



Marco Island (FL) Branch

P.O. Box 841  
Marco Island, FL 34146

# WAVE

December  
2022

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## President's Message

Welcome Back Everyone, and Happy December!!

I hope everyone enjoyed the November presentation as much as I did. Plus, I learned a lot about recycling (who said you can't teach an ... no need to finish that one.). Dana might have gone to the wrong church, but she certainly made an impression once she got to our location. The one thing she said many times, recycling guidelines are ever changing. I would highly recommend her as a speaker at other local organizations. Thanks, Durell and Colleen!

Last month Linda and I attended a Florida AAUW Leadership Workshop in Venice. It was a rewarding trip for both of us as we met our counterparts from other branches. We both gained a lot and got to brainstorm membership ideas on our way home. Linda shared our bookmark in one of her breakout sessions and we offered to share the template with other branches. Everyone thought it was a great idea. I sent the template to six of the branches and got several very complimentary and grateful emails back. Thanks again to Pat Santiago for all her work on the bookmarks.

December is here in full force and before we know it, it will be 2023!! We will be in full fundraiser mode, starting in January, so get ready. Please take the time to read all the information in this WAVE about TTT for 2023. In the meantime, I hope everyone has a calm, peaceful, and safe rest of the year. We have had enough excitement to last a few years. With the roads, stores, and restaurants more crowded than ever, let's all remember to "be kind" as my best friend is forever reminding me.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season with family and friends!

Jacky Childress

President, AAUW - Marco Island Branch



## Looking Ahead



Your Board has planned a varied and interesting schedule of meetings for the upcoming season from October 2022 through April 2023. Most of our meetings are held on Mondays but as there is some variability in dates and times it would be wise to look ahead and check the website.

[Click Here](#)

For a list of all the *General Meeting Details for 2022-2023*

When planning your meeting time, don't forget

*"Lunch After"*

After the formal meeting, all interested members reassemble at a local restaurant for friendship and a meal. Generally, the details of the lunch gathering are announced at the meeting.

*And for our Year-Round Resident Members*

When our October through April schedule is over, we continue on informally with

*"Lunch Instead"*

## Our Next Meeting:

Monday, December 12, 2022  
10:00 a.m.

New Life Community Church  
489 W. Elkcarn Circle

### Program

#### Marco Island Charter Middle School Choir

In 1998 Marco Island Charter Middle School (MICMS) opened its doors to welcome 200 students to 14 portable classrooms and a future that hinged on a three-year contract. It has grown and flourished. Achieving academic excellence from the start, the school now occupies a state-of-the-art facility capable of accommodating more than 400 students.

In explaining the school's music program, Principal Michele Wheeler described how entering 6<sup>th</sup> graders are asked to choose between either choir or band. Should the experience stoke their interest there are several additional levels of participation available.

The school is fortunate to have a very dynamic and community-oriented choir and band director in Martie Miller. Ms. Miller arranges to have her music students participate in both the Marco Island Tree Lighting and Christmas Parade each year. It is quite possible that the MICMS is the only middle school in Collier County to have a marching band! We are fortunate to celebrate the holidays this year with the School's choir.

Marco Island  
**Charter**  
**Middle School**

1401 Trinidad Ave.  
Marco Island, FL 34145

Phone: (239) 377-3200  
Fax: (239) 377-3201



**We will be ordering in sandwiches for lunch +  
sweet treats to follow.**

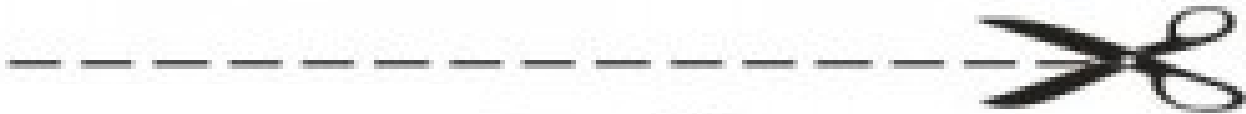
**See form on next page - DEADLINE DECEMBER 5 !!!**

## DECEMBER BOXED LUNCH ORDER FORM



In lieu of our traditional potluck, we have opted to order boxed lunches from Big Al's Deli for those who wish. The cost of the boxed lunch is \$14.00 and will include your choice of a sandwich or wrap, chips, fruit, and a cookie.

