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Time to Renew!



If you haven't already renewed your membership in AAUW Vero Beach, please send in your Renewal Form now! Our new fiscal year begins on July 1. You can print the form from this Hotline or our website: <http://verobeach-fl.aauw.net/files/2016/05/Renewal-Form-2016-17v4.30.pdf>

Candidate Forum 2016

Commissioner Peter O'Bryan will host a Candidate Forum for Indian River County (flyer on next page). Since we do not need to host one, let's fill Peter's with a substantial group!

Just some Summer News

We hope you are all enjoying a wonderful summer.



Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan
invites you to attend a
political candidate forum

Monday, July 11, 2016

5:30 p.m.

Vero Highlands Community Center
625 Highlands Drive SW
Vero Beach, FL

Candidates, regardless of party affiliation, for the following offices will answer
your questions:

House of Representatives District 54

Sheriff

Property Appraiser

County Commission—Districts 1, 3, and 5

Please spread the word! Hope to see you there!

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School Relations



Girl Rising, the movie we showed as a fundraiser, showed again at Charter High School and Sebastian River High School. Due to the length of the movie and the tight academic schedule, teachers found it easier to show in their classrooms rather than to a large audience (as we had envisioned).

The showing at Charter High School led two of us to viewing a performance of **Let Go**, an astonishing dance theater performance choreographed by Amanda Cox, a graduate of Charter and of FSU. We feel strongly about this show reaching a wider audience, so we are working with a team of people to bring it to the Vero Beach Museum of Art on Friday, July 22 at 7 PM.

“Let Go” is a journey through life’s defeats and celebrations. It follows a person’s negative self-talk—those powerful disapproving voices in our heads—and explores the fight within ourselves. It is a journey before your eyes on how to live your life through joy and wisdom. The movement is expressed through contemporary modern dance and guided by a motivating poem by Portia Nelson. **“Let Go”** is a collaborated production with dancers, live musicians and actresses.

Watch a promo video below.

After the show, there will be a Talk Back with the choreographer and the performers. We will talk to the many nonprofit organizations invited there to produce the show in their own environments along with a workshop that explores “catching” our personal defeat-talk and guiding ourselves to a more positive frame of mind. Amanda is especially hoping to reach young growing minds, beings with low self-esteem and people with harsh pasts.

We’d love to have you in the audience!

When? July 22, 2016 @ 7 PM (doors open at 6:30)

Where? Vero Beach Museum of Art

Tickets: \$ 10 at letgodance.eventbrite.com

Promo video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5vMALVYpA0>



ACTIVITIES AND INTEREST GROUPS



New Members interested in joining ?

Please contact Ursula Duguid , Coordinator of the Member groups. 794-1667 and email is ursuladuguid41@gmail.com.

Reminder! Any prospective member can attend any Study/Interest Group once before they join. They might like to get a taste of these meetings before making a commitment.

ACTIVITIES and Interest Groups: Bridge, Creative Writing, Lunch bunch, Public Policy, Reading groups, Youth mentors, Adult Literacy Tutors, fundraising, Hospitality, Communications, Guardian ad Litem, STEM and Members Helping Members.



Mark Your Calendars – Tuesday, October 18 Kickoff Meeting

Our kickoff meeting for the 2016-17 season will be at the Laura Riding Jackson House* at 4PM on Tuesday, October 18th. We'll have a catered BBQ, tours of the cracker house Laura lived in, and maybe some poetry.

We'll send a reservation form for this event in our September Hotline. If you're looking for some summer reading, the hefty volume of ***A Mannered Grace: the Life of Laura (Riding) Jackson*** by Elizabeth Friedman would be an excellent choice. She was an amazing writer with strong views about women.



Getting Out the Vote on IRSC's Mueller Campus

In conjunction with the Indian River County Supervisor of Elections, the IRSC AAUW Club will provide Mueller Campus students the opportunity to vote on **October 4th**. They will market the registration opportunity for a few weeks prior to the event, get out reminders to students through TurboVote, and distribute AAUW voter handouts and pins on the day of registration.

Scholarship Recipients and a further story....

By Carla Calwell

The Indian River State College foundation has selected scholarship recipients for the 2016-17 academic year. Five lovely young ladies received AAUW scholarships. Our transfer scholarships of \$1200 each have been awarded to the following students:

Nesly Cendejas, seeking a BS in Computer Science and a career in IT Cyber security

Taylor Vignone, seeking a BS in Biology and a career as a Physicians Assistant

Rachael Tiamiyu, seeking a BS in Biology/Biotechnology and plans to apply to medical school upon graduation

Kimberly Thiemann, seeking a BS in Nursing and a career in pediatric oncology

Stacey Bush, who is seeking a BAS in Organizational Management, received our Branch Endowed scholarship of \$ 500.

We congratulate these very hard working and deserving women, and AAUW is proud to assist them in achieving these very fine goals. Three of them are in the picture below.



From Left to right: Carla Calwell, Director for Scholarships; Linda Barker, President; Kimberly Thiemann, Nesly Cendejas, and Stacey Bush, recipients; Julia Keenan, IRSC Foundation.

