

Pelican Bay Women's League Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Beverly Wernette

I am amazed that it is almost March – the end of our fiscal season! Membership applications for our next fiscal year will be sent out soon. If you are a seasonal resident, I encourage you to send in your application form before you leave in order to have your name in our Directory, which is compiled in August. I also encourage you to please sign up to receive our newsletter electronically. It will ensure that you have League news wherever you are plus save us postage, which continues to be our single greatest expense. You really don't have to print the entire newsletter if you receive it electronically, only information that is pertinent to your interests.

The fiscal year will bring with it a new Executive Board, since my term and the term of the other Officers is expiring. I am pleased to tell you that Marge Canning is our candidate for President. She said that she was inspired by Myra Daniels' presentation at our Speaker Series. Marge is a true Renaissance woman with a wealth of experience, including 10 years as a hospital administrator and the mother of 9 children! She is currently the League's Finance Chair and President of the Breakwater Association and has served on many boards. The full slate of nominees is listed in this newsletter and will be voted on at our April 8 luncheon meeting. I know each one of these capable ladies will provide the leadership and fresh perspective needed for our organization to continue to thrive.

This season has been wonderful! We still have a month of our Speakers Series left, and I can hardly wait to hear the speakers that are scheduled. Nancy Colodny continues to find outstanding women in Pelican Bay to share with us their talents and life experiences. The Kneedlers are always so enthusiastically knitting weekly for charity. Right now the Songbirds are busy practicing for their Family and Friends Concert on March 24. Please come and hear them.

Our luncheons continue to have record crowds under the direction of Roberta Patton and Susan Calcagni. Our February luncheon, chaired by myself and Blanche LeCausi, promises to be great fun and so very Florida! Please don't forget our March luncheon on Tuesday, March 10 at Quail Creek Country Club. Maire Peters of Ireland will be talking about "All Things Green and Irish". Also in March we will be co-sponsoring the Foundation's Annual Art Show on March 6-8, coordinated by Pat Mullen, and attending a performance of Pippin and dessert reception at Artis-Naples on March 25, arranged by Irene Martin.

Our Interest Groups are busier than ever under the direction of Blanche LeCausi. The Mah Jongg group is even holding a tournament this month, plus "D" Divas and Canasta are becoming very popular. Blanche is always looking for talented women to form Interest Groups, so do contact her with any of your ideas for a new group that you could lead.

Of course, the entire Board is behind the scenes working together to make this organization of almost 900 women a great success. They are so competent and dedicated that they have made my job easy. Many will be staying on in the new fiscal year, but we are always looking for volunteers. It would be much easier if every position had a back-up. Please let me know if you would want to help in any way.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Beverly

President, 596-8519, bfwernette@gmail.com

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN PBWL

We hope you've enjoyed being a League member this season, and we hope you will be joining us again next year for our luncheons, social occasions, trips, or Interest Group Activities. The League offers Pelican Bay women the opportunity to share common interests and make new friends at the same time.

For our 2015-2016 Season, we will continue to offer an ever-growing variety of programs. Most activities are limited to members while some are open to guests.

**It may seem early to renew your membership for 2015-2016, but it is not!
The League's year begins on April 1.**

Membership renewal forms will be mailed shortly to all members. Upon receipt, please complete your membership renewal form and return it promptly, along with your dues. Don't delay to insure inclusion in our 2015 - 2016 Directory.

If you have any questions, please contact Joan.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS!

New member Liaison: Mary Jo Chamberlin, 239-405-9080, maryjo@maryjochamberlin.com

Since we now have 100+ New Members, we are happy to welcome Mary Jo Chamberlin to the position of New Member Liaison. Please feel free to contact Mary Jo, who can answer your questions, direct you to other members or refer you to someone who can provide the answers you seek.

2015 – 2016 SLATE OF OFFICERS

PBWL Nomination Committee Chair, Roberta Patton, has announced the nominees for officers for the Board of Directors for the 2015 – 2016 Season. These nominees will be presented to the membership for voting at the Annual Meeting, April 8, 2015 at Audubon.

