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**PATRICK EVANS, Chief Meteorologist for CBS, Local 2**

**Saturday, MAY 13, 2017  
11:30 am**

**Marriott Shadow Ridge,  
9003 Shadow Ridge Road,  
Palm Desert**

Patrick graduated from the University of Virginia and in his final year of college he became the weekend weatherman at WVIR. After he took over the 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. broadcasts, he moved to a CBS affiliate in Roanoke, Virginia. In 2000, Patrick fulfilled a lifelong desire to move West, arriving in Orange County to become Chief Meteorologist. Over 10 years ago, he moved to Palm Springs to assume the position of Chief Meteorologist for CBS, Local 2.

Patrick is an avid golfer, loves his three rescue dachshunds, serves on the Board of the Family YMCA of the Desert, Pathfinder Ranch and the Desert Symphony. In April of 2014, Patrick was the 366th recipient of a Star on the Palm Springs Walk of Stars as a result of his work with philanthropic organizations.

Patrick can also croon a Frank Sinatra tune with the best of them and he started Fulvio's Italian Sausage Company in honor of his late father, which is now served in over 20 restaurants throughout the Valley.

**INSTALLATION OF AAUW OFFICERS**

Spouses, friends and associates are welcome to join us.

**Menu:** Seared Salmon Club\_\_\_\_Chicken/Spinach/Walnut/Strawberry Salad\_\_\_\_\_  
Veggie Penne Pasta/Marinara with Seasonal Vegetables \_\_\_\_\_

**Write Menu Choice on Check** for \$25.00, payable to **AAUW Palm Springs**. Mail to Sharron Cantarini, 79783 Joey Court, La Quinta, CA 92253. *Cost is \$30.00 for reservations made after May 2<sup>nd</sup> and walk-ins.*

Name:\_\_\_\_\_# Reservations\_\_\_\_\_Phone/Email\_\_\_\_\_

**May 2017 President's Message****Elizabeth Nash, President****TOGETHER, WE HAVE ACHIEVED MORE**

It is with great joy and gratitude that I reflect on the Branch's achievements during my two-year term as President of our Palm Springs AAUW Branch. In the beginning of my term, June 2015, I realized that our wonderful members were willing and eager to work together. Through our Strategic Planning sessions, we began working together on 'Smart' Goals. As our Goals were being accomplished, more enthusiasm became evident, new activities began and new members became attracted to our Branch.

During my two years as President, I continuously scanned our Branch's environment looking for two critical elements that must be present in successful organizations," STRUCTURE AND CONSIDERATION" for the members. We must have Structure as well as Caring and Consideration for our members. STRUCTURE in our Branch comes from our rules, regulations, AAUW State and AAUW National Guidelines, as well as from our Branch rules, regulations, meetings, policies and procedures and bylaws.

CONSIDERATION is provided to our members by paying close attention and fulfilling their needs. Members must be provided with opportunities to participate in group and Team activities. Through many interpersonal activities, our members develop friendships by participating in such activities as Tech Trek, Book Discussion Groups, Lunch Bunch, Great Decisions, Happy Hour Spirits, Out And About, Reel Revelers movie group, general luncheon meetings, and receiving Sunshine cards. Members also experience personal and professional growth by participating as leaders and team-members.

Following are some highlights of our activities and "SMART GOALS" achieved:

We developed a Buddy System and materials for our new members to increase communication and involvement in our many monthly activities, managed by Marsha Riley; Increased Membership support materials and personal welcome contacts with new members; Organized an information table to increase communication for all members, managed by Sharron Cantarini; Presented outstanding speakers who consistently provided informative and educational presentations at our monthly luncheons meetings, managed by Sharrell Blakeley; Increased our visibility and Marketing by advertising our meetings in the local newspaper, managed by Joanne Bourquin; Raised enough Tech Trek funds to send nine students to Summer Tech Trek Camp In 2016 and 2017, managed by Pat Fredericks; Supervised Tech Trek committee, events and activities, managed by Peggy Shippen; Organized our Finances and maintained outstanding Financial records, managed by Gillian German; Increased Out-and About, cultural, educational and fun activities, managed by Angie Love; Communicated and connected us together through an outstanding Newsletter, website and Membership Directory, managed by Elaine Levey; Maintained our Official AAUW Records, Joann Lane. One major result of us working together as a team is our membership increase of 32 new members, plus two applications in progress, since June, 2015. This is a 29.8 % increase in membership. **Out of 141 AAUW Branches, we are now one of the top 10 fastest growing Branches in California. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK AND REMEMBER,**

