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Boca Raton NLAPW

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MUSIC...ART...LETTERS



In the Loop: Your Board at Work

To our Branch:

We had an exciting opening event for the 2024-2025 Season! Please read the Blog on our website that Elaine Bossik wrote for details. See page 6 for photos of the High Tea.

<https://www.bocapenwomen.org/high-tea-at-high-noon/>

Our first luncheon is on November 21, 2024, at 12 Noon. Please see page 5 for the flyer – and don't forget to make your choice of entrée and dessert!

Be sure to check out what Fran Goodman has been up to with her exquisite artwork. Page 4.

The Hagen Ranch Library rescheduled our Writers Workshop for January 11, 2025, from 2-4 p.m.

Although we don't see the seasons change in Florida, we can swim and play pickleball all year round, and we don't have to shovel snow!

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WRITERS WORKSHOP at HAGEN RANCH LIBRARY
January 11, 2025, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Register: [\(561\) 894-7500](tel:5618947500)

Lea Hope Becker has a memoir, *Children, I'm Home!* "A Woman's Search for Having it All Without Losing it All."

Barbara Bixon will discuss her novel, *The Rejects*. Can a depressed woman discovering her favorite Nathan's restaurant closed at a highway rest stop inspire her to write a novel about hot dogs? You bet! Barbara tells us how events in her life led to her writing comedy and thriller novels, and you can do the same.

Elaine Bossik will talk about her novel, *Body Merchants*, a thriller/mystery about a reporter who uncovers a human organ theft crime.

Carol White will moderate and discuss our NLAPW organization.



Barbara Bixon's Writers Workshops have been extended for the following dates at the Palm Beach County Library, West Boynton Branch, at 9451 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach, FL 33437

December 13, 2024
January 10, 2025,
February 14, 2025,
March 14, 2025.

Times for the all the workshops are: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
If you have any questions, please contact Barbara: bbcarter2@aol.com

A poem by **Sheila Firestone**

The Watershed of Humanity

Oh my brothers and sisters,
Do not fear to shed your tears of sorrow for
Your tears fill the watershed of humanity.
Here compassion and love abound.
Your pains are in that body of water that is eternally keeping hope alive.
Your love expands into the tears of others, surrounding others of sweet caring.
We share tears of joy, tears of hope,
tears for the past's most beautiful moments,
of a precious reawakening a soul being returned to the reservoir of being - to be reborn.



A poem by **Marlene Klotz**

Sweet Charity

I wish I had a money tree.
Oh, how happy I would be!
I'd sit and watch my money flower
And I'd grow richer by the hour.
Then with the money in my palms,
My thoughts would turn to giving alms.



Carol White's quote about fashion advice was highlighted in the "You Get the Last Word" column of the November 4, 2024, issue of *First* magazine.

Carol's story **Lily** will be featured in the "My Guardian Angel" column in the December 2nd issue of *Woman's World*, which will be on sale November 22nd-November 28th.



FROM THE ART WORLD WITH FRAN GOODMAN

My painting "Bow to Mother Nature" will be on exhibit at Palm Beach International Airport's Art Gallery (on the second level), until May 2025. I feel honored to be one of fifteen artists whose work was selected. I'm standing with Elayna Toby Singer, director of Art in Public Places in Palm Beach County.



Fran Goodman is teaching two dynamic painting classes at the Charlotte Burrie Civic Center 2669 Federal Hwy, Pompano Beach, FL, 33064. The advanced class is for 4 weeks and meets on Mondays from 1:30 to 4PM. The beginner class also runs for 4 weeks and meets on Wednesdays from 9:30AM to 12:30PM. Fran invites all members who are looking for an opportunity to have a ball for a few hours each week!

FRAN MANN GOODMAN'S
DYNAMIC
4-WEEK PAINTING CLASS
IS COMING TO THE BURRIE IN
NOVEMBER !!!

HAVE THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE!

Experiment with a variety of techniques
pastes, gels, sands
water dripping, acrylic skins
paper toweling, and collage

Learn about the lives and painting styles of
significant artists throughout history

Explore elements of composition

Be free to develop your own style

Receive continual guidance

**NO PRIOR DRAWING OR PAINTING EXPERIENCE
NECESSARY**

\$150 plus supply list given at registration

**MONDAYS
FOR ADVANCED**

**WEDNESDAYS
FOR
BEGINNERS**

Fran Mann Goodman is an award-winning painter with works in over forty exhibitions. A member of the National League of American Pen Women and the National Association of Women Artists, for the past ten years she has taught abstract expressionism in various locations in Palm Beach County including at Old School Squares' Creative Art School in Delray Beach. She was recently featured in Delray Magazine and Boca Magazine and her classes were showcased in two cover stories in the Sun Sentinel newspaper. www.franmanngoodman.com

For more information, email franspaintbox@yahoo.com.