Described as new, dynamic and exciting, the Nominating Committee offers these nominees:

President:	Majorie Canning
1st Vice President:	Cathy Stenza
2nd Vice President:	Debbie McKay
Treasurer:	Everdene ("Evie") Salustro
Secretary:	Paula Asaff

Roberta extends a big *Thank You!* to the Committee members for their hard work in the search for candidates: Susan Calcagni, Marge Canning, Donna Owen, Linda Sanfilippo and Joanne Hobin.

SOME THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT EVENT REGISTRATION:

Once you've chosen an event to attend, please send us a check so it arrives no later than *one week prior* to the luncheon. Without your timely registration, we cannot seat you.

Please make your check(s) payable to **PBWL**. Since we receive many checks for many different events on a regular basis, **please note the event, event date and your phone number on your check**. Please also note the **event name on the outside of the envelope**.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP _____ DATE M/D/Y _____ 0123 01-23456789

PAY TO THE ORDER OF PBWL \$ XX.00

XXXXXX XXXXX AND XX/100 DOLLARS

BANK NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

FOR Event Name, Event Date, Your phone number Your Signature
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Unless otherwise directed, please mail your check to be received by the deadline date to: PBWL, c/o Reservations, PMB # 139, P.O. Box 413005, Naples FL 34101-3005.

PLEASE NOTE: Not all events have the above PBWL general mailing address. Please mail to the address noted in the article of the event you've chosen or check with the event host.

Receipt of your check by the deadline date is a firm reservation.

There are no refunds after the deadline date, no walk-ins and payment cannot be accepted at the door.

To expedite the process, when you arrive at the luncheon, **please check in at the registration table**, giving us your last name. We want you to be able to quickly join your friends in another wonderful Pelican Bay Women's League experience!

BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG TO OUR EVENTS!

AMBASSADORS WANTED

AMBASSADORS Linda Sanfilippo, 595-1098, lindasanfilippo@hotmail.com

The Pelican Bay Women's League needs Ambassadors to fill empty slots in Pelican Bay communities.

Job Description:

- Promote the Women's League and its activities.
- Welcome new ladies in your community to the League and introduce them to the benefits of membership and participation.
- Be an informational contact.

Rewards:

- Making new friends.
- Being part of an exceptional group of women
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The Following Communities Need Ambassadors:

Barrington, Barrington Club, Bay Villas, Marbella, Montenero

If you are interested in becoming an Ambassador, please contact Linda and join this elite group.

PBWL SPECIAL EVENTS, 2014-2015

March Luncheon

All Things Green and Irish



March 10, 2015; \$28

**11:30AM – Reception with Cash Bar; 12 Noon – Luncheon served
Quail Creek Country Club; 13300 Valewood Drive; Naples, FL 34119**

Roberta Patton, 564-1457, patton401@rdpatton.com

Members Only

Limit of 130

Reservation deadline: March 3, 2015

Maire Peters was born in Ireland. One of her early jobs was taking care of accounts for the Irish Language Newspaper. She then became a journalist, and this led to a job as a part-time TV show producer of an Irish language show, which ultimately became the longest running Irish TV show. She also worked at the Irish Dancing Commission until she received her green card to the USA. Here she became a publicist to help Irish artists who performed in the USA, such as Anthony Kearns of the Irish Tenors. She also designed the tour for the Celtic Nights. Having worked for the Clans of Ireland Office in Tipperary, she developed a huge interest in Irish Surnames, decided to start her own Clans of Ireland business in Naples.

The menu will be: Chinese Chicken Salad with mandarin oranges, grape tomatoes, hearts of palm, hoisin glazed chicken breast topped with crispy noodle garnish and passed miso vinaigrette. Dessert will be a berry cobbler topped with vanilla ice cream.

If you have any food allergies, please contact: Susan Calcagni (401) 255-9010 or email Susan calcagni@hotmail.com

Please send your reservations to:

PBWL, PMB #139, PO Box 413005, Naples, FL 34101-3005

We must receive your check no later than March 3, 2015.

Directions: Drive north on Tamiami Trail North to Immokalee Road, Turn right and proceed east approximately 4.2 miles to Valewood Drive.

