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**President's Message**

“Someone is sitting in the shade because someone planted a tree a long time ago.”

Warren Buffet

As we come to the end of another Broward Women's Alliance year, I feel it fitting to thank so many people who have contributed their time, energy, resources to the BWA mission. The detailed list would be too long for this newsletter, but the appreciation is to everyone.



Due to the efforts of all the Executive Board members, we accomplished our financial goal of raising \$5,000 to fund scholarships for 5 deserving recipients. Many thanks to Jillian Krueger Printz for heading the Scholarship committee over the last few years and making the process efficient, fair, and rewarding.

More than half of the funds raised (\$2,825) were a result of our monthly raffles organized and executed by Tracy Carroll. Thanks to the changes made by Tracy, the raffles have become an important source of scholarship funding. We really appreciate her efforts!

The balance of the funds raised came from the Community Foundation of Broward (\$1,230) and donations from members (\$1,125). Hopefully next year our outright donations will increase since BWA officially became a 501c (3) this year. If every member of BWA committed to an outright annual donation of \$100-\$200 we could increase the number of scholarships given dramatically. Please consider that when renewing membership next year.

October 14th  
November 11th  
December 9th  
January 13th  
February 10th  
March 9th  
April 13th  
May 10th  
June 8th

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

The best way to end our BWA year is a favorite! Come to the meeting June 10<sup>th</sup> to meet our 2019 Scholarship winners and hear about their dreams and aspirations. This meeting reminds us every year of why we belong to BWA and support the mission of helping women pursue their careers.

You can help spread the word about our mission to support other women in their education endeavors. Please forward our information to friends and colleagues. Remember to "like" BWA on Facebook and add your name to our LinkedIn page as well.

Thank you for your continued support of the Broward Women's Alliance Foundation. We look forward to seeing you at our June luncheon.

Diana Plucienkowski  
President 2018-2019

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## Meeting Information

**Regular registration ends June 7th. Sign up now, seating may be limited!**

**If you must cancel after Friday, June 7th or, if you have questions about registration you must contact Debbi Hartman at [Browardwomensalliance@gmail.com](mailto:Browardwomensalliance@gmail.com) or 954-483-3060.**



## Meet Inspiration – Our 2019-2020

### BWA Foundation Scholarship Recipients

Please attend our June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting to meet this year's five scholarship recipients. Our member's generosity both with their gifts to the foundation and our monthly raffles have made it possible for these five women to continue their higher education.

We have a total of 13 applicants this year. Seven of them are applying to renew their scholarships, and the remaining six are new applicants. Five of the applicants either are attending or have been accepted at Nova Southeastern University. The others are attending or been accepted at Florida State University, Florida Atlantic University, Atlantic Technical College, the University of Miami, Howard University and Florida Polytechnic Institute.

These women's academic areas range from Biochemistry, to medical school, from Cyber Security to Communication Science & Disorders, from Dental Assisting to a Master's in Public Administration, and architectural/civil engineering.

In addition, I am pleased to announce that one of last year's recipients, Shakerra Bartley has been awarded a Fulbright to study abroad, and will be attending the meeting and speak about how our scholarship gave her the chance to win this distinguished program award.

These women are truly inspirational. They will tell you their story and in the process will make you proud of what we do as an organization.

[Register](#)

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## Member Spotlight



**Maureen Dinnen**, a Broward resident since childhood earned a BA in history from Barry University and an MS in Social Science from FSU. For 35 years she was a teacher in the Broward public schools and at Broward Community College.

Maureen was elected President of the Broward Community College Faculty Senate and the BCC United Faculty of Florida. She went on to be the President the Florida Teaching Profession-NEA, the Florida Community College Senate Presidents and the Florida Education Association.

Maureen served two terms on the Broward School Board from 2004-2012 and as Democratic Committee Woman for Precinct 43R in 2016.

A veteran advocate for public education, she lobbied at the local, state and national levels in person and on TV and radio.

“Maureen Dinnen Day” was declared by the Broward County Commission, the Cities of Ft. Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Plantation and Wilton Manors for local contributions to education and by the City of Orlando for state contributions to education.

