



PEN & PALETTE

Boca Raton Branch, National League of American Pen Women (NLAPW), Inc.

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SPOTLIGHT'S ON...



MARLENE KLOTZ, one of the Pen's talented poets. xoxo

THANKSGIVING WITH LOVE

Fame can't bring you happiness,
Money can't buy you health,
But those with loving families,
Possess the greatest wealth.
As we gather for Thanksgiving,
At this special time of year,
Our bounty seems much greater,
When the ones we love are near.

-Marlene Klotz



FROM THE OWL'S NEST!



Dear Members,

As we move into the fall and winter months, we have many events to look forward to. Whether you're presenting a program or joining the audience, you'll be delighted and energized.

On October 24th, three Pen authors – Carol White, Alexandra Goodwin and Janet Kleinman – lead a themed book talk on why we are in love with love stories at the Buena Vida community in Wellington.

If you're a poet or a lover of poetry, you'll want to join Lea Becker and Marlene Klotz at The Book Cellar in Lake Worth on December 1st from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. This poetry workshop, open to the public, will inspire you to pen a poem about holiday shopping. If you're not inclined to write, enjoy coffee and snacks at the Book Cellar cafe and listen to the original poems of would-be authors.

We recently learned that the Palm Beach County Cultural Council

accepted our application for group membership. Pen artists who submitted their information to Prue Carrico will have a listing on the Cultural Council's Web site. Next year, we anticipate that our Pen artists will have an exhibit at the Council's beautiful Art Deco gallery in downtown Lake Worth. Other art events are planned for this season, which you'll hear more about in the coming months.

Our Membership Luncheon at Gleneagles Country Club was a great success and enjoyed by everyone. We welcomed many guests who we hope will consider membership. The Silent Auction was a big hit, with many beautiful baskets, art work, theater tickets, gift certificates and books. A special thank you goes to Marlene Klotz for organizing and running the auction. And thank you to Etta Schaeffer for her dedicated assistance.

This once-a-year auction has become a tradition and a successful fund raiser for our Scholarship Fund. It would not have been possible without the contributions from Pen women who donated all the auction offerings. Thank you to all the members and guests who bid and made purchases. The generosity of our members makes it possible for us to continue supporting young women in the arts.

We look forward to reconnecting again at the November 15th luncheon at the Delray Beach Golf Club, featuring Adrienne Mazzone, an accomplished public relations expert. Join us for a delicious lunch and a stimulating afternoon. Reservations are due by November 8th.

Sincerely,
Elaine Bossik & Prue Carrico
Co-Chairs

**MEMBERSHIP, MUSIC, AND
OUTREACH CHAIRPERSON:
SHEILA FIRESTONE**
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**DRAFT OF BYLAW
AMENDMENT**

Our branch is proposing the following amendment to the NLAPW National Board of Governors. A Vote by sealed ballot will be taken at our November meeting.

If our membership approves of this item, we will submit it to other branches around the country. If 15 branches support, it will be taken into consideration by the National Board at the Business Meeting of the National Conference.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Types of Membership

Emerita Membership: When a member achieves the age of 90 + years, or when it becomes too difficult for the member to continue in active participation in Branch events, the Board will award her the status and title of Pen Woman Emerita. After that, Branch, State, and National dues are no longer collected. An Emerita Pen Woman may continue to enjoy all privileges of a regular member, as long as she continues to submit an annual membership information form to the

Branch Treasurer. The current cost for a subscription to The Pen Woman magazine to Pen Women Emeritae will be borne by the sponsoring branch.

**On December 14, at 2:30 PM we
again host the holiday party for the
Milagro Teen Center.**

The Milagro Center for teens is an after- school, enrichment program which offers stimulating art, music, robotics classes, after-school tutoring, and other after-school enrichment events for the students. During the party, we will have a talent exchange. Some of us will briefly share a project of our own. Some may read from their published book and tell a story about their inspiration.

Elisa Eisenman who is a member of the story Tellers guild will share a story. One of our artists Roberta Melman will share a creative projects and talk about her own journey to becoming an artist. I will play a short piece of music and tell a brief story concerning the motivation for developing that piece. This is to encourage the children to follow their dreams and to continue their projects. Some students take music and art lessons at the center. We will bring sandwiches, drinks, and goodies for the party. We will also give a \$10.00 gift certificate to each participant. If you would like to assist

or be part of the talent exchange, please contact me at sheilasong@mac.com.

We also need servers.