ARTIS-NAPLES PRESENTS

**A MUSICAL REVIVAL OF
THE 2013 TONY AWARD-WINNING SHOW**



Wednesday, March 25, 2015

PBWL has secured a limited number of specially-priced tickets. We Welcome Members, who may bring one guest each, male or female. \$94 per person includes a Dessert Reception, 6:30 – 7:30PM in the Kohan Gallery prior to the 8PM performance.

A cash bar is situated near the gallery.

Your tickets will be available for pick up at the box office on day of event and, more conveniently, prior to entering the Kohan Gallery.

Checks only, please.

Please send member and guest check in same envelope to ensure seating together and please indicate which check is from the PBWL member. Please also include phone number on each check and the event name – “PIPPIN”.

**THE DEADLINE DATE FOR RECEIPT OF PAYMENT IS
FEBRUARY 18, 2015**

NO refunds or exchanges after February 24.

Reservations can only be accepted by mail.

Please make your check(s) payable to PBWL and mail to:

Irene Martin

545 Via Veneto, #102

Naples, FL 34108

Phone, if needed, is 239-566-8818



RED SOX SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL

Wednesday, April 1, 2015
JetBlue Park, Ft. Myers

\$50 per person, includes bus transportation, game ticket, driver's gratuity

Joanne Hobin, 239-598-1872, 239-595-3987(cell), downbucket@comcast.net

OPEN TO PBWL MEMBERS AND A SPOUSE OR GUEST

Boston Red Sox hosts Toronto Blue Jays. Game time: 1:05PM

Lunch is NOT included...
but, we know the park vendors will appreciate your business
while offering you the flavor of this
GREAT DAY AT THE BALL PARK!

**Please be at the Pavilion parking lot by 11AM.
Bus departure is at 11:15AM SHARP!**

Please make checks payable to PBWL. Mail to:

Joanne Hobin
816 Turkey Oak Lane
Naples, FL 34108

Reservations will be honored in the order in which checks are received.

ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION OF OFFICERS &

GUEST SPEAKER: MYSTERY WRITER, SUZI WEINERT

Roberta Patton, 564-1457 or patton401@rdpatton.com

AUDUBON COUNTRY CLUB, APRIL 8, 2015, 11:30AM, \$28.00
MEMBERS ONLY

RECEPTION AT 11:30 AND LUNCH AT NOON

Reservations Deadline: April 1

Our luncheon will include a *brief* meeting, election of officers and presentation of the 2015-2016 officers to the membership.

Our speaker is Suzi Weinert, mystery thriller author, whose stories have been produced for Hallmark TV. Her stories relate to scary adventures in what are normal garage sales experiences.

To reserve your spot, please mail your check for \$28, made payable to PBWL, to Reservations, PMB 139, P.O. Box 413005, Naples, FL 34101. Please remember to write *the name of the event, date of event and phone number* on your check.

All reservations must be received by April 1.

The menu will include an Asian Salad of red oak and monzuma lettuce, topped with bronzed gulf black grouper, stir fried vegetables, roasted tomatoes, chow mein noodles, ponzu wasabi vinaigrette, plus dessert of open faced nutella s'mores, sea salt caramel gelato.

For special dietary requests, contact Susan Calcagni,
susancalcagni@hotmail.com

Directions: Drive north on Rt. 41, approximately 8 miles, turn left on Audubon Boulevard and proceed to the guard gate.

PELICAN BAY WOMEN'S LEAGUE EXCLUSIVE TOUR!

Spectacular 2-night, 3-day Tour of St. Augustine
April 7 – 9, 2015
\$549, PPDO; \$779, single

We Welcome Members, who may bring one guest each, male or female.

Reservations Deadline: March 26



The Morse Museum houses the world's most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany (1848-1933), including the artist and designer's jewelry, pottery, paintings, art glass, leaded glass lamps and windows.



Includes: R/T deluxe motor coach transportation, 2 night's accommodations at the NEW Hilton Doubletree in Historic St. Augustine, dinner at the famous Columbia Restaurant, private trolley tour with hop-on/hop-off all-day privileges, a historic ghost tour and St. John's river Cruise with lunch.

Reservations are a MUST!

Please call *TRENDY TOURS* to reserve your spot at **449-9408**.