Register for either class at the Burrie

A vertical stack of four abstract paintings. The top painting features a mix of red, green, and blue with a central white shape. The second painting has a white background with a large, dark, angular shape. The third painting is a vibrant, multi-colored abstract with a central figure. The bottom painting is a colorful abstract with a central white shape and radiating lines.

Students' paintings

Luncheon and Speaker Program

Meet Glen Rovinelli, Musician, Composer, Arranger
Thursday, November 21, 2024
12:00 NOON

Le Sorelle – 507 S.E. Mizner Blvd – Boca Raton, FL 33432
For Directions: 561-430-5110

Learn how woodwind instruments evolved from the Renaissance through the modern orchestra from Glen Rovinelli, an accomplished musician, composer and arranger.

Replicas of some of the woodwind instruments from the past will be on exhibit to see and hear. Glen will explain how their designs and sounds changed over time.

Parking: Ample parking is available near the restaurant, including handicap spaces. There is ramp accessibility for entry to the restaurant.

CLIP RESERVATION FORM AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK

\$38

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) Salmon

(2) Chicken

(3) Pasta Primavera

Dessert Choice: (4) Cake or (5) Fruit

Name (Print): _____ **Email** _____

Guest's Name & Menu : _____ **Email** _____

Guest: How did you hear about us? _____

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF CHECKS: November 15, 2024

HIGH TEA AT HIGH NOON: Boca Raton Pen Women kicked off the 2024 season on October 17, 2024, at the home of **Phyllis Elrich** in Lake Worth, Florida. Artist Phyllis Elrich planned and organized the fundraising event to benefit the Boca Raton branch's achievement awards program for young women in the arts.



Phyllis Elrich, Molly Greenspan, Standing: Fran Mann-Goodman

The ambiance in Phyllis' home captured the high tea mood. Guests gathered at small tables set with a collection of bone china teacups and decorative serving pieces. Treasured tea pots were on display. Pen women wore hats and fascinators, recalling high teas of bygone days.



Bone China Tea Pots and Creamers

The lively event featured traditional high tea fare with multiple courses – tea sandwiches, meats, breads, scones with clotted cream and preserves, and a lavish selection of pastries. A variety of tasty teas, served from decorative ceramic tea pots, accompanied each course. Guests brought family mementoes and shared the stories behind them. Marlene Klotz donated books authored by Diane Brenda Bryan, a past president of the branch, who willed her books to Marlene.

Thanks to Phyllis' generosity, the Boca Raton branch successfully launched its fundraising efforts for the new season. In April 2025, the branch will grant awards to several local young women pursuing careers in the arts.



Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar



2024	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
OCTOBER	29	30	1 International Day of Older Persons	2 World Farm Animals Day Balloons Around The World Day	3 National Butterfly and Hummingbird Day	4 National Golf Lovers Day World Animal Day World Smile Day National Diversity Day Kids Music Day	5 World Teachers Day Do Something Nice Day World Card Making Day
	6 National Noodle Day National Coaches Day	7 World Day of Bullying Prevention National LED Light Day World Architecture Day	8 World Octopus Day	9 National Sneakers Day National Stop Bullying Day	10 World Mental Health Day National Handbag Day National Metric Day	11 National Haunted House Day National It's My Party Day World Egg Day	12 National Savings Day National Chess Day I Love Yarn Day National Costume Swap Day
	13 National Train Your Brain Day	14 Columbus Day Indigenous People's Day National Dessert Day	15 World Student Day Sewing Lover's Day	16 National Sports Day National Fossil Day	17 National Pasta Day National Playing Card Collection Day	18 National Chocolate Cupcake Day Loud Shirt Day	19 International Sloth Day National New Friends Day
	20 National Youth Confidence Day	21 National Reptile Awareness Day Count Your Buttons Day	22 National Color Day	23 Unity Day	24 National Food Day	25 International Artist's Day	26 National Pumpkin Day Make a Difference Day
	27 World Occupational Therapy Day	28 Plush Animal Lovers Day	29 National Cat Day	30 National Checklist Day National Candy Corn Day	31 Halloween	1	2
	3	4	October 2024 Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar				
Refer to this calendar for inspiration and themed activity ideas for your program! Find ideas below and click the Daily Holidays link to find related items to support your activities.							

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



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