



Fellowship News

Fall 2016

Welcome to our 2016-2017 Season!

See inside for details about our upcoming events, programs, and activities...

Off to a great start at the **Welcome Back Reception!**

November 10, 2016
Society of the Four Arts

More than 100 members and guests enjoyed perfect weather under a full moon as we kicked off the season in the beautiful gardens at the Society of the Four Arts.

We look forward to another great season and seeing you at our upcoming events!

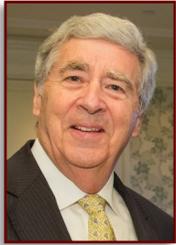


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1. Patricia Reybold, Enid Pollak; 2. Fruema Klorfein, Bev Meyers; 3. Gail Coniglio, Vivienne Ivry; 4. Skip Randolph; 5. John O'Neil, Chris McDermott; 6. Bill and Ann Metzger; 7. Donna Plasket, David Breneman; 8. Rabbi Michael Resnick, Maggie Zeidman, Rev. James Harlan; 9. Audrey Weinstein; 10. Joyce McLendon (celebrating her 90th birthday!); 11. Bobbi Horwich; 12. Aiden Conde; 13. Deborah Pollack, Sandra Thompson

Chairman's Message: 24 Going on 25



John C. Randolph

Can you believe it? The Fellowship is launching upon its 24th season and making plans already for its 25th anniversary next season. It all began in 1993 when a few concerned residents of the Town of Palm Beach met in the living room of our dear departed friend, Herb

Lee, to conceive of the idea of establishing an organization aimed at addressing issues rooted in intolerance, anti-Semitism and unjust discrimination.

Herb is gone now, as are some of our other founding members, but their legacy remains with us. Fortunately they lived long enough to see their dreams begin to come alive. They began to see the Fellowship's dedication to promoting fellowship, understanding and respect among all religions and cultures take hold.

Year after year we have seen more progress. We have seen walls which have kept us apart come down and bridges which allow us to connect with one another being built. How do we know that? Because each year we see more and more people becoming more interested in the work and mission of the Fellowship. And each year we see more and more people becoming involved in our programs.

This season is no exception. Members and guests have told me they are excited about our lineup of programs, from the ever popular Fellowship Friday, to our Sunday Conversations Series, Interfaith Dialogues, our Annual Dinner, and our Arts and Essay Contest involving children from all Palm Beach County schools.

People have told me that each year our programs have improved. Several people have praised the Fellowship for this year including a Muslim, C.B. Hanif, as one of its moderators for our Interfaith Dialogues.

The Fellowship, from its very beginning, has been about inclusivity. Although founded by Christians and Jews to address a specific problem, anti-Semitism which existed at the time and which still exists (although, we believe, to a lesser extent today), the Fellowship's broader mission is and has been to address all forms of bigotry, hatred and intolerance. That is our aim and that is our goal, whatever our belief, whatever our faith, whatever our race, whatever our culture, that we all learn to understand and respect one another. Isn't that what ultimately will make this world a better place in which to live?

It is indeed important that each of us have convictions in our own belief system, in our own faith, if you will. But, is it important that all others believe as we do? Wouldn't that make for a rather boring world? Others must be respected for their differences. Exhibiting a lack of respect and insisting that others join us in our belief system only leads to the consequences we often see in our world today, more hatred, more intolerance, more suffering and more fighting. It is a goal of the Fellowship to put an end to such consequences.

We know that goal will never be entirely achieved but we will not be discouraged from continuing to try. So, join us. We welcome your involvement. We welcome your thoughts and ideas. We welcome your support. Let us work together toward the formation of a better understanding and a common respect for our fellow human kind. Let us work together toward a more perfect union.

Thank you for your past support and for your continued support of the work of the Fellowship.

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Join us for Fellowship Friday on November 25



Kick-Off Breakfast | 8:30 am

St. Edward Catholic Church
in Parish Hall across the street
144 N. County Road, Palm Beach

Volunteer Activities | 9:30 am

(miscellaneous venues listed at right;
directions will be available at breakfast)

"Connecting the community by doing good, together."