PLEASE INQUIRE ABOUT THE CANCELLATION POLICY AND INSURANCE

After you have reserved your spot by phone, please mail your check, made out to *Trendy Tours*, to:

***Trendy Tours*, 3200 Village Walk Circle, Suite #104, Naples, FL 34109
Departs Pavilion Shopping Center at 7:30AM. Breakfast snack on board.**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUPS

OPEN TO ALL WOMEN RESIDENTS OF PELICAN BAY

COMMUNITY OUTREACH is our designation for some of the PBWL former Interest Groups whose purpose is to reach outside of Pelican Bay. Their activity positively impacts the greater Naples community and beyond. We're very happy to have them represent the League in these important ways.

PB KNEEDLERS *Jeannette O'Connor, 594-8179; Lois Sabatino, 598-2369, richloiss@embarqmail.com; Hallie Devlin (593-1353)*

The League-supported Pelican Bay Kneedlers, always welcome others to join this creative and satisfying group. If you are accomplished, that's wonderful, but don't worry if you can't knit or crochet. We have patient master craftspeople who love to teach! Just come to the Community Center on Thursdays between 10AM and noon to join this good-natured group who enjoy helping others.

We knit, crochet and quilt wheelchair blankets for our Wounded Warriors recuperating in VA hospitals throughout the country, having given these deserving men and women more than 3,000 so far. While this is our major patriotic goal, we also make prayer blankets and shawls for nursing homes and hospitalized patients, and for outpatients undergoing dialysis in Naples. We have fun creating finger puppets and other toys for needy children and knit and crochet hats, mittens and scarves for youngsters. We recently created these items for the more than 200 children whose town was leveled by a tornado as winter set in. Chemo patients appreciate hats we give them, and we make other items as needs arise.

DONATIONS OF YARN, NEEDLES AND PATTERN BOOKS ARE VERY WELCOME AND NEEDED.

Thank you!

PBWL SPEAKER SERIES, WOMEN MAKING A DIFFERENCE, *Nancy Colodny, ncolodny@aol.com.*

Community Center; Mondays, 3 – 4:30PM; January - March

Our March speaker series will begin on March 2nd with Mary Conley MD, who entered medical school at 46 and will speak about how women's hearts are different. She will be followed by Judge Ellen Heller, a retired Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, who will discuss "Drugs and the Courts: An Alternative to Incarceration". On March 16, Margaret Manda will bring and discuss a PAWS Assistance Dog, and the season will conclude on March 23 with Deb McKay giving an "Overview of Continuing Care Retirement Communities".

SONGBIRDS  *Ellen Al-Sarraf, 248-755-0704, ealsarraf@aol.com; Dianne Russell, 325-8749, dianne1003@aol.com*

Do you like to sing? Come join the Songbirds on Thursdays from 9:30 -11:30am at the Community Center. We have started performing at assisted living facilities and rehearsing for the free, **Friends and Family Concert on, March 24, 2015 at 4:30 pm** in the Community Center. Save the Date!

The Songbirds outreach to individuals who have limited access to entertainment by singing at assisted living facilities and retirement communities in Pelican Bay and the greater Naples area. Dues \$6/meeting

The Pelican Bay Women's League Presents



**THE SONGBIRDS'
FAMILY AND FRIENDS CONCERT**
Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 4:30 PM
At the Community Center with a Reception following.

Come enjoy the **Songbirds** as they entertain you with Cole Porter's music and patriotic songs honoring this great country. You will walk down memory lane with golden oldies and leave with a song in your heart.

Open to Pelican Bay residents and their guests
Free, no reservations necessary

Please CARPOOL, BIKE or WALK!

INTEREST GROUPS

GROUP PARTICIPATION IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

INTEREST GROUP CO-ORDINATOR *Blanche Le Causi, 631-338-1912, blecausi@aol.com*

The League's Interest Groups are an extraordinary way for members to meet and to share their enthusiasm for a common interest. Members may contact the Group Leaders to learn more.

" NEW INTEREST GROUPS AND INTEREST GROUP LEADERS WANTED "

**The Pelican Bay Women's League
is an all-volunteer organization of women residents of Pelican Bay.**

Events and Interest Groups are created, organized and executed by our members. We're always looking for members who would like to become more involved and offer their creative interests and talents to our members. It's a fun way to get to know the amazing Women of Pelican Bay and become part of our creative team!

