

In the Loop: Your Board at Work

Dear Members,

Our membership luncheon and silent auction at the Indian Spring Country Club on October 17th was a huge success, thanks to our Pen women who worked hard to organize this special event. The best news is that guests who came to meet us and enjoy the day will be joining our Branch as new members. Pen sisters reconnected after the summer hiatus and enjoyed the ambiance, food and service at the Indian Spring Country Club. Read all about the October luncheon in a new blog article on our website:

http://www.bocapenwomen.org/boca-pen-women-usher-in-a-new-arts-season/

We appreciate the generosity of our members who donated items for the silent auction and bonus raffle, and who discounted their books for a book sale table. We raised \$700 for our Arts Scholarship and community outreach programs through the auction.

The November 21st luncheon is approaching, featuring a program with artist Claire Satin, whose book works, stage and costume designs are a must see. Claire's unusual art is in major museums throughout the country. Be sure to reserve a seat at the Delray Beach Golf Club.

At our December luncheon program you'll meet Marisa Marulli, an explorer photographer and journalist who travels the world capturing spectacular scenes with her camera. You won't want to miss seeing Marisa's photographs and hearing her exciting travel tales.

Visit our website at <u>www.bocapenwomen.org</u> to learn about upcoming arts, letters and music events. Looking forward to seeing you on November 21st.

Sincerely, Elaine Bossik & Prue Carrico Co-Chairs A few pictures from our opening luncheon at Indian Spring Country Club. Through our art auction and raffles we are able to raise funds to contribute to the Milagro Center for teens and for scholarships to college women in the arts.





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MEMBER NEWS

Jo Jo Harder's company America's Top Dog Model presented a 2020 Calendar and Contest Launch on November 2, 2019 at Woof Gang Bakery in Boynton Beach. The event, which befitted Awesome Greyhound Adoptions of South Florida, included a red-carpet runway show with America's Top Dog Model 2020 calendar models, reception, and raffle gifts. Elaine Bossik, one of the production assistants was in charge of raffles. The event was filmed for America's Top Dog Model YouTube Channel. Subscribers will be the first to be notified when the video is released. https://www.youtube.com/user/JoJoHAR2012

Lee Ravine and Carol White attended the Florida Mystery Writers of America luncheon/meeting on October 19, 2019.



SPOTLIGHT WINNING ENTRIES IN THE 2019 NLAPW FLORIDA STATE CONFERENCE

Lea Hope Becker won second place in the non-fiction category with her essay Goodbye Juanita.

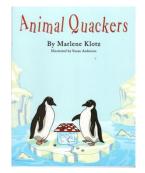
Sheila Firestone collected three first place awards in Music: "Lakeside Walk with Joe, orchestral piece. Single instrument The Octotonic Octopus. Vocal piece ensemble a capella, Music if the Spheres.

Sheila was also the recipient of these two prestigious awards:

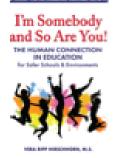
Exceptional Achievement and Pen Woman of the Year



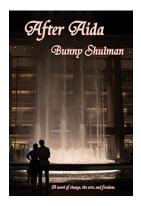
Marlene Klotz won first place with her children's book, Animal Quackers.



Vera Ripp Hirschhorn was awarded first place in the non-fiction book category for *I'm* Somebody & So Are You! The Human Connection in Education for Safer Schools & Environments! A Toolkit for Encouraging Personal Growth.



Bunny Shulman won first place in the fiction book category with her novel After Aida.



Carol White won First Place for her play *Portrait* and Third Place for Fiction Short Story: *It's About Time.*

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SPEAKER OPPORTUNITY FOR WRITERS

Below is part of a flyer for an author appearance at the Big Apple Shopping Bizarre. Adrienne Mazzone (one of our luncheon speakers) has put together events in November/December. Our author speaker dates are December 5-6, 2019 from 11am to 4 pm. Adrienne has booked other authors for November 13, 14, and 15 so you can stop by and decide if you want to participate. You may sign and sell books. Adrienne will make up flyers for our authors.

On Behalf of The Big Apple Shopping Bazaar.... ATTENTION BOOK LOVERS! MEET AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR LEIGH CAMACHO ROURKS. HEAR ABOUT HER NEW STORY COLLECTION *MOON TREES AND OTHER ORPHANS* THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 3:30 PM The Big Apple Shopping Bazaar "No Sell Author Series" Food Court, 5283 W. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33484

To participate you must email confirm to Adrienne by November 18, 2019 Her email is <u>amazzone@transmediagroup.com</u> Please send your name, email, phone, name of book and genre.

UPCOMING WRITERS WORKSHOPS

November 23, 2019 Mini Writers Retreat from 12-3pm.		
	There will be a \$10 fee for attendees, includes refreshments	
<u>Topics</u>	Research, plotting, characters, dialogue, setting, creative process, creating a good protagonist and antagonist	
Authors:	Lea Hope Becker, Dayle Herstik, Marta Luzim, Carol White	
Advance registration required by 5 pm on Saturday, November 16, 2019.561/ 266-0194 www.delraylibrary.orgPlease call to register.		

Friday, December 13, 2019	<u>12-3 pm</u>
Mini Writers' Retreat #2	Delray Beach Library
	\$10 including refreshments
Authors: Alexandra Goodw	rin, Meryl Landau Davids, Mimi Paris,
Topics: Research, plotting, c	characters, dialogue, setting, creative process,
Deadline for registrati	on: December 6, 2019 – 561/266-0194

November 5, 2019 Writers Workshop

Alexandra Goodwin and Carol White led a writer's workshop on November 5, 2019 at the Hagen Ranch Library. It was well attended. Authors were Elaine Bossik, Alexandra Goodwin, Lee Ravine, Bunny Shulman, (not pictured), and Carol White.



Photos from the 2019 NLAPW Florida State Conference



Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women

Luncheon and Speaker Program with Artist/Designer/Author Claire Satin

Thursday, November 21, 2019 12:00 Noon

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

Claire Satin is an accomplished artist, stage/costume designer and author whose work is in museum and university collections. Learn about her unique art making style and see her outstanding designs.

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

<u>Send to</u>: Elaine Hutt, 7666 Majestic Palm Drive, Boynton Beach FL 33437 <u>Email</u> Elaine Hutt for more information: <u>elainehlasvegas@aol.com</u>

Luncheon Menu: Please circle your choice of entrée and dessert

- 1) **Snapper Francaise** Parmesan egg battered snapper sauteed and topped with a lemon butter sauce, served with herb roasted potatoes and vegetable medley.
- 2) Thai Chicken Salad Marinated, grilled boneless chicken breast over mixed greens with sesame seeds, snow peas, peppers, bean sprouts, red onion and crispy won ton garnish, served with peanut dressing on the side.
- 3) Turkey and Swiss Wrap served with cole slaw.

Dessert Choice: (4) Chocolate 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: November 14, 2019				

Carol White, Editor in Chief