



Apollo Beach Woman's Club

Hibiscus Newsletter



President's Fall Message 2019

Hi Ladies,

Being a member of Apollo Beach Woman's Club and participating in its activities has enormous rewards! We share our passion with others who have the same enthusiasm. We learn exciting new things and make new and lasting friendships. We accomplish good deeds and strengthen our community. Apollo Beach Woman's Club is already off to a great year!

Our first luncheon was held on Sept. 11th. Thank you to Katherine, who presided over the business meeting, while I was on vacation. We had 85 members and guests attend. I hope everyone enjoyed hearing from Jim Williams, VP of Goodwill Industries, who spoke on how Goodwill serves our community. Please visit the Goodwill Store on Big Bend, just north of 301. You never know what treasures you may find!

We have many great fundraisers and events planned for this year. Please check out our Save the Date page.

We will also be celebrating our 60th Anniversary for Apollo Beach Woman's Club with a special luncheon on Sunday, Feb. 16th, 2020.

More information on all the fundraisers and events will be announced at the monthly luncheons.

Our monthly luncheons are held at Apollo's Bistro. No one likes change but sometimes we need to change to fit our accommodations. Every member at-

tending our monthly luncheons has been requested to park in the back grassy lot unless you are using a wheelchair, walker or cane. We have between 85-130 who regularly attend our luncheons. But restaurant patrons need a parking space also. So, in order to alleviate any parking problems for Apollo's Bistro, please park in the grassy lot. It is a shorter distance to the event doors and you will have more time to check in with Hospitality and talk with your friends! Thanks for abiding with this request.

As you look over this newsletter, please notice the business ads. Jeanette has worked hard to secure their donation and it would be great if you would patronize their businesses as you shop and be sure to thank them for advertising with us.

I challenge all of you to bring a guest to our monthly luncheons. Tell them about the interesting programs that Beverley has scheduled, the great food Apollo's Bistro offers and of course the wonderful lasting friendship they will have by joining our group!

Looking forward to seeing you and meeting your guests at our next meeting Wednesday, October 9th, 2019!

Hugs,

Claudia Gasset
President

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Friendship is a horizon which
Expands whenever
We approach it



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- ❧ **October to November, 2019, Bakeless Bake Sale**
- ❧ **December 11, 2019: Lap Quilt Raffle:** At the December luncheon at Southshore Falls.
- ❧ **January 18, 2020, Paint Party:** At Apollo Beach Park & Recreation Center. The teacher is from Thompson Elementary School. This is the 3rd year we are holding this event.
- ❧ **February 16, 2020, 60th Anniversary Luncheon:** At Southshore Falls.
- ❧ **March 15, 2020, Mystery Luncheon/Silent Auction:** The 3rd annual event. The play is entitled "Lethal Luau", and it will be held at Southshore Falls.
- ❧ **April 19 to 24, 2020, Bus Tour:** To the Biltmore Estate and Asheville, NC.

All events are fundraisers except for the Anniversary Luncheon.

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Fundraiser: Bakeless Bake Sale

LADIES,

With our fall agenda approaching we have:

A bit of news we have today...

A BAKELESS BAKE SALE is on the way.

In these busy days, who wants to bake,

A pie or cookies or even a cake.

You'd be surprised if you counted the cost,
Of ingredients, heat, and the time you've lost.

Baking for sales is extra work.

Yet nobody really wants to shirk.

So we've thought of a plan that's really grand,
And feel quite sure you'll understand.
In the box on the table please include the price...
Of a pie or cake or anything nice.

Without fuss or bother, you've done your part.
We hope you'll give with a willing heart.
Wishing success for our **BAKELESS BAKE SALE**,
This is the end of our little tale.

-Author unknown



Thank you from the bake sale committee.