**Your form with selection and payment must be received by  
December 5<sup>th</sup> to place your order.**



Send this portion of the form with your payment (\$14.00 for each selection) to AAUW  
Marco Island, PO Box 841, Marco Island, FL 34146

Select one of the following:

- ☐ Ham Sandwich
- ☐ Turkey Sandwich
- ☐ Veggie Wrap
- ☐ Lettuce Wrap with Chicken Salad

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Our January Meeting

Monday, January, 16 2023

**9:30 a.m.**

New Life Community Church

489 W. Elkcam Circle

### The Girl in the Box - 83 Hours 'til Dawn

A presentation by Bonnie Bozzo

What could be more terrifying than being buried alive – *for days*.

You will hear the true story of an Emory University coed who was kidnapped from the motel room she was sharing with her mother as they were on their way home for the holidays. Wearing only her nightclothes, she was forced at gunpoint into a car and transported to a remote area in the pine woods. There she was buried underground in a coffin-like box where she survived for 83 hours until her rescue.



Who is this young woman and how did she cope for all those hours? She is the daughter of Robert Mackle, one of the founders of Deltona Corporation, developers of Marco Island.....and she has quite a story to tell!

# It's That Time of Year Again

## Our Major Fundraiser

### **TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURES AUCTION & LUNCHEON**

**Friday, February 3, 2023 - 11:30**  
**Marco Island Yacht Club**

Now is a good time to put your creative ideas to work. Can you organize a closet, kitchen, or garage? Can you offer to teach computer skills? Could you purchase a set of tickets to an event? **Our AAUW Time, Talent and Treasures Event is on Friday, February 3rd at the Marco Island Yacht Club.** We need items to be bid on or be auctioned off. If you see something while shopping that catches your eye and will appeal to others, please consider purchasing it to help our fundraiser. If you're downsizing, your no longer needed items might work with other donations to make a gift basket. Remember, the proceeds from your gift will increase the scholarship funds we distribute to women who are trying to get an education and improve their lives. This is the perfect time to start looking ahead to another successful TT&T!

**The cost of the luncheon is \$55. The menu is below.**

#### Entrée

*Plum Glazed Short Rib of Beef*  
*Mashed Potatoes*  
*Green Beans Almondine*

#### OR

*Strawberry Chicken Citrus Salad*

#### Dessert

*Apple Blossom Tart*

*Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter*  
*Coffee and Tea*

*There will be a cash bar (although no cash, Credit Cards only)*

*Reservation form*  
*at the end of the Newsletter*

## TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURES AUCTION & LUNCHEON

### Get Involved

#### **Gather a Friend or a Table for Time, Talent and Treasures**

Each member of our AAUW branch is inviting friends to our fundraiser. Send out an email to your friends asking them to join you at the AAUW- Marco Island annual fundraiser, our Time, Talent and Treasures Auction and Luncheon that takes place at 11:30 on Friday, February 3 at the beautiful Marco Island Yacht Club. Encourage them to give you their checks which you can forward to Jacky Childress and urge others to mail their check to AAUW-Marco Island, P.O. Box 841, Marco Island, FL 34146. Checks should be payable to "AAUW-Marco Island" for \$55. This covers only the cost of the luncheon and valet service and is not a donation. Ask them to write your name in the memo line. What a fun event to share with friends! Even if every member just brought one friend to the event we would have a record crowd. Let's have this year's theme be: Each one, bring one!

#### **Each Member Asks for Donations**

Whether you are cooking for a dinner party to auction off, contributing treasures or building a basket with friends, please take time this month to ask the business owners you frequent to donate a gift card or service to our scholarship fundraiser. Every dollar earned goes to a scholarship or an educational grant. Let's ask everyone we buy from: restaurants, stores, hairdressers, nail salons. Many are happy to donate to our worthwhile cause and others will become informed. Don't be shy. There will be a list at the Monday, January 16 meeting so businesses do not receive repeat requests.

#### **Build a Bidding Team**

Organize your group of friends to bid on our delicious dinner parties. The list of the exact dinners will be mailed to our membership about a week before the auction. Use the month of January to call or email your social group to gather a dinner party at your home or condo community room. Perhaps one of your friends will host. Gather 8 to 10 people and decide on your bidding limit. Appoint a bidder who will attend the TT&T for the group. The winning

bidder arranges the party with the donor(s.) It's amazing how worthwhile and fun it is to host a "Scholarship Dinner."

