## DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### **BOARD MEETING**

Date: Wednesday December 7th, 2011

Time: 10.00 a.m.

Place: Kate Callicotte's home

The meeting will be for both the Executive and Governing Boards and will be followed

by a Pampered Chef luncheon.

## Next meeting and luncheon is Wednesday December 14th, At Rutherford 465 in Regatta Bay

Social Time 11:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Program 11:30 a.m.—Noon

Lunch Noon

Business Meeting 12:30 p.m.

Reservations and Menu: see the last page

### PROGRAMS....Maggi Grogan

Brush up on your Holiday Trivia for December's meeting. We will be getting into the Christmas spirit with a holiday-themed trivia contest. Look out for special prizes for the lucky winners!

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER....Kate Callicotte

Dear Ladies,

You'd better watch out – you better be nice – Santa Claus is coming to our December lunch on 14<sup>th</sup> December!! That's right, so, please bring a gift to exchange, the value should be no higher than \$15.00 – good luck with that hunt!!

It's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner and I hope that many of you got a head start with your gifts at our Bazaar in November. Another great lunch was enjoyed by many members, thanks again to Kim and her Committee for organizing it.

At this lunch we started our Angel Tree for Sharing&Caring. We do not have a list of how many children and what their needs are, so it was decided to ask everyone to donate cash, which we will give to Sharing&Caring after our December lunch and they will make the necessary purchases at that time. We have already taken in \$100 and it would be great to see that figure doubled after our December lunch. Thank you all for your kind generosity.

Huge thanks to all of you who donated items for our Yard Sale. It was a magnificent success, we raised \$1500 for Sharing&Caring of Walton County, which will go far to help them with Thanksgiving Dinners for our local community.

For those of you who haven't heard, Linda Mendenhall is leaving our area to return to live in Georgia. We had a farewell party for her and Robbie on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Peggy collected a wonderful assortment of pictures of all our lovely ladies, which she then assimilated into an album for Linda. Am sure Linda will have a smile on her face everytime she opens the album – many thanks to Peggy for organizing this super reminder of just how great this Club is.

We are once again, participating in the Destin Christmas Parade on 10<sup>th</sup> December, further details can be found in this Newsletter.

Our annual Christmas social is scheduled for  $2^{nd}$  December at the Ocean Club and I look forward to seeing all of you with husbands or significant others, then. Betsy Stout-Jones is taking reservations, so please call her before  $30^{th}$  November. This will be a lovely evening, one which has been very much enjoyed in the past – so don't pass up this opportunity for another "social gathering".

I urge all of you to take time out of your busy days and visit Eden State Park House, parts of which, have been decorated for Christmas by Lynn Lake and Lin Bryant. This was a wonderful opportunity to advertise our Club and for the Club to "show off" the decorating talents of Lynn Lake and Lin Bryant. Thank you both – I hope you had a fun day on the 15<sup>th</sup> of November!!

Promotion work will begin in earnest in December for our Spring Fundraiser aboard the Solaris. Mark your calendars for the 18<sup>th</sup> April and please give your reservation to Dorothy Robinson or Diane Lauterbach. To make this event another Club success story, we shall need "all hands on deck". So, please sign up on Dorothy's Committee to help.

Last, but not least keep Cindy Posey in your thoughts and prayers, she will start her first chemotherapy treatment on 29<sup>th</sup> November at the Moffitt Cancer Clinic in Tampa – I know each and everyone of us will be shadowing her during these treatments

I won't be at "Santa's Bash" on the 14<sup>th</sup> December, but will be with you in spirit.

My wish to each and everyone of you is for a safe, blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year. I shall look forward to seeing all your lovely smiling faces at our January lunch.

Love, Kate

## **SPRING FUNDRAISER....Dorothy Robinson**

Our Spring fundraiser will be held April 18th aboard the Solaris. Tickets are \$75.00 per person or \$150.00 per couple. Music and a silent auction will be part of the evening.

Please contact Dorothy Robinson for more information (850)654-9137 or 217-1642



## FRIEND TO FRIEND....Julia Boykin

Cindy Posey will be continuing her medical treatment, please keep her in your prayers.



### **MEMBERSHIP....Denise Dobelek**

We had 2 new members at the November meeting. They are Lore McDonald and Char Thompson



Please welcome them

### **MEMBERSHIP BOOK**

Pages for new members for Oct and Nov will be available as soon as I get photos of them

# Christmas Parade, Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011, 10am - Sherry Sheldon

DWC members are needed as walkers for the Destin Woman's Club Parade car.

Assemble at numbered line-up by 9:15am.

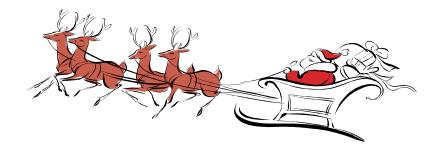
This year's theme: "Christmas Around the World".