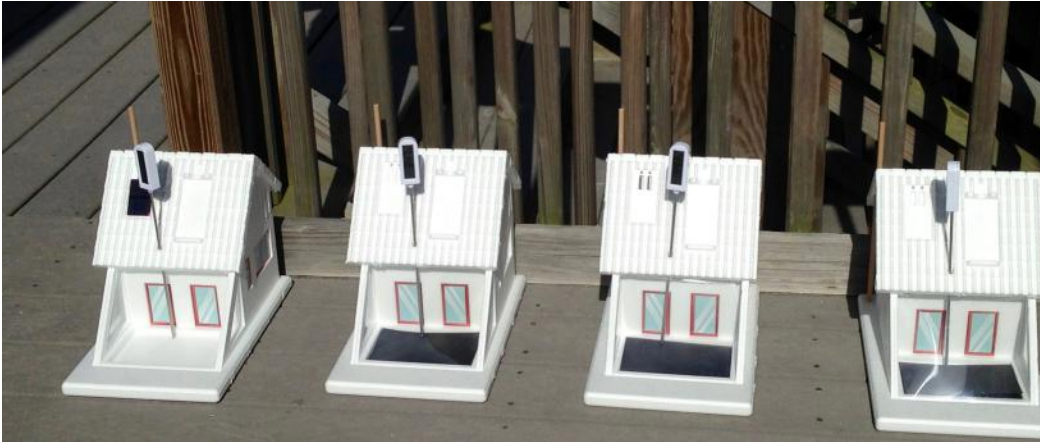
so here's the further story....

Nesly Cendejas, recipient in the picture, has a famous mother. Her mother, Guille Cendejas, was English as a Second Language Student of the Year with Literacy Services of Indian River County. And Guille's teacher is Linda Barker. Here they are at the award ceremony when Nesly's mother received her award in March! Two generations of Cendejas achievers!



Linda Barker, tutor with Literacy Services, and student Guille Cendejas, ESOL Student of the Year and Nesly Cendejas' mother.

Scientific Inquiry at STEAM* Camp for Girls at the Environmental Learning Center



Does a black surface (floor) actually absorb more heat than a light one? These “power houses” allowed the girls to perform an experiment in the sun. The thermometers are sticking up from the roofs. The thermometers on the black floors registered considerably hotter than the floor on the left. The girls did other experiments with solar power and wind power in these houses.

On a trip to the Brown Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at IRSC in Fort Pierce, the girls looked into a “Net Zero” sustainable house built inside the lab that demonstrates innovative construction techniques and the integration of emerging fields into existing construction methods. This was a life-size example of the “power houses” they used in experiments. They also saw the results from a 3D printer and played with laser grids in the Optics and Photonics Laboratory.



The girls were fascinated here while **seining** – using nets to collect specimen – in the Indian River Lagoon. They found 12 different species and learned how to display their results on an Excel spreadsheet.

AAUW Vero Beach supported this program, along with Quail Valley Charities, and donated planning, consultation and the time of five of our members. We learned a lot from STEAM Camp!



Thank you for your donations to our Local Program Fund, which enabled this week-long camp to happen!

* *Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics*

AAUW VERO BEACH BRANCH RENEWAL INFORMATION: 2016-17

Section 1. CONTACT INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

If your contact information is correct in the 2015-16 Handbook, please check here. Then skip to Section 2 below.
If it is not correct, please give us the changes in the lines below.

Preferred First Name for
Directory/Name Badge:

Circle Preferred Title: DR MRS MS

NAME: _____
Last First

ADDRESS: _____
Street/PO Box

City State Zip

PHONE: _____
Home Cell

E-MAIL: _____

EDUCATION *(Circle appropriate degrees)*

AA/BA/BS/RN _____
School Major Year
MA/MS/MEd _____
School Major Year
PhD/MD/EdD/ _____
Other School Major Year

Section 2. SEASONAL INFORMATION

Are you a seasonal member? _____ Yes Months out-of-town _____ to _____
_____ No, I live in Vero Beach all year.

Out-of-town
Address _____
Phone(s) _____

Section 3. DUES AND DONATIONS

National \$49, State \$12, Vero Beach Branch \$25, mailing fee \$1 = **Total \$87.00**

(\$71 is tax deductible - your check is your receipt)

Dues for Membership\$ _____
Donation (tax deductible) _____
IRSC Scholarships\$ _____
Local Program Fund: Grants and programs
for women and girls in IRC.....\$ _____
AAUW 9110 Fund.....\$ _____
Add \$5.00 if you want Hotline mailed\$ _____
TOTAL Dues and Enclosed.....\$ _____

Make check payable to:

AAUW Vero Beach Branch

Mail check and 2 completed
application pages to:

AAUW Vero Beach
PO Box 2143
Vero Beach, FL 32961

Name _____

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Section 4. MEMBER INTERESTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

We form friendships and nourish our minds in our Study/Interest groups. Which of these member-only groups are you currently in or would you like to join or lead? Mark with a **C for Current**, a **J for would like to Join** or an **L for Lead**. **You may have CL or JL!**

_____ Bridge (circle): Duplicate / Party

_____ Public Policy

_____ Creative Writing

_____ Lunch Bunch

_____ Reading Group

_____ International Relations

We help our community with our volunteering. Which of our outreach programs do you currently work with or would like to join or lead? Mark with a **C for Current**, a **J for would like to Join** or an **L for Lead**.

_____ Fundraising

_____ Communications

_____ Youth Mentor/Tutor

_____ Adult Literacy Tutor

_____ Guardian Ad Litem Program: *volunteer advocates for children in need in courts and schools*

_____ STEM, Tech Trek, Environmental Learning Center, Science Fair

_____ Members Helping Members

Our quality programs attract the community. Which of our programs do you currently support or would you like to join or lead? Mark with a **C for Current**, a **J for would like to Join** or an **L for Lead**.

_____ Hospitality - refreshment at meetings / programs / Book Breakfasts

_____ Committee work for Book-Author Luncheon

_____ Join the board or chair a committee

Please write your suggestions for programs, events, fundraisers or other groups to work with.

What's going well? What should we change?

Section 5. OUR AGE DEMOGRAPHICS

We know that our oldest member is 100 and our youngest member is 20-something, but we would like to better understand our age demographics. Please check your age range:

_____ Under 65 _____ 65-74 _____ 75-84 _____ Over 85 Thank you!



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