

Seven Scholarships Presented at May Meeting



L-R: Eliette Casimir, FREF winner; BCREA Scholarship winners Kelly Benavides, Samantha Puglosi, Taylor Mack, Alyssia Celestin, Tyra Philpart, Tawana Jerome; and 5th Grade Literacy Winner Angelina Orlando.

October 2 Meeting

Time: 11:45

Place: Deicke Auditorium

Address: 5701 Cypress Road
Plantation

(1 block off Broward at Royal Palm)

Program: Jan Goodheart - What's new at the
Broward Center for Performing Arts?



Bring to meeting:

Potluck Dish to Share
Your Volunteer hours
Books for the VA patients
Used eyeglasses
Aluminum pull-tabs
Box tops for Education
Coupons for our troops
Blankies & Pillows

New or gently used kids' books
Book for Book Exchange



Margarite Installs Diane Texter President for 2014 - 2015



2014-2015 BCREA Officers:
L-R Treasurer Marelise LeClerc, Secretary Josephine Walker;
President-Elect Echo Heyer; President Diane Texter and District
10 Director Margarite Falconer who was the installing officer.

Happy Halloween

President's Corner

It's time for BCREA to get TOGETHER on the first Thursday of each month, (except for January which will be the 2nd Thursday.)

As the president I realize that no one can do everything, but if we work together, we can accomplish much

TOGETHER:

We will welcome new members,

We will greet present members and friends.

We will keep track of our volunteer hours.

We will support one another

We will learn from speakers and enjoy entertainment.

We will let the public know we are a strong organization.

We will work to encourage high school students to become teachers.

Most importantly, we will enjoy delicious pot luck lunches!

Let's see what we can accomplish this year and let's do it TOGETHER!

Diane



President-Elect's Corner

Welcome back to Broward Retired Educators. We have a good and diverse season of programs planned. I received good suggestions for speakers from our members.

Our speaker for October second will be **Jan Goodheart**, the Vice President of External Affairs for the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. **Susan Lochrie** gave me Jan's name as a very interesting speaker.

Jan will talk about The great changes coming to the Performing Arts. There is new building going on and as always wonderful new productions being planned.

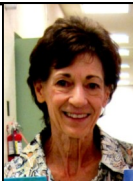
Missy Belsito gave me the name of our November speaker. She is **Dianne Guidry** from the Nature Scape Program. Dianne was so interesting to speak to and I thank Missy for suggesting her.

Our membership is made up of people of varied interests who bring their experiences to the group. Educators bring so much to the table in their travels, interests, and wonderful backgrounds. This year we hope to get to know each other better through our programs. *Echo*



Literacy

Chairman: **Sandy Lefkowitz**
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The Let's kick off this year with a focus on the Margaret Poppell Fifth Grade Literacy Contest. Margaret Poppell devoted her life bringing literacy to youth, and she sadly passed last year. Her legacy lives on through the essay contest. At the October meeting there will be posters and essay guidelines that can be distributed to fifth grade teachers. Remember that the essay

does not have to be a school or class assignment.

Children can choose to write and enter the contest independently. Please pledge to take information to one school and encourage fifth grade teachers to support the contest.

Let's get an early start and spread the word.

Sandy

Save the date:

Wednesday, October 15th: District 10 Workshop
BCREA is the host group this year for the District 10 Workshop at John Knox Village.

Registration and continental breakfast are from 8:30 to 9 and lunch is included in the registration cost. For registration/cost please contact Margarite or Marelise before October 3.

Wanted:

Gift Baskets, Prizes, and Store/Restaurant Gift Cards
At the District 10 meeting on Wednesday, October 15, we will be raising money for Florida Retired Educators Foundation (FREF) scholarships for future Florida teachers. BCREA members are asked to donate gift baskets, prizes and/or store and restaurant gift cards for this fundraiser. Bring your contributions to the Thursday, October 2 meeting of BCREA or call FREF Trustee, Anne French (954-561-1719), to arrange for pick up.

