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AAUW's mission is to pursue equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

May 2025 Newsletter

President's Report

AAUW SCC Presidents Message April 29, 2025

There is a brisk pace of good things happening in our Branch - Here is a sampling. We have had five **new members** join in the past month – You will hear more about these accomplished women soon. They are just the kind of members we need and so appreciate in that they are already getting involved in helping on a committee! Our **Women of Distinction event** with Sarah Jones-Chambers as our 2025 Honoree was amazing! We are in discussion with three of Sarah's guests as new members! These are make- it- happen women who were drawn to our energy and focus. Branch members, Gezil Andrews, Patsie Ginley, Grace Ibanez, and Kathy Eckart attended the **Regional Leadership Conference** in Naples, April 17th and helped connect on our branch's behalf. We plan to have a state or regional member of AAUW at a meeting in the 2025 – 2026 term! Our AAUW leadership is making huge strides in many issues that impact the lives of women.

The SCC AAUW Board is in discussion on our status as a 501c4 with a plan to **move toward a 501c3** to better maximize our availability to secure tax deductible donations.

Some organizations steer away from sizeable funds to a 501c4. More work to be done on this issue.

Gezil, Bev Doody and Angie Maze have accepted committee responsibilities to review and update our bylaws. The goal is to have this achieved ahead of our fall calendar.

Terry Patton was elected as Director of Programs for a one-year term. Terry and the Board are excited for the energy and ideas she brings to the Branch.

Our AAUW Book Club has been infused with a new level of energy with member

Sally Finley. Come to the organizational meeting May 18th, 4:30 pm at Sun Towers (in the theatre.)

Our next monthly program is set for Saturday, May 10th at 9:30 a.m. in the Florida Room - There will be an opening presentation to set the framework around separate committee discussions on each committee's responsibility. We will wrap up with brief summaries from each committee. It is important that every member attend so we will have the breadth of sharing necessary to be productive and viable.

Please reach out if you have any questions, concerns, or input. Your voice is an important part of our future.

Gezil

Our Upcoming May Meeting

May 10 at 9:30 in the Atrium

**No reservations are needed this
month!**

South Shore Spotlights

Membership Team

Grace Ibanez, secretary, and
members Sally Dittman, Sue Selbin,
Gwen Brown, Deb BakerSchneider,

Terry Patten, and Sandy McCaw. This group has developed a newsletter team, implemented a phone tree, hosted a newcomer's coffee, formed three new teams (Program, Hospitality and Community Outreach), and was a presence at Fun Fest and Hi Neighbor. Our efforts have paid off in 12 new and returning members.

Book Club!

AAUW Book Club

American Association of University Women and guests

Did you know that AAUW is organizing a Book Club?

You are invited to join an

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, May 18th at 4:30 PM

at Sun Towers in the theater

101 Trinity Lakes Blvd. Sun City Center



Bring your favorite book and let's talk about books!

Invite a friend or two!

Learn about our new Book Club for 2025-2026.

*Discover what books will be discussed
and suggest book titles for the future.*

For more information, contact Sally Finley at 954-798-1672

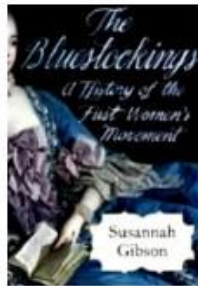
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Join us for a discussion of these inspiring stories

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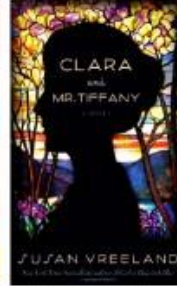
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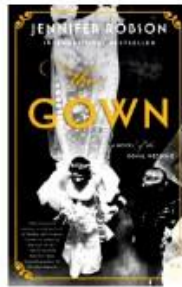
July 27 2025
The Bluestockings
by Susannah Gibson



October 26, 2025
The First Ladies
By Marie Benedict



January 25, 2026
Clara & Mr. Tiffany
By Susan Vreeland



April 26, 2026
The Gown
By Jennifer Robson



July 26, 2026
Lady Clementine
by Marie Benedict



October 25, 2026
The Lioness of Boston
by Emily Franklin

Mark Your Calendars

May 2 Tech Team 2:30 Diane Waronka's house

May 7 Membership Team 9:30 Patsie Ginley's house

May 10 AAUW members meeting 9:30 Florida Room

May 14 Outreach Team 10:00 Caper
Room May 23 AAUW board meeting

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