The slogan from the Fellowship Friday t-shirt (FREE to the first 100 to sign up!) exemplifies the Fellowship's mission in action, as we work together to make our community a little bit better. Choose from among the project partners at right and join us the morning after Thanksgiving to share our blessings.

Even if you are unable to participate in one of the listed projects, you can still be part of Fellowship Friday by bringing non-perishable food and/or new, unwrapped toys to the breakfast, to be given to local organizations who work with those in need. (You may also bring items to the Fellowship office in advance if you will be away; please call 561-833-6150 to arrange a date/time.)

**ANN NORTON
SCULPTURE GARDENS**

BEACH CLEAN-UP

BIG DOG RANCH RESCUE

CAPS OF LOVE

**LEVINE JEWISH
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All projects will run approximately 2-3 hours. Advance registration encouraged!

For more information or to register, call (561) 833-6150 or e-mail us at info@palmbeachfellowship.net.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season!

Season Preview

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of Christians & Jews

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▼ Interfaith Dialogues*

This popular series, facilitated by Tom O'Brien (*above, left*) and Rabbi Howard Shapiro (*center*), will add a new dimension this season when CB Hanif (*right*) joins the panel to add the Muslim perspective.

The goal of the Dialogues is to bring people of all backgrounds together in an interactive, open setting to discuss and explore topics of mutual interest in an effort to gain greater understanding of each other, appreciate our commonalities, and respect our differences.

All sessions will be 5:30 - 7:00 pm at The Episcopal Church of Bethesda-by-the-Sea.

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

*Do Christians, Muslims, and Jews
Worship the Same God?*

Tuesday, February 7, 2017

*Different Ways Jews, Muslims, and
Christians Read Their Sacred Scriptures*

Tuesday, March 14, 2017

*The Meaning of Israel to Jews,
Christians, and Muslims*

▼ Sunday Conversations with...*

This new series offers a variety of lively and informative presentations to bring people together to share common interests.

All three programs will be 4:00 - 5:30 pm at the Royal Poinciana Chapel.

Sunday, December 4, 2016

*Saints and Scoundrels: An Historic
Perspective of Palm Beach County*
presented by Harvey Oyer III (*below, left*),
attorney, author, and Florida historian

Sunday, January 29, 2017

The Life and Work of Addison Mizner
presented by René Silvin (*below, center*),
author, historian

Sunday, February 26, 2017

*Lessons of the Holocaust:
Have We Learned Anything?*
presented by Arthur Berger (*below, right*),
former Senior Advisor to the United
States Holocaust Memorial Museum



* For Interfaith Dialogues and Sunday Conversations, light refreshments will be served; RSVP's requested. FREE admission for Fellowship Members; \$10 per session for guests (save with a Series Pass - call for info).



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▼ Annual Fellowship Dinner

This signature event is highly anticipated every year, with its reputation for top-notch national speakers that inspire, inform, and enlighten, while providing an opportunity for camaraderie among people of all backgrounds.

Our 2017 keynote speaker will be Bret Stephens, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and deputy editor, editorial page, for *The Wall Street Journal*. Stephens writes "Global View," the *Wall Street Journal's* foreign-affairs column, for which he won the Pulitzer Prize for commentary in 2013. He is responsible for the international opinion pages of the *Journal*, and a member of the paper's editorial board. He is also a regular panelist on the *Journal Editorial Report*, a weekly political talk show broadcast on Fox News Channel.

Another highlight will be the presentation of the John C. Randolph Award to community leader Frances Fisher, whose volunteer activities and philanthropy have garnered her much admiration and many awards through the years.

Sponsorship and program tribute ad opportunities are available; please call (561) 833-6150 for details.

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

6:00—9:30 pm

The Breakers Palm Beach

\$250 Fellowship Members

\$275 Non-Members



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Essay & Creative Arts Competition

Open to all Palm Beach County public and private middle and high school students, the Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians & Jews annual Essay Contest has expanded to include original music, visual arts, and video submissions this season. The top entries in each category will win cash prizes, and all entrants will receive a copy of *The U.S. Constitution and Fascinating Facts About It*. The deadline is Dec. 16, 2016 on the topic of "Voting." Guidelines and entry forms are available on the website: www.palmbeachfellowship.net or call (561) 833-6150.



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