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## President's Message

"Don't wait until the fourth Thursday in November, to sit with family and friends to give thanks.  
 Make every day a day of Thanksgiving!"

[Charmaine J. Forde](#)

Once again as November rolls in, we are reminded of how each holiday, season, event, month and day is cause for finding reasons to be thankful. Even when there are forces that try to derail the enthusiasm we have for our lives, we can always depend on this month to remind us of the importance of family and friends.

We have many things to celebrate this month as members of BWA. This year, a mere two months in, we have raised more than \$1400 towards our goal of \$5,000 for our scholarship fund! Thanks to all who participate in the monthly raffles and donated with your BWA membership renewals. The raffles are so successful, we plan to continue them each month at our general meetings.

Thanks to Elisa Stone for setting up a wonderful social event at Bistro Mezzaluna in October. We had a great turnout and once again got to know each other better. There are plans to have a few more activities to network and bring new potential members.

I hope to see you all at our Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> luncheon meeting. We are so grateful to Cheryl Duckworth for agreeing to be our speaker after Hurricane Irma caused us to cancel her appearance in September. As an added bonus at this meeting, BWA member Jill Beach has offered her photography talents to take headshots after the meeting of any members who need to update their profiles.

Please note that first-time guests to our meetings this year will be at no cost!

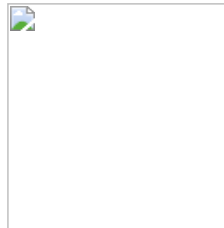
Thank you to those members who have responded to our Holiday Raffle donation requests. We have some great items already and are anticipating a very successful scholarship drive. We still need more items to raffle, so check out the donation form on the BWA website and let us know what you can give.

Again, thank you all for your continued support for this wonderful organization.

Diana Plucienkowski, President



## Meeting Information



**Cheryl Duckworth**

Cheryl Duckworth, Ph.D., is a professor of Conflict Resolution at Nova Southeastern University.

Dr. Duckworth has trained hundreds of students, teachers and community leaders in peace education and conflict resolution both in the US and internationally. Currently she serves as the faculty advisor of NSU's Peace Education Working Group and on the Advisory Board of the [Hope Development Organization](#), a women's rights and peace building organization in Pakistan, and [Women's Promise](#), which advocates for and empowers women's leadership for peace globally.

Dr. Duckworth has published and presented globally on her two passions, peace education and peace economics, exploring ways to transform the economic, political, social and psychological root causes of war and violence. Most recently, she published [Teaching About Terror: 9/11 and Collective Memory in US Classrooms](#), which analyzes the narrative today's students are receiving about 9/11, and the implications of this for global peace and conflict.

Please join us on this historic anniversary to hear Dr. Duckworth's perspectives and experience on the efforts to create a more peaceful world.

She blogs at [Teach for Peace](#) and you can follow her on Twitter [@cherylduckworth](#).



The Board of Directors is currently planning our holiday fundraising event. We are soliciting your support for the raffle. Money raised from this event will go directly to the scholarship fund. To make a donation to the raffle please complete and submit the [online donation form](#). Raffle items must be received by December 7th at Noon.

Some suggested items are:

- Gift Certificates for Goods or Services
- Gift Baskets (Spa Items, Jewelry, Food/Wine Items)
- Sporting Events/Theatre Tickets
- Sports Items (Jerseys, Duffle Bags etc.)
- Hotel packages

[Donation Form](#)

Thank you for your Support

## Member Spotlight

Judge Michele Towbin Singer was born and raised in South Florida. She graduated cum laude from Brandeis University and received her juris doctorate from Boston University School of Law. She passed the bar exams in Florida, Massachusetts and Ohio.

Her work experience includes practicing corporate and securities law as well as family and criminal law. She was an assistant public defender for eighteen years where her experience included being a training attorney responsible for supervising and teaching attorneys new to criminal circuit court. She also litigated in juvenile and county court.

She was elected as a circuit court judge in 2006 where she presided over drug court, mental health court and in felony criminal court. She recently transferred from the civil division to take over Drug Court.

