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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is so hard to believe it is already fall!

I was so pleased with our turn out for September's general meeting. We have 7 new members to welcome! Please find their information in the newsletter and introduce yourself!

I encourage you to share your thoughts about what you learned about how teachers' salaries impact our community and the situation we face in Brevard County and the state of Florida.

Since our event a few things have happened in our school district.

- Thanks to a recent change in Florida law, school boards throughout the state can no longer be paid more than first-year teachers in their districts.
 As a result, Brevard school board members will see their annual salaries drop by about \$850.
- As of 9/30/2019, Negotiations for the 2019-2020 Contract between the Brevard Federation of Teachers and the School Board of Brevard County have resumed.
- Pennie Zuercher, the controversial chief financial officer for Brevard Public Schools, has announced her intention to leave the school district.
- School Board Meeting is on Oct. 15, 2019 @ 5:30 PM 9:00 PM @ 2700
 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32937

There is so much work to be done in this area. Please let me know if you are interested in planning additional events about Brevard Public Schools.

We have a wonderful event planned for the October general meeting. Join us to learn more about Florida Tech Trek 2020 from our guest speakers, *Sue Slone and Shawrece Campbell*. We are looking for a Tech Trek coordinator and committee members, so I hope this presentation will inspire you to support this fantastic STEM summer camp and volunteer. We have already raised **\$63** from our print sale at last month's meeting. Prints will be available again this month!

Last, but not least! Make sure to get your orders in for the Greens Fundraiser! Deadline is 11/01/2019. More information can be found in the newsletter.

Natalie C. Twine









AAUW-Melbourne General Meeting

Sue Slone and Shawrece Campbell AAUW-FL Tech Trek

DATE & TIME

Saturday, October, 19 2019

TIME: 11:30 AM

VENUE

Fresh Scratch Bistro

1940 Florida A1A

Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937

www.freshscratchbistro.com





https://techtrek-fl.aauw.net/

Florida Tech Trek 2020

Tech Trek 2020 will be held in June. The first camp will be held in DeLand at Stetson University from June 14th to June 20th. The second one will be at Florida Atlantic University in Jupiter from June 21st to June 27th. The girls who apply will be able to choose which of the camps they prefer to attend. The camp formats will be similar but the core courses and the workshops will have some different offerings and the field trips will probably visit different STEM locations.

It takes approximately **\$1,100 per girl** to hold the camp each year.

To raise funds to support the nominees at Tech Trek.

Checks should be made out to *AAUW FL Supporting Foundation, Inc.* with Tech Trek on the memo line. Mail checks to Tech Trek Florida, P.O. Box 2938, Jupiter, FL 33468.

AAUW Melbourne Tech Trek Committee

We need someone to volunteer to be our Tech Trek coordinator.

VOLUNTEER POWER!

Please contact Natalie Twine at nctwine@gmail.com

Important Dates

Contact Schools Now

Teachers' Nominations are due by December 1

February 1, branch Tech Trek coordinator will access information on students in their area who applied.

All interviews should be completed and rankings sent to Student and Family Coordinators by February 20.

PLATED LUNCH SELECTION



Seafood Bake

Shrimp, mussels and scallops baked under mozzarella in a creamy sun dried tomato pesto. Served with mashed potatoes and steamed vegetables

Luncheon Cost

\$ 25 per person

or

Classic Caesar Bowl

With shaved parmesan, anchovies, garlic, kalamata olives, and fresh croutons.

or

Grilled Salmon

or

Godfather

Homemade Black Angus Meatballs baked with marinara, pancetta and mozzarella.

Served over cheese tortellini with warm bread chips



INCLUDED:

Green Salad Key Lime Pie





New Members

Margarita Apolinaris

Rhoda Bosley

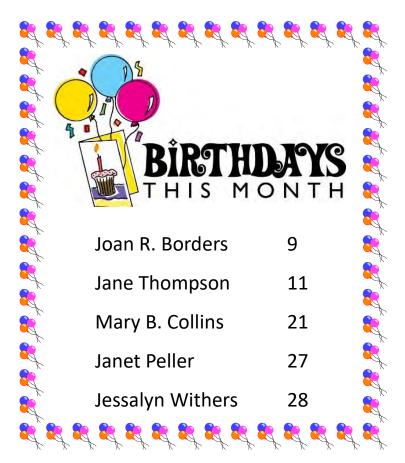
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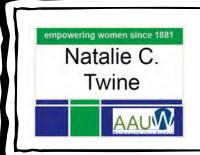
Cindy Forstall

Hilah Mercer

Ivonne Naranjo

Danica Romeyn





Name Tags

Please contact Joy Cook at (772) 388-5648 if your name is missing or the name tag is incorrect.



Marie Szetela

Marie Szetela, a former AAUW member, passed away in June in Virginia Beach where she moved to be near family.