We know there are many talented women in our group with a wide variety of interests in Pelican Bay. We would greatly appreciate having volunteers to share their interests and skills with other members in smaller venues. It's a wonderful way to get to make new friends and get connected in Pelican Bay!

If you have a craft to share or expertise in subjects like social media, languages, the environment, gourmet cooking, games, etc. Perhaps you would just like to meet other ladies for happy hours or a walk or a game of golf. Please contact our Interest Group Coordinator, Blanche LeCausi at 631-338-1912, blecausi@aol.com.

AT HOME COFFEE *Suzanne Rioux, suerioux@gmail.com, (207) 752-3305,
Shirley Linton, linton@cottagecountry.net, (239) 592-5336*

A huge "Thank You" to Debra McKay from Oakmont for hosting us in her lovely home for the February Coffee!! We are most grateful to you, Debra!

Our March At-Home Coffee is scheduled for: Wednesday, March 18th at 10:00AM. Our hostess will be Lyn Williams in her home in Laurel Oaks. We'd love to have you join us!

Reservations can be made by contacting Suzanne or Shirley. Space is limited so call right away if you want to be added to the list. Directions and information will be given when we reconfirm the week before the event. We meet monthly for coffee and conversation in the home of a League member. After a bit of socializing, we introduce ourselves and take two minutes each to talk about the pre-chosen "topic-of-the-day." What makes it interesting is that everyone has a different personal story or anecdote to share. This coffee is open to all League Members. Those who attend often return because they enjoy it so much. It's a great way to really get to know one another!

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**BAY WIDOWS** *Donna Owen, 239-594-1106, [DonnaOwen5800@gmail.com](mailto:DonnaOwen5800@gmail.com). MEMBERS ONLY*

**We are an active group of Pelican Bay widows with a required membership in the Pelican Bay Women's League.** We meet from November through May on the first Tuesday of each month at 4PM at the Pelican Bay Community Center where activities for the month are discussed. Meetings are followed by an optional dinner. New members are always welcome.

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BOOK GROUP *Marie Sweeney, mariesweeney@comcast.net; Brenda Berman, brendaberman@hotmail.com
MEMBERS ONLY*

The Pelican Bay Women's League Book Club meets the second Thursday of each month at the Community Center, 1:00-3:00 p.m. We have varied interests and enjoy a variety of book selections. The Club is open to all Pelican Bay Women's League members. PBWL members do not have to "join" the Book Club, just attend our monthly spirited book discussions when you can.

The remaining book selections for the 2014-2015 Season are:

- Mar 12 *Lessons in French* by Hilary Reyl (352 pp) –Introduced by Holly Towles and Reviewed by the author
 - Apr 9 *Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens - Reviewed by Jill Plaza
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BRIDGE, LADIES TUESDAY *Mary Keenan, 239-598-2530; Carolyn Reich, 239-566-9487*

Ladies Tuesday Bridge is open to members of the PBWL who are advanced beginners to intermediate bridge players and like playing in a friendly environment. No reservations necessary. Just come and enjoy good bridge and great people! Warm-up at 12:30PM. Game begins at 1PM until 3PM.

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**BRIDGE, ROUND ROBIN** *Phyllis Payne, 594-5987; Ruth Campbell, 529-1049, [dwcrcb777@aol.com](mailto:dwcrcb777@aol.com)  
MEMBERS ONLY*

Make plans to attend our End of Season- Awards Luncheon on April 10th at the Club Pelican Bay at 12 noon. The price of the buffet is \$23.25. Please send your check to Phyllis Payne made payable to her by April 3rd. Her address is 7693 Pebble Creek Circle #202. All scores have to be received by Ruth on the same April 3rd date. Don't forget to bring \$5. to the luncheon to sign up for next year. Hope to see all of you then.

Congratulations to our January high scoring team of Nancy Mackson and Judy Johansen.

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CANASTA NEW! *Gloria Klaustermeier, 513-9076; Eleanor Brown, 598-3769 MEMBERS ONLY*

We will be playing a form of Canasta known as "Hand and Foot" and we have directions for those of you who do not yet know how to play it. It is very similar to the various forms of Canasta that many of us played when we were kids.