Social Committee

Chairman: Sallie Sherwood
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Welcome, Welcome here we go again, back to our goody table to feast on everything. For those who have not been to a meeting before, you should prepare your palate for sumptuous treats galore. For those past members and for those who are new, here are a few reminders for you to review. When you enter the room, please place your food on the back table or hand your item to one of the committee members. Please remember to bring your food "ready to serve." Unfortunately the Social Committee does not always have time before the meeting to slice, cut or plate the food. At the close of the luncheon, please remember to check the back table and pick up your containers and leftover food item ccccccccccccccccccs. If you or your family or your neighbors or your friends at work cannot use the leftover food, please help us by placing the unwanted items in the trash containers. We will provide serving utensils so you do not need to bring one from home. One

little trick that you might want to employ is to bring an extra bag so you can safely secure your dish and any surplus food and carry back to your house. We are looking forward to another fabulous year of tasty morsels and a wide variety of recipes to be shared. If you have questions or need assistance please ask one of the committee members. Along with you and your delicious cuisine, your Social Committee tries very hard to provide a nicely decorated table for the luncheon. We are always looking for helping hands, so if you'd like to volunteer for the year and be on our committee, please let one of us know:

**Michael Kogan
Sandy Lefkowitz
Madeline Martin
Rosa Parra
Julia Penley
Nancy Ruiz
Sallie Sherwood
Arline Ziller**

We look forward to seeing everyone in October at the "Fall" themed meeting. Until then stay safe and healthy.

Sallie

Membership

Chairman: Susan Lochrie
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DUES Reminder

If you haven't paid dues to FREA or BCREA in 2014- please don't wait. In order to be listed in the Membership Directory and to continue receiving the Newsletter your dues must be received by Nov. 1, 2014 Please mail \$50. for state and local dues or plan to pay at the October meeting.

Make your check payable to BCREA and mail to:

**BCREA Membership
P.O. Box 30533
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33303**

If you are not sure if your dues are current, please call or email me.

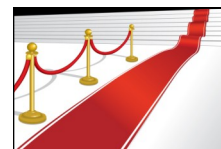
A membership form can be downloaded from the BCREA website

<http://browardrea.org>

if you need to update your information. And! Bring in three NEW members this year to WIN a \$25. Macy's gift certificate.

Susan

Welcome New Members



**Rita Amberge
Kiki Ammons
Marsha Klenetsky
Laurie Littlefield
Ilene Miller
Judy Pine
Josefina Ramos-Rivera
Susan Robbins
Marcia "Marsy" Smith
Carolyn Wilhelm**

Carol Roland Named District 10 Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to BCREA Volunteer of the Year **Carol Roland** who was selected as the District 10 Volunteer of the Year. She accrued over 800 volunteer hours in



the past year volunteering with the Department of Elder Affairs, the School Board of Broward County, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and BCREA - where she served as Cultural Affairs Chairman among other things. The announcement was made at the FREA State Assembly in St. Augustine in May.

Community Service

Chairman: Darcia Drago
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ARE YOU A VOLUNTEER? You are if you tutor, mentor, teach Sunday or vacation Bible school; serve on an advisory, condo or HOA board; help out at a hospice, hospital, nursing home or school; participate in a beach clean-up, Habitat for Humanity, Neighborhood Watch, Meals on Wheels, a civic group's project, or any BCREA project (cutting coupons, contributing to the food drive, etc.); or provide any assistance (driving to the doctor, grocery store, etc.) for anyone other than an immediate family member. These are just some examples of community service activi-

ties. Your travel time also counts. Be sure to report the volunteer hours you accumulated over the summer at our October meeting.

AT OUR NOVEMBER MEETING WE WILL COLLECT NON-PERISHABLE FOOD & GENTLY USED MEN'S CASUAL CLOTHING for LifeNet4Families. At all of our meetings we will collect used eye glasses, cell phones, manufacturer's coupons, aluminum pull tabs, "pillow & blankie" sets and "Labels for Education".

Together we can make a difference in our community. **Darcy**

Friendship

Chairman: Nancy Ruiz
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Hi Everyone,
You may or may not be aware that Friendship Chairman Nancy Ruiz has been hospitalized for about 10 months. With the help of her good friends Julia Penley and Rosa Parra she has continued to fulfill her duties of sending out birthday cards to the Birthday Club members 85 and older, get-well cards



and sympathy cards when necessary.

Julia is trying to be even more helpful by asking members to contact her at 954-830-4210 or email at jgpen581@aol.com if you

know of anyone who fits these categories. Nancy is making progress slowly and hopes to soon be out of hospital and attending meetings once again.

From the Treasurer

Marelise LeClerc
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Thank you to all who have contributed to our Scholarship Fund over the last few months. Raising money for educational scholarships is one of the primary goals of our organization. Because of your generosity, we were able to give a record six \$1000 scholarships this past year! Let us strive for that same goal this 2014-2015 year. Kudos to all who gave!

