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*Serving at a
breakfast
meeting?
Bring a
finger food*

**Deadline for the
November
newsletter is
Oct. 23**



Focus

Boynton Woman's Club's Newsletter

Michele Walter, President

October 2014

—From the President—

Welcome back! I hope you had an enjoyable summer. Maria and her team have been busy getting out our yearbook. What a lot of work for them. Thank you, Maria.

The Historical Preservation Committee has been working hard on several projects. The leadership of Barbara Wineberg and Pat Waldron is exceptional. They have been working night and day (literally) to complete these projects.

First, the 100,000 bees and pounds of honey have been removed and the outer wall near the roof repaired. It will be repainted soon to match the wall.

Next, the three windows and doors were removed, restored and replaced in the ballroom. This will stop further water seepage and damage. This was paid for with a matching grant from the

Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency. We used our available funds to enable their grant.

Now, Pat and Barbara are furiously working on the matching state grant to do more doors and windows. It will be submitted in October. Committee members have been contacting local officials to write letters of support for the grant. We are being received with great enthusiasm.

I want to thank all the members who answered the club's letter requesting funds to replace the money we used for the BB-CRA matching grant. Your generosity has been wonderful. Thank you.

We received small, medium and large donations from our members. Everyone who contributed gave whatever they could afford and we appreciate it.

We would still like to hear from the rest of the membership **NO MATTER HOW SMALL OF A GIFT**. It will be important for future grant applications and future fundraising if we can say we had 100% participation from our membership.

We have many wonderful programs and events planned for this year by Barbara Grimes, Mary Fallon and other committee chairs. I look forward to enjoying them with you.

See you at our Oct. 9 business meeting and our Oct 23 luncheon when we are having a speaker related to the November ballot issues. Remember anyone can come to the luncheons but only members can attend the business meetings.

Thank you again and I look forward to being your president. Please don't hesitate to give me suggestions.



Presidential presences

Officially now the Past President, Kay Baker, left, joined newly elected President Michele Walter at the GFWC Florida spring convention in Orlando . Michele, Kay and other members also went to the District 10 meeting in Sebastian which is where Michele is pictured in the right photo.

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President..... Dr. Michele Walter
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Membership meets twice monthly on Thursdays, October through May

ACTIVE membership

Annual dues \$55*

*New members add \$25 fee if they are first-time

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ASSOCIATE membership

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The Boynton Woman's Club shall be organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954, and shall otherwise comply with any requirements under such Section.

— Membership —

It's been an exciting summer at the club as you will see when you look through this newsletter.

I am happy to report that a few former members have rejoined our club. Please welcome back Donna Artes, Carmen Stratos, Denise Chamberlain, Marge MacNeil, and Eleanor Vreeland. We also have another new member: Stephanie Steiner.



Thanks to the internet and emails, we were able to get approval from the board of directors for the applications of all so that we could get their names in the yearbook. All of their contact information is in the new yearbook which you will receive at YOUR first meeting. If you will not be at a meeting soon, please contact me and I will get one to you. And look for photos of the new members in an upcoming issue of *Focus*.

Orientation is Oct. 29

Did you miss your own member orientation...or did we not have one that year? Well there's one this year for every member but especially the new members.

The orientation will be at the clubhouse on Oct. 29. Though most of you know all about the club and its mission, we'd love to have you join us for a short presentation. Most of our board, some of our chairmen and some of our longtime members will be on hand describing their responsibilities. We will try to make it both fun and informative. The meeting starts at 9:30 a.m.

If you will be attending, just email me or call me so that I can set up enough chairs and bring enough bagels and fruit. Hope to see you there.

Potpourri intro

How was your summer? I personally had a great summer: Ray and I took a much needed vacation, an Adriatic cruise. Right afterwards we had all 5 grandkids (under 10) with us for 10 whole days. (Yeah??) There were a couple of trips to Disney, etc. All wonderful but now we need another vacation - by ourselves.

Which brings me to the point: I am going to feature a new column in the newsletter each month which I will call Potpourri. I'd like it to be a little piece of information about a member or members. It can be anything including a vacation, an award, what you did in your former (non-retired) lives or whatever. Send it to me. I'll get in as many as I can.