We will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, 1 – 4PM in a public room at St Laurent condominium. Gloria or Eleanor would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

CULINARY ARTS *Carole Pfeifer, carole@darconte.com; Geri Moser Cohen, moco12@comcast.net; Angela Novarro ranovarro@verizon.net*

- March 25, 2015-CAPITAL GRILL **SOLD OUT!** **NO MORE CHECKS ARE BEING ACCEPTED.**
- April 1, 2015--REAL SEAFOOD **SOLD OUT!**

Confirmations will be send to participants, along with details on times and dates.
We thank you for your continued support.

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**GLOBE-TROTTERS** *Judie Stratton, 596-8322, [judiestratton@yahoo.com](mailto:judiestratton@yahoo.com); Diana Abbasy, 514-4949, [dmabbasy@gmail.com](mailto:dmabbasy@gmail.com)* MEMBERS ONLY

Our next meeting of the Globe-Trotters will be Wednesday, March 11 at the Community Center from 9:30-11:30. Our speaker will be Mary Elizabeth Beadle who will discuss her travels during the 1960s living in Germany and Mexico as an exchange student and then as a mother of a one year old living in Japan. She has also had a very interesting and varied career in the states and has traveled widely.

Please join us for this special presentation. All PBWL members are welcome to attend.

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HAPPY "Ds" *Judy Lindstrom, 596-2346, jlinds1005@aol.com*

We are a divorced woman's group finding positive experiences. On Sunday, March 1, we will go to The Wine Loft in Mercato at 11:30 for a jazz brunch. The cost will be approximately \$20 and we will have separate checks. **RSVP to Judy Lindstrom by 2/24 if you can attend.**

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**HERBS AND GARDENS** *Kathy Cambria, 734-355-5905, [kcambria@yahoo.com](mailto:kcambria@yahoo.com)* MEMBERS ONLY

We meet FIVE times each year on the FIRST Monday of the months of November through April, EXCLUDING January. We share in learning about and enjoying gardening, the ecology of Southwest Florida and the use of herbs. Each educational meeting or "field trip" is followed by a luncheon to promote friendship among members and to discuss the morning's experience. At the end of each season members begin to brainstorm the following year and form committees of five to six members who choose from the "brainstorm" list and plan the experiences and make luncheon arrangements. We welcome new members!

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HERB STUDY GROUP *Susan Skehan, gradygrit@aol.com, 594-1424* MEMBERS ONLY

We had a wonderful time with aloe and oregano in January. Our next meeting, on Monday, February 23, will probably be one of the most popular of the season. The topic of the day will be the Allium Family, which includes garlic, chives, leeks, onions and shallots. On Monday, March 23 we will discuss Bay and Berries. Please call Susan for more information.

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**LUNCH & LEARN** *Barbara Wall, 254-1856, [barbara.wall@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.wall@gmail.com)* MEMBERS ONLY

**TOUR OF CORKSCREW SANCTUARY; Wednesday, March 4; 9AM Departure; \$35**

Many thanks to all who participated in Lunch and Learn this season. We are working on "adventures" for next year and would be happy to hear from you if there is a place/event you have been to and think our group would enjoy it. Just email me any suggestions. Enjoy the rest of "season" and keep learning!

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MAH JONGG *Arlene Subin, 593-6874, Insoup@comcast.net; Diane Hahn, 593-4246, DianeChahn@aol.com* MEMBERS ONLY

To all experienced Mah Jongg players: *Exercise your brain and have fun doing it!*
Join us each Friday from 1-4PM, all year long, at the Pelican Bay Community Center.

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**MAH JONGG, BEGINNER'S** *Jean Turk, 594-0292, [jeanturk05@gmail.com](mailto:jeanturk05@gmail.com); Joy Carren, 596-0952, [joycarren@comcast.net](mailto:joycarren@comcast.net) MEMBERS ONLY*

Tuesday Mah Jongg is for beginners who know how to play and want to continue learning in a slow paced, relaxed setting. We meet year around at the Community Center on Tuesday from 1-4 PM. Due to the overwhelming response, we have a long wait list for lessons. 2015 Jan., Feb., and March classes are filled. We may have an opening for April 2015. Those who are interested and want to sign up early for lessons next season, please contact us and let us know which months you are available along with your phone number and e mail address.

