

# PEN & PALETTE

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## PHOTO OPS: Awards Galore!



**Upper Left:** Our inspiration girl, Barbara Lundy, **Upper Right:** Sheila Firestone shares a gift received at PEN Regional Conference. **Lower Left:** Carol White & Michelle Putnik display their PEN Awards, **Bottom Right:** Guest Speaker, Dr. Larthenia Howard & PEN member Jo Jo Harder.

## REMINDERS

If you keep your **name tag** in the car, you'll always have it with you for luncheons. Our next luncheon is **Thursday, December 17, 12:00 noon.**

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Pen Divas! I need photographs, pictures of art, or samples of your writing for our Newsletters. Email them to: [mjputnik@comcast.net](mailto:mjputnik@comcast.net)

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Here's our link:

<http://tinyurl.com/ktodd6t>

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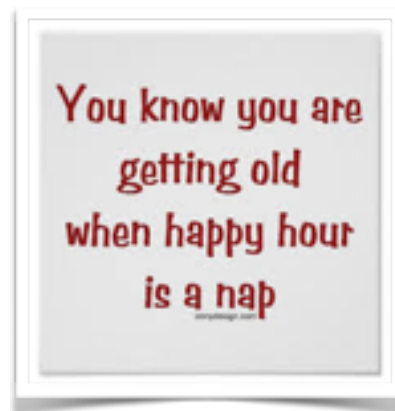
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## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Mimi Paris  
 4 Jo Jo Harder  
 12 Leona Brenner  
 12 Julie Malear  
 13 Phyllis Dolislager  
 14 Patricia Wilson  
 20 Sheila Firestone

## BIRTHDAY FUNNY



## **NATIONAL LEAGUE OF AMERICAN PEN WOMAN. BOCA RATON BRANCH**



**National League of American Pen Woman**, have the pleasure to announce that we will host an **Art Exhibition** open to Boca Raton Pen Women Art Member Only.

This exhibition will be at **MILAGRO CENTER** (695 Auburn Ave. Delray Beach, Fl 33444)

**ALL ART WORK WILL BE DISPLAYED FOR PUBLIC VIEWING.**

### **CALENDAR:**

**Loading:** Tues, Feb. 09, 2016 from 10 AM to 12 PM

**Opening Night:** Fri, Feb. 12, 2016 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

**Show Closes:**

**Take Down:** Fri, Apr. 01/2016 at 10 AM

**Pick up:** Fri, Apr. 01,2016 from 10 AM to 12:30 PM

**IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS ART EXIBITION AS AN ARTIST OR A  
VENDOR THE TERMS ARE:**

**MILAGRO CENTER GET 25% FEE FOR EACH ART SELL DURING THE  
SHOW**

Any questions or inquired, please contact Lidia Tohar, Art Chair woman. National League of American Pen Woman

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## Pen Branch News!

by Carol White: Publicity Chair

\* **Prue Carrico** is chairing part of our Outreach Program by collecting your old eyeglasses that will be donated to a worthy cause. Just bring them to the December luncheon along with your name tags! January luncheon information is at the bottom of this newsletter.

\* **Lea Becker** has been interviewed on radio station WSRB, which broadcasts from a Boca Raton location on frequency 740 AM, in an extended taped session regarding a fifth book she is writing. It is another humor novel about an older married woman struggling with weight loss and relationship issues. The date and time for the live forty minute airing of the interview will take place in December. A follow-up YouTube audio version will also be available after the live radio airing at a time to be determined.

**Barbara Bixon, writing as A. R. Alan**, will have her true story *Escape to Write* published in the [Writingraw.com](http://Writingraw.com) magazine's December issue. Barbara did research for her book, *If You Really Loved Me, You'd Take Out The Garbage*, by enrolling in the Duke University's Rice Diet

Program. Kevin Spacey expressed an interest in a screen play about the story.

\* A beautiful painting by **Bea Doone-Merena**:



The Octava Chamber Orchestra in Seattle, Washington will perform The Delian suite No. 8 *Letters to Eternity* by **Sheila Firestone**. *To Erik Satie* is part of the Delian Suite No. 8.