**"PEOPLE DON'T CARE HOW MUCH YOU KNOW, UNTIL THEY KNOW HOW MUCH YOU CARE."**

*(author unknown)*

Check out our branch website: <http://palmsprings-ca.aauw.net>

**Palm Springs Officers**

President: Elizabeth Nash..... 772-0645  
President-Elect: Pat Fredericks674-4649  
Program VP: Sharrell Blakeley972-4441  
Fundraising: Pat Fredericks 674-4649  
Membership VP:  
Sharron Cantarini ..... 296-3512  
Secretary: Joann Lane..... 360-9257  
Treasurer: Gillian German714-998-2137  
Tech Trek: Peggy Shippen...541-686-8619  
Tech Trek Treasurer:  
DeeDee Warren..... 808-640-2619  
College Relations:  
Pat Fredericks..... 674-4649  
Public Policy: Jackie Drucker 200-5101  
Publicity: Joanne Bourquin.... 772-2832  
Reservations: Sharron Cantarini296-3512  
Sandscripts: Elaine Levey..... 360-6440  
Photographer:  
Magdalena Hamilton ..... 636-5261  
Sunshine::Pamela Roberts ... 347-8546  
Book Group:  
Roberta Young..... 734/658--9981  
Great Decisions:  
Joanne Bourquin..... 772-2832  
Happy Hour Spirits:  
Joan Cartwright..... 415-320-5335  
Lunch Bunch: Phyllis Greene772-7121  
Out and About: Angie Love ... 779-5658  
Reel Revelers:  
Bayla Adelman..... 568-9621

**Elected Board for 2017-2018:**

President: Pat Fredericks  
President Elect: Sharrell Blakeley  
Program VP: Shelly Mitchell  
AAUW Fund: Sharrell Blakeley  
Membership VP: Sharron Cantarini  
Secretary: Joanne Lane  
Treasurer: Gillian German

*AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.*

*In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.*

*AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.*

*By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.*

**Membership Badges:** Sign up at a meeting, or contact Barbara Hawkins Villani at (760) 322-3987 to order your magnetic badge (with the new logo) for \$10 each. Badges are available within three weeks of order.

Board Meeting 10:00 am Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Indian Ridge Clubhouse. RSVP to Elizabeth Nash.

## Membership

It is that time of year again, folks. For most of us, our AAUW annual dues for 2017-2018 are upon us. (Those new members who joined since March will not have to renew until May of 2018.) You can mail the check to me or bring it to the next luncheon. (As a reminder, please get your checks for the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting to me BEFORE May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We need to give our choice of food to the Chef.)

We continue to grow with three more new members, so please greet them with open arms.

Sharron Cantarini  
Membership VP  
760-296-3512

### New Members:

*(Please cut out and add to your directory)*

Candace McKenzie  
910 Island Drive, #310  
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270  
Cell - 425-466-8207  
stanncan@gmail.com  
Birthday 4-28  
MA Argosy University, Seattle - Mental Health Counseling  
Dual Member with Lake Washington

Cathy Trevino  
79650 Rancho La Quinta  
La Quinta, CA 92253  
Cell - 805-757-3677  
cathytrevino47@gmail.com  
BD 4-26  
MA USC Education 1972  
Dual Member with Lompoc-Vandenberg

Charlene Shanard  
78346 Melody Lane  
Palm Desert, CA 92211  
Home 760-200-2560  
Cell - 442-282-9282  
No email address  
Birthday 8-24