Photos are also welcome if they tell the story (i.e. a photo of a member bungi jumping...wouldn't that be fun to see or maybe rafting...oh, wait...got something like that...see page 4.) You get the idea. Send them to mforastiero@comcast.net

— Birthdays —

Lillian Ostiguy	Oct. 1	Michele Walter	Nov. 4
Lydia Delgado	Oct. 6	Joan White	Nov. 7
Wanda Karam	Oct. 8	Anne Watts	Nov. 12
Evelyn Weicker	Oct. 10	Marjorie Lindgren	Nov. 22
		Elizabeth Webb	Nov. 26

— Scholarship Raffle 2014-15 —



We will have only one raffle as we did last year. Everyone needs to sell or buy two raffle tickets. Each ticket costs \$20. They are tax deductible if you don't win, however, there is a very good chance you will win something. There are over 60 chances (drawings) and your ticket goes back into the pot after every drawing. We have 10 meetings in the spring where we do the drawings and give cash prizes in the following amounts: \$25, \$20, \$15 and after the first and fifth meetings a \$100 cash prize. The final drawing is for \$500. The scholarship fund makes \$2,000 and we give \$2,000 in cash prizes.

— Eileen Dix, Raffle chairman

Minding the Mizner

This summer has ended very quickly with many hours of work and accomplishments.

A bee removing company removed over 100 pounds of hive and 100,000 bees from the north end of the building the last of May. This was one of the largest hives the workers had ever encountered. After surveying the situation and location, they were unable to cut through the roof as planned so we gave permission to cut through two places in the outside wall. In addition, the kitchen vent was repaired to prevent further leakage onto the stage mural. Total cost was \$2,400.

The three French doors and transoms on the west wall of the ballroom were removed in July. The contractor did a great job in sealing the openings with painted panels to match the walls. Events were still held in the ballroom during this time with no complaints. The work is being completed as I write this. Do take the time to look at the doors the next time you are in the building. What a difference these doors make and this is the appearance we hope to achieve throughout the building. This was financed through a \$15,000 CRA Façade Matching Grant.

We had an opportunity to "present our case" at the CRA budget meeting the first of August. Barbara gave a very convincing presentation to the mayor and members of the budget committee. They not only approved the requested \$50,000 match for a state grant but added if the grant wasn't approved,

the CRA would match up to that amount from donations and fund-raising events. At present, we are writing the state grant which has to be submitted by Oct. 31. If approved, the monies received will be used to complete the doors and windows. This project would run from July 2015 through 2016.

Completing the ballroom doors which caused the water damage to the library will allow us to repair the library wall. This is the next project and will be scheduled within a few weeks.

We attended the Boynton Beach Historic Resources Preservation Board meeting on Sept. 8. The building was accepted by the city as a historic designation site. Warren Adams has been an invaluable resource person, both for seeing this was approved and helping with the state grant.

The member contributions came in throughout the summer and to date \$6,720 has been donated for the match. It isn't too late to send a check if you have been busy and forgot.

These are exciting times at the building. Who would have thought so much could be accomplished this time last year?? Addison would be proud of the efforts being made to restore his piece of history. Sometimes I think he winks at me when passing him in the library!!

It takes team effort to make things happen so let's keep the enthusiasm flowing.

— Pat Waldron



Community Caring

Welcome back, ladies.



Just a reminder of the great number of needy people in our community.

At our meetings, I will be collecting donations of non-perishables, un-expired foods, personal care products and household supplies.

Don't forget to check your pantries for unused items and take advantage of the BOGO (Buy One, Get One) offer and coupons. Please bring your donations to our meetings and leave

them next to the bag near the front door.

Thank you for your generosity to this worthy cause.

— Terry Markey, chairman

— A bit of Sunshine —

Hi from your NEW Sunshine lady.

As this year goes by, and you know of some one of our members who is having an event in their lives, please let me know so that an appropriate card can be sent. I have all of the birthdays on a timely list, so that, I will care for automatically. But I do not have the years. So if someone is having a hallmark year, or anniversary, please let me know.

Thanks for your help in this matter.

— Pat Kropp, chairman

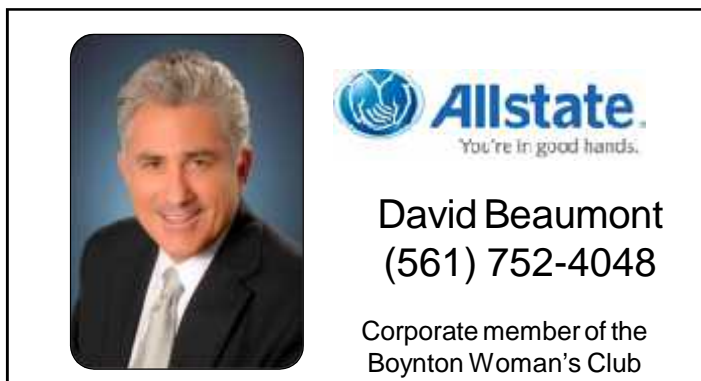


— Head Start —

Don't forget our little toddlers at the Head Start school in Boynton Beach. Last year they needed clothes as well as toys. During these "end of season" times, there might be sales where we can pick up things for them. We will have a sign-up sheets at meetings.