In addition to her work in court, Judge Towbin Singer is very active in the community. She is an adjunct professor at the St. Thomas University School of Law where she teaches trial advocacy as well as a judicial internship class. She is on the Supreme Court's Task Force on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Issues in the Courts. She is a member of the NADCP and FACDP as well as on the board of Governors of the United Way of Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse. She also loves to host school tours of the courthouse where students can observe trials and other hearings as well as participate in a mock trial or watch an interactive crime scene presentation. Judge Towbin Singer continues her commitment to our youth by being on the board of directors of Harmony Development Center, a nonprofit organization that provides services to troubled and at risk youth and families in Broward County.



We would like to extend a warm welcome to Rebecca D'Amico as one of our newest members.

## Member News

### ALLIED GOES PINK !!!

Each October, Allied is Proud to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Very special this year, we just completed lighting up our Building at our Flagship Building on Oakland Park Blvd.

We honor all those affected and all caregivers. Pink is Powerful. The entire month of October we will raise much-needed funds for research In the hope that one day, WE WILL FIND A CURE.



Stay informed and get questions answered about community association issues and topics during free "Ask the Attorneys" seminars with Kaye Bender Rembaum on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Tamarac Community Center, 8601 W. Commercial Blvd. and Wednesday, December 6 at 6:45 p.m. at Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE 6th St. in Pompano Beach. RSVP to 954-776-1999, ext. 242.



Young At Art Museum is hosting the **12<sup>th</sup>-Annual Teen Recycled Fashion Show: *Cosplay Couture*** on **Friday, November 17 at 7 p.m.** at the Museum, [751 S.W. 121 Avenue](http://www.youngatartmuseum.org) in Davie, featuring NBC 6's Kelly Blanco as the guest emcee. Proceeds from the event will support Young At Art's Teen Volunteer Program and its Girls 'N Power initiative serving at-risk teens attending Pace Center for Girls in Broward County. Each year, the show challenges participants to design an original garment, from concept to design, into original wearable art made from recycled and repurposed materials. This year, audience members will be treated to a live performance by Miami-based artist sleeper and the opening of Family Cosplay, an exhibition of original garments by Sierra Decordova.

Ticket prices are \$40 and sponsorships are available starting at \$500. For more information visit <http://www.youngatartmuseum.org/> or call [954-424-0085](tel:954-424-0085). For sponsorships, contact Hilary Winiger at [954-424-5020](tel:954-424-5020) or [hwiniger@youngatartmuseum.org](mailto:hwiniger@youngatartmuseum.org).

**Feed Your Soul Finale Celebration:** On Saturday, November 18, the Feed Your Soul initiative, which highlights food insecurity and social isolation, concludes with electrifying performances by local artists that include a drum circle, interactive art activities and spoken-word and custom poems. Local residents, who participated in a six-week workshop, also will take the stage to convey their poignant personal stories of food insecurity and social isolation. Breakfast will be provided. 10am-Noon, The Frank, 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines. 954-392-2120, [thefrankgallery.org](http://thefrankgallery.org). Free.



**JOIN The City of Pembroke Pines  
and Feeding South Florida**

FOR A

## FEED YOUR SOUL FINALE

**EVENT**  
JOIN US FOR A FREE BREAKFAST  
PERFORMANCES, ART ACTIVITIES & GAMES

**November 18, 2017**  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Frank C. Ortis Art Gallery and Exhibit Hall  
Charles F. Dodge City Center/Pembroke Pines  
601 City Center Way  
Pembroke Pines, Florida 33025

Please RSVP:   
thefrank@ppines.com  
954-392-9420

This project is made possible by the following funds of  
the Community Foundation of Broward:  
R.J. and Nancy Purdy Fund  
Helen and Frank Stoykov Charitable Endowment Fund  
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thefrankgallery.org



Paradies Lagardère, the North American travel retail and restaurateur leader, is proud to share that its customers donated more than 1.2 million items of need in 2016 to our military service men and women around the globe through their Treat Our Troops program. And have already surpassed that number for this year's contributions.

Passengers' in-kind donations help support service men and women around the world – and in the last couple of months, we have been supporting the folks impacted by recent hurricanes in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean islands.

