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President's Message

AAUW- Marco Island,

In this season of family, friends, and fun, we look forward to gathering at the New Life Community Church on Elkam Circle to enjoy each other's company and the delight of the Marco Island Middle School Jazz Band. I hope to see you there on December 13 promptly, so the musicians can perform at 10:00. Many will stay for a boxed lunch, but even if you don't plan to stay for lunch, please come to enjoy the festivities and coffee with friends. We'll wear masks for our safety and that of the young people who will entertain us.

Our successful drive to support the Women's Shelter gives the holiday special meaning and we all feel good about our contributions.

Initiatives to support "Girl Up" at Manatee Middle School are in the planning stages. If you would like to support middle school girls striving to succeed in life, please contact Durell Buzzini at meddybliss@gmail.com who will keep you in the loop of our efforts.

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If you are a new to AAUW-Marco Island, you'll want to reserve Friday, January 14 at 10:00 for our New Member Coffee at my home. Invitations will be emailed to our new members.

Of course, our Time, Talent and Treasures Auction and Luncheon are just around the corner on February 4 at Hideaway Beach Club. What friends will you invite? Who among them could form a group to bid on a dinner party or event? What dinner can you help create to be auctioned? What would be a fun basket to create for the event? My oh my! So many opportunities to help young women succeed that are also fun and promote comradery for all of us.

Sending my heartfelt wishes for a wonderful holiday season and a new year of health, joy and the satisfaction that comes from helping others succeed.

Lynn

Lynn Tuttle, President, AAUW-Marco Island

AAUW-MARCO ISLAND, MAKING A DIFFERENCE



President, Lynn Tuttle and Director for Membership, Susan Pullman collected donations from the drop off location at the HIVE and collected checks to purchase lady's intimates for the Women's Shelter.

Walmart employees, Minerva, a customer service associate, and Courtney, the front-end team lead assisted Lynn and Susan as they purchased lady's intimates for the Women's Shelter.





2021-2022 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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PUBLIC POLICY

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Meeting Dates and Topics for the 2021-2022 Program Year

October 18, 2021 10:00 a.m.	Tour of Marco Island Academy at 2255 San Marco Road. Drive in and turn to the right to park in any space. Lunch After at the Little Bar in Goodland.
November 15, 2021 10:00 a.m.	Meet at the Marco Island Police Station. Presentation by Tristan Ashby, Public Education Specialist. Lunch After info TBA.
December 13, 2021 10:00 a.m.	Meet at the New Life Community Church at 489 W. Elkcam Cir. Performance by the Middle School Jazz Band. Lunch - Pre-purchased lunch from Big Al's Deli
January 17, 2022 9:30 a.m.	Meet at the New Life Community Church at 489 W. Elkcam Cir. Presentation by Missy Saracino, Naples Therapeutic Riding Center. Lunch After info TBA.
February 4, 2022 11:30 a.m.	15 th Annual Time, Talent, and Treasures Auction and Luncheon at the Hideaway Beach Club.
February 21, 2022 9:30 a.m.	Meet at the New Life Community Church at 489 W. Elkcam Cir. Presentation by Rick LoCastro, Collier County Commissioner. Lunch After info TBA.
March 8, 2022 11:30 a.m.	International Women's Day Luncheon at the Hideaway Beach Club. FAMOUS GUEST SPEAKER from across the Pond.
March 21, 2022 9:30 a.m.	Meet at the New Life Community Church at 489 W. Elkcam Cir. Presentation by Maureen McFarland,
April 18, 2022 11:30 a.m.	Scholarship Luncheon at the Bistro Soleil, Old Marco.
April 1-3, 2022	Florida Convention, Lake Buena Vista, Orlando



Tristin Ashby, Chief Frazzano, Lynn Tuttle, Lt. Matt Gallup, & Sgt. Mark Haueter

American Association of University Women

Marco Island, Florida

Monthly General Meeting Minutes, November 15, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Lynn Tuttle at 10:00 a.m. at the Marco Island Police Station.

President Lynn Tuttle welcomed Members and introduced Marco Island Police Chief Tracy Frazzano. Chief Frazzano addressed Marco Island community informative websites, distress signaling, bullying and human trafficking. Police Lieutenant Matt Gallup spoke to Emergency Management, Police Sargent Mark Haueter spoke to his role as School Resources Officer and Tristan Ashby spoke to his responsibilities as Public Education Specialist. On behalf of the Marco Branch of AAUW, Lynn expressed appreciation to the presenters for their very informative presentations. A brief business meeting ensued.

