



## 100 Ladies of Deering President's Report – April 2023

In March, the 100 Ladies of Deering was privileged to have a presentation from Jennifer Tisthammer, Director, Deering Estate and Chief of Conservation, Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department (PROS). She gave an excellent overview of potential short and long term threats to the Deering Estate buildings, art and collections, along with the planned response for each threat. It was a good reminder to start preparing now for Hurricane Season, which is just around the corner.

The rest of March was focused on support of the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Deering Seafood Festival. Over two sessions, 21 members of the 100 Ladies of Deering cooked and dipped chocolate macaroons, sorted and wrapped cutlery, stapled tickets and did other work in preparation for the big day. We helped with the set up and had several tables of ladies for Chef's Table by the Bay – An Asian Inspired Evening, then were back the next morning to change the space over for Bubbles By the Bay and Chef's Demo. On Sunday, we had over 35 members volunteer at Chef's Demo and Bubbles By the Bay, along with the beer bus, Vela Sur beer garden, greeting, banking and anywhere else there was a need. We were thrilled to support such a wonderful community event and raise money for the DEF.

We were especially pleased that the 100 Ladies of Deering Coffee Table Book, Legacy arrived in time to be showcased at the Seafood Festival. If you have not purchased your copies, you can order them on line and pick them up at the DEF office or have them mailed.

In April, we are moving forward with purchase of new furnishings for the back and front porches of the Richmond Cottage, ordering additional lighting for the portrait gallery, planning future Coffee Table Book promotions, as well as back to dining out (this month at Ghee), playing Mah-Jongg, and hosting various committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

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President, 100 Ladies of Deering

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