When it's time, you should bring the presents to the club wrapped and labeled for age/sex appropriate. Two of our new members, Barbara Eason and Lenore Moss-Fishman, have agreed to collect them and deliver them to the school in December. Usually we get each child a clothing item and a toy which together should not cost more than \$30. More information will be in the next newsletter and at meetings.

— Barbara Eason, Lenore Moss-Fishman, co-chairs



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Boynton Woman's Club

2014-2015 meetings/events

All are at the clubhouse unless otherwise noted

October		
Thurs.	Oct. 2	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Thurs.	Oct. 9	9:30 Business Meeting
Wed.	Oct. 15	9:30 Photo workshop
Thurs.	Oct. 23	11:30 Luncheon - Public Issues
	Oct 23-26 GFWC Southern Region Litchfield Beach Golf Resort Pawleys Island, SC
Wed.	Oct. 29 New Member Orientation
Thurs.	Oct. 30	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
November		
Thurs.	Nov. 6	9:30 Business Meeting
Thurs.	Nov. 13	TBD Day trip to Elliot Museum
Thurs.	Nov. 20	11:30 Fashion Show
December		
Tue.	Dec. 2	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Wed	Dec. 3	TBD Decorate for Past Presidents' Tea
Thurs.	Dec. 4	2:00 Past Presidents' Tea
Sat.	Dec. 6*	TBD Boynton Beach Holiday Parade
Thurs.	Dec. 11	9:30 Business Meeting
January		
Tue.	Jan. 6	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Thurs.	Jan. 8	9:30 Business Meeting
Thurs.	Jan. 15	11:30 Arts & Crafts Show /luncheon
Sat.	Jan. 24	TBD Race for the Cure

February		
Thurs.	Feb. 5	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Sat.	Feb. 7*	TBD Great Charity Challenge
Sat.	Feb. 7	TBD Cocktail Party for Historic Preservation of the clubhouse
Thurs.	Feb. 12	9:30 Business Meeting
Thurs.	Feb. 19	11:30 Luncheon
Fri.	Feb. 20	5:00 Wellington Dressage Trip
Thurs.	Feb. 26	TBD Cora S. Harper Story
March		
Thurs.	Mar. 5	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Thurs.	Mar. 12	9:30 Business Meeting
Sun	Mar. 15	TBD Ziegfeld Brunch
Thurs.	Mar. 19**	TBD Habitat Dinner
Thurs.	Mar. 26	2:00 Mad Hatter's Tea
April		
Thurs.	Apr. 2	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Thurs.	Apr. 9	9:30 Business Meeting
Thurs.	Apr. 23	11:30 Scholarship Luncheon
Thurs.	Apr. 30	9:30 Executive Board Meeting
May		
Thurs.	May 7	9:30 Business Meeting
	May 15-18 GFWC FL Convention Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, FL

Summer fun lunches were just that

The three "fun" lunches we had over the summer were a huge success. Between 18 and 20 members attended each one - a sign of how popular they were.

Our first lunch was on a beautiful June afternoon at Two Georges. Trying to have a convenient location for everyone, we then went to Sushi Yama in West Boynton in July. The morning's torrential rainstorm didn't stop anyone from coming. Our third was at Deck 84 in Delray Beach with its beautiful view of the Intracoastal - which we admired from inside. That was good since by the time we were ready to leave, the heavens opened - and we all stayed longer than expected waiting for the rain (and flooding) to subside. Didn't stop us from enjoying ourselves.

Thanks to all who came and made each a "fun" experience.



— Reminder reminder —

If you want a reminder to go out to members about an event, either email me with the details or call me. Let members know about events well in advance. If you'd like me to notify everyone, contact me in plenty of time with all the details and arrangements so members can make the appropriate plans. My email is jaybar@ix.netcom.com or phone me at 561-737-9381.

— Barbara Erlichman, rec'y sec'y and publicity chair

Northern exposure lunches

Some members spent the summer up north. Those who are close enough to each other still managed to have their own fun lunch. Pictured are Kay Baker, Mary Fallon and Barbara Grimes.



— Potpourri —



Rafting down Big Thunder

Don't know who all these people are but fourth from the left is our own Co-Pres Elect Barbara Grimes. She rafted down the river in Blue Ridge, GA during a family reunion. What have you been up to? Send a photo and/or a paragraph of how you spend your non-BWC life to mforastiero@comcast.net or drop it off at the clubhouse.

Upcoming refreshment assignments



OCT. 9, 2014
BUSINESS MEETING
ARRIVE 8:30 A.M.
 CARMEN STRATOS
 ILIA LINDSAY
 CHADDA SHELLY

OCT. 23, 2014
POTLUCK LUNCH
ARRIVE 10:30 A.M.
 EVELYN HENRY
 MARIE GENNACI
 MARY SCHEITLER
 LYDIA DELGADO

ALL REFRESHMENT ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE SET-UP AND CLEAN UP
 IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND, FIND A SUB AND CALL CHAIRMEN.