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AAUW OCTOBER'S BOOK SELECTION



Becoming is the memoir of former United States first lady Michelle Obama published in 2018. Described by the author as a deeply personal experience, the book talks about her roots and how she found her voice, as well as her time in the White House, her public health campaign, and her role as a mother. The book is published by Crown and will be released in 24 languages. One million copies will be donated to First Book, an American nonprofit organization which provides books to children.



BRIDGE CLUB

First Friday of Every Month

BOOK CLUB

DATE: October 9

TIME: 9:45 AM

LOCATION: Natalie Twine



VICARIOUS TRAVELERS

DATE October 11

TIME: 11:45 AM

LOCATION: 4302 Ruthann Circle,

Melbourne

OUT TO DINNER GROUP

DATE October 24

TIME: 5:30 PM

LOCATION: Chef's Table, 7720

Wickham Road in Suntree

INTEREST GROUPS



BRIDGE GROUP

Coordinator: Margaret Marcotte

Contact: (321) 848-2181



BOOK GROUP

Coordinator: Janet Peller Contact: jpelle004@yahoo.com



VICARIOUS TRAVELERS

Coordinator: Kathy Ebersberger **Contact:** kathyebersberger@yahoo.com



OUT TO DINNER GROUP

Coordinator: Andrea Shannin Contact: shanninaj@gmail.com

INTERCOM WRITERS NEEDED

The Intercom is looking for new writers! I am always looking for new content, new ideas and important topics for our members. If you have a flair for writing, please consider sharing your talent with us. Your written contribution does not need to be length. Any where from 100-500 words would be great! Any related topics to the AAUW mission are welcome.

Topics to consider:

- ⇒ Current Local Legislation and Policy
- ⇒ Advocacy Opportunities
- ⇒ Hot Topics in the News

Send me an email if you are interested:

nctwine@gmail.com



2020 Women's Vote Centennial initiative

Volunteer to Celebrate

Interested in volunteering this effort?

Please Contact.

Committee Chair: Kathy Ebersberger

Email: kathyebersberger@yahoo.com



Tell your school board member to support an increase in teachers' salaries.

District 1: Misty Belford

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District 2: Cheryl McDougall

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(up for re-election in 2022)

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District 4: Matt Susin

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District 5: Katye Campbell

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(up for re-election in 2022)



BEC Bitcoin Laundry: Scam, Rinse, Repeat



Summarized by Natalie Twine

- These are just some highlights from this report.
- To obtain a copy of the report, download report https://acid.agari.com/ or contact Natalie Twine by email: nctwine@gmail.com
- YOU WILL **NEVER** RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM AAUW-MELBOURNE REQUESTING CASH, GIFT CARDS, ETC.

Key Points

- Nigeria-Based Scammer Group, nickname Scarlet Widow
- Scarlet Widow's preferred targets for business email compromise (BEC scams) include academic institutions, including K-12 school districts in the American Midwest and universities in five countries, and nonprofit organizations around the world, ranging from the Boy Scouts of America to the YMCA.
- Scarlet Widow uses legitimate commercial services to identify potential targets' email, email scraper software.
- A web scrapper "scrapes" emails from websites and search engines along with associated usernames. Simply put, this tool can be used to get target list of email addresses.
- This web scraper traverses the online directory and collect email addresses associated with each organization. The group refers to this process as "bombing" an online directory.
- BEC comes in many forms, but in most cases, the criminals behind these attacks impersonate a senior executive within the targeted company, or a trusted outside partner or supplier.
- In general, target will receive an email from someone who they assume is another person in the organization requesting gift card codes be sent to them immediately.
- By using gift cards, cybercriminals eliminate the need for a middleman to receive and redirect stolen money
- To launder their proceeds, Scarlet Widow uses a US-based peer-to-peer cryptocurrency exchange called Paxful



HELP SUPPORT AAUW MELBOURNE AND

JOIN IN THE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS

Contact Joann Jacobs (410) 961-7269 for more information and ordering.

Catalogs are available for download from our website: https://melbourne-fl.aauw.net/fundraiser/

ORDERS DUE NOVEMBER 1ST







Don't forget to bring your used books to share with our members. Available for purchase with a donation.



Matted Photos taken by Natalie Twine will be available for sale at all general meetings. All proceeds will go to supporting AAUW FL Teck Trek Program.

From building model bridges, designing computer applications, programming robotic cars, being a marine biologist for a day and exploring wind power, what do these girls have in common? They all are experiencing science, technology, engineering and math (STEM)! You too can participate in STEM.

WE RAISED \$63 AT SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING



BOARD MEMBERS

2019-2020

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since our founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day — educational, social, economic, and political.

Mission

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision

Equity for all.

Values

Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Integrity.

Inclusion and Intersectionality.

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