

## Focus

#### Boynton Woman's Club's Newsletter

Michele Walter, President

January 2015

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...bring items to any meeting.



From the left are: Stephanie Steiner, Membership Chairman Maria Forastiero, Donna Artes, Membership co-chair Mary Scheitler, Joyce Delaney, Suzanne Weber, Carmen Stratos, Ellen Pollack, Chris Francoise and President Michele Walter. Also inducted but not present were Anne Watts, Denise Chamberlain, Madelyn Lenny, Barbara Eason, Eleanor Vreeland, Lenore Moss-Fishman and Connie Kellner.

#### — From the President —

Happy New Year!

We had a lovely Past Presidents' Tea with Lillian Ostiguy and Joan White pouring tea for the more than 50 members and guests. Thank you Terry Markey and Carolyn Schoch for your great chairmanship.

Janet Hakala, one of our members, and her friend Kristen Weislogel provided an enjoyable Christmas flute concert.

Membership Chair Maria Forastiero installed our new members with a candle ceremony. Carolyn Schoch gave a thoughtful memorial to members we lost this year: Ellen Morgan and Marcie Pallone and former members Anne Sondey and Pat Guillion.

Our clubhouse looked beautifully decorated thanks to Kay Baker and her committee. Check out page 4 for other photos of the event.

We delivered over 90 presents to our Head Start school this year. Thanks to Eileen Dix for delivering those and making sure that every child had a toy and a clothing item.

Don't forget to get a ticket for our Jan. 18 piano concert. Al Gustefeste is terrific and has quite a following.

Our Gala is Saturday, Feb. 7. We passed

out our Save the Date cards at the Fashion Show and recent club meetings. We also have one you can cut out and hand out on page 2 inside this newsletter. Please get your friends to come. A table of eight has a \$5 discount per person. Individual tickets are \$55. Also ask any business you support if they would like to underwrite the valet parking or printing costs. These sponsorships are less than \$500. They could also help out with the concert expenses or the band for the Gala.

We have some very nice items for the Silent Auction... "Taste of Boynton" includes several restaurants. "Buy in Boynton" has several gift certificates and gifts from businesses. "Golf in Palm Beach" has several golf packages. An aquamarine/gold ring was also donated. We hope to get a few more big prizes to round it out.

Our party should be a lot of fun so I hope you will all try to come. The Honorary Chairman is Mayor Jerry Taylor.

We will be addressing, folding, stamping and stuffing invitations on Monday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. at the clubhouse. Please join us.

#### Officers

President Dr. Michele Walter
Presidents-Elect Barbara Grimes
Mary Fallon
Vice President Maria Forastiero
Rec. Sec'ys Barbara Erlichman
Chadda Shelly
Corr. Sec'yLillian Ostiguy
Treasurer Barbara Wineberg
Asst.Treas Pat Waldron
Imm. Past President Kay Baker
Parliamentarian Evelyn Weicker

Membership meets twice monthly on Thursdays, October through May

#### **ACTIVE** membership

Annual dues \$55\*

\*New members add \$25 fee if they are first-time
Federated Woman's Club applicants

#### **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 and the preservation of our historic building 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 -

I'm happy to report that we have another new memer: Christine Francois. Because of privacy issues that have come up, we no longer will publish the contact information in the newsletter. However, anyone who wants to know how to contact her can call or email me.



Christine has long been a supporter of the Boynton Woman's Club but has always remained behind the scenes. We thank her now for her support and welcome her now as an official part of our club.

