

Dear Members:

Welcome back to our members who have returned to Florida from vacations and summer homes. We hope that you were all safe and out of the path of Hurricane Dorian. Anxiety levels were high as we prepared for the worst. Fortunately, it bypassed South Florida.

The Board has been working throughout the summer to plan programs for the coming season. We were fortunate to have several events during the summer – a member art exhibit in June at the Palm Beach Cultural Council, author fiction panels in July and August at the Mystery Book Store in Delray Beach, and a *Women in Translation Celebration* in August at the Delray Beach Library. Alexandra Goodwin reviewed two translated books and, as a translator herself, was interviewed as part of the program.

Carol White and Alexandra Goodwin, our Letters Co-Chairs, have arranged several programs for the coming season that you'll hear more about in the coming months. And Program Chair Dr. Brenda Dressler has a lineup of inspiring speakers for our monthly luncheons.

The membership luncheon and silent auction on Thursday, October 17th at the Indian Spring Country Club is expected to be one of our best events to date. We have many generous sponsors who have made donations for the auction – gift cards from Rapaport's Restaurant Group and Max's Grille, passes for the Norton Museum, spa and salon treatments, Lynn University theater tickets, and more.

We're still gathering donations for the auction. We hope you will contribute some of the items we need that are listed in this newsletter.

Valet parking at the Indian Spring Country Club has been arranged for the October luncheon. Do invite prospective members and guests who would like to meet us and enjoy this special day.

Our calendar this season is filled with stimulating programs and special events. There will be many opportunities for you to participate and enjoy the programs with your Pen sisters.

We look forward to seeing everyone in October. Remember: Deadline for reservations/checks is October 10th.

Call for Auction Donations

A Silent Auction will be held at our October 17th Membership Luncheon. Proceeds from the auction fund our student achievement program for young women in the arts. We have many wonderful donations from local sponsors, but we need your help to supplement these donations. We need a few beautiful gift baskets with new items. You may wish to work with other members to create a basket with a theme, such as kitchen or bath, spa/beauty, gourmet food, dessert/wine. Unique items and costume jewelry are welcomed. We need donations of **art work**: paintings of any size, art photographs, sculpture.

Contact Prue Carrico at <u>rtistee@aol.com</u> with art donations.

Contact Sheila Firestone at <u>sheilasong@mac.com</u> with all other donations.

Reservations for October 17th Luncheon & Silent Auction

You can send your reservations & checks for our Oct. luncheon to Elaine Hutt. The reservation form can be downloaded from our

Website: http://www.bocapenwomen.org/luncheon/.

Please invite friends and neighbors who would be interested in joining our branch, and guests who would like to attend the luncheon and enjoy the auction. Checks are due on by October 10, 2019

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Opportunity for Writers

Booksie Short Story Contest

https://www.booksie.com/contest/booksie-2019-short-story-contest-17

\$9.95 Entry Fee. Deadline November 29, 2019. One grand prize winner will receive \$1,500, and exposure on the Booksie.com website, which receives millions of readers per month. Two runners-up will receive \$150. The short stories can be of any topic. Contest judge is author Ann Everett

Sincerely, Elaine Bossik & Prue Carrico Co-Presidents **Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women**

Annual Membership Luncheon

Thursday, October 17, 2019 12:00 Noon

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

Directions: 561-737-5544

CLIP COUPON AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK

Members: \$30 - Non-members: \$35

Checks payable to: Boca Raton Branch NLAPW

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

Email Elaine Bossik for more information: elainebossik@yahoo.com

NAME: (Print) ______Email _____

GUEST:______Email_____

GUESTS: How did you hear about us?_____

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF CHECKS: October 10, 2019

Note: We cannot accept checks after the deadline.

(Directions below)

DIRECTIONS TO INDIAN SPRING COUNTRY CLUB (Valet Parking has been arranged)

Indian Spring Country Club, 11501 El Clair Ranch Road, Boynton Beach, FL 33437 (between Jog Road and Military Trail) Phone: 561-737-5544

From North of Woolbright Road:

Drive South on Jog or Military Left on Woolbright Rd. to El Clair Ranch Rd. Right on El Clair Ranch Rd. (short distance) Indian Spring is on the left.

From South of Woolbright Road:

North on Jog or Military Right on Woolbright Right on El Clair Ranch Rd. (short distance) Indian Spring Country Club is on the left

Spotlight

"Women in Translation Celebration" at the Delray Beach Library August 21, 2019 Several reviewers (including Alexandra Goodwin) discussed books by women authors from around the world that had been translated into English. The highlight of the afternoon was Program Director Isabella Rowan's interview with Alexandra Goodwin. Alexandra's talents has translated books and poetry from the Spanish language to English. Audience members included women from The National League of American Pen Women and Women's National Book Association.



MEMBER NEWS

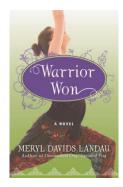
Please note: Mary Adcock-Ingram has transferred from being an at large member to being a member of the Boca Raton, NLAPW. Welcome Mary!

Barbara Bixon/AKA A. R Alan has finally realized her dream. Her screenplay, I See Things, which was adapted from her novel will begin filming January 2020.



Alexandra Goodwin, Poetry Chair will lead a discussion on four Spanish poets in commemoration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Vera Hirschhorn, Lea Becker and Marta Luzim will participate. Background music will be provided by Dr. Joan Cartwright. The event will take place at the Delray Beach Library on Sunday September 15th at 2:00 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Meryl Davids Landau's newest novel, Warrior Won, was selected as a finalist in both the Women's fiction and New Age fiction categories by the American Book Fest Fiction Awards. Meryl also won first place in the inspirational fiction category of the Living Now Book Awards.



This summer **Penelope Love** celebrated 19 book awards with authors published by her company, Citrine Publishing. Recognitions included 10 Finalists and 4 Winners in the International Book Awards (IBA); 1 Bronze Medalist in the Independent Publisher Book Awards (IPPYs); 1 Semi-Finalist in the Royal Palm Literary Awards (RPLA); 3 *Foreword* INDIES Finalists and 1 *Foreword* INDIES Gold Winner. Two of the authors recognized in 2019 were also Pen Women: Maria Choron, an IBA Winner in Children's Hardcover Non-Fiction for *One Magical Night*, and **Lee Ravine**, RPLA Semi-Finalist in the Blended Genre category for *Villa Paraiso*. The Call for News will be emailed to you on the 1^{st} of each month. Future Pen & Palette newsletter will be emailed on the 10^{th} of the month as we have done in the past. Please email me your news by the 9^{th} of each month. Try to keep your word count at about 100, and posts should be professional.

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