### **New address:**

Gillian German  
78174 Links Drive  
Palm Desert, CA 92211

University of South Dakota, Education, Counseling, Psychology, Administration, Special Education

AAUW National has been without a CEO since last summer. Our former CEO, Linda Hallman, retired. As of last month, the position has been filled by Kimberly Churches. She begins her term of office June 1st and comes to AAUW from the Brookings Institution, the well-respected Washington, D.C. think tank, where she strategically guided their public policy organization. She's skilled in problem-solving, expanding partnerships and external relations and particularly adept at fundraising---serving as the Managing Director for the Brookings Institution. Her prior career includes serving as Vice Chancellor at the University of Denver, a Director for Development at the University of North Florida, and a division director at the American Heart Association. Kimberly has a wealth of experience working on education issues affecting K-12 as well as higher education through her capacity building skills directed toward grassroots groups and national and international nonprofits. She earned her BA at Florida State University in English Education and became a Certified Fund Raising Executive in 2002.





AAUW Palm Springs Branch is proud to announce sponsorships for the following Valley 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls to attend the AAUW Tech Trek STEM Camp at UC Irvine July 9-15, 2017.\*

- \*Liliana Villalapando-Lua – La Quinta MS
- \*Uesili Kuli – Palm Desert Charter MS
- \*Sydney Endres – John Glenn MS
- \*Celine Marie Porras- James Workman MS
- \*Belen Martinez Rios – James Workman MS
- \*Natalie Wilberts – Desert Ridge Academy
- \*Tiffany Baik – Indio MS
- \*Munashe Powell – Painted Hills MS
- \*Lydia Rodriguez – Cahuilla Desert Academy MS

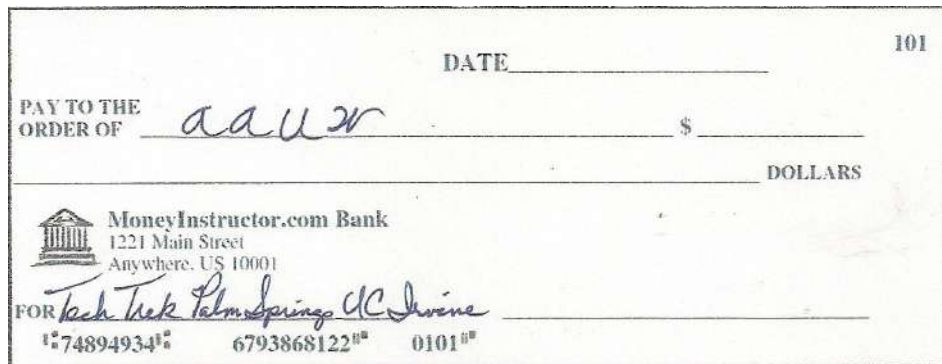
Alternate: Elliette Olson – Palm Desert Charter MS

**Announcement:** An ice-cream social and pool party will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> for the 2016 and 2017 Tech Trek Campers to get to know each other and learn more about the Camp. It will be the first opportunity for Peggy Mengel to acquaint past Tech Trekkers with the branch TT Alumni Club. Pat Fredericks will host the party at her home and the TT Committee will provide the goodies.

### New Check-Writing Policy

On March 7, 2017, the Palm Springs Branch Board adopted a new policy that reflects IRS regulations for tax-deductible donations. IRS regulations require Tech Trek donation checks be written by the donor to “AAUW.” This means our Tech Trek Treasurer will no longer accept a check written by one person for another person’s donation. This also means members can no longer write a Tech Trek check to our Funds person or to the branch account (“AAUW-Palm Springs”).

