

# DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

## NEWSLETTER – January 2018

P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, FL 32550

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### BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

2 p.m.

Bancorp South Bank Building  
13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin  
Executive Board and Governing Board

### Next Meeting and Luncheon

Lulu's

4606 Legendary Drive  
Near the base of the mid bay bridge  
850-710-5858

### Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Check-in: 10:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Social time: 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Program: 11:30 to 12 noon

Lunch: Noon

Business Meeting to Follow

Reservations and Menu: see last page

**Deadline to RSVP is Friday, January 5, at noon**

### February 2018 PROGRAM

Our February program will be presented by Nathan Monk, Executive Director of One Hopeful Place. Nathan Monk is an author, human rights activist, and a former priest who stepped down in order to love and help others do the same.

**THE MISSION OF ONE HOPEFUL PLACE IS TO BE THE FRONT DOOR INTO PERMANENT HOUSING AND TO END THE CYCLE OF HOMELESSNESS FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING HOUSING LOSS IN OKALOOSA COUNTY.**

What could be more fitting on Valentines Day than for us to have an opportunity to learn about a place that assists individuals that "Need to Feel Loved".

"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat".

Mother Teresa

## President's Letter

Dear Ladies

Thank you all for your support of our January lunch. We had 50 ladies attending a truly delicious lunch at Crab Island Cantina in Harborwalk and despite the dreary day everyone had a great time enjoying the snacks prior to lunch, the wonderful presentation Mia Hughes gave us on the beginnings of Fisher House and the great comfort Fisher House gives to military families when they have a loved one in the Hospital at Eglin Air Force Base. Of course to finish everything up there was a slew of super door prizes and again I have to thank those of you who kindly donated those door prizes, your names will be found for everyone to recognize in the Minutes of our Meeting, in this Newsletter. Once again our 50/50 Fisher House Raffle hit another "jackpot" reaching \$200. Mabel Prescott was the winner of the 50/50 raffle and kindly donated \$50 to our Family Fund and \$50 to our Fisher House Fund.

Again huge thanks to Sue Whitten and Sally Maurer for arranging another great venue for our January lunch and Debbie Wilson and Helen Everett for securing a wonderfully enlightening Speaker. I can't thank you all enough for your support and the efforts you all take to make sure our lunch meetings are not only fun but interesting and give us all pause for thought.

As I mentioned – I know – AARGH - our Annual Fashion Show is all set to be held at Louisiana Lagniappe on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and again, AARGH, most of you know, that means work, work and fun, fun! For those of you who haven't agreed to chairing the Committee you chaired at last year's Fashion Show, there's still time to do so, or if you would prefer to just work on a Committee there's time to sign up for that too! Several of our chairs kindly approached Linda Hodges and myself after the January Lunch to say yes they would love to be the chairs again for this year's Fashion Show and both Linda and myself thank you all for stepping up to the plate again and as you all know it isn't all work and no play!! I know we are going to have yet another successful Fashion Show due to all of you great Ladies.

At our February Meeting Linda Hodges will have sign up sheets for Committees for each of you to look at and decide which one you would like to be a part of and after our lunch meeting we will be holding our first of many, hate to say it, Fashion Show Committee Meetings! Trust me, you will all have a wonderful time working up to the Fashion Show and will be awed on the day. I can't explain the super sense of achievement we get on the day of our Fashion Show or even afterwards when it suddenly dawns on us all that we did it and achieved our goal! Don't be afraid to ask questions at our February lunch, I want everyone involved with the Fashion Show to have a great time and not think "why did I sign up for this"!

Please don't forget our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual DWC Cruise is about to set sail on February 18<sup>th</sup> down the Eastern Caribbean and if you haven't made a reservation, don't worry there's still time so contact Missy Assad for details. I know it's going to be a wonderful week and am pretty sure there won't be snow or icy roads to deal with – just a sky full of sunshine and a Ship full of fun.

Your Board and I greatly look forward to seeing you all at Lulu's for our February 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day lunch and a wonderful speaker has been booked to let us know "how the other half live"!

May your Valentine's Day begin with Roses, lots of love and followed by a wonderful Destin Womans's Club lunch.

Warm regards,  
Kate

### **A Message from Mabel Prescott - Family Fund**

Thank you all for your generosity! Thanks to you our family fund has helped many area families in need. You all are the BEST!!!



### **February Birthdays**

Cyndi Hyatt Feb 16  
Denise Moreland Feb 15  
Linda Bryan Feb 16  
Alicia Adams Feb 17  
Angel Barber Feb 17  
Susan Burch Feb 17  
Carolyn Espinoza Feb 17

### **DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING**

January 10, 2018

Kate welcomed everyone to the meeting at a new venue - Crab Island Cantina, and wished all a Happy New Year. Cindy gave the invocation:

As life goes on from day to day and God is always near,  
There is no place for hopelessness, there is no need to fear.

Lift up your eyes, behold the skies,

The bright, the dark, the dim.

Whatever weather there may be, it is ordained by Him,  
Do not despair because of some injustice done to you,  
Doubt not all other souls on earth because of one or two.

Do not condemn yourself too much

For wrongs that you have done,  
It may deplete your moral strength in battles to be won.  
Lift up your heart, have faith in God  
And say a fervent prayer  
For as you trust in Him, so He will keep you in his care.