\* **Jo Jo Harder**, her best friend Romeo, and her company, America's Top Dog Model, received write ups in *The Global Yorkshire Terrier Magazine*: [http://www.americastopdogmodel.com/Yorkshire%20Terrier\\_Nov-2015.pdf](http://www.americastopdogmodel.com/Yorkshire%20Terrier_Nov-2015.pdf), Rebates Zones Holiday & Christmas Gift Guide, which promoted her book *How to Become a Top Dog Model*: [http://www.americastopdogmodel.com/Rebatezone\\_Dec-2015.pdf](http://www.americastopdogmodel.com/Rebatezone_Dec-2015.pdf), and [ThatMutt.com: http://www.thatmutt.com/2015/12/10/whats-in-your-dogs-christmas-socking-plato-pet-treats/](http://www.thatmutt.com/2015/12/10/whats-in-your-dogs-christmas-socking-plato-pet-treats/)

\* **Fedora Horowitz** will talk about her upcoming biography *My Life in Romania during the Holocaust and under the Communist Regime* at the Delray JCC on Tuesday December 29th at 9:30a.m. On

Thursday January 7, 1916 at 9 a.m. Fedora Horowitz will speak about her novel *Jaffa Beach* for Company A+ at the Delray Golf Club in Delray. On Wednesday January 20th she will lecture about the history of Jews in Romania at Coral Lakes Community in Boynton Beach. On Monday January 25th Fedora will discuss *Jaffa Beach* at the ORT organization of Huntington Pointe Community in Delray Beach.

\* **Carole Kaufman's** paintings will be displayed on an entire wall at the Arts Arena Gallery, 777 E. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach. Cocktails 6-8:30 p.m. on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Carole will be there to greet guests.

\* **Janet S. Kleinman**, author of *Good-Bye Russia, Hello America* – a family saga and ode to immigration, was featured in November's Shelanu, a magazine that reaches over 700 families.

\* **Mimi Paris** won 3rd Place in the ABC-2016 Anthology of Florida Authors and Poets Writing Competition for her poem, *The Forgotten Obit*. The Awards Ceremony is planned for December 16, 2015 in Sarasota, Florida. Mimi, a longtime Pen Woman, is also a member of the Poets of the Palm Beaches of Lake Worth and PBPF of Delray Beach.

\* **Joni Sack** will be exhibiting her paintings as part of our branch art show to be held at Sugar Sand Park, Boca Raton, from December 31, 2015 through January 25, 2016. A reception will be held on January 8 from 5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Joni Sack will also be exhibiting her paintings at the Highland Beach library from December 7, 2015 through March 1, 2016. Reception held on January 7 from 5:00 p.m. –7:00 p.m.

\* One of **Carol White's** full length plays is under consideration by a production company in Los Angeles.

\* **Barbara M. Wolk**, started her Foreign Film Class at United Federation of Teachers, Boca Raton with the movie, *Osama from Afghanistan*, awarded The Golden Globe Best Foreign Language Film; the first film shot entirely in Afghanistan since 1996, when the Taliban regime banned the creation of all films. She's preparing for the 2nd Annual Fundraiser for the non-profit Organization: A Walk on Water Spirituality Workshop: Opening to Life after 60 [www.awalkonwater.com](http://www.awalkonwater.com) at The Weisman Delray Community Center, 10:30a.m. - 12:30p.m., Sunday, January 24, 2016 with Ellen Kamhi, The Natural Nurse, and four other authors.



**Celebrate the Holidays With Music  
From Around The World**

**Gail Smith – The First Lady of Piano**  
**Thursday, December 17, 2015**  
**12:00 Noon**

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Gail Smith is a respected music educator, author of over fifty books, including *Women Composers in History*, and composer of the world's first reversible piano solo. As a member of the NLAPW, Gail was National Music Chairman and president of the Ft. Lauderdale Branch. She has been delighting audiences with her concerts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Now she will perform a holiday program arranged especially for us.

Join the Boca Raton Pen Women for a delicious luncheon and a spirited performance.

Delray Beach Golf Club – 2200 Highland Ave. – Delray Beach  
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