To ensure your Tech Trek donations are tax deductible and processed timely, all future Tech Trek donation checks are to written as shown below. **Checks written incorrectly will be returned for you to rewrite.**



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**Tech Trek Checks, Continued:**

Unless you can personally give your properly written TT check to Peggy Shippen or DeeDee Warren at a meeting, to ensure delivery, please mail your TT check to DeeDee at the branch PO Box listed below:

**MAIL TO: DeeDee Warren, PS Tech Trek Treasurer  
P.O. Box 11423  
Palm Desert, CA 92255-1423**

If – within 10 days - you do not receive a Thank You Letter from DeeDee confirming you have made a tax-deductible donation to Tech Trek, please call DeeDee at 808-640-2619 or email her at [deede.warren@hotmail.com](mailto:deede.warren@hotmail.com).

Thank you so much,

Peggy Shippen, Branch TT Coordinator  
DeeDee Warren, Branch TT Treasurer

**Photos From April 2017 Annual Meeting**



Sharrell Blakeley  
and Peggy  
Shippen;  
Joanne Bourquin



Marty McCoy; new member Marlene Spector; Gail Hughes with Katherine Brown (a guest from Redlands) and new member Connie McReynolds

### HAPPY HOUR SPIRITS

We shall meet on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm for Happy Hour at the Cliffhouse, northwest corner of Washington and Highway 111. RSVP to Joan..

Joan Cartwright, (415) 320-5335



### BOOK DISCUSSION

On May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm we will meet at Anne LaConde's home to discuss *My Name is Lucy Barton* by Elizabeth Sprout. Anne's address is 73135 Fiddleneck Lane, Palm Desert. Please call her to RSVP: (760) 862-1913.

Roberta Young, (734) 658-9981  
r-license@juno.com.

### LUNCH BUNCH

At noon on May 8<sup>th</sup> we dine at the Backstreet Bistro on El Paseo. Call Phyllis by May 4<sup>th</sup> to RSVP.

Phyllis Greene, (760) 772-7121

### GREAT DECISIONS

Great Decisions will meet at the home of Pat Fredericks, 75375 Painted Desert Drive, Indian Wells on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. Phone Pat at (760) 674 4649 to let her know you are coming to the meeting.

We will see the video and discuss chapter 5: U.S Foreign Policy and Petroleum.

Joanne Bourquin, (760) 772-2832

### REEL REVELERS

Our movie group will meet on May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the home of Jackie Drucker, 78501 Palm Tree, Sun City Palm Desert. Call Jackie with what you will bring to the pot luck: (760) 200-5101. The name of the movie will be emailed to you closer to the date of the meeting.

Bayla Adelman, (760) 568-9621

### OUT AND ABOUT

#### Coachella Valley Repertory Theater - May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm

This is the last play of this season.

If you wish to join us for dinner, we will meet at 5:30 at Fisherman's Restaurant and Bar on Highway 111--- right next door (east) to Las Casuelas. The Atrium is just down the street. Call or e-mail Angie Love if you wish to be put on the reservation list: (760) 779-5658 randalovebrds@aol.com



Mgdalena Hamilton and Elizabeth Nash at polo matches in March.

Barbara Villani  
 1028 E. San Lorenzo Road  
 Palm Springs, CA 92264-8114



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>May 2<sup>nd</sup> Deadline for Reservations for General Meeting</b>						
		10:00 Board Meeting;	<i>Happy Birthday Deanna Neal</i>		5 <i>Happy Birthday Marlene Spector</i>	6
7	8 12:00 Lunch Bunch	9	10	11 <i>Happy Birthday Norma Stempler</i>	12	13 11:30 General Meeting
14	15	16 10:00 Great Decisions	17 2:00 Book Discussion	18 <i>Happy Birthday Beth Bangert</i>	19	20 4:00 Happy Hour Spirits
21	22	23 <i>Happy Birthday Roberta Young</i>	24	25 6:00 Reel Revelers	26 <i>Happy Birthday Sue Beatty and Anne Berman</i>	27 <i>Happy Birthday Adele Ruxton</i>
28 <i>Happy Birthday Bayla Adelman</i>	29	30	31 <i>Happy Birthday Carol Scobie and Mary Schambach</i>			