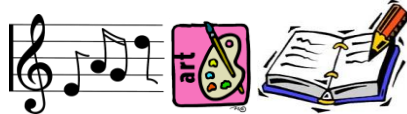


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Boca Raton NLAPW
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March 2020



MUSIC...ART...LETTERS



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In the Loop: Your Board at Work

Dear Members,

Spring is almost here and, with the changing season, we'll be changing our Pen leadership. With a new Executive Board taking the reins, we can expect exciting new ideas to challenge our creative spirits.

March is turning out to be an active month for us. The March luncheon, featuring Dr. Joan Cartwright, promises to be an engaging and educational program. Send in your reservation and join your Pen sisters on March 26th.

We'll be celebrating Women's History Month on March 15th with an Open Mic event at the Delray Beach Library. Everyone is welcome—the public, Pen women, published and unpublished writers—who would like to read something they penned. Do plan on attending and sharing your words!

Letters Co-Chairs Carol White and Alexandra Goodwin have arranged a Mini Writers Retreat on March 20th at the Delray Beach Library, which is open to the public. Our Pen women will be teaching the essential elements of fiction writing. Register with the library for the event. You're sure to learn something new about writing fiction from our talented Pen authors.

The All People's Day Diversity Festival on Saturday, March 21st, at Pompey Park in Delray Beach, is a community outreach event that our Branch has been participating in for several years. We'll be hosting an activity table and joining other community groups to celebrate the ethnic diversity in our local community. Stop by and you'll be enchanted by your neighbors' music, dance, art and food. Visit our website at www.bocapenwomen.org for more information about March events. Looking forward to seeing you at our March programs.

Sincerely,
Elaine Bossik and Prue Carrico
Co-Presidents

MEMBER NEWS

Dr. Joan Cartwright has three different lectures coming up in March and April 2020:

1) On March 31st she'll lead an informal discussion with Pen Women about being a member – her journey and why she joined. Her evening discussion will be a Blues Women lecture to the public with a Q & A afterwards.

2) On April 1st she will lecture on “Six Skills for Success in Music” at the Main Branch, Pensacola Public Library. There will be an 11:00 a.m. round table discussion regarding preserving musical heritage in a community, how to start an organization, and how to keep it vibrant in order to attract new members.

3) On April 2nd, Joan will be a panelist at the Organization of American Historians Conference in Washington, D.C., on Structural Racism and Isolation in Academia.

Blues Women: First Civil Rights Workers

Dr. Joan Cartwright: author, musician and educator

A musical presentation on the role of women blues singers and composers in the fight for civil rights

Tuesday April 14th 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Delray Beach Public Library
100 W. Atlantic Ave. (parking in rear)

Women's National Book Assoc., So. Florida Chapter
for more information: 561 266-0194, southflorida.wnba-books.org



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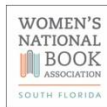
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MEMBER NEWS

Sheila Firestone won both the first and third place in the Biennial NLAPW Music Competition. The prize is \$500.00 for the first place winning piece called "The Forest Primeval," for piano and string quintet. It was inspired by the preamble to Evangeline by H. W. Longfellow. She will also receive a \$100.00 prize for the third place piece, a piano solo, called "Lakeside Walk with Joe." Sheila will perform the "Lakeside Walk with Joe," at the biennial music performance in Washington D.C.

Alexandra Goodwin will be moderating a three-hour writers' workshop on Friday, March 20th from 12 - 3:00 p.m., at the Delray Beach Library, 100 West Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach. Advance registration and payment required at the library by 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 16th. \$10.00 Fee goes toward library programs. Call 561-266-9490 to register. Be sure to bring a pen and notebook, or your laptop. Topics to be covered: antagonist/ protagonist, character development, dialogue, setting, and research. Interactive and informative with authors Elaine Bossik, Alexandra Goodwin, Meryl Davids Landau, Mimi Paris, and Carol White.

Barbara M. Wolk is teaching classes in "Creative Writing," "Holistic Health," and "Beginning Spanish" at the Century Village Clubhouse in Boca Raton. She will also be discussing "Documentary Films" at the United Federation of Teachers U(FT) newly refurbished Retiree Learning Resource Center.

Brenda Dressler with speaker Dr. Deleve Bursor at our February 2020 Luncheon



Carol White, producer and director of the Coffee House Players, is in rehearsal for the “Four by Five” show on March 24, 2020 at 6:30 pm at the Delray Beach Library, 100 West Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach. Free with refreshments. \$5.00 suggested donation. Register here: <http://www.delraylibrary.org/registration/>

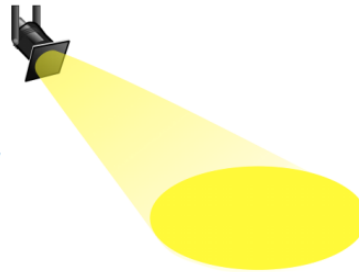


Coffee House Players presents FOUR BY FIVE

6:30 pm
Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Please register by phone, in person, or
online at www.delraylibrary.org/registration/

Suggested donation at the door: \$5



Coffee House Players, a local collaborative of playwrights, is pleased to present a fun evening of live entertainment featuring four short plays with five actors produced and directed by Carol White. *Warning: attending this program may cause fits of laughter.*

Program

A Tale of Two Sylvias: Will two elderly widows move into assisted living like their daughters want, or will they sail away on a six-month cruise?

A Perfect Stranger: A conversation in the park between two strangers can lead anywhere.

The Beauty Part: A young woman receives a free consultation while in the waiting room of a Boca Raton plastic surgeon.

Palm Points: Paula arrives for her weekly weigh-in, but encounters a few problems.

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LETTERS EVENTS

**Alexandra Goodwin, Letters Co-Chair and Poetry Chair
moderates
Women's History Month. March 15, 2020
At the Delray Beach Library**

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.

**Alexandra Goodwin, Letters Co-Chair
Writing Workshop
March 20, 2020
Delray Beach Library**

Bring a pen and notebook or your laptop to our second fiction writing workshop! Topics to be covered are antagonist and protagonist, character development, dialogue, setting, and research.

Interactive and informative with authors Elaine Bossik, Alexandra Goodwin, Meryl Davids Landau, Mimi Paris and Carol White. Don't miss it! Friday March 20, 2020 from 12 noon to 3 p.m. at the Delray Beach Library, 100 West Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach.

Advance registration and payment of \$10.00 required at the library
by 5 p.m.

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**Boca Raton Branch National League of American Pen Women
Luncheon and Speaker Program
Dr. Joan Cartwright: Blues Women – The First Civil Rights Workers
Thursday, March 26, 2020**

12:00 Noon

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

Composer, vocalist and author Dr. Joan Cartwright discusses black singers who emerged from spirituals and blues to develop jazz.

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 rice pilaf and green beans.

(2) **Berry Chicken Salad** – Romaine lettuce topped with citrus grilled chicken, strawberries, blueberries, dried cranberries with roasted pecans and poppy seeds, served with a citrus vinaigrette dressing.

(3) **Vegetable Quiche** – served with rice pilaf and fresh fruit.

Dessert Choice: (4) Triple 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: March 19, 2020

Note: We cannot accept checks after the deadline.

Carol White
Editor-in-Chief