### **Donate Your Treasures to TT&T**

Bring your donated treasures or completed baskets for our Time, Talent and Treasures Auction and Luncheon to the January 16 meeting of AAUW. Lynn's silver Audi Q7 will be parked near the entrance of the New Life Community Church ready for you to drop off your heavy treasure. Your treasures can also be brought to Lynn Tuttle's home at 1490 Caxambas Court, Marco Island, FL 34145. Items should be dropped off prior to February 1. Leave them on our covered front porch. Most items are actually on donation forms and can be given to Lynn or mailed to her.

### **Form a Cooking Team**

Our long-standing top dollar auction items have been meals created by our members and brought to the home of the buyer at an agreed upon date. If you are not yet part of one of these "cooking teams" we'll work together at the meeting or call Lynn at 603 289-1448 and offer your talent to cook an entrée or side dish and we can build a meal around your contribution. It's time to cull through old family recipes, new ideas and main dish favorites to offer a meal to auction.



### **Interest Groups**

Interest Groups provide members with similar interest an opportunity to learn together and to enjoy one another's company. Current Interest Groups are:



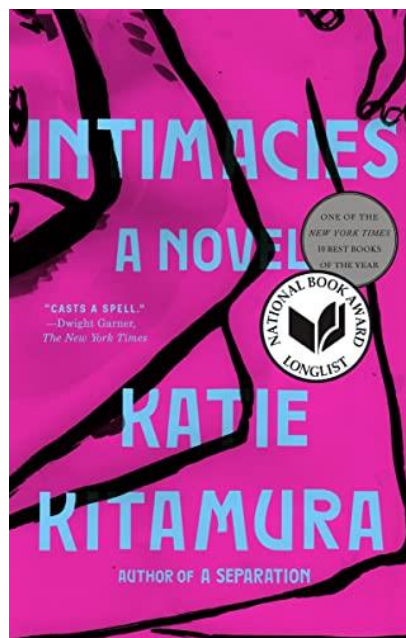
## Fiction Book Club

Chairs are: Jessica Barron – 239-302-6773 – [jessdbarron@gmail.com](mailto:jessdbarron@gmail.com)  
Gwyn Goodman – 239-595-4064 – [gsgoodman11@comcast.net](mailto:gsgoodman11@comcast.net)

The group *generally* meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.  
In the Choir Room, New Life Community Church

To see the complete 2022-2023 Book List  
[CLICK HERE](#)

January's read is: *Intimacies—A Novel* by Katie Kitamura  
Meeting in the Choir Room, New Life Community Church 10:00 a.m. on January 24, 2023



A New York Times Top 10 Book of 2021

[Click on the book to go to the Amazon Review web page](#)

Note: There is no Book Club meeting scheduled for December, 2022



## Interest Groups .... Continued

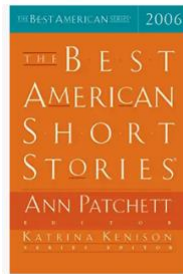
### Great Books Discussion Group

Chair is Pat Santiago – 239-389-4767 [psantiago378@gmail.com](mailto:psantiago378@gmail.com)

ZOOM meetings all year on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 3:00 p.m. (EST)

The group meets virtually all year. The readings are usually short stories, which makes this an ideal group for those who do not want to commit to reading novels. The 2022-2023 season begins in September with *The Best American Short Stories 2006* (edited by Ann Patchett). “This vibrant, varied sampler of the American literary scene revels in life’s little absurdities, captures timely personal and cultural challenges, and ultimately shares subtle insight and compassion.” (from Amazon website review).

As the Group usually reads 2-3 short stories per meeting additional anthologies will be chosen as the year progresses. Selections are not limited to American authors. Past reads have included works penned by authors from around the world. The group welcomes book selection suggestions and encourages all members to consider what our “next read” will be.



[Click on the book to go to the Amazon Review web page](#)

Pre-pandemic the Group would meet in person and share refreshments. Members are exploring options to resume in-person meetings.



## The "Girl Up" Program

Girl Up was established by the UN Foundation in 2010 as an initiative to help support UN agencies that focus on adolescent girls. The effort has now become a global movement. Girl Up's leadership development programs have impacted 150,000 girls through 6,000 Clubs in 130 countries and in all 50 U.S. states. "We're inspiring a generation of girls to be a force for gender equality and social change" (sourced from the Girl Up website. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information. It is very interesting. You should at least take a look!)