Barbara Lamneck 813-641-7469

Sonja Davidson

If you cannot attend the October or November
meetings please send your donation to

Barbara Lamneck

807 Flamingo Dr

Apollo Beach, FL 33572



Fundraiser: Bus Trip

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 - ◆ 5 nights lodging including 3 consecutive nights in the Asheville area
 - ◆ 8 meals: 5 breakfasts and 3 dinners
 - ◆ GUIDED TOUR OF ASHEVILLE, NC
 - ◆ Full day visit to the BILTMORE ESTATE
 - ◆ GUIDED Drive along the Blue Ridge Parkway
 - ◆ Visit to the famous FOLK ART CENTER
 - ◆ Visit to the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center
 - ◆ and much more

\$556 *

6 DAYS 5 NIGHTS

PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

(Sun - Fri)

April

19 - 24, 2020

Departure: Winn Dixie Parking Lot, 6180 US-41, Apollo Beach, FL @ 8 am

Day 1: Depart your group's location in a spacious, video and restroom equipped motorcoach as you head for your destination: beautiful Asheville, North Carolina, nestled among the Blue Ridge Mountains! Tonight, check into an en route hotel for a good night's rest.

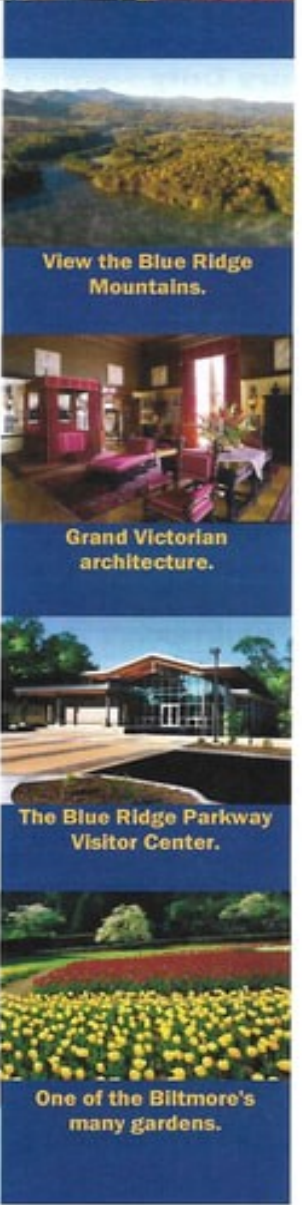
Day 2: Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will continue towards your destination. Tonight, you'll enjoy Dinner before checking into your Asheville area hotel.

Day 3: Begin the day by enjoying a Continental Breakfast, before departing for a visit to the spectacular BILTMORE ESTATE, America's largest privately owned home. Your visit will include experiencing the Biltmore House and Gardens. You will also visit the new Antler Village and Winery. This is Biltmore's new village that connects the estate's present and past, providing a relaxing place for dining, shopping, historical exhibits, and new ways to experience Biltmore's hospitality. This is a "must see" destination in America. Later, you'll enjoy Dinner with entertainment before returning to your hotel for the night.

Day 4: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before departing for a GUIDED TOUR OF ASHEVILLE. Downtown Asheville features more Art Deco architecture than any other southern city outside of Miami Beach. You will also see the magnificent ST. LAWRENCE BASILICA. This afternoon, you will go with your guide for a drive on the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway, America's most visited National Park unit and known as "America's favorite drive". You will visit the Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center and see "The Blue Ridge Parkway - America's Favorite Journey", a 24-minute film shown in High Definition surround sound and using breathtaking aerial photography. Later, you will visit the famous FOLK ART CENTER. This evening, you will enjoy Dinner before returning to your hotel to relax and recall the highlights of the day.

Day 5: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before leaving for the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum in Atlanta, GA. This evening, relax at your en route hotel.

Day 6: Today after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you depart for home... A perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the spectacular sights you've seen and where your next group trip will take you!



View the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Grand Victorian architecture.

The Blue Ridge Parkway Visitor Center.

One of the Biltmore's many gardens.

