

Ladies Club

Our monthly meeting will be held on **Friday, January 16th at 11:00AM**. Our speaker will be Doug Alderson, a celebrated local author and naturalist. Doug will speak about “Nostalgic Florida”, using examples of iconic vintage Florida art. It promises to be a very interesting and entertaining presentation. He will also bring artifacts to share and offer some of his books for sale.

Chef will prepare a chicken marsala, with pesto linguine, roasted brussels sprouts and a delicious dessert. The cost for lunch is \$25.

We'd love to have you attend the meeting! Please RSVP by **January 12th** by calling the club at (850) 893-7700.

Don't forget to bring a few canned goods or items from your pantry. These donations are greatly appreciated.

A recent new member asked me how our annual \$25 dues are used. I thought it would be a good to share with everyone. The majority of our dues go towards philanthropic donations to organizations that benefit our community. We do have some expenses, such as door prizes, speaker lunches, nametags, and favor supplies, but we aim to keep these costs as low as possible. Last year (Sept 2024-April 2025), we collected \$1,049 in dues and \$304 from the 50/50 raffle for a total income of \$1,353. Philanthropic donations totaled \$950 which represents 70% of our income. Other expenses: speaker luncheons: \$100 (7%), door prizes \$111 (8%), and Operating Expenses: 104 (7.5%). We think we are wisely using our resources. We hope you agree. If you haven't yet paid your dues, consider supporting our good works!

We hope to see you at the meeting on Friday, January 16, 2026, at 11 am!

Susan Weed
President

