



Women of Nassau

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November 2025 Newsletter

Letter from Our President

Hello, again, Wonderful Women of Nassau,

I am delighted to announce that our 2026 Nominating Committee has finalized a full slate of officers for our 2026 Board of Directors. Thank you to members who are returning to the Board and to those who have stepped up to serve in 2026. Also thank you to several members who are filling in for the remainder of 2025. Women of Nassau could not exist without you!

The Chico's fashion show at our October luncheon was much fun! We have some exciting luncheon programs and events planned for the remainder of 2025, including the annual November Bake Sale and our 4th quarter event – Tailgate, Chili Cookoff, and Beach Bonfire at Peter's Point Beach Park. Be sure to check out our website to learn about all of our activities and events.

Hope you are all looking forward to the joyful holiday season. I hope to see you at a WON event soon!

Lynda Watson

President, Women of Nassau

2026 Board Positions

Executive Board:

- Pres. - Lorraine Clapper
- 1st VP - Laurie Laiken
- 2nd VP - Bonnie Bartlett
- Recording Sec'y - Carol Newton
- Treasurer - Karen Boyce
- Webmaster - Teresa Johnston
- Corresponding. Sec'y/Database - Heidi Waters
- Past Pres. - Lynda Watson

Executive Committee Chairs:

- Activity Chm. - Nancy Vorrasso
- Membership - Gay Dunlop
- Newsletter - Barbara Dennis
- Publicity - Paula Suita
- Ways & Means - Charlene Kingsnorth

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WON Luncheon

Date Thursday, November 20
Time 11:30 am
Location Amelia National Clubhouse
Cost \$40 per person
Maximum 70 (first come first serve)
RSVP Sunday, November 16 – Required, payment and entrée selection deadline

Program *Holiday Bake Sale*
 See Page 2 for more details

Menu Choices

SOUP - Roasted Butternut Squash & Cannellini Bean Soup with candied pistachio & dried apricots

ENTREE – Roasted Stuffed Chicken Breast OR Salmon OR Portobello Mushroom – with citrus beurre blanc, sweet potato hash, wilted kale & greens served over wild rice and roasted vegetables.

DESSERT - Pumpkin Cheesecake with candied pecans and warm caramel crème anglaise

BEVERAGES - Water, Tea, Coffee

Make your reservations, entrée selection, & payment at <https://womenofnassau.org/luncheons>. If you need to make different arrangements, please contact the WON Treasurer, wontreasurer@gmail.com. Any questions on this process, please let us know. You can add one or as many reservations to the cart and pay all at once. We look forward to seeing you and don't forget your namebadge!



HAPPY
TURKEY
DAY

May your
Thanksgiving be
full of peace, love
and joy.

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Celebrate our annual Holiday Bake Sale at the November luncheon! Dozens & dozens of baked goods will be on display for \$15/per box. In addition, we will have a Silent Auction featuring a **Gingerbread House** made by Gay Dunlop. Several **Snowman Hat Centerpieces** donated by Carol Newton will also be offered. Cash or check only.

The start of purchasing will be announced beginning about 11:40. We ask that all members pay for their items, place the "SOLD" tag on the box, & leave the box on the tables so that everyone has a chance to view the wonderful variety.

We ask that all bakers arrive about 11:20 so that we can place all the boxes. Please remember to add the recipe for your item in the box.



The Cummer Museum opens a new temporary exhibit every quarter. The next temporary exhibit will feature two amazing artists: Andrew Wyeth and Calida Rawles. This dual exhibit will open October 24, 2025. A WON event is scheduled for **Saturday, November 15**, at 11:15 am. If you are interested, in attending, please contact Dawn Bostwick at bostwickdwon@gmail.com

Tailgate Party/ Chili Cook-Off



The WON Tailgate Party/Chili Cook-Off is scheduled for **4 pm, Sunday, November 9**, in the parking lot at Peter's Point Beachfront Park. If you plan to attend:

- Bring a dish and place it on your tailgate or table for sharing with other attendees;
- If you would like to participate in the Chili Cook-Off, there will be a signup sheet at the next couple of lunches. Right now we need five more chefs;
- This will be a bring-your-own beverage event;
- Bring a camping or folding chair for the tailgate;
- WON will provide paper products for the chili tasting;
- Please respond with the number of attendees will be in your party to Bonnie at wonevents2025@gmail.com.
- If you want to participate in the Chili Cook-Off respond to wonevents2025@gmail.com

We will have corn-hole available and music during the tailgate party. After the tailgate please stick around for the bonfire and 's'mores' on the beach. We look forward to seeing you at our last WON 2025 social event of the year!