ADD PEACE OF MIND TO YOUR TRIP...
 With Diamond Tours Exclusive Travel ConfidentSM Protection Plan if you have to unexpectedly cancel or cut your plans short. See back for details...

\$75 Due Upon Signing. *Price per person, based on double occupancy. Add \$164 for single occupancy. Final Payment Due: 2/12/2020

FOR INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS CONTACT:
Peggy Palmeri @ (586) 255-5958



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New Chair: Sharon Vasquez

2019 Scholarship Recipients



Apollo Beach Woman's Club awarded \$15,000 in total college scholarships to 10 recipients during the May 2019 luncheon at the Apollo's Bistro Restaurant.

Recipients: top row L-R: Jordan Rutherford, James-Patrick Green, Savannah Rogers, Trinity Rosado and Alex Henry. 2nd row L-R: Macy Gardner, Madison Corr, Catalina Street, Ani Hoyt and Oluwatobi Onalaja (Toby). **Adults:** (far back row) L-R **ABWC member special scholarship donor:** Eileen Sengstock; **ABWC Scholarship Committee members:** Brenda Fricks, Sharon Vasquez, Pat Wilson and Dr. Brenda Harwood; (left front): **ABWC Scholarship Committee members:** Jeanette Doyle, ABWC Scholarship Chair and Katherine Cintron, ABWC President; (right front) **College and Career Counselors:** Mia Felix - East Bay and Miriam King - Lennard High Schools.

Absent from photo: Catherine Goodrich-Gusler (ABWC special scholarship donor). Bell Creek Academy (Charter School) no representative.

The scholarship funds were disbursed to the respective schools on July 1.

Madison Corr, Lennard H.S., \$1,500, Florida Southern University

Alexis Henry, East Bay H.S., \$1,500, University of South Florida

Ani Hoyte, East Bay H.S., \$1,500, University of South Florida

Macy Gardner, Lennard H.S., \$700, Tallahassee Community College

James Patrick Greene, Bell Creek Academy, \$1,500, University of South Florida

Oluwatobi Onalaja, East Bay H.S., \$1,500, University of South Florida

Savannah Rogers, Lennard H.S., \$1,500, University of Central Florida

Trinity Rosado, East Bay H.S., \$1,500, University of Central Florida

Jordan Curtis Rutherford, Lennard H.S., \$1,500, Warner University

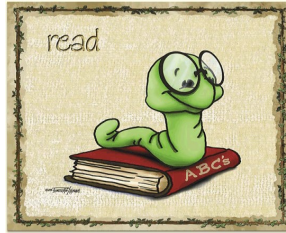
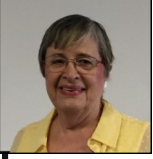
Catalina Street, East Bay H.S., \$700, Hillsborough Community College

Thank you to Catherine Goodrich-Gusler and Eileen Sengstock of the Apollo Beach Woman's Club for their generous donations to the Scholarship Fund.

Thank you to all our members who worked so hard to raise money for these very worthy recipients. You are making a difference in these students' future!

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BOOK CLUB



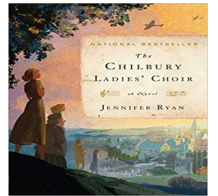
Chair: Sandy Dillmuth

Chair: Cyd Charrow

ABWC Book Club kicked off the reading year with a book chat and luncheon at the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City. Members shared their memorable summer reads.

The October read is The Chilbury Ladies' Choir by Jennifer Ryan.

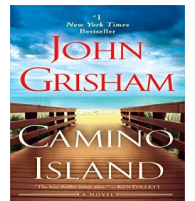
It tells the stories of women finding courage and camaraderie through the chaos of war. Rather than close down the village choir due to the lack of male voices (they all had gone off to fight in WWII), the women bond together to face the trials of being on the home front of a small British village.



Jeanette Doyle is hostess.