— Book club —

Next: *The Lowland* - Oct. 15, 12:30



Last: *The Last Runaway*

The Boynton Woman's club Book Club will meet on Oct. 15 at Frankie's at 12:30. We will discuss the book "The Lowland" by Jhumpa Lahiri.



We have several ideas for the next book: "Kitchen House," by Kathleen Grison, one of Louise Perry's books such as her latest "The Long Way Home," or perhaps one that you suggest. Please join us on Oct. 15, 12:30 at Frankie's.

Our last meeting was on May 21 again at Frankie's to discuss "The Last Runaway" by Tracy Chevalier. We gave it a 5. We did not meet over the summer as we planned to do.

— Lillien Ostiguy, chairman

Photography workshop is Oct. 15

All members planning to enter photos in the Arts & Crafts competition are invited to attend an informative workshop on Oct. 15 at 9:30am at the Boynton Woman's Club.

This program will cover the new categories and guidelines for photography that need to be clarified to simplify the registration process. Anyone planning to volunteer for registration would find this program very helpful and we welcome your attendance. Feel free to bring any photos for category clarification, old or new.

Please R.S.V.P to Barbara Grimes 561 278 2839 or email bbgrimes05@gmail.com.

Fundraising Cocktail Party is Feb. 7

The Boynton Woman's Club will have a cocktail party at the clubhouse on Feb. 7 to help the Historical Preservation Committee raise money to pay for more window and door restorations. The grants we have received and are applying for will not pay for all that needs to be done at our historic clubhouse.

We will have a silent auction to help with the fundraising. We have a lovely ring donated for auction.

We will also have a group of restaurants for a Taste of Boynton item. Start asking your favorite restaurants if they would donate a gift certificate. We will also have a resort vacation for a few days to auction. Put on your thinking caps for additional items. Maybe a shopping spree at several stores to combine for a nice item would be great.

How about a group of museum/garden free admissions for another item?

Ladies you are creative and active in the community...let's come up with a few more items.

Also think about people you could invite and get a group together. Thanks.

— The Party Committee:
Carolyn Schoch, Lillian Ostiguy,
Connie Kellner, Nancy Conley, Michele Walter

— Forgotten Soldiers —

We still have soldiers overseas and many in dangerous locations and one way to support them is to donate to Forgotten Soldiers. I will continue to have a bag or box at the front door for you to place items you're donating. Also, a monetary donation is always appreciated as it goes toward the mailing of these boxes, which costs about \$25 per box. If you give me a check, they do send out acknowledgements so you can write it off.



Once a month, when I pick up the newsletter, I drop off any donations received, since they are near our printer. We tend to start out strong, but then the donations seem to peter out. Next month I will again list the items they especially need.

— Mary Scheitler, chairman

Mark your calendar! — Nov. 20

The BWC Runway for Scholarships Luncheon and Fashion Show is Thursday, Nov. 20.

Plan to arrive at 11:30 a.m., visit with friends, purchase your 50/50 and raffle tickets to our Chinese auction, then enjoy a wonderful luncheon followed by our fashion show.



Our fashion coordinator, Toby Dale, will present her models showing fashions from local boutiques. The tickets are \$25 and your name could be drawn to win a door prize. Flyers are available. There is even one in this issue. See page 6.

Tickets will be for sale at all upcoming meetings or call Mary Scheitler at 491-8033. She will be selling them as well as arranging the seating.

We welcome one of our newest members, Denise Chamberlain, to the committee. Denise is returning to the club after several years. Some of you may have met at our luncheon at Deck 84. Please contact Barbara Grimes (278-2839) or JoAnne Kriesant-Weld (736-9357) if you would like to join the committee.



Also, if you are able, we are asking members to donate a gently used or new item. Gift cards are also welcome for the Chinese auction or as a door prize.

The fashion show is one of our biggest fundraisers each year; please ask your friends to come, fill a table or make a donation to support this fund for Boynton Beach students going on to Florida schools of higher education.

— Barbara Grimes, JoAnne Kriesant-Weld, co-chairs

Don't forget those old eyeglasses. Put them in your trunk so you don't forget them. If they are broken or missing a lens, we can't use them. "Eye'll" be seeing you at the meeting.



- Jody Spinelli, chairman

Boynton Woman's Club

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THURSDAY, Nov. 20, 2014



11:30 a.m.

\$25 Donation

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or email scheitlerm@bellsouth.net**

Checks should be mailed to:

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Boynton Beach, FL 33425

Fashion Coordinator Toby Dale will present the latest in fashions from several local boutiques. Raffle, Door prizes and a 50/50 are also on the runway.

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