Hope's Kitchen Peanut Butter Drive



We collected 159 pounds of peanut butter!!! A big round of applause to those who donated peanut butter to the peanut butter drive.



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Crafty Ladies – Easy Chunky Blankets

No knitting/crocheting
experience needed!

We will hand-knit these cute, cozy blankets, just
in time for the cooler weather.

Thursday, November 13th

10:00 a.m. to noon

Location to be determined.

Please RSVP your spot via email to
kgalambos@verizon.net

Alhambra Theater

Alhambra Theater
Jacksonville planned
outings below: We will
all purchase tickets on
our own, and work on
carpool information



when we get close to the event. Dawn has
purchased tickets for the following:

Elf the Musical: **Saturday, November 22**, lunch
at 12 noon, show at 1:50 pm, Table B26.

If you are interested in attending, contact
Dawn Bostwick at bostwickdwon@gmail.com.

Philathropy Committee



GIVING BACK, ASSISTING,
SUPPORTING, LENDING A
HAND - all things Women
of Nassau does to help
care for our community.
Would you like to be an
integral part of these

worthwhile efforts? The Philanthropy Committee
invites you to join as planning gets underway for
2026.

Please contact Vicki Gibson for more
information by email gv809@bellsouth.net or
phone: 904-315-8871.

Jacksonville Zoo Colors of the Wild

Join Dawn Bostwick on
**Saturday, January 10,
2026**, in celebrating the
**Lunar New Year at
Jacksonville Zoo** featuring
all new lanterns, food and fun.



The Lantern display is lit from 5:30-9:30 pm,
but all tickets include entering the park at 3:00
pm. Purchase your ticket(s) the **NIGHT BEFORE**

(purchase at least by Friday,
January 9, 2026) at

<https://www.jacksonvillezoo.org/colors-of-the-wild> and
save \$5 off the ticket price.

The price is currently \$17 but
may vary with the season.

If you are interested in
attending, contact Dawn



Bostwick at bostwickdwon@gmail.com.

Monday Morning Outdoor Activities

A couple of months ago we started a weekly
Monday morning beach walk from Peter's Point
Park (weather permitting). There's no "leader" for
this walk, but each
week for the past two
months, we've had at
least three people
show, and often even
more. There's no need
to RSVP. Just meet



near the bathrooms at Peter's Point at 9:00 am.
In addition, at the same time, Jo may also be
leading the group on a kayak paddle or bike ride.
Because the activities vary, they will be
announced only to Jo's email list. So, if you're
interested in being notified about the Monday
activities...or other outdoor activities that we
might have on the weekend, send an email to Jo
Lichten at joanne.lichten@gmail.com. Please
include your cell number as well for last-minute
changes to the activities.

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Activity Spotlight – Between the Lines Book Club

The Women of Nassau Book Club is one of the first groups established during the formation of WON. It meets on the second Thursday of each month from 10:00 am - 11:30 am at the Fernandina Beach Public Library. With about 25 registered members, it generally sees about a dozen in attendance any given month. Individual members suggest a book from a variety of genres including fiction, non-fiction, at least one classic, one biography and mysteries. We aren't too structured when it comes to choosing books, but we try to plan two or three months out. Our group has no trouble discussing books or anything for that matter!

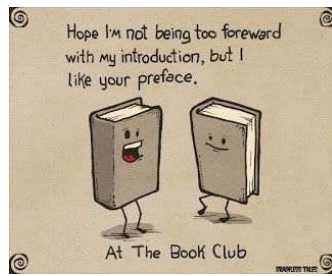
Not surprising, women are prominent in many of our selections. Knowing that new releases can be pricey, we try to take into consideration the popularity and availability of books at local libraries and online.

We come from all different backgrounds and parts of the country, but we all share a love of books. Some are new to reading books (and book clubs) while others devour multiple books at a time. We are a welcoming group and encourage an open discussion (with no pressure on any member) where all opinions are respected. Plus, we like to laugh and have fun!

We usually have one or two special meetings or events each year including an Agatha Christie event at Story & Song. Several members gathered to watch a sea turtle nest excavation after having read *At Loggerheads*. We've also had a shark tooth hunting event, and always a holiday social/book swap in December.

So, if you enjoy reading and lively discussion, come join us! You can email Marie Larson at claudinehart91@gmail.com to

be added to our email list or just show up for a meeting. The upcoming books are always listed in the newsletter.