In November we will tackle a John Grisham read, Camino Island.

There's trouble in paradise as only John Grisham can deliver. In this case paradise is located in our state of Florida.



Ginny Burrow is hostess.

Books are reserved at the Ruskin Library when
they are available.

**The ABWC Book Club meets the 4th Thursday of
the month at the home of the hostess at 10:00 am.
Adjustments are made for the holidays.**

Reservations made to Sandra Dillmuth or the host-
ess of the month.



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Chair: Sharron Brunk

BRIDGE AND OTHER GAMES CLUB 



Our Bridge and Games Group met throughout the summer with reduced numbers, playing Bridge and Hand and Foot. We are looking forward to having more returning members available in October to join in our games. Plans are to continue offering Bridge, Rummikub, and Hand and Foot. There will be the option of other board games if 3 or more agree. Switching has been fun (although our bridge people are pretty much constant). We could offer Mahjonn or possibly Scrabble in the future.



Plan on playing the fourth Monday, October 28 and in November, we will let members choose whether to play a week early November 18 or November 25 during Thanksgiving week. **Time is 9:30 am until about noon.** You are welcome to stay for lunch (on your own order from the café menu) if there are 2 or more interested.



We play at the Apollo Beach Golf Club Café located at 801 Golf and Sea Blvd.



Regular members are contacted by email and phone to make reservations so that we have sufficient numbers for bridge or any other games offered.

Please call Sharron Brunk at 813-672-3553 or email at sharbrunk@aol.com. Spouses are welcome if so desired.





CULTURE CLUB

Chair: Carol Kock

October 15, 2019
Imagine Museum at St. Petersburg

Imagine Museum's collection presents major works of American art created by founding, leading, current and emerging artists working in the field of studio glass.

Deadline to sign up is Thursday October 10.

Contact **Carol Kock (440-667-9501)**



Images from the Imagine
Museum website

GARDEN AND CRAFT CLUB

November Events

Chair: Sara Dottellis

Chair: Gloria Brown

Tuesday November 5th

We are making 4 No-Sew fleece Blankets as door prizes

For our December visit to a local Nursing home.

We will also be making Pine Cone Christmas ornaments.

Hosted by Sara & Gloria

10:00 - 1:00

Light snacks to be served.

Location: 11709 Summer Springs Drive Riverview

Cost: \$5.00 or less depending on how many ladies sign up.



Monday November 18, 2019

Ringling Brothers Museum and Garden Tour

5401 Bay shore road Sarasota

Free admission to the Museum of Art, Opens at 10:00

A Docent tour of the Circus Museum 12 Noon \$23.00

A self- guided tour of the Ringlings Winter Home

Ringlings Bayfront Gardens and Mable's Rose Garden

Cost: 20 or more required for Group rate of \$20.00

Meeting at 9:00 AM Publix US 41 & 19th Ave

Lunch: Muse at the Ringling



Photo of Bayfront Gardens Museum website

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Chair: Beverly Fletchall

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Chair: Marcia Ward

Apollo Beach Woman's Club Community Service furnished nurses' stations with supplies at three elementary schools, Doby, Ruskin, and Summerfield in September that the county does not furnish but are badly needed by the nurses.

We will continue to help during the school year.

Every month we will continue do a project to help people in need in our community.



Beverly Fletchall, Community Service





Liz Pedersen

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Our membership total is 131.

We have 3 new members and 5 rejoins for you to add to your handbook. If you have not received your handbook, I will be bringing them to the next luncheons. Please let me know if you have any changes or corrections for my records.

NEW MEMBERS!!

Drizd, Ann
(619) 358-0793

McPherson, MaryLou
(813) 992-6999

DeLorenzo, Debbie
(781) 690-6118

CORRECTIONS!!