Awards Maureen received include: the 2004 James Davenport National Education Award, the 2007 Greater Ft. Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce Circle of Excellence for Education, and the Florida Education Foundations’ 2010 School Board Member of the Year.

She served as a past Board of Directors Member of the Museum of Discovery and Science, Broward County Historical Commission, Greater Ft. Lauderdale Alliance, Broward Education Foundation, Greater Ft. Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, Florida AFL-CIO, Florida School Boards Association, and the Florida Governor’s Children and Youth Cabinet.

Currently Maureen is a member of the Ft. Lauderdale Education Advisory Board, the Ft. Lauderdale Historical Society, the Pioneer Women of Ft. Lauderdale, the Women’s League of Voters, Bonnet House and Stranahan House as well as, of course the Broward Women’s Alliance.

In retirement Maureen enjoys family, gardening, travel, working on family history and all those busy days prevented her from reading.

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## Member News



**More than half of all those served by Women In Distress are children,** so your donation will help meet the many needs ahead for our families as they prepare to send their children back to school. Make a donation today and help our kids have a great school year.

**Make a Monetary Donation**

Monetary donations support programs and services such as Safe Emergency Shelter, a 24-Hour Crisis Hotline, counseling and therapy hours, and more.

Donate online: [WomenInDistress.org](http://WomenInDistress.org)

Mail checks to: Women In Distress, Attn: Development  
P.O. Box 50187, Lighthouse Point, FL 33074

**Donate School Supplies**

**New Items Only**  
Drop off by August 8th  
Monday - Friday  
9am to 6pm

We also accept gift cards to Target, Walmart, Payless or other stores for clothes and shoes.

- Backpacks
- Lunch boxes
- #2 pencils
- Pencil sharpeners
- Erasers (large and cap)
- Colored pencils
- Crayons
- Blue, black and red pens
- Markers

- Highlighters
- Sharpies
- Dry erase markers
- Pencil case (zippered and box)
- Loose-leaf paper
- 3-ring binders
- Folders
- Spiral notebooks

- Composition notebooks
- Construction paper
- Dividers
- Index cards
- Rulers
- Glue and glue sticks
- Safety scissors
- Post-its
- Hand sanitizer



For more information and other opportunities, contact Jacqueline House, Development Manager  
[jhouse@WomenInDistress.org](mailto:jhouse@WomenInDistress.org) • 954-760-9800 ext. 1237

\*Source: October 2017 Back to School Survey "Getting a new costume"



**Play Your Way Through Reimagined Arcade Classics and Original**

**Video Games in Young At Art Museum's Summer Spectacle: ArtCade!**

Young At Art Museum in Davie has transformed the Knight Gallery into ArtCade, a new, black-light drenched, interactive exhibition of artist-designed arcade and video games.

Original, playable artworks will ignite nostalgia and the imaginations of gamers of all ages. New takes on arcade classics and uniquely designed videogames, many of which have been created specifically for this exhibition, offer a maze of hands-on works of art to explore, surrounded by towering fluorescent murals that conjure the retro spirit of the universally loved games of the past with a creative new twist.

Internationally recognized artists as well as well-known and emerging South Florida artists have created everything from digital, motion-based experiences to takes on timeless arcade staples like air hockey and mini golf. Student artists from Young At Art Institute's Video Game Design classes and camps exhibit their original videogames. Other immersive experiences will combine video and sound components rounding out the wide range of sensory stimulation offered by the eclectic selection of works by artists chosen for their focus on interactivity and their colorful, over the top aesthetics.

Young At Art Museum offers 2 for 1 Tuesdays where admission is buy one get one free e through Sept 30th and active duty military personnel and their families enjoy free admission through Sept 2nd as part of the Blue Star Museum Program. General admission is \$14 per person; \$12 for Broward County residents, seniors and children over age 1. For more information about the exhibition or about renting *ArtCade* for private and corporate parties and events and birthday parties, call 954-424-0085.