Please let me know if you would be willing or able to reach out to markets near you or write some letters for food or gift donations, please contact me if you can do this. One year Whole Foods was gracious enough to supply a pizza party thanks to Jo Jo Harder's efforts. Another year Fresh Market donated terrific sandwiches and side dishes as well as other goodies thanks to Etta Schaeffer's efforts. If you can act as our emissary on this and contact any market, please let me know as soon as possible. We will have to supply some documentation.

Free Concert Tickets and Music Events

From time to time I am offered concert tickets from Lynn University on short-term notice, as the Music of Andrew Lloyd Weber concert or the Philharmonic Concert that was provided. If you would like to be on the concert notification list for these tickets, please let me know. It will always be on a first come first serve

basis. Sometimes it might be for a concert within the same week. The Lynn Philharmonic seats range up to \$50.00. I am so delighted that we to are included when there are a few extra seats.

December Free Music Events

Saturday, December 8, at 7:30 p.m.

The 5th annual Lynn Chamber Music Competition, Final round. In partnership with the Lyric Chamber Society of New Your, the winning group of this competition will be presented in a New York debut recital at the Kosciuszko Foundation.



MEMBER NEWS

JO JO HARDER participated in August Authors & Autographs at the historic Butler House in Deerfield Beach. Local authors displayed, autographed, and sold their books.

Jo Jo's company/brand America's Top Dog Model has partnered with Pottery Barn to present a "Year of the Dog" celebration. The Pop-up Event will take place, Saturday, November 10, 2018, 12-5 PM, Pottery Barn, Town Center, 6000 W. Glades Rd, Suite 1225, Boca Raton, FL 33431. Tel: 561-750-3949. Benefits Canine Companions for Independence. All members are invited. For more information visit: <https://www.americastopdogmodel.com/events.htm>.

MIMI PARIS has published her first Anthology of Poetry-- *And They Say Old Ladies Don't Fight*. Her award-winning poems, sad and funny alike, have appeared in magazines and anthologies throughout Southeastern Florida.

ELISA EISENMAN is participating in Tellebration, 2018, an annual storytelling event, to be held Tues., Nov. 13 at the Glades Road Branch library at 2 pm. Her story, *What Shoes Say About Relationships*, invites listeners to look at how we make fashion statements by our choice of shoes for different occasions.

MARLENE KLOTZ'S nonfiction story, *The Great Escape*, will appear in the Viewpoint section of the Sun-Sentinel. In a humorous vein, Marlene describes why a rainy day makes moviegoing such a popular activity for seniors.

Marlene will also participate with "Delray Reads Day" at Morikami Elementary school on Wednesday, November 7th. As one of many volunteers, she says that it's nice to see how much the children enjoy hearing stories and nursery rhymes.

ART OPPORTUNITIES

There is an opportunity in which all members from Boca Raton, Ft. Lauderdale, and Coral Springs may participate. The theme is "Reciprocal Consciousness" - it will run from December 3 to December 28 at ArtServe in Ft. Lauderdale. The prospectus states that this event is a good lead-in to the famed Miami Art Basel Week. There are four additional possible opportunities being planned; more details will be available in January. For any questions: Prue's email is: rtistee@aol.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

Poetry Workshop -- Saturday, December 1, 2018, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., The Book Cellar, 801 Lake Ave., Lake Worth. Lea Becker and Marlene Klotz will inspire you to write poetry about holiday shopping. Pen your own poems or listen, laugh and enjoy the afternoon at a great new neighborhood book store.

CONTESTS:

Tom Howard/John H. Reid Fiction & Essay Contest: Submit till April 30, 2019. \$5,000 in prizes. <https://winningwriters.com/our-contests/tom-howard-john-h-reid-fiction-essay-contest>

Tom Howard/Margaret Reid Poetry Contest: Submit April 15 - Sept. 30, 2019. \$5000 in prizes. <https://winningwriters.com/our-contests/tom-howard-margaret-reid-poetry-contest>