Paradies Lagardère's Travel Kit program provides travelers, as well as airline and airport employees, the opportunity to purchase goods – from socks and snacks to phone cards and sundries – which are then distributed to military personnel overseas through the USO and other military service organizations, as well as to hurricane victims who receive them through several service organizations including the American Red Cross, United Way, first responders and others involved in the recovery efforts.

So – next time you walk into one of our Shops at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport OR at any of our over 100 locations throughout the US and Canada...as well as Paris...participate our donation incentive programs.



Do you have your Party Tickets for the December 9th Winterfest Boat Parade! #WinterfestSoFlo17

BOOK NOW- Riverside Hotel Party Tickets: <https://rshpayments.com/2017-winterfest-boat-parade/> #RiversideBoatParadeParties

PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR FACEBOOK FRIENDS!

What are the Winterfest Event and Details for the Best Boat Parade Viewing parties at The Riverside Hotel on Las Olas Boulevard?

The Riverside Hotel on Las Olas Boulevard enjoys substantial event and dock space along the New River and has the best views of the beginning of the parade. The hotel hosts 3 separate parties for the public and approximately 3,000 people sell out the event every year. In addition to the various special parties which are perfect for families to individuals looking for the place to be, the hotel has ample parking available including valet. Attire ranges from business casual at the River Patio to families dressing to the theme of the parade. This year, the parade's theme is "BROADWAY ON PARADE."

Choose now from the following hotel party/ticket options:

PATIO PARTY ON THE NEW RIVER - \$130 per person: This is the premier party and if you are looking to enjoy the hottest parade party in Fort Lauderdale, this is for you. Taking place on the beautiful Riverside Hotel's New River Patio with perfect views along the New River, this party includes an open premium bar, terrific specialty foods, and this year added special décor and lighting. For guests who are a minimum of 21 years old. The theme of this year's hottest party is PHANTOM OF THE OPERA. Be seen and have your camera ready for this powerhouse event!

ROCK THE DOCK PARTY - \$80 per person: This special party takes place on the Riverside Hotel's popular docks and marina. Not only perfect views as close as you can get to the water and viewing, the hotel includes a premium open bar and access to the special food trucks within a short hop. Great for anyone and must be 21 with a ticket to enter. The theme of the Rock the Dock will be JERSEY BOYS.

POOL DECK PARTY - \$80 PER PERSON: This hot party will energize everybody on the Riverside Hotel's pool deck. It is directly located on the New River and gives you fantastic opportunities to view the amazing boats. This party package includes a premium open bar and access to special food trucks within a short hop. Are you ready for a good time and please note you must be 21 with a ticket to enter. The theme of the Pool Party will be the BLUE MAN GROUP.

LAS OLAS STADIUM SEATING - \$35 per person: The hotel is so popular for viewing of this parade special bleachers are brought in with direct views only a few feet away from the New River. Great for families and groups, this option provides a terrific fun opportunity at an outstanding value. Food and drinks are available from the special food trucks that sell an assortment of delicious treats. The hotel theme for this area will be THE LION KING. Get your costumes ready!

Riverside Valet Services - \$30 per car. The hotel provides valet parking for the first pre-purchased tickets while available (Trust us, you will be very thankful that you did) If you prefer not to valet, the hotel has a large indoor parking garage right beside the viewing areas.

Can I pick up my wristband before the event day? Yes! Wristbands can be picked up at the Riverside Hotel Sales Office with a valid printed ticket Mon-Fri from 10 AM to 4 PM, December 4th until December 8th. ALL SALES ARE FINAL!

November 30th: Galleria Men of Style presented by The Signature Grand and Orchard Supply Hardware to benefit Henderson Behavioral Health, Women in Distress, Florida Children's Theatre and 9 other charities. Tickets are \$75.00 per person and the majority of ticket sales benefits the charity that you purchase tickets from. Admission includes open bar, food tastings, complimentary valet parking and a Passport of Savings from participating Galleria Mall Stores.

Purchase tickets at [www.galleriamall-fl.com](http://www.galleriamall-fl.com)



**WE'RE SLEEPING OUT!**

**COVENANT HOUSE Sleep Out FLORIDA**

**ARE YOU?**

**6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EXECUTIVE SLEEP OUT**  
Thursday, November 16th, 2017  
7:00pm - 7:00am

**ARE YOU IN?**

We invite **YOU** to step into the shoes of homeless youth by sleeping in **Esplanade Park** for one night so **homeless youth** don't have to. You'll meet the youth we help and hear their stories. We'll ask you to help by encouraging friends, family and colleagues to support your Sleep Out efforts on behalf of Covenant House Florida.