## The "Girl Up" Program - Locally

Our AAUW Chapter is exploring ways to contribute to Girl Up, the 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 Buzzini [meddybliss@gmail.com](mailto:meddybliss@gmail.com) or

Jacky Childress [jacky3348@gmail.com](mailto:jacky3348@gmail.com)



## Great Decisions Study Group

Chair is Liz Haines, 239-642-1843 [echaines3@aol.com](mailto:echaines3@aol.com)

Our Marco Island AAUW Chapter has established a Great Decisions Study Group. Great Decisions is a program sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association and is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watching the documentary film series and meeting in a Discussion Group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today.

Our Great Decisions Study Group will meet on Wednesday, in person and via Zoom, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. every other week starting in January (after books have been mailed).

For more information contact Liz Haines (details above) / [Check out our Chapter's website](#) and take a look at the [Foreign Policy Association website](#). So interesting! (editor's comment)

## New !!!! Casual Contract Bridge !!!

Chairs are:	Lynn Tuttle	603-289-1448	<a href="mailto:tuttlemarco@gmail.com">tuttlemarco@gmail.com</a>
	Colleen Moser	218-507-0218	<a href="mailto:colleengary@gmail.com">colleengary@gmail.com</a>

This is a new activity and arrangements are being finalized as the groups get going. At present the plan is to have two bridge groups, "Bridge Before" and "Bridge After", as noted below. Each one would meet once a month from 2:00–5:00. If interested please contact Lynn or Colleen to get the latest information.

### Bridge Before:

This Group will meet [before our Monthly Cocktails & Conversation](#) the first Monday of the month at CJ's on the Bay from 2:00-5:00.

### Bridge After:

This Group will meet [after the Fiction Book Club](#) (on a Tuesday), also from 2:00-5:00.

## 2022-2023 Board of Directors

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### A Note from the Editor

I envision this newsletter as a work-in-progress and as such I welcome and encourage your comments and suggestions.

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Please send any news + photos + captions to: [Lenore.Yale@gmail.com](mailto:Lenore.Yale@gmail.com)

## News & Photos

## Recycling - Who Knew?

The November AAUW-Marco Meeting hosted Collier County's Dana Alger, Recycling Coordinator. Dana arrived with shopping bags of examples and some new and surprising information.



Did you know that those little triangles surrounding numbers 1-7 on plastic items are not what we should be looking for? Dana advises sorting plastics by shape: If it's a *Bottle, Jar, Jug or Tub*, chances are it is recyclable.

Did you know that recycling protocols can vary not only from State to State but also from County to County? That you can gather and segregate your used Styrofoam for collection at Publix; That cereal boxes can be recycled but not the crinkly inserts. These are only some of the nuggets Dana shared.



Dana's upbeat and entertaining presentation about this important topic generated lots of questions and comments. Following her talk, Dana distributed reusable grocery bags.

Thank You Dana!

Below is the link to the Collier County Solid Waste web page

<https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/government/public-utilities/solid-hazardous-waste/recycling>

Recycle Centers what to drop off: <http://colliercountyfl.gov/dispose>



AAUW - MARCO ISLAND

Time, Talent, and Treasures Auction and Luncheon Reservation

Marco Island Yacht Club

Friday, February 3, 2023

Schedule of Events

11:30 - 12:15 - Bid on Silent Auction Items

12:15 - 1:00 - Enjoy Lunch and Conversation

1:00 - ?? - Live Auction (Bring your checkbook or cash - Sorry, No Credit Cards)

Seating is at tables of 8 or 10. Reserve a table or join one.

Number of Reservations at \$55 per person: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Submitting Reservations: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*If you are not reserving an entire table, please indicate below the names of ladies with whom you might like to be seated.*

**Name**

**E-mail Address**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
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7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail your check for \$55, payable to AAUW - Marco Island to:**

AAUW - MARCO ISLAND, P.O. BOX 841, Marco Island, FL 34146 by January 23th

Reservation Questions: Jacky Childress 440-539-4662 or jacky3348@gmail.com



## Don't Forget Cocktails & Conversation

The First Monday of the Month - 5:00 p.m.  
at CJ's on the Bay

## Two Dates You Don't Want to Miss

Friday February 3, 2023 - 11:30 a.m.

Annual Fundraiser

Time, Talent & Treasure Auction and Luncheon  
At the Marco Island Yacht Club



Monday, April 17, 2023 - 11:30 a.m.

Scholarship Luncheon  
Bistro Soleil in Old Marco



AAUW - Our Mission

Gender Equity - and - Economic Security

AAUW - Our Values

Intersectional - Inclusive - Intergenerational - Empowering