

Pen and Palette

Boca Raton NLAPW

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In the Loop: Your Board at Work

Dear Members:

Summer is a time to relax and renew. We hope you are setting aside some time to renew your creative spirit and plan new projects. Your Pen Board has been hard at work doing just that.

While we don't usually have events in the summer, this year is an exception. On June 8th, we had a fabulous opening reception for our member art show at the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County gallery in Lake Worth. Our letters and music members participated, reading poetry and essays and sharing original music compositions. The Cultural Council provided refreshments. If you missed the reception, you can see the exceptional art exhibit until August 10th. And you can read all about the reception and view photos on our website at <http://www.bocapenwomen.org/boca-raton-pen-women-featured-at-palm-beach-gallery/>.

Letters Co-Chairs, Carol White and Alexandra Goodwin, have arranged two Pen Women author panel discussions at the newly-located Mystery Book Store (Murder on the Beach) in Delray Beach on July 21st and August 18th. The book store is now located on Atlantic Avenue, adjacent to the Delray Beach Library, with convenient parking behind the library.

Our opening event in the fall – The 2019 Pen Women Membership Luncheon and Silent Auction – will be held on Thursday, October 17th at the beautiful Indian Spring Country Club in Boynton Beach. You won't want to miss the lavish buffet lunch and a chance to bid on one-of-a-kind baskets, art, gift certificates and unique items. Do invite your friends and potential new members who would like to meet us and learn about our organization.

Program Chair, Brenda Dressler, has arranged exciting and educational luncheon programs for the coming season, including artists, writers, composers and inspirational speakers.

We hope you'll all take advantage of the opportunity to participate in the many stimulating art, letters, music and community outreach programs that we have organized. It will open doors to new ideas and challenge you in creative ways.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer, wherever you may be.

Sincerely,
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Alexandra Goodwin, Dayle Herstik, Rhoda Hollandar Barbara Lunde, Carol White

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### **Welcome New Members**

Phyllis Elrich has joined our Branch as a patron member.  
Mary Adcock-Ingram is a new member-at-large.

### **Call for Auction Donations**

A Silent Auction will be held at our October 17<sup>th</sup> Membership Luncheon. Proceeds from the auction fund our student achievement program for young women in the arts. There will be many wonderful items donated by local sponsors, but we need your help to supplement these donations. Here's what we need: gift certificates for nail, hair, and spa salons; gift baskets with new items (you may wish to work with another member to create a gift basket); complimentary tickets for shows/events; unique items; costume jewelry; art work (paintings, sculpture, art photographs).

Contact Prue Carrico at [rtistee@aol.com](mailto:rtistee@aol.com) with art donations.

Contact Sheila Firestone at [sheilasong@mac.com](mailto:sheilasong@mac.com) with all other donations.

### **Photographs From the Pen Women Art Show Reception – June 8, 2019**

Read all about it at <http://www.bocapenwomen.org/boca-raton-pen-women-featured-at-palm-beach-gallery/>

### **Artist Opportunities/Information**

For information about local art exhibits and competitions, get a free subscription to *The Rickie Report* at <https://www.therickiereport.com/>. When you enter the website, you'll see a box on the right to enter your e-mail address. Click on "Subscribe." You'll then receive periodic local event news, including calls to artists to enter local shows.

*The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County* posts local arts events and competitions for artists on their website. Subscribe to receive free Email alerts and keep informed about cultural events in Palm Beach Beach County. <https://www.palmbeachculture.com/email-signup/>.

### **MEMBER NEWS:**

**SHEILA FIRESTONE** performed a mini concert along with music for Shabbat at Regents Park Assisted Nursing Home during the month of June. The Women's Cantors Network published her Adon Alom in their new music book Kol Isha. The Adon O Lam was performed in the Kol Isha Concert along with a Medley of Adon O Lams by three cantors. See Sheila's Facebook page to hear the performance. <https://www.facebook.com/sheila.firestone.7>

**JOJO HARDER** is the writer, director, and producer of America's Top Dog Model's new weekly reality series, How to Get to the Top, scheduled to launch on YouTube August 7, 2019. Members are invited to subscribe to America's Top Dog Model YouTube Channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/JoJoHAR2012> In addition, Jo Jo's new monthly pet column launched in the Observer Newspaper, with an article about taking care of your canine family member while being sustainable. Observer Newspaper covers Deerfield Beach, Lighthouse Point, Hillsboro Beach, Pompano Beach and Boca Raton, Florida. Here is a link to cover page: <https://observernewspaperonline.com/front-page/>. The article is available in print at the locations listed on the top left corner by clicking "Newsstands."

Here's a link to a blog article on the Pen website about the show with lots of photos:  
<http://www.bocapenwomen.org/boca-raton-pen-women-featured-at-palm-beach-gallery/>

### **SPOTLIGHT ON POETRY**

We have secured a date for our first Poetry event of the upcoming year! This celebration of Hispanic culture event will take place during Hispanic Heritage Month.

**What this consists of:** PEN poets will be asked to pick a favorite poet of Hispanic origin (does not have to be American), and speak during the allotted time about who this poet is and why he or she being featured in this event; highlights of his/her life; poems, famous or not, to be read and briefly discussed as well.

**When:** Sunday, September 15, 2019 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Where:** Delray Beach Library

There will be refreshments and Spanish music provided by the library! Please join us and if you have an appropriate poem, bring it along!

## 2019 Boca Raton Pen Women Membership Luncheon

Thursday, October 17, 2019 – 12:00 Noon



**Indian Spring Country Club – 11501 EL Clair Ranch Rd – Boynton Beach, FL 33437**

The Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women (NLAPW) is hosting its annual membership luncheon at the Indian Spring Country Club on October 17, 2019. We'll be kicking off our new 2019 - 2020 season of programs and special events.

Join us and learn how the Boca Raton Pen Women can enrich your life with art, music, books, poetry, drama, and much more. If you are a writer, artist, composer or patron/lover of the arts, you'll find inspiring programs and warm and welcoming new friends.

Opportunities to present your creative work in public forums are arranged by our Art, Letters and Music Committees. You'll network with our creative members and expand your reach in the local community. You can participate in writing and art workshops, book talks, art exhibits, national webinars that offer valuable educational information, and more.

You won't want to miss this once-a-year membership event. Enjoy a lavish buffet luncheon, including salads, baked salmon, chicken chasseur, pasta primavera, fresh vegetables, rolls, dessert station with fruit and pastries, and beverages.

We are featuring a fabulous Silent Auction. You can bid on member art pieces, gift baskets, theater tickets, gift certificates and unique items. Proceeds from the auction fund our achievement awards program for high school and college women pursuing careers in the arts. **Checks or Cash ONLY for auction items.**

Save the Date for our Annual Membership Luncheon

**Thursday, October 17, 2019 – 12:00 Noon**

Members \$30

Guests \$35

Download Reservation Form at [www.bocapenwomen.org](http://www.bocapenwomen.org) starting September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Carol White has taken over as Editor-in-Chief of the Pen & Palette so please send in your news for September/October 2019 by September 9<sup>th</sup> and the newsletter will be sent to you on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Remember to keep your posts professional!

We thank Michelle Putnik for her past service.

Carol White  
Editor-in-Chief  
Pen & Palette