Address: Sandy Memoli

Suzanne Ensslin: Year Joined 2018
Jeannett Doyle: Jeanette Doyle

REJOINS

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Ottinger, Colleen
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Prager, Betty
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Rivera, Millie
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Sunshine Committee



Chair: Sonja Davidson



Get Well Cards Sent to:

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Gloria Brown

Adrienne Covais

Texie Davis

Beverly Fletchall

Fay Lively

Seel Lundy

Pat McChesney

Grace McKee

Sandy Memoli

Betty Michelfelder

Judy Peck

Jennifer Stendahl

Marcia Ward

Kay Westerman

Marie Wiegmann

Thinking of you card went to: Linda Benz

Betty Michelfelder passed away, a sympathy card was sent to her family

Remember, anyone that is sick, or in need of a card, please call me at (813) 690-6479

Happy birthday to All.

"The only way to have a friend is to be a friend"

Thank you!

Sonja



October:

Ginny Burrow
Katherine Cintron
Georgana Collins
Connie Craig
Rebecca Crotwell
Dianne Dappen
Sandy Dobratz
Joan Kelly
Marilyn Kristoff
Seel Lundy
Carol Newcomb
Lynn Swinscoe
Sharon Vasquez
Lori Winkelman

November:

Barbara Allaert
Deanna Anest
Kathie Baryza
Jill Besch
Beverley Brooks
JoAnn Gounaud
Jutta Heitmann
Lucita Marx
Sandy Memoli
Barbara Rosenblum
Lesley Widger
Jackie Willis
Dawn Woodward
Norma Woodward



December:

Stephanie Betz
Kathy Campbell
Judy Conn
Sara Dottellis
Jeannette Doyle
Juanita Hansen
Tonda Parrish
Lucy Rafalik
Kate Winch

PROGRAMS



Beverley Brooks

Welcome back to another year at ABWC as we celebrate our 60th year. We started off our programs this year by welcoming Jim Williams from Goodwill. He did not disappoint providing us with information of all the events and programs provided by Goodwill. I hope the coming programs will be enjoyed as much.

October brings us Debbie Van Ore who will be educating us on who "100 Women Who Care" are, and what they do. I am looking forward to her presentation.

In November SGT. Theodore James Van Aulen Jr. will give us the interesting and exciting history of using "War Dogs" in Vietnam.



Photo taken at the Sept 11th ABWC luncheon: L-R Beverley Brooks, 1st VP of ABWC Programs; Jim Williams, VP of Goodwill Industries; and ABWC members Jill Besch and Lori Winkelman, who volunteer as school readers and deliver gently used books to children in local schools as part of a Goodwill service.

There will be more interesting programs in the coming months.

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LUNCHEON MENUS

Apollo's Bistro, Apollo Beach

October 9, 2019:

*Hawaiian Chicken Salad with Chips or
Blue Cheese Walnut Salad with Bread
Lemon Cake or Fruit*

November 13, 2019.

*Roasted Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans or
Roasted Red Pepper Caesar Salad with Bread
Carrot Cake or Fruit*

Full menu descriptions will be included in the reservation email or from your caller if you do not have email. The cost is \$18.00 for all lunches, \$20.00 for December only.

All menus include coffee, ice tea and ice water.

Cocktails or soda may be purchased individually before the meetings at the bar.

As an alternative to the Chef's Choice Meal, you may choose the salad listed for the month.

Your order must be placed by the Friday prior to the luncheon.

A box is provided at the check-in table if you wish to pay ahead.

**For more information please call Sharon Vasquez
3rd Vice President of Membership Meetings.**

sharonlvasquez@verizon.net

Phone: 813-641-7856

October 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Board Mtg	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Luncheon	11	12
13	14	15 Culture	16	17	18	19
20	21 Bridge & Other Games	22	23	24 Book Club	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

November 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5 Garden & Craft Club Event	6 Board Mtg	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Luncheon	14	15	16
17	18 Garden & Craft Club Event	19	20	21 Book Club	22	23
24	25 Bridge & Other Games	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30

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