#### Birthdays —

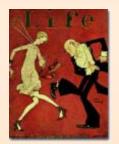
JoAnne Kriesant-Weld	Jan. 4
Denise Chamberlain	Jan. 5
Marianne Madyda	Jan. 8
Madelyne Lenny	Jan. 21
Susan Thein	Jan. 21
Joan Riess	Jan. 26
David Beaumont	Jan. 27
Patricia Kropp	Feb. 6

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Madelene Hawkins	Mar. 4
Lenore Moss-Fishman	Mar. 5
Barbara Wineberg	Mar. 12
Voncile Smith	Mar. 17
Teresa Markey	Mar. 18
Lillian Campisi	Mar. 20
Theresa Scutari	Mar. 21
Eleanor Vreeland	Mar. 21
Barbara Erlichman	Mar. 24
Nain Weaver	Mar. 24
Trudy Willms	Mar. 28



# Save the Date Saturday

*February 7, 2015* 



### Roaring 20 s Celebration

6:30 - 10:30

\$55

#### Boynton Woman's Club

Hors d'oeuvres, Carving, pasta, and seafood stations, salad and dessert.

#### Wine and beer included

The celebration will benefit the restoration and preservation of our 1925 historic building, designed by the renowned Palm Beach architect Addison Mizner.

#### Silent Auction, Music & Dancing

For reservations or information, call 561-369-2300 or email us at <a href="mailto:bwc1909@gmail.com">bwc1909@gmail.com</a>

Cocktail or Roaring 20s attire... zoot suits allowed but no ties required.

#### — Minding the Mizner —

The last few months have been quite busy completing and submitting the 225 page state grant on Oct. 31. Neither Barbara Wineberg nor I realized what we had agreed to accomplish when we started this project but we learned so much in the process.

A special thanks to the members who helped get the dignitary letters needed with the project. Warren Adams was invaluable with his help and advice. Now, we wait to see if the grant will make it through the approval stage.

The bees love the building!! Since the removal of the huge hive in May, they have returned twice at a different location. We have spent \$2,345 in the past six months on bee removal. Many suggestions have been given on how to avoid this situation in the future. Bee boxes could be installed around the property but then we would be host to all the bees in the neighborhood and the boxes would have to be emptied constantly. The ideal situation is to have all openings under the roof sealed but since money is the big factor, the building's problems have to be prioritized.

As I am writing this, roof and chimney repairs are being completed. In addition to water seepage from under the doors, leaks to the Library have been coming from around the chimney flashing plus a large hole in the stucco next to the chimney.

## 'Around the World In Music' set for Jan. 18

Pianist Al Guastafeste again returns to the Boynton Woman's Club to give one of his ever-popular concerts.

Al's program will take the audience on a musical journey from



Austria to the USA – with many stops in between. Al will play classical pieces, movie favorites and Broadway hits and when the selection is over he'll give some background on the pieces and ask audience members to guess which country the melodies are from.

Tickets are \$20 and will be followed by a reception. Wine will be available for a \$3 donation. For tickets or more information,

contact Barbara Erlichman or Chadda Shelly.

— Barbara Erlichman and Chadda Shelly, co-chairmen





David Beaumont (561) 752-4048

Corporate member of the Boynton Woman's Club

Hopefully this will eliminate the leakage until the cracks in the outside wall can be sealed and several more holes can be

patched. The Library wall is next to be repaired and painted and then we can start sprucing up the building for the Gala. Cost for the roof repairs - \$3,600.

Speaking about the Gala – we need lots of volunteers to help make the building presentable for the fabulous affair that Michele and her committee are planning. Some cleaning, such as the wood floors, will have to be done by professionals. But, there is much that club volunteers can

accomplish. The Library's furniture needs a good oiling and polishing. The beautiful Mizner lamps are being rewired. Just a little effort can make the building shine so when the sign-up sheets are passed, hope to see your name. Work will begin after the first of the year and there is a job for everyone. I hate housework but we can make this enjoyable and have a pizza party when finished!

Member contributions including the \$10,000 match now total \$18,420. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could hit \$20,000 by the end of the year? Thanks to Barbara Erlichman's great publicity work, a \$500 check was received from a couple in Boca Raton who read about our preservation efforts in the newspaper.