Sunshine Corner

Cards were sent last month to two members. If you know a member who is sick, had a death in the family, or just needs a little encouragement, please notify a board member or email Judy at judymahan23@yahoo.com and a member of the Sunshine Team will send a card.



Fifi's Sip & Shop Event



FIFI'S
FINE RESALE APPAREL

Hey Ladies,

Charlene Kingsnorth is pleased to announce that our Fifi's Sip & Shop event raised \$2,000. Fifi, the owner, decided to increase substantially their contribution from last year.

Thank you to all who attended.



**And THANK YOU Charlene
for arranging this event!**

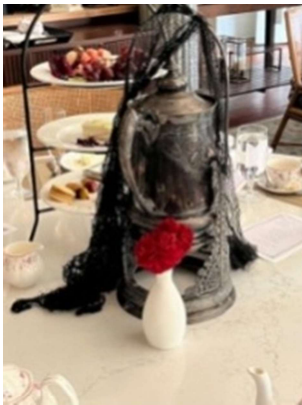


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Haunted Afternoon Tea Jekyll Island Club

(A Wonderful Tea Afternoon)

Seven members and two guests attended the Haunted Afternoon Tea at Jekyll Island Club. It was delicious!



Chico's Fashion Show At the October Luncheon



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More photos at
<https://womenofnassau.org/photos>

Thanks to Chong Murphy and Paula Suita for submitting the photos.



November Monthly Activities

Please be sure to always check our website at www.womenofnassau.org for additional news and updates.

BETWEEN THE LINES

Nov Book *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid
Date Thursday, November 13 (2nd Thursday)
Time 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Location Fernandina Beach Library
Dec Book No book, a holiday social/book swap
Contact Marie Larson,
claudinehart91@gmail.com

BOWLING BEAUTIES

Date Monday, November 10 and 24
(2nd and 4th Mondays)
Time 10:15 a.m.
Location Yulee Bowling (2 games (without shoes) –
\$13.42 by credit card **OR** \$12.90 by cash)
850822 Hwy 17, Yulee
RSVP Sandy, taylor32034@gmail.com

ORIGINAL BUNCO

Date Tuesday, November 11 (2nd Tuesday)
Time 7:00 p.m.
RSVP Lynda Watson,
lyndanamelia@gmail.com

BUNCO-2

Date Thursday, November 6 (1st Thursday)
Time 7:00 p.m.
RSVP Gail Teachworth, 240-507-3509,
teachworthg@hotmail.com

CANASTA, FOOD AND FRIENDSHIPS

Date Friday, November 14 and 28
(2nd and 4th Friday evenings)
Time 6:00 p.m. Food; 6:30 p.m. Cards
RSVP Nancy Vorrasso,
vorrasso97058@comcast.net

CHEAP THRILLS

Date Wednesday, November 5 and 19
(1st and 3rd Wednesdays)
Time 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
RSVP Donna CZ, donnacz@verizon.net

CHICK FLICKS

Date Tuesday, November 25 (Last Tuesday)
Time Movie and Time to follow
Location AMC CLASSIC Yulee 10
96012 Lofton Square Ct, Yulee
RSVP Dawn Bostwick,
bostwickdwon@gmail.com

CUISINE AND CONVERSATION

Date Tuesday, November 11 (2nd Tuesday)
Time 12:30 p.m.
Location Salty Pelican, 12 N Front St, FB
RSVP Debbie, samdeb@bellsouth.net

GAME NIGHT

Date Monday, November 24 (4th Monday)
Time 6:00 p.m.
Location Fernandina Beach Library
RSVP Laurie, laurielaiken@outlook.com

MAH-JONGG

Date Thursday, November 6, 13, 20
(Every Thursday)
Time 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
RSVP Debbie Price, deb203@aol.com

SAMBA

Date Wednesday, November 12
(2nd and 4th Wednesdays)
Time 1:00 p.m.
RSVP Susie White, walsusie@gmail.com
or Gail Teachworth,
teachworthg@hotmail.com

WON WELCOME COFFEE

Date Monday, November 17
(3rd Monday)
Time 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Location Story and Song
Bookstore Bistro
1430 Park Avenue, FB
Questions Gay, gaynoradunlop@gmail.com



CRAFTY LADIES

Thursday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m., Easy Chunky Blankets
Location TBA
Karen Galambos, kgalambos@verizon.net

NATURE GROUP

Times and dates TBA.
Nancy Gallimore, nancygallimore1@gmail.com

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Peter's Point Park, Mondays, 9 a.m.
Other times and dates TBA.