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MAH JONGG, INTERMEDIATE *Diane Johnston, 591-3141, dianejohnston9@aol.com; Radhika Sekar, 431-5186, radhikaskasr@rogers.com MEMBERS ONLY*

Thursday Mah Jongg welcomes all new intermediate players. Some players are still learning the game and we want to make them feel comfortable playing with us. We play year-round at the Community Center, every Thursday from 1 – 4PM. Please join us for a fun, casual game. Our only requirement is to be patient with our new players and help them enjoy the game.

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**PLAY READERS** *Julie Gilman, [gilman\\_julie@yahoo.com](mailto:gilman_julie@yahoo.com), 254-9997; Ellen Norbom, [norbom@comcast.net](mailto:norbom@comcast.net), 566-8682 MEMBERS ONLY*

The Play Readers have started their first Act but more cast members are always welcomed. Join us every other Thursday at 2:00 at the Pebble Creek Club house. Have fun reading different parts of plays. Future dates January 29, February 12 and 26, March 12 and 26.

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WINE EDUCATION *Kathy Mahoney, 592-1994, KTM140@aol.com MEMBERS ONLY*

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Wine Education programs have been cancelled for the rest of the 2014-2015 Season. We look forward to more programs in the 2015-2016 Season.

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**WOMEN OF WATERCOLOR** *Pat Mullen, 514-1498, [mullenp50@yahoo.com](mailto:mullenp50@yahoo.com) MEMBERS ONLY*

A reminder to all artists to send in their PB Art show entry form and fee to Gwen at the Community Center.



## **ANNUAL ART SHOW**

**The Community's favorite art show will be held March 6, 7 & 8, 2015. Sponsored by the PBWL & PBF, the show is open to all Pelican Bay residents. Entry forms will be available in the PB Post & from Gwen in Jan. We look forward to another exciting show!**

**All PB members are welcome to join the artists at the Opening Wine & Cheese reception, Friday, March 6, 5-7PM.**

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**WRITERS WORKSHOP** *Susan Westley, 594-7446, [westley.su@gmail.com](mailto:westley.su@gmail.com);*

*Shirley Linton, 592-5336, [linton@cottagecountry.net](mailto:linton@cottagecountry.net) MEMBERS ONLY*

If you have always wanted to write, now is the time to start! Join our Writers Group and meet women who write poetry, memoirs, short stories and novels. We work to help each other hone our craft. We gather to bring our work for critique and to cheer each other on to publication if that is a member's goal. Meetings are scheduled at the Community Center every other Tuesday from November through April.

If you would like to join, please contact Susan or Shirley.



# **PELICAN BAY WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

## **2014 – 2015 Activities' Calendar**

*Look for more details elsewhere in this newsletter. Please check monthly for updates.*

### **2015**

#### **March**

- 2 (Mon) Women's Speaker Series Mary Conley, MD "A Woman's Heart is Different"  
6-8 (Fri-Sun) PBWL/PFB Art Show  
9 (Mon) Women's Speaker Series Judge Ellen M. Heller "Drugs and the Courts: An Alternative to Incarceration"  
10 (Tues) Quail Creek - *Maire Peters*, Clans of Ireland business, Editor of the Butcher's Journal at the Irish Meat Marketing Board and for the Chairman of Gael Linn.  
16 (Mon) Women's Speaker Series Margaret Manda "PAWS Assistance Dogs"  
23 (Mon) Women's Speaker Series Deb McKay "Overview of Continuing Care Retirement Communities"  
24 (Tues) Songbirds concert - 4:30PM  
25 (Wed) Artis-Naples - *Dessert Reception* followed by Broadway revival of *Pippin*.

#### **April**

- 7-9 (Tu-Th) Excursion to St. Augustine with stop in Winter Park, Morse/Tiffany Museum  
8 (Wed) Audubon; *Annual Meeting*, Suzi Weinert, author of the books "Garage Sale Mysteries."

#### **May**

- 6 (Wed) Tiburon - ABG World DVD on Naples and on the Russian Ice Skaters at the Olympics choreographed by Alex and Marina.