We have taken small steps this year but have accomplished a lot and we are moving forward. Next year will be even more exciting. I must confess that I am addicted to the building. It is like a love affair — I get upset and want to walk away and then something good will happen and I am in love again. Oh, if only Addison could speak from his photo in the Library and give us words of wisdom on his building!

— Pat Waldron, co-chairman

#### Wedding photos on display Feb. 19

When was the last time you got to show off your wedding picture?

Since the Feb. 19 luncheon meeting is so close to Valentine's Day, we invite you to bring a photo of your wedding picture (no albums please) to the luncheon. If you have had more than one wedding, feel free to display them all. Let's see if we can guess who the brides are in these pictures.



A program presented by Sonia Hendrick from Learning Ally will also enlighten us on this not to well-known organization that does so much good for so many in our community.

Learning Ally started out in the mid '40s to help soldiers who were blinded in combat. It has evolved into a national non-profit, partnering with other non-profits to help those who learn differently, to ensure academic and lifelong success.

The organization, with a chapter in Boca Raton, has blossomed to become a critical resource to not only students but also to their parents, families and educators. As with most non-profits they rely on a large volunteer base and may be some in the audience may find this a new way to help in our community.

— Barbara Grimes, co-chairman



In the center of the elegant table was a bouquet of roses in memory of Ellen Morgan and Marcie Pallone. Both passed this last year and both of them chaired last year's tea. Ellen has been the chairman for this tea almost since she joined in 2000.



#### — Past Presidents Tea —

As my first time working on this event, I want to express my great gratitude to all of the members of the various committees for all the work in making the day so lovely and enjoyable.

The holiday music by Janet Hakala and her colleague, Kristen Weislogel, was a delightful finish. Thank you ALL!!!

- Terry Markey, chairman

#### — Community Caring —

All of the donations for the Caring Center have been greatly appreciated. I will continue collecting at all meetings in 2015.

Happy! Healthy! New Year to ALL!

- Terry Markey, chairman



BWC once again took part in the City of Boynton Holiday Parade. Carolyn Schoch, Michele Walter and Chairman Nancy Hogan held the banner. Jean Nolan drove the car.

Riding along with Jean Nolan were the Forastiero kids, Dean and Leia with their mom, Paula. They also walked holding a banner announcing them as "future BWC scholarship candidates.



#### 2015 meetings/events

#### All are at the clubhouse unless otherwise noted January

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			
Sun.	Jan. 18	TBD Concert - Pianist Al Gustafeste			
Sat.	Jan. 24	TBD Race for the Cure			
	February				
Thurs.	Feb. 5	9:30 Executive Board Meeting			
Sat.	Feb. 7	TBD Great Charity Challenge			
! 		in Wellington			
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	11:30Ziegfeld Brunch			
Thurs.	Mar. 19	9:00 Loxahatchee conservation trip			
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	9:30Business Meeting			
May 15-18 GFWC FL Convention					
Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, FL					

#### Upcoming refreshment assignments

JAN. 8, 2015
BUSINESS MEETING
ARRIVE 8:30 A.M.
MARY FALLON
EVELYN WEICKER
CARMEN STRATOS

ALL REFRESHMENT
ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE
SET-UP AND CLEAN UP
IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND,
FIND A SUB AND CALL
MARIAN ORTIZ OR
THERESA SCUTARI

JAN. 15, 2015
ARTS AND CRAFTS
LUNCH
ARRIVE 10:30 A.M.
MARY FALLON
LILLIAN OSTIGUY
ILIA LINDSAY
ELLEN POLLACK

#### Conservation -

Hi everyone,

My name is Joyce Delaney. I am a new member and have agreed to step in as Conservation chairman since Martha Miller is moving out of the area.

Together, Martha and I have arranged a trip to Loxahatchee Wildlife Refuge for March 19 and it will start at 9 a.m. at the refuge.

I will have signup sheets at our next meeting and also more details. In the meantime, if you think you'd like to come, pencil it in on your calendar.

— loyce Delaney, chairman



The deadline for the February newsletter is Jan. 15

