

Pen and Palette
Boca Raton NLAPW
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In the Loop: Your Board at Work

Dear Members,

We had a busy, productive and creative season. Many Pen members participated in programs in the community and had the opportunity to showcase their talents.

Arranging community events and workshops involves planning, coordination and cooperation. Letters Co-Chairs Carol White and Alexandra Goodwin have been doing an outstanding job arranging and organizing panel discussions and writing workshops in local libraries. Through their efforts, many more people in the local community have learned about us and are eager to attend our programs. This has translated to interest in membership and growth of our Branch.

On Sunday, February 2nd, our Pen women, led by Alexandra Goodwin, presented an exceptional poetry/history program, celebrating Black History Month, at the Delray Beach Library. The historical information, poetry and essays presented by Vera Hirschhorn, Marlene Klotz, Dayle Herstik, Mimi Paris, and Alexandra Goodwin were impressive and inspiring. Our Pen women did a great deal of research to prepare their presentations, and the audience appreciated it.

In March we'll be electing a new Executive Board for the 2020-2022 term. As we think about choosing new leaders for our Branch, we also need to consider the role each of us can play in helping our Branch grow in numbers and recognition. It may mean leading a workshop or program, helping to plan and organize an event, participating in a panel discussion, or offering support in some other capacity.

The slate of Executive Officers nominated for the 2020-2022 term is published in this newsletter. The office of Recording Secretary remains vacant and is open for nominations. There is still time to nominate additional candidates for all positions. Voting will take place at our luncheon meeting on March 26th.

We encourage you to join an art, letters or special events committee. You'll enjoy the camaraderie and the many benefits of expanding your creative network.

Sincerely,
Elaine Bossik & Prue Carrico
Co-Presidents

Boca Raton NLAPW Executive Board Officers Nominated for 2020 –2022

Co-Presidents
Alexandra Goodwin
Dayle Herstik

1st Vice President Programs
Dr. Brenda Dressler

2nd Vice President Membership
Sheila Firestone

Treasurer
Lea Hope Becker

Recording Secretary
Open Position

Corresponding Secretary
Dr. Barbara Lunde

SPOTLIGHT

We celebrated Black History Month at the Delray Beach Library on February 2, 2020. Our members researched and read poetry written by African-American poets from before the Civil

War. Poetry Chair Alexandra Goodwin moderated the well-attended event with speakers: Vera Ripp Hirschhorn, Dayle Grande Herstik, Marlene Klotz, Mimi Paris, Alexandra Goodwin.



Vera shared the story/photo board, which she created, with one of our audience members, and Etta Schaeffer gets a hug from another attendee.



UPCOMING EVENT!

Alexandra Goodwin, Letters Co-Chair and Poetry Chair, organized an event for **Women's History Month. March 15, 2020**

Letters members will participate in an event during Women's History Month to be held on Sunday, March 15th from 2:00- 4:00 p.m. at the Delray Beach Library. There will be an Open Mic portion where participants will have the opportunity to share a poem or an excerpt from a novel or story that was written by them or by their favorite female poet. We expect a good turnout for this event.

MEMBER NEWS

Jo Jo Harder invites Pen Women storytellers who have dogs to enter America's Top Dog Model 2020 Contest "Fairy Tails." If you can imagine your dog as a character in a book of Fairy Tails, this contest is for you! One cover dog and eleven finalists will have their photo and stories published in *America's Top Dog Model book of Fairy Tails*, and win an array of fabulous prizes! Contest runs from January 27 - April 30. See contest details at: www.americastopdogmodel.com. Watch Jo Jo's new video and discover how Fairy Tails are created: <https://youtu.be/WvE2fiZimDk>

Penelope Love, publisher of Citrine Publishing, had three award-winning books recognized this season: *Praying on Empty: A Female Pastor's Story* by Marjorie Weiss was the Gold Winner in the Inspirational Memoir category of the 2020 Illumination Book Awards. *Tribal Abundance*, and *Loving Gordon: A Dementia Caregiver's Journey* (edited by Carol White) each won in their categories in the NM-AZ Book Awards.

Carol White participated in the First Annual Art Show at her community, Villaggio Reserve in Delray Beach with two of her award-winning photographs.



**Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women
Luncheon and Speaker Program
Learn How You Can Be Happier With Your Life**

**Thursday, February 20, 2020
12:00 Noon**

Delray Beach Golf Club – 2200 Highland Ave. – Delray Beach
561/243-7385 for Directions

Learn five important factors you need to know to be happier in your life. Dr. Deleve Bursor discusses her solution-focused approach to thriving.

CLIP COUPON AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK

Members: \$27 ~ Non-members: \$30
Gluten Free: Members \$30 ~ Non-Members: \$33

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: Please circle your choice of entrée and dessert

(1) Poached Fillet of Salmon – Court bouillon poached salmon with creamy lemon dill sauce on the side, served with roasted potatoes and green beans.

(2) Cranberry Orange Chicken – Sauteed chicken breast topped with cranberry orange salsa, served with roasted potatoes and green beans.

(3) Fruit Plate – Fresh fruit served in a pineapple with honey vanilla yogurt and reduced fat banana bread.

Dessert Choice: (4) Lemon Layer Cake or (5) Fruit Cup

NAME: (Print) _____ Email _____

GUEST: _____ Email _____

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

GUESTS: How did you hear about us? _____

**Deadline for Receipt of Checks: February 13, 2020
Note: We cannot accept checks after the deadline**

Carol White
Editor-in-Chief