

From the President's Desk

Dear Talented Executive Women of the Palm Beaches Members,

This week, I heard someone say that there were eight Mondays until Christmas, and I panicked! Fall is here and moving quickly! That means that our Executive Women of the Palm Beaches calendar of events is in full swing!

We want every member to fully engage in and benefit from your connection with EWPB. I encourage you to check out the "events" section of our website (ewpb.org.) and register for upcoming programs. While you are there, go to the Membership Directory, add your photo, and update your contact information. I've been finding the directory a very valuable source of information!

If you are not already on a committee, we would love to have your help. Check out the committees in the Member Portal and contact Heidi Duncan (director@ewpb.org) to sign up.

Lastly, I would like to thank Virginia Spencer and Jackie Halderman, Co-Chairs of the Kwasman Grant Committee, for a very successful Fall Foundation Luncheon where we announced a \$10,000 grant to Student Aces. Three other grants of \$2,500 each, made possible through proceeds of our 2024 WILA luncheon chaired by Diane McNeal, were awarded to Holy Ground, Achievement Centers for Children and Families, and Ta Ta for Now.

P.S. Please save the date for our 2025 Women in Leadership Awards Luncheon – April 3rd! We will be in touch with more information on sponsorship, nominations, and tickets shortly.

Vicki Pugh



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Member Spotlight: Monica Manolas

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EWPBF Involvement so far:

I became a member of EWPB in 2006, right after my youngest son turned one and I could disconnect my portable breast pump and was ready to start getting back into service and community. I immediately got involved in several committees including membership and programs and then chaired WILA before being elected as the 30th President of the organization.

3 top things on your bucket list:

I was diagnosed with early stage but very aggressive triple negative breast cancer in 2013. I was one of the fortunate women who escaped this horrible disease over 10 years ago. Because of that diagnosis, I have lived my life without regrets and am living my "bucket list" every day. I cherish every adventure and follow the passions I have each year as they come. Nothing sits on a list for "some day."

What made you want to join EWPBF?

My passion for women's leadership and service

How has EWPBF helped your career so far?

I faced many career crossroads during my time with EWPB including corporate takeovers and job changes. The women in the organization provided counsel, comfort and encouragement during some of the most difficult of those times. I am now a President of an \$1B revenue organization, something I always wanted to do. I definitely give credit to EWPB in helping get me here.

How has EWPBF helped your personal connections with other professional women so far?

The women leaders of Palm Beach County that I have met, advocated for and learned from in EWPB have led to many doors opening both personally and professionally. I am grateful for the wonderful women leaders in our organization that have taught me so much about service, leadership and friendship. I cherish being mentored by our founder, Cynthia Allen Gracey before she passed. The most valuable advice she ever gave me was that EWPB was founded to change the consciousness of women's leadership in Palm Beach County. That was always my north star in what we were trying to do with the organization. It has been part of my guiding principles when trying to impact the world that I now have influence in as a leader in the construction materials business.

What is your proudest moment since joining EWPBF?

My proudest moments since joining have included the mentorships with some of our scholarship recipients during my time in membership, and the advocacy that we were able to do on behalf of women in the public, non-profit and private sectors during my time as President.

Is there anything else you'd like readers to know about why EWPBF is important to you:

EWPB is only what you are willing to put into it. You can meet some amazing women and grow your personal and professional life leaps and bounds, but you have to get connected and stay involved.

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Sponsorship Opportunities Available Now!

Sponsoring an event with EWPB is an impactful way to align your brand with values of empowerment and equality. Your sponsorship not only provides crucial funding for programs that uplift and support women but also offers networking opportunities with like-minded individuals and organizations.

Available Events to Sponsor:

**Holiday Luncheon-December 10th
(Only 1 Diamond Level Left!)**

Speed Networking Event- January 16th

Diamond Sponsor: \$1,000 (limited to 3 per event – select from the above list of events)

- 4 event tickets
- Opportunity to provide a five-minute overview of your company or organization from the microphone
- Logo on event welcome poster
- Pre-event recognition on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post-event recognition and photos on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post event photos and thank you in EWPB newsletter
- Logo on EWPB website for a year

Pearl Sponsor: \$750 (per event – select from above list of events)

- 2 event tickets
- Logo on event welcome poster
- Pre-event recognition on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post-event recognition and photos on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post event photos and thank you in EWPB newsletter

Amethyst Sponsor -- \$500 (per event – select from above list of events)

- 1 event ticket
- Logo on event welcome poster
- Pre-event recognition on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post-event recognition and photos on LinkedIn and Facebook (1 post)
- Post event photos and thank you in EWPB newsletter



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Upcoming Events

Breakfast Bunch

November 1st at 8:00am
Lili's Cafe, Palm Beach Gardens

Community Outreach:

The Lord's Place

November 4th at 5:30pm

Lunch Bunch

November 12th at 12:00pm
Brio, Palm Beach Gardens

Holiday Luncheon

December 10th at 11:30am
The Club at Admiral's Cove

*New Member Orientation

December 17th at 8:30am
Via Zoom

Speed Networking Event

January 16th at 5:30pm
Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach

1982 Society Event (Save the Date!)

February 7th
Serenity Garden Teahouse, West Palm Beach

*Seat at the Table- Save the Date!

January 9th 4:00pm-6:00pm
Boynton Beach

Speed Networking Event

January 16th at 5:30pm
Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach

International Women's Day

March 7th 8:30-10:30am
Location TBD

Women In Leadership Awards

Luncheon (WILA)

April 3rd, 2025
Kravis Center

*Members Only Event

Event details & registration at www.ewpb.org

New Member Orientation

Are you a new member? Or, are you a longtime member needing a refresher on all things EWPBF? Join us (via Zoom!) on December 17th at 8:30am for a fabulous, new member orientation lead by your Membership Committee!

Register at EWPB.org under Monthly Events!

Name Our Newsletter!

If you have a great idea for a name for our monthly newsletter, please email director@ewpb.org!

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