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**Save the Dates**  
**2018 -19**

### **Events Calendar**

**January 14<sup>th</sup>**

Carolyn Zaumeyer -Women's  
Health

**February 11<sup>th</sup>**

### **President's Message**

"What truly changes organizations? Small choices, made by everyone"

Happy Holidays to all once again!

As we come to a close on this most extraordinary year, it's hard not to focus solely on the really big events that have affected our communities, both near and far. From fires and floods to election woes and discourse, it sometimes feels like progress is slow and painful. Perhaps its best to work on the baby steps that we all can do to improve things, small as they are.



To that end, the BWA Board is asking for All BWA members to participate and support the efforts to make our scholarship program effective and successful. Our annual Holiday Raffle is one way you can do your part by donating an item for the annual Holiday Raffle! No item is insignificant. Please donate through our website by Dec. 7 or contact Tracy Carroll for information. In addition, be sure to come to our December 10 meeting to support the raffle. This is our biggest fund-raising event of the year, but we need everyone to participate. Have you done your part?

Once again, member Melissa Milroy has graciously offered her time and talent to share gift ideas from Galleria at our December 10 luncheon meeting at the Tower Club. This is our most popular gathering of the year and a great time to see friends and colleagues! Please join us to celebrate the Holiday and do your part to support our BWA mission.

The Broward Women's Alliance Executive Board wishes you all a peaceful and stress-free Holiday Season.

Brenda Moxley - FBI Agent

### **March 11<sup>th</sup>**

Mari Adams - Tax Tips

### **April 8<sup>th</sup>**

Pam Wall-Empowering  
Women at Sea

### **May 13<sup>th</sup>**

### **June 10<sup>th</sup>**

Scholarship Awards....  
Exec. Board slate  
approval

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

Diana Plucienkowski

President 2018-2019

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## **Meeting Information**



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

**If you must cancel after Friday, December 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.**

### **COMPLETED YOUR GIFT LIST YET?**

It's that wonderful time of year when BWA assembles for our Annual Holiday Luncheon and Raffle

Join us on Monday, December 10th at 11:30 and enjoy an enlightening presentation by our very own Melissa Milroy, the Marketing Manager at The Galleria in Fort Lauderdale

She makes shopping easy by sharing her expertise about the hottest gift ideas for the season

Buy a raffle for a chance to win a fabulous gift while supporting our Scholarship Fund

Enjoy a delicious lunch and engaging conversation with our "BWA members and guests"

We are soliciting your support for the raffle. Please complete the donation form and submit. Click here for the [donation form](#). Please submit the form by December 6th for you and your company to be recognized.

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

Register

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## Member Spotlight



**Vivian Fazio** is the founder and president of the Law Offices of Vivian H. Fazio, P.A., a civil and commercial litigation firm, which represents individuals, businesses and governmental entities on both the plaintiff and defense side. Vivian is admitted to practice in all Florida state courts and the federal courts of the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida, and serves on the Civil Procedure Rules Committee of the Florida Bar. Earlier this year, Vivian

was appointed by the Governor to serve on the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial Nominating Commission.

Vivian is actively involved in many professional and community organizations, serving as VP Programs for BWA, Treasurer of the Broward County Women Lawyers' Association and as a Director of the Broward County Trial Lawyers Association and St. Gregory the Great Women's Guild.

However, nearest and dearest to Vivian's heart are her family. She is married to Joseph Fazio, an attorney specializing in employment law. They have two teenage daughters who keep them on their toes, a sweet, adorable black Lab named Sammy and an ungrateful, but attractive cat named Luna.

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## WELCOME new members

Gretchen Gettemy Thompson today is an author and artist. She has been president of a public relations firm that specialized in politics, a news reporter and the executive director of a non-profit. She is on the boards of several organizations among which are A Child is Missing and the Fort Lauderdale Chapter of AAUW.



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## Member News



Best-selling author Elizabeth Berg will be the featured speaker at the Broward Public Library Foundation's 10th annual LitLUNCH! on Friday, Feb. 8. The luncheon, which includes book sales and signings, a multi-coursed meal and drinks, silent auction and raffle, will be held at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts' Mary N. Porter Ballroom. Tickets are \$100 and include a signed copy of Ms. Berg's latest novel, "Night of Miracles." To register, visit [bplfoundation.org/litlunch-2019](http://bplfoundation.org/litlunch-2019) or call 954-357-7382.

## SAVE THE DATE

JOIN GIRL SCOUTS OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA FOR

# Emerald Awards

Honoring women in Palm Beach County who exemplify leadership and serve as role models for young women in our community.

Saturday, February 23, 2019

6 – 10:30 p.m.

The Beach Club, Palm Beach

#### HONORARY EVENT CHAIRS:

Suzi Goldsmith, Donna Mulholland, Lois Pope,  
Judi Richards and Julie Rudolph

Complimentary Cocktail Hour | Dinner and Dancing | Tickets: \$285 | Black Tie Optional  
Contact Danielle Crouch at 561.815.1808 or [dcrouch@gssef.org](mailto:dcrouch@gssef.org) for additional information.

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#### Holiday Donations

Drop-off • December 3-17 • 10am-6pm  
Jim & Jan Moran Family Center  
4700 NW 3rd Avenue  
Deerfield Beach, FL 33074

#### New and Unwrapped Gifts

- ☐ Toys for boys & girls ages infant to 12
- ☐ Teen gifts for boys & girls ages 13-17
- ☐ Gifts for moms & dads  
Children will select gifts for their parents
- ☐ Gift Cards  
Such as Walmart, Target, Publix, TJ Maxx, Marshalls
- ☐ Gift Wrap

#### Monetary Donations

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

Or mail checks to:  
Women In Distress  
Attn: Matthew Williams  
P.O. Box 50187  
Lighthouse Point, FL 33074

For more information contact Matthew Williams

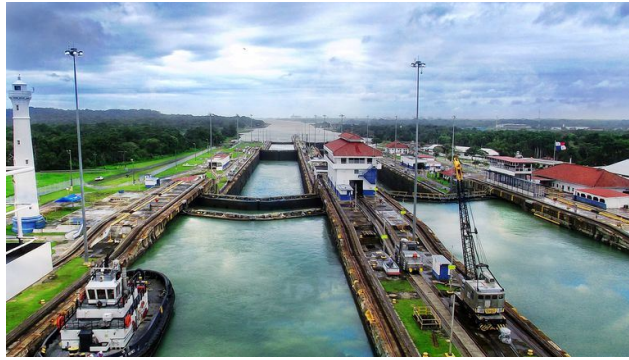
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Durée & Company's President & CEO, Durée Ross, has been named a finalist for PR News' PR People "Agency PR Professional of the Year" Award. The award honors top talent, passionate professionals and budding PR leaders who day in and day out are making communications matter in the marketplace. Winners will be announced in December at the PR News' PR People Awards Luncheon in Washington D.C. Attendees from all over will celebrate individuals who set benchmarks of excellence in public relations.

Gretchen Thompson and Sherry Friedlander will travel for 15 days, in January from Los Angeles thru the Panama Canal and back to Fort Lauderdale. We have not gone thru the Canal so it should be a real adventure.



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