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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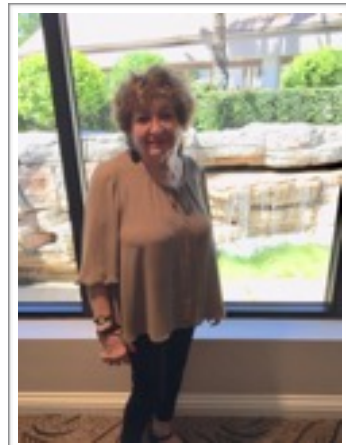
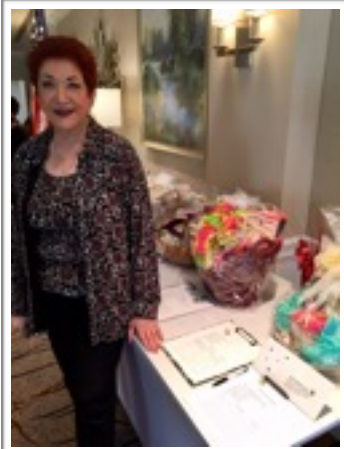
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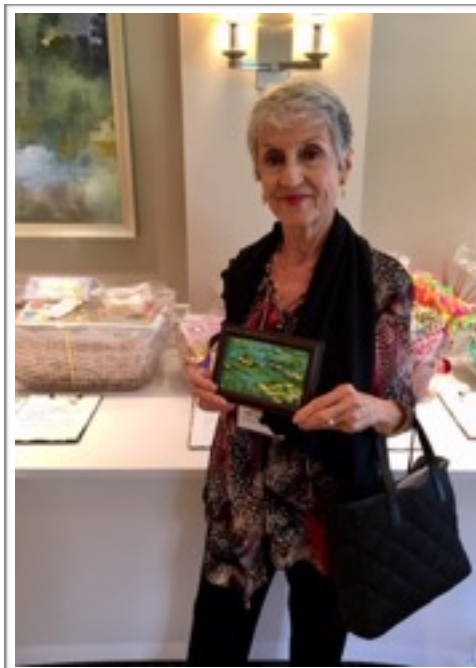
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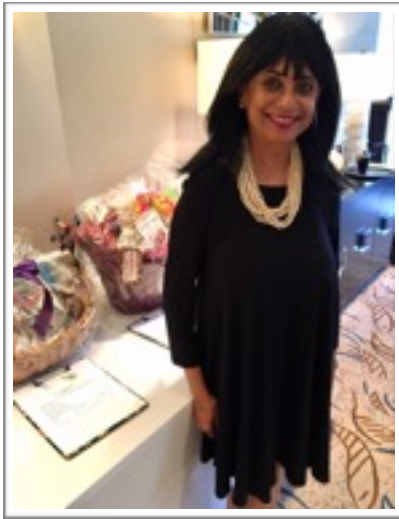
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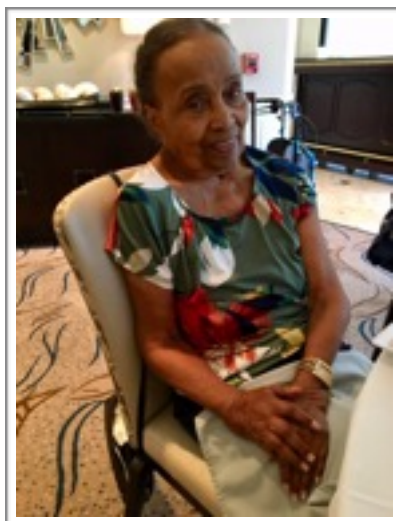
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“A woman is at her most beautiful when she’s comfortable - both in her clothing and in her own skin. That sort of beauty projects”



Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women Luncheon and Speaker Program



Playwright Michelle Putnik Presents: *The Killer B's* Thursday, December 20, 2018 12:00 Noon

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

561/243-7385 for Directions

Author, screenwriter, playwright, and fellow Boca Pen Woman, Michelle Putnik directs her one-act comedy, *The Killer B's*. Three retired assassins get another chance to use their fishnet stockings and stilettos...(we're talking daggers...not shoes!)

CLIP COUPON AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK

Members: \$27 ~ Non-members: \$30

Checks payable to: **Boca Raton Branch NLAPW**

Send to: Elaine Hutt, 7666 Majestic Palm Drive, Boynton Beach FL 33437

Email Elaine Hutt for more information: elainehlasvegas@aol.com

Luncheon Menu

Delray Deli Buffet – Tossed garden salad; sliced roast beef, roast turkey breast; cheese; red jacket potato salad; vegetable rotini salad; chickpeas; green leaf lettuce, sliced tomato and red onion; condiments; assorted fresh breads and rolls.

Dessert: Apple Pie and Chocolate Cake.

(See next page -->>)

NAME: (Print) _____ Email _____

GUEST: _____ Email _____

GUEST'S MENU: CHOICES of entree & dessert: _____

GUESTS: How did you hear about us? _____

Deadline for Receipt of Checks: December 13, 2018

Note: We cannot accept checks after the deadline.