**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Girl Scouts Lead the Way Luncheon –  
Honoring *Inspirational Women of Broward County***

**Now Accepting Nominations**

**Nominations Open May 7<sup>th</sup>- June 14<sup>th</sup>**

## **Girl Scouts Lead the Way Luncheon**

Thursday, September 19, 2019, Signature Grand, Davie

Link to Nomination

Form: <https://gssef.wufoo.com/forms/z1ei8smg1anrhr4/>

The Girl Scouts Lead the Way Luncheon is a celebration of inspirational women, leading the way for our next generation of girls in our community. Awards will be presented to three women in Broward County who are leaders in their industries and serve as role models for today's girls. *The three honorees will participate in a panel discussion at the event highlighting their journey as successful women.*

The event attracts nearly 200 guests from the Greater Fort Lauderdale business community and the program will consist of networking, chance drawing, a panel discussion, and awards ceremony. *The 2018 luncheon featured Lisa Lutoff-Perlo, CEO of Celebrity Cruises as the keynote speaker and awards were presented to Michelle Martinez Reyes, Maureen Shea and Sonia Quinones.*

### ***2019 Honorary Chairs***

*(as of May 8, 2019)*

*Michelle Martinez Reyes*

*Sonia Quinones*

*Janet Wincko*

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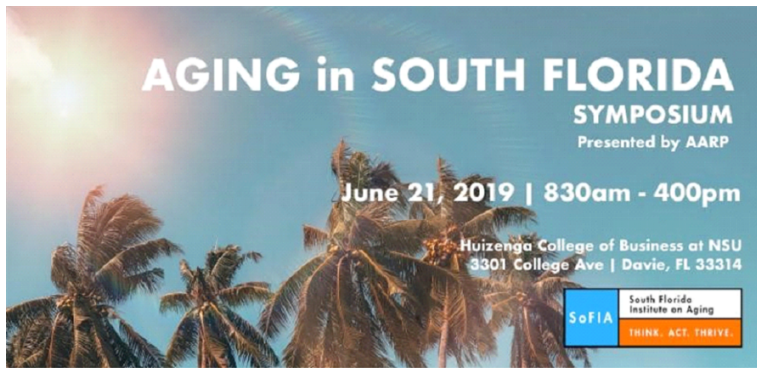


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The activities KWG (Kristen Goss, Esq.) was involved in the month of May:

1. Mentored a group of middle and high school students who have aspirations of becoming lawyers at the West County Courthouse;
  2. Served as a low bono Guardian Ad Litem on several cases;
  3. Educated pro se litigants wanting to get a divorce on the proper paperwork and documents to file at the courthouse;
  4. Attended a community activism luncheon to assist Broward County residents in ensuring that their needs are met and concerns are properly heard.
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**Explore the Most Pressing Issues for Seniors at the  
Aging in South Florida Symposium Presented by AARP**

The South Florida Institute on Aging (SoFIA) will host the Aging in South Florida Symposium presented by AARP on June 21, which will take a closer look at the challenges for our aging population while presenting helpful resources and solutions to help people thrive as they age. Interested business and governmental leaders, caregivers, educators and anyone who is concerned about an aging friend, relative or their own future is invited to attend and learn more about how we can make our South Florida communities age friendly.

The symposium will cover a broad spectrum of hot-topic issues focused around four pillars: aging with purpose, caregiving, the economics of aging and LGBT senior advocacy. Each pillar will include a variety of panel topics for attendees to choose from based on individual interests. Sessions will address areas of concern such as creating job opportunities for older workers, reframing how we talk about aging, medical marijuana education for caregivers, the needs of male family caregivers, community resources for caregivers and dementia caregivers, home sharing benefits, financial security, becoming an LGBT-friendly community and more.

Speakers from leading companies such as AARP, MorseLife Health System, VeHadarta, Voyage, SAGE, Silvernest, Older Adults Technology Services and the Jewish Federation of Broward will join the conversation and lead the breakout sessions throughout the morning and afternoon where participants can ask questions and collaborate on important topics.

The symposium will include breakfast and a luncheon, sponsored by Humana. The all-day event will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Huizenga College of Business at Nova Southeastern University, 3301 College Avenue in Davie.

Tickets are \$40 and caregivers will be admitted free with registration. For tickets, register online at [www.theSoFIA.org](http://www.theSoFIA.org).

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