Register to Sleep Out  
[fortlauderdale.executivesleepout.org](http://fortlauderdale.executivesleepout.org)


For more information contact:  
**Elisa Stone, Director of Development**  
954-568-7914 or [estone@covenanthousefl.org](mailto:estone@covenanthousefl.org)

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**Cordially Invite You To**

**LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAYS**

**Cocktail & New Member Reception**  
Thursday, November 9, 2017 6-8pm

**Fort Lauderdale History Museum**  
231 SW Second Avenue • Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Become a new member and enjoy an evening of wine and hors d'oeuvres and Holiday sweet treats as Fort Lauderdale History Museum complex sparkles with traditional and delightful holiday decorations and music capturing the magic of the Season

Rsvp by November 6 and pay by credit card online  
Or Mail in Membership Application and Donation/ Dues

New Members – complimentary RSVP with payment of dues. Non Member Guests - \$25 per person

For more information, please contact Fort Lauderdale Historical Society 954.463.4431

Parking: Valet Parking Available for \$5 behind our Museum on Nugent Avenue.  
Metered Parking on Nugent Avenue, SW Second Avenue or at  
Broward County Government Garage at 151 SW Second Street, Fort Lauderdale 33301

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## Art and Culture Center/Hollywood

### Free Arts! Family Days

The Art and Culture Center/Hollywood announces Free Arts! Family Days funded by a grant from PNC Arts Alive! Through this partnership, the Center will offer interactive arts activities, expanding upon the current Free Admission Day program offered for contemporary visual arts exhibitions presented on the third Sunday of each month.

The next activity will take place on Sunday, November 19, 2017 from noon – 4 pm. Participants will have the opportunity to create their own drawings based on the intricate polka dot paintings of world-renowned Japanese artist, Yayoi Kusama. Join us for this delightful lesson that will incorporate pastels, colored pencils, and crayons to highlight Yayoi's magnificent use of lines and layers. It's sure to be an afternoon that the whole family will enjoy!

### Men of Style

Art and Culture Center Board of Trustees member Ben Wesley will represent the Center when Broward's finest business and community leaders gather for The Galleria's South Florida Ford Men of Style presented by Signature Grand and Orchard Supply Hardware. This special evening of food, fashion and fun will recognize 12 of Broward's leading men as honorees, each representing a participating charity. All tickets bought for the Art and Culture Center benefit the Art and Culture Center/Hollywood. For more information about this event, call 954/921-3274 x233 or via email to sarah@artandculturecenter.org.

### Change Agents: Celebrating 10th Anniversary of Girls' Club

The Art and Culture Center/Hollywood will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of Girls' Club, an alternative space exhibiting contemporary art by women, with the exhibition Change Agents: Six South Florida Artists Making Things Happen. The show presents new works by artists from the collection of Francie Bishop Good and David Horvitz. The concurrent exhibit is Mottos, an exhibition raising social awareness by challenging pre-

existing stereotypes. The Opening Reception is on Friday, November 10, from 6-9 pm. Admission is \$10 and free for members. The exhibitions run through January 7, 2018.

On Saturday, November 18, from noon to 8 pm, the Girls' Club will host ConFab: A One-Day Practicum on How to Make Things Happen as an Artist. The day-long series of workshops and discussions are designed to inspire innovative strategies for producing and presenting artistic works and projects. ConFab will address how to access resources, collaborate, find your public, and re-boot and refresh one's career. The event concludes with a talk and Q&A session with Deana Haggag, Executive Director of United States Artists. The ConFab is included with the cost of admission to the Center.

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### **Save the Dates 2017 - 2018**

#### **Events Calendar**

November 13th - Cheryl Duckworth, Conflict Resolution

December 11th - Holiday Gift Idea's and Raffle

January 8th

February 12th

March 12th

April 9th - Keenya Robertson, Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence

May 14th

June 11th - Scholarship Awards

\*Speakers and topic's subject to change without notice