#### **August**

- 12 (Wed) Barefoot Beach

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH GROUPS

Open to all women residents of Pelican Bay.

Please check your newsletter for more details.

**Women's Speaker Series** - every Monday afternoon, January – March

**Songbirds** – every Thursday morning, November - April

**PB Kneedlers** - every Thursday, 10AM (donations of yarn or checks gratefully accepted)

**PBWL/PBF Art Show** – March 6-8, 2015

## INTEREST GROUPS

GROUP PARTICIPATION IS FOR *MEMBERS ONLY*

Please check your newsletter for more details.

**At-Home Coffees** - meets monthly on Wed. mornings

**Bay Widows** - 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, monthly, Nov-May, 4PM

**Book Club** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, monthly, Nov-April, 1 – 3PM

**Bridge, Ladies Tuesday** – Tuesday, Community Center, 1 – 4PM

**Bridge, Round Robin** - Begins in Nov.

**Canasta** – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, 1 - 4PM, St. Laurent Public Room

**Culinary Arts** – Cooking Demonstrations at various restaurants; Wednesdays; Dec.3; Jan. 21;  
Feb 18; March 25; April 1

**D Wine and Whine** – new group, first meeting in Jan. Date TBA

**Globetrotters** - various Weds., once per month, Jan. – April.

**Herbs & Gardens** – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Nov., Dec., Feb. - April

**Herb Study** – various Mondays, Nov., Jan., Feb., Mar., April

**Lunch & Learn** – Nov. 19; Jan. 9; March 4

**Mah Jongg, Beginners** – Tuesdays, 1 – 4PM, year round, Community Center

**Mah Jongg, Intermediate** –Thursdays, year round, 1 – 4PM, Community Center

**Mah Jongg, Experienced** – Fridays, year round, 1 – 4PM, Community Center

**Play Reading** – Thurs., Bi-weekly, 2 - 4PM, Pebble Creek Clubhouse

**Wine Education** – All remaining events cancelled. Hope to see you all in the 2015-2016 Season!

**Women of Watercolor** – Jan. – March; various classes Thurs. and Fri.

**Writers' Workshop** – dates during season announced in newsletter

**Red Sox, Spring Training** – April 1, 2015

# HOUSEKEEPING NOTES

**2014 – 2015 DIRECTORY:** *Joanne Smith 598-465, [lousjo2@gmail.com](mailto:lousjo2@gmail.com).* The 2014-15 Directory inserts were mailed in October. The inserts were mailed to the address that was designated as your place of residence in the month of October. Due to the prohibitive cost, inserts will not be mailed to members living outside of the United States. These inserts, as well as binders and tabbed dividers for new members are available for pickup. Please call Joanne Smith for pickup information.

**FROM THE EDITOR, DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES:** *Gloria Eggert, 978-502-2870, [gloria@eggert.com](mailto:gloria@eggert.com)*  
Please submit **April, 2015** newsletter articles no later than **March 10, 2014** to Gloria Eggert, [gloria@eggert.com](mailto:gloria@eggert.com) or 10521 Carena Circle, Ft. Myers, FL, 33913.

**All articles must be submitted in writing.**

**SUNSHINE PERSON:** *Susan Westley, 594-7446. [westley.su@comcast.net](mailto:westley.su@comcast.net)*

Please notify Susan of the hospitalization or death of any member or a member's family so that an appropriate card can be sent.

**FROM THE TREASURER:** Please send all Vouchers, with receipts, to *PBWL, Attn: Marjorie Canning, Finance Chair; 780 Bentwater Circle, #204; Breakwater; Naples FL 34108.* Please be sure to include all receipts. Thank you.

**RESERVATIONS:** All checks should be made payable to PBWL unless otherwise directed and should be mailed to arrive in the League P.O. Box **no later than one week prior to the event.** Please include your local phone number, the event and date of event on each check. Please mail checks to: **PBWL, c/o Reservations, PMB #139; P.O. BOX 413005; NAPLES FL. 34101-3005.**

**Please note the name of the event on the outside of the envelope. Receipt of check is a firm reservation. No refunds after the deadline date and no payment can be accepted at the door.**

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