



Melbourne (FL) Branch

EMPOWERING WOMEN SINCE 1881



### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

The holiday season is upon us! I wish for you all a glorious start to your holiday season. These past few weeks has caused me to reflect on this busy time of year. Two weeks ago, I lost my aunt who had stage IV lung cancer and just a few days ago one of our beloved family dogs, Bubba, passed away. I am grateful to all who have reached out to me and my family. I'm sure you will understand if this newsletter is a little shorter this month. We all have experienced loss in our lives, so let us remember to take time to celebrate each other.

I am so pleased with the support that was received during our October General meeting discussing the FL Tech Trek program. It is my perception that the program has evolved and is more appealing for our branch to start actively nominating girls from our area. As of the writing of this newsletter, we have 3 nominees, 1 from DeLaura Middle School and 2 from Herbert Hoover Middle. Look for more information in this newsletter for program details.

November's General Meeting will include presentations from Devereux Florida and Zonta Club of Florida. I am very pleased that Andrea Shannin has been able to put together this comprehensive discussion for us. Each of these groups represent ways that AAUW-Melbourne can help empower local women. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Final days to get your orders in for the Greens Sale are here! Remember this is the only major fundraising activity for our branch, so your support matters. Catalogs can be downloaded on [melbourne-fl.aauw.net/fundraiser/](http://melbourne-fl.aauw.net/fundraiser/) or contact Joann Jacobs @ 410-961-7269.

Finally, I have received some very wonderful suggestions for future activities that our branch should consider! The board welcomes any such ideas (plus volunteers to run them). We encourage you to become involved and contribute in any way that you can. In January we will be starting "Coffee Talk" with our members. Stay tuned for more information. I wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving and safe travels.

*Natalie C. Twine*



Fall in Florida!!



*Thankful*

# AAUW-Melbourne General Meeting

## DATE & TIME

*Saturday, November, 16 2019*

**TIME:** 9:30 AM

*Bring a dish to share.*



## Location

Unity of Melbourne

2401 N. Harbor City Blvd

Melbourne

<https://unityofmelbourne.com/>



[www.devereux.org](http://www.devereux.org)

### PATRICIA HURST

Ms. Hurst is the Donor Relations Manager for Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Florida. Today, with nearly 900 employees throughout Florida, Devereux is one of Florida's most comprehensive child welfare and behavioral health organizations serving individuals with mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, and their families. Devereux, one of Florida's most comprehensive child welfare and behavioral healthcare organizations, serves children with mental health, intellectual or developmental disabilities and behavioral health challenges. Approximately two-thirds of the current student body are of middle or high school age. More than half are from Florida, but many out-of-state students are referred to Devereux because many states do not have this type of program. The typical length of stay is nine months to a year and a half.



[zontaspacecoast.org](http://zontaspacecoast.org)

### NATHAN WILSON

Mr. Wilson is an accomplished and versatile executive with 28 years of experience. Has been recognized by the Strathmore Who's Who with a lifetime membership. Served in the United States Air Force highly decorated.

He is the founder and CEO of the Project Meridian Foundation. He led international and federal state law-enforcement as a concerned Citizen and rescued 2058 children / young women and the takedown of 3179 bad actors i.e. traffickers.

He is an expert in counter- trafficking. His findings were verified by the Rand Corporation at the direction by Frank Carlucci. This was in regards to Human sex trafficking of children being a national security issue.





## 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

### AAUW Melbourne Tech Trek Committee

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

Please contact Natalie Twine at [nctwine@gmail.com](mailto: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**.



[techtrek-fl.aauw.net](http://techtrek-fl.aauw.net)

## Name Tags

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



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

A decorative border consisting of a repeating pattern of small, colorful balloons (yellow, blue, pink, orange) and streamers, framing the central content.

An illustration of three balloons (yellow, blue, pink) and a birthday cake with a single lit candle on a yellow card.

# BIRTHDAYS

## THIS MONTH

Sarah Kendall	6
Gracia "Terrie" Smith	16
Franchesca Rosado-Rockwell	27
Mary Louise Ralph	28

## 2020 Women's Vote Centennial initiative

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### Volunteer to Celebrate

## Interested in volunteering this effort?

**Please Contact.**

**Committee Chair:** Kathy Ebersberger

**Email:** [kathyegersberger@yahoo.com](mailto:kathyegersberger@yahoo.com)

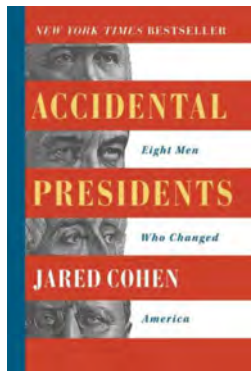




## AAUW NOVEMBER'S BOOK SELECTION

The strength and prestige of the American presidency has waxed and waned since George Washington. *Accidental Presidents* looks at eight men who came to the office without being elected to it. It demonstrates how the character of the man in that powerful seat affects the nation and world.

Eight men have succeeded to the presidency when the incumbent died in office. In one way or another they vastly changed our history. Only Theodore Roosevelt would have been elected in his own right. Only TR, Truman, Coolidge, and LBJ were re-elected.



### BRIDGE CLUB

First Friday of Every Month

### BOOK CLUB

DATE: November 13

TIME: 9:45 AM

LOCATION: Kathy Ebersberger

### VICARIOUS TRAVELERS

DATE November 8

TIME: 11:45 AM

LOCATION: Salt & Sweet  
3093 Fort Washington Road  
Melbourne

### OUT TO DINNER GROUP

No meeting scheduled this month

**GOT A NEW GROUP ?**



## INTEREST GROUPS



### BRIDGE GROUP

**Coordinator:** Margaret Marcotte

**Contact:** (321) 848-2181



### BOOK GROUP

**Coordinator:** Janet Peller

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### VICARIOUS TRAVELERS

**Coordinator:** Kathy Ebersberger

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### OUT TO DINNER GROUP

**Coordinator:** Andrea Shannin

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# BOARD MEMBERS

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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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# COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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2019-2020

<b>Membership</b>	Joann Jacobs
<b>Membership Roster</b>	Natalie C Twine
<b>Greens Sale</b>	Joann Jacobs, Joy Cook
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