- Lynn encouraged the membership to donate new underwear to the Shelter for Abused women and Children
- Members were reminded that dues need to be paid before the end of November 2021, to avoid being removed from the Membership Roster.
- Information regarding the February 4, 2022, Time, Talent & Treasure event and the March 8, 2022, International Women's Day Luncheon was presented.
- A box lunch option will be available for the December 13, 2022, General Meeting at a cost of \$11.00. Advance reservation and sandwich selection forms, available in the Wave, need to be received by December 6.
- Lynn addressed the possibility of forming a Special Interest Group to assist in the girl's empowerment club, "Girl Up", sponsored by Erica Torres at the Manatee Middle School. Information is available in the Wave.
- Membership Director Linda Corea introduced four new Marco Island AAUW members.
- The membership was invited to Lunch After at C.J.s.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Josette Bonewitz

AAUW MARCO BRANCH INTEREST GROUPS

COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION - First Monday of the month at 5:00 P.M. at CJ's on the Bay.



Gail, Colleen, Debbie, Linda, Susanne, Kathy, Marilyn, and Lynn

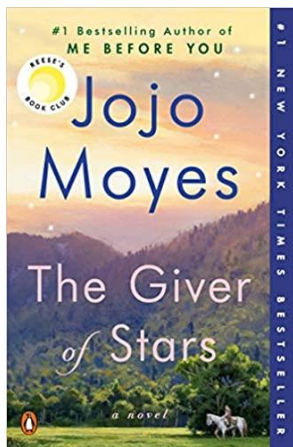
CJ's on Monday, December 6, 2021

Next Cocktails & Conversation is January 3, 2022

GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP - Chair is Pat Santiago, call, text, or email Pat at 239-389-4767 or psantiago378@gmail.com. ZOOM meetings on the FIRST and THIRD THURSDAYS of the month at 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time). This group provides members an opportunity to gain a fuller understanding of the classics by reading and discussing topical anthologies. The group will start their next anthology in December. The new book is: **One World Two a Second Global Anthology**.

AAUW MARCO BRANCH INTEREST GROUPS (continued)

If you are interested in the **FICTION BOOK GROUP**, contact Jessica Barron at 239-302-6773 or jessdbarron@gmail.com or Gwyn Goodman at 239-595-4064 or gsgoodman11@comcast.net. The group meets the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 on Zoom.



Books selected and schedule for the 2021-22

✓ October 26, 2021	<i>Midnight Library</i>
✓ November 16, 2021	<i>The Vanishing Half</i>
January 25, 2022	<i>The Giver of Stars</i>
February 22, 2022	<i>Such a Fun Age</i>
March 22, 2022	<i>Disappearing Earth</i>
April 12, 2022	<i>The Four Winds</i>

GREAT DECISIONS STUDY GROUP - Chair is Liz Haines, 239-642-1843, echaines3@aol.com.

The Study Group will meet on Wednesday from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm every other week starting in January (after the books are mailed). You must be a member of AAUW or spouse of a member. Usually, members of the group take turns leading the discussion.

The Foreign Policy Association Great Decisions for 2022 has announced their nine topics for next year. We are planning a AAUW group to discuss these topics starting sometime in January after the books are mailed. The topics are:

1. Changing Demographics
2. Outer Space
3. Climate Change
4. Russia and the United States
5. Myanmar and ASEAN
6. Quad Alliance
7. Drug Policy in Latin America
8. Industrial Policy
9. Biden's Agenda

The books can be ordered from the Foreign Policy Association Web site

- www.fpa.org/great_decisions or by calling 800-477-5836 for \$35.

Several of us will be zooming. If you would like to participate call Liz Haines at 781-249-7450 or 249-642-1843.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE???

We are exploring ways that we will contribute to Girl Up, a girls' empowerment club at the Manatee Middle School. The purpose of the club includes:

- Leadership development
- College and career exposure
- Increasing self-esteem and promoting positive mental health
- Creating a safe space for girls
- Working to achieve gender equality globally
- Giving back through a fundraiser

If you **MIGHT** be interested, please contact either Durell or Jacky.

