



Tampa (FL) Branch

Tampa AAUW: Making A Difference for over 100 years

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# The Tiempo Special Summer Edition



## 50 Year Club



Lee Schmoll joins five others in Tampa that have been members of AAUW for fifty years or more. The others are Avis Chaplick, Jean Eberhart, Sherry Foecking, Madge Soyster, and Adele Walters. Congratulations!

Lee moved to Tampa in 1964 and joined Tampa AAUW in 1968. She has been a member ever since.

Lee has an interesting background. She received her graduate degree from the University of Durham, England in 1960. At one time, she and her husband lived in Spain and Lee worked for the U.S. Navy base commander. Since her arrival on the Tampa scene, Lee has been a continually active member. She has been Historian of the Tampa Affiliate for many years but recently retired our meticulously kept records and priceless photographs to the archives at the University of South Florida, Tampa.

Lee was also President of the Tampa Branch from 1998 to 2000 and Co-President from 2000 to 2002 and 2005 to 2006. She continues to support and participate in Tampa AAUW branch activities. Lee will be recognized in September.

September	Tech Trek Campers
October 19th	Strategic
November.	TBD
December-TBD	Ugly Sweater Christmas Murder Mystery

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## Become a Two-Minute Activist

Looking for a low-energy, low-stress, yet powerful way to make a difference? You can let your voice be heard from the comfort of your home computer or hand-held device. Go to [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) and sign up to become a Two-Minute Activist.

*Retrieved from [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) July 22, 2019*

Take action on issues impacting women and girls by joining AAUW's Action Network. As a Two-Minute Activist, you will receive urgent email notices when your advocacy is needed most.



## Opportunities to Serve

The following positions are currently open:

- Vice president (subject to State AAUW approval)
- Director of Communications (primary responsibilities are the newsletter and the yearbook)

Please put on your thinking caps. Who would be a great candidate? Is it you or is it someone you know? Please have a crucial conversation with that someone you know who is energetic, enthusiastic, creative, and is committed to supporting the AAUW mission. Please contact Dr. Gloria Hilton, Chair-Nominating Committee @ [glorialhilton@verizon.com](mailto:glorialhilton@verizon.com).



### June

Lucia Stevens	2
Belinda "Smithie" Johnson	15
Sherry Foecking	18
Shirley Stamford	19
Kay-Lee-Smith	28

### July

Kirk Guillory	9
Mattie Parr	11
Aleseya Pinkney	19
Kay-Lee-Smith	28
John Chaplick	23
Connie Fountain	29

### August

Madge	2
Jacqueline Vento	3
Avis Chaplick	11

## *From the President's Desk*

### *Moving Forward*

Tampa AAUW has just completed a successful fiscal year during which the Affiliate's membership increased by more than 25%, thanks to the leadership of Director of Membership Shella Miller, and the work of many Membership Ambassadors. Additionally, over \$4,000.00 was made at the annual fundraiser. Therefore, Tampa was able to pay a full week of expenses (\$1100 each) for two Tech/Trek campers, as well as award \$1,000 scholarships to two upper-class University of South Florida students.

However, the Affiliate's membership structure is evolving. Many new members, in addition to working full time while caring for families, also travel as part of their employment, giving them fewer hours to volunteer. Holding a branch position requires a sincere commitment of talent *and* time. Therefore, after much deliberation, at the June 15th meeting, the Board of Directors voted to create a free-standing vice president position. A member holding the Vice President position will share the president's responsibilities, while maintaining a full vote.

This year will be a transitional year because the President and the Director of Tech Trek/STEM Activities will leave the Board June 30, 2020. A vacancy already exists for Director of Communications. Therefore, having someone step into the Vice President position at the beginning of the 2019-2020 fiscal year will give the Affiliate the flexibility and support needed to continue on a successful path.

After approval by state AAUW, the amendment for the Vice President position will be passed to Tampa AAUW general membership for approval. Look for the proposed amendment in an email very soon. A special election to fill the Vice President's position will be held in October.

*Berthenya (Bert) Dunbar, PhD*

### Tech/Trek Campers Presentation

You don't want to miss this presentation. Tampa had six girls selected for camp this year. On September 18th, the campers will offer a presentation featuring their experiences at camp. It is a program that has proven to be entertaining, motivating, and pride-producing. Please make a special effort to attend. Several of the young ladies sent thank you notes. Their notes and other pictures will be on display at the meeting.



## Board Meeting at the Hilton (Gloria) North Tampa

A special thanks goes out to Dr. Gloria Hilton who opened her beautiful home to host the June 15th Board Meeting. She and her visiting niece, Phyllis made participants feel like we were conferencing in an upscale hotel/restaurant. I don't know if the warm atmosphere, the food, or the energy of those who participated contributed to the success of the meeting. Perhaps it was a combination of the three. Dree said "Who would have thought working so hard could be this much fun..."

Products from the meeting include :

1. Vice President position (awaiting state approval)
2. Policies and Procedures
3. An Annual Administrative Calendar
4. Amendment of bylaws Article iX ( pending state approval)
5. 2019-2020 Budget

**Participants:** Irene Bemby, Marjorie Fontalvo, Dree Jenkins, Mattie Parr, Aleseya Pinkney, Catherine Martin, Shella Miller, Sigrid Skorvc, Shirley Stamford. Naomi Sweeting, Yvette Williams , Bert Dunbar, and hostess, Gloria Hilton

*Thank you* 

## *Board of Directors*

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