Debbie Wilson introduced Mia Hughes, Administrative Director of Fisher House at Eglin. Mia gave us a brief background of the history of Fisher House and how it works to help service members and their families during times of illness or injury. They never turn away a family in need and sometimes for the local hotels if the house is full, or provides accommodations in Pensacola if that is where the patient is being treated. She brought two of her volunteers, both military spouses, to describe first hand how important the service that Fisher House provides is. The average length of stay in the House is about 3-4 days, but sometimes a guest needs to stay for a year or more. Carolyn described several moving and harrowing examples of how Fisher House can make a big difference to a service member or his/her family.

Kate added her thanks to that of the Club for coming today, and also commended Sylvia Vasquez and Ann Petzold for their work organizing monthly suppers for the residents of Fisher House.

Following a delicious lunch, Kate proceeded with the business meeting.

She said that the Minutes of the last meeting could be found in the Newsletter and questions should be addressed to Maggi Grogan.

Denise is now back from the high seas and is available for questions regarding the Club's financial statements.

**Correspondence:** Sherry announced that we had received a thank you note from the Bracarello family for the money donated from the DWC family fund during the holidays. Pictures of the two boys were included. Seeing a smile on their faces was a joy to see. We also received a Happy Holiday card from Shelter House, and an invitation from Children in Crisis to attend their ribbon cutting ceremony for their newly built Kay's Cupboard Food Pantry on January 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.

**Membership:** Simona announced the January birthday girls: Wendy Schmutz, Brigitte Schroeder, Linda Clark, Glenda Jernigan, Pat Parsons, Denise Moreland, Francine Webb, Cindy Posey and Teresa Halverson.

She welcomed new members Carolyn Rowe and Page Brownsberger. Mia Hughes had brought two guests from Fisher House and other guests included Tonya Allen, Linda Schaefer, Brianne Ryan and Peggy Sue Mullen. It was encouraging to see new faces and we hope they will be inspired to become members of our fine club!

**Family Fund:** Kate said that the club had tried to make the holidays happy for several families in our community. We had given \$350 to the Bracarello family mention above, also \$350 to the Stellen family whom we have helped in the past. In addition, the club donated

\$500 from the Family Fund to help a single father of 3 who has serious health issues, to which our members added \$700 at the December meeting. Kate said the father was overwhelmed by our generosity. A further \$350 was donated to a woman who is struggling with her rent and other issues. As always, the Club is happy to help local people in need and Mabel does a great job in keeping us informed of issues.

**Fisher House:** Kate said the club provides supper for the residents of Fisher House on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, The January dinner will be Chicken Pot Pie. They are currently taking names of people who would like to help with the February and March dinners.

**Sponsorship Task Force:** Patti Burcham said she is still busy with rounding up sponsors for the Club. She is always in need of members to help. Several members have persuaded their employers to become sponsors! Way to go, members! Patti said that we have \$70 gift certificates available for Scott Taylor by the Sea "Stylist to the Stars". All the proceeds will go to the Sponsorship fund which is the foundation for our fundraising events, fashion show etc.

**American Bandstand, NWFSC January 20<sup>th</sup>.** Carol Rementer is taking names of those who wish to join the group going to this concert. The discounted price is \$42 per ticket. We will also be meeting for dinner before the show, at a venue to be announced. Please let Carol know if you want to attend and get your money to her before January 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**2018 Cruise:** The annual DWC cruise will take place February 18-24 to the Eastern Caribbean. Cabins are still available but time is running short. See Kate or Missey Assad if you want to join the fun.

**Fashion Show:** Linda Hodges said she will have sign-up sheets for committees at the February meeting. In the meantime, she and Kate will contact previous committee chairs to see if they will do it this year. Everyone is encouraged to get involved as it is a major part of our fundraising and the purpose of the club.

**50/50 Drawing:** We collected \$200 for Fisher House in this month's 50/50 drawing. Mabel Prescott was the lucky winner and she requested that \$50 of her winnings go to Fisher House and \$50 to the Family Fund. Thank you Mabel.

**Door Prizes:** Door prizes were donated by Dr. Licorwic, Georgeia Pappas-Johnson, Sherry Carlson and Iza Basler, Meritage Spa, Patti Burcham and Fisher House.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Maggi Grogan  
Recording Secretary

January 12, 2018

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Thank you!



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When you send your reservation, **PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR FULL NAME AND YOUR MEAL CHOICE**. Lunch is \$22 payable to DWC on the day of the luncheon. Late cancellations and no-shows will be responsible for paying \$22!!!

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**Menu Entrees ~ Confirm ONE from the three choices below:**

**Lucy's Fresh & Fancy Greens**

Tomatoes, Radishes, Cucumbers, Carrots, Yellow Bell Peppers, Sprouts and Roasted Pumpkin Seeds.

**Summer Shrimp Salad**

Our Shrimp Salad is like Mama used to make with fresh Gulf Shrimp, Celery, Red Onion, Bell Pepper and Egg, lightly tossed in Mayo with Lulu's Crazy Creola Seasoning Mix. Served with Fried Green Tomatoes [2] and our famous Lulu's Wow Sauce.

**Fried Green Tomato BLT**

Bacon, Lettuce, fried Green Tomatoes and Lulu's Wow Sauce

**Dessert**

Assorted Dessert Tray