup>th</sup> 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 interested, please contact the Newsletter Editor, **Kay Lee-Smith**, at 813-361-6334 or email: aauwtbnewsletter@gmail.com.

# Birthday Greetings



Frances Worden 9

Kathy Schmidt 16

# **Directory Corrections/Additions**

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  BSN Carlow University, Pittsburg, PA
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- Jasmine White-Bynum—email: jasmine.s.whitebynum@gmail.com
- Shella Miller—email: shellamiller078@gmail.com
- Karlene Kunz: 813-758-4543; email: <u>kmkunz1@msn.com</u>
   DOB May 31
- Alice Prive: 415-676-9449; email: <u>ameprive@gmail.com</u>
   DOB June 14

\*New Member