Name In Memory/Honor Of

Kathlyn Barno	Violet Dargan
Patricia Bopp	Karen Kennedy
Tom and Becky Corder	Will Hoppe
Jean Funk	Lily Diekman
Echo Heyer	Will Hoppe
Susan Lochrie	Violet Dargan
Susan Lochrie	Will Hoppe
Pat Roberts	Will Hoppe
Theodore Williams	Sarah Pettis
Linda Wright	Don Roberts

Undesignated Donations

Myken Brady	Elena Centrone
Louise Costello	Carol Creswell-Greves
Sally Creswell	Mary Lou Deering Mary
Jane Dunavant	Joyce Ferguson
Garnett Ferguson	Lucille Folsom-Mason
Ethel Gerakas	William Gilmartin
Nina Hanson	Bertilda Henderson
Luther Henderson	Lizzie Johnson
	Mildred Jones-Fuce
Irene La Belle	Calvin Lamar
Madeline Martin	Robin Reinhold
Carol Roland	Joyce Stokes
Nancy Taylor	Peggy Tingle
	Norma Van Buskirk
Etta James Warner	Mary Weber
Frances Welch	Susan Whiting

Passages



*Happy Birthday to our
Birthday Club
(members over 85!)*

Theodora Williams 10/09
Allie Mae Scott, 10/14
Dolores Thomas 10/16
Dolores Lauterberg 10/22
And turning 85...
Beverly Yates 10/05
(Ms.) Eddie Fisher 10/29

Congratulations



Al & Ruth Giles

Thinking of you....



Kathlyn Barno
Nancy Ruiz

In Memoriam



Violet Darden 5/8/2014
Ethel Pappy 5/18/2014
Will Hoppe 5/25/14
Robert Sulcer 7/6/14



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The 14-Night Transatlantic cruise for next year

Departs April 27, 2015

arriving in Barcelona May 11 sails from Port Everglades to Ponta Delgada, Azores; Lisbon, Portugal; Seville, Spain; Malaga, Spain; Alicantel, Spain; Barcelona, Spain on **the Celebrity Equinox.**

The all inclusive balcony price includes the return air from Barcelona.

The best seats on United are filling up fast for the return flight and it is important that you reserve your stateroom ASAP.

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Information Services

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Yippee hi, ho! Saddle up your horsy and get ready for another exciting year with BCREA. A hearty welcome back to all of you who were here before. We hope you had a wonderful, healthy and exciting summer. To our new members we give you a big embrace and a hearty welcome. We are truly happy that you are here.

As in years passed, the committee on Information Services will be here to inform you of some pertinent subject which we hope will tweak your interest. If we don't seem to touch on something you think may be of interest to the group,

then how about talking to one of the members of this committee and we will be glad to publicize that item. Members of the committee are:

Kathlyn Barno, Lillian Smalls, Josephine Walker
It has been called to our attention that our organization does not rank very high in the state, according to our size, with volunteer hours. It is not that our members don't perform volunteer hours, we just don't report them. There are a lot of things that we do and don't think of them as volunteer hours. If you

make some soup for a sick friend, that is a volunteer service _ helping a child with a math problem, picking up a friend from the airport. You can report all of this as long as you didn't do it for a relative.

PLEASE REPORT THIS. If you do not attend meeting for some reason, send your hours by a friend, e-mail to Darcia or one of the members of the Volunteer Services Committee (Check Directory for names and number).

See you next month.

Kathlyn

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Bev's Bytes.....

Hearty congratulations to **Al and Ruth Giles**



(pictured with daughter **Yvette**) who celebrated their 65th anniversary on September 10! A major milestone! Remember the FREF raffle tickets **Pat Roberts** and **Ann French**

were selling last spring? They paid off in a big way for BCREA! Out of the 5 prizes, BCREA members won 3! Congrats to **Winnifred Graham** who won 1st prize of



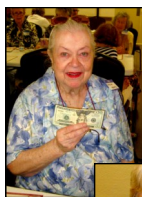
\$400; **Pat Roberts**, won 2nd prize of \$350; and 4th prize of \$100 went to **Mary Lou Deering!**

The winners of the May Scholarship Raffle were **Evelyn Morris**, **Carol Roland**, **Louise Costello** and new member **Carolyn Wilhelm** who each won \$10. Those winning the floral arrangements were **Jean Anderson** and **Rosetta Watkins** - all pictured above right.

Thanks to all of you for your cards, visits and calls after my sweet husband **Will** died in May. *Bev*



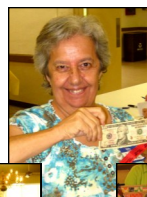
Evelyn



Carol



Louise



Carolyn



Jean



Rosetta

BCREA VOLUNTEER REPORTING FORM

Name _____
(Please Print)

Month _____, 20____

Volunteer hours working with adults _____
(persons who are non-family members;
this also includes literacy hours)

Volunteer hours working with youth _____
(Persons 25 years of age or younger;
This also includes literacy hours)

Bring this to our next meeting, e-mail it to me at dardra@att.net
or mail it to me at:

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