(weather permitting)

Jo Lichten - joanne.lichten@gmail.com

SINGLES GROUP

Times and dates TBA.
Cindy Barlow, cyntaybarlow@me.com
Joy Kemp, joykemp@earthlink.net

Membership Information

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The membership application is available online at <https://womenofnassau.org/> and can be completed and submitted online. Payments can be made online <https://womenofnassau.org/shopping-cart> via the shopping cart or a check made payable to Women of Nassau can be mailed to Women of Nassau: 1997 Sadler Road #15207, Fernandina Beach FL 32035, along with the application form found online at <https://womenofnassau.org/forms>. Annual Dues remain only \$30 (if paying online there is a service charge of \$1.15). Thank you for your support.



Debbie Andreas

Jan Cote-Merow

Suzette Mikita

Sandy Pochowski

Karen Schexnayder

Joan Ayers

Eileen Meninger

Elsa Mitschele

Karen Richardson

Heidi Waters

November Birthday Celebrations

Below is a list of club members celebrating November birthdays. We hope you each have a wonderful birthday. It is a special day for us all!



Jennifer Anderson - Nov 17

Debbie Edgar - Nov 11

Teresa Johnston - Nov 26

Mary Molusky - Nov 20

Patricia Sahm - Nov 26

Joan Trammell - Nov 4

Joan Ayers - Nov 20

Joanne Flieger - Nov 4

Mary Kancylarz - Nov 15

Mimi Nelson - Nov 6

Lee Ann Shobe - Nov 3

Susie Zurick - Nov 1

Donna Chasse - Nov 21

Pat Gibbs - Nov 24

Barbara Leech - Nov 30

Joanne Randall - Nov 26

Paula Levis Suita - Nov 27



Women of Nassau – November 2025 Monthly Planner



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	Peter's Point Beach Walk 9 AM		Cheap Thrills 1:00 – 3:00 PM	Mah-Jongg 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Bunco 2 7:00 PM		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Tailgate Party/Chili Cookoff 4 PM Peter's Point	Peter's Point Beach Walk 9 AM Bowling Beauties 10:15 AM Yulee Bowling Center	Cuisine and Conversation 12:30 PM Salty Pelican, 12 N Front St, FB Original Bunco 7:00 PM	Samba 1:00 – 4:00 PM	Mah-Jongg 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Between the Lines 10:00 - 11:30 AM Fernandina Beach Library	Canasta, Food & Friendships 6:00 PM	Cummer Museum 11:15 AM
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
WON Luncheon Payment, Reservation and Entrée Selection Deadline	Peter's Point Beach Walk 9 AM WON Welcome Coffee 10:30 – 11:30 AM Story and Song Bookstore		Cheap Thrills 1:00 – 3:00 PM	Mah-Jongg 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM WON Luncheon 11:30 AM - Amelia National Clubhouse		Alhambra Theater Elf the Musical 12 Noon
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Peter's Point Beach Walk 9 AM Bowling Beauties 10:15 AM Yulee Bowling Center Game Night 6:00 – 7:30 PM Fernandina Beach Library	Chick Flicks Time/Movie: TBD AMC Classic Yulee			Canasta, Food & Friendships 6:00 PM	
30	<i>To all our WON Members, we wish you the best November ever!</i>					

APPRECIATING through Books

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SUSAN ZIEL &
JANET BRENDEL



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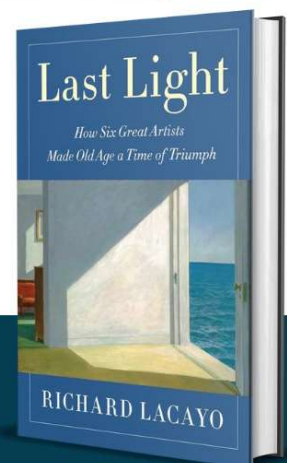
2 – 3 PM | FREE
RSVP HERE



LAST EVENT IN THE SERIES!

Join museum docents **Janet Brendel** and **Susan Ziel** for the final talk in this year's "Appreciating Art Through Books" series! Discover how six remarkable artists turned old age into a time of triumph in the ***Last Light*** by **Richard Lacayo**.

Janet and Susan bring years of experience guiding art walks, talks, and museum programs, sharing vivid images, fascinating stories, and thought-provoking discussion. Although there is no need to read the book beforehand, copies are available at Story & Song! With expert insight at the helm, discover how these artists transformed later life into a time of creative triumph.



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