Dress: red tops and blue slacks/jeans/long skirt with red/white tassel hat.

Please contact Sherry Sheldon

837-2933, cell: 496-5394, or rascorp2@cox.net

Parade route: From Old Time Pottery location at Hwy 98 and Main Street; walk 1.3 miles; turn right at light onto Stahlman Avenue near Destin Community Center and the Destin/Marler Bridge; and finish/disassemble at Night-Town parking lot.



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:**

Pat Smythe December 5
Roslyn Snyder December 7
Denise Greene December 10
Myra Blackburn December 12
Karen Sherrill December 12
Cathy Brock December 27



#### Dear Ladies.

Lin Bryant and I are credited with the decorating of the Staircase and Landing but we couldn't have done it without the help of fellow club member Denise Hatcher, she was our saving grace! We also had help from Lin's friend from Tuscaloosa but I've misplaced her name. Please remember you can vote for your favorite room after the tour and we trust you will mark the ballot "Staircase and Landings"! We are honored to represent the Club at Eden Gardens this year and trust everyone will enjoy our theme of "Yes Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus". (Wesley House at Eden Gardens was built the same year as the "Yes Virginia" editorial was printed in the New York Sun, 1897). Regards,

Lynn Lake

## Wesley house at Eden Gardens State Park dressed up for the holidays and Candlelight Tour Dec. 17



The Wesley house library was decorated for the season by Historic Point Washington Association.

## **Tour the house every Thursday – Monday**

Eden Gardens State Park and the Friends of Eden invite you to join them for a tour of the Wesley house this holiday season. Each of the rooms of the historic house have been decorated in a holiday theme by local volunteers.

Tours of the Wesley House are available Thursday – Monday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., every hour on the hour. The house is closed Tuesday and Wednesday for maintenance. The park is open 7 days a week.

On Dec. 17, enjoy the Candlelight Tour from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., with a traditional walk through the luminaries to the Historic Wesley House to enjoy it's beautifully seasonally decorated rooms and be greeted by Civil War re-enactors in period garb. After the tour is completed, the Friends of Eden will be providing refreshments in the pavilion and the reenactors will welcome you to the small encampment on the North lawn of the house beyond the Reflecting Pool. It's an evening meant to be enjoyed by all who attend.

Donations to the Friends of Eden Gardens are welcome and appreciated. To volunteer or for additional information call the park office at (850) 267-8322. Fees: Admission fees to the park and the event are waived.

Directions: Eden Gardens State Park is located in Point Washington, off U.S. 98 on C.R. 395. For more information, call (850) 267-8320. 181 Eden Garden Road, Point Washington, Fl. 32459

This year's room decorations were provided by:

- Lynn Lake and Lin Bryant for the Destin Women's Club Staircase and Landings
- Betsy Stout-Jones and Becky Bruce with Green Thumb Garden Club- The Parlor.
- Kathy Carpenter and the Point Washington United Methodist Women's Group Dining Room
- Marge Crawford and Linny Delayhoussee with the Historic Point Washington Association
   Library
- Karen Kolenberg and the Custom House Upper Floor Back Porch
- Tim Ryan for Botaniq Floral Studio Red Bedroom
- Barby Parks for the Sacred Heart Hospital Guild and Gift Shop Children's Bedroom
- Tara Stacey a new decorator in our area Pink Bedroom
- Pat Farrel and the Quilters Guild Blue Bedroom
- Jillian Doyle with the theme of "Holly Christmas" Back Porch



### **RECORDING SECRETARY....Margie Foutz**

### DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING NOVEMBER 9, 2011 LOUISIANA LAGNIAPPE

Our annual fall bazaar got off to a good start with lots of activity around the booths. It's amazing how talented our members are, and we thank everyone for their efforts in making this event a success.

At noon, Kate Callicotte managed to get everyone seated for lunch and welcomed them to the November meeting. Linda Mendenhall gave the invocation on the subject of Thanksgiving, and also asked members to keep Cindy Posey in their prayers as she battles cancer.

Minutes of the last meeting/Treasurer's Report: Kate announced that the Minutes of the last meeting could be found in the November newsletter. She had neglected to make copies of the Balance Sheet in Myra's absence, but had a copy to show anyone who was interested.

**Correspondence:** Linda Mendenhall read a letter from our NWFSC scholarship recipient, Stacey Prendergast, thanking the club for its support as she continues her studies in nursing. She also read a letter from Cindy thanking the club for flowers sent to her on her return from hospital.

Kate told the members that Linda and her husband are moving back to Georgia in the next few weeks, and therefore will be leaving the club. Linda has held numerous positions in the Club, including President, and will be sadly missed by all.

**Membership**: Katie McPartland said that three new members had joined today, and there were several guests. Welcome all – we look forward to getting to know you at future meetings.

**Friend to Friend**: Julie Boykin reminded everyone to let her know if anyone is sick or needs cheering up for any reason.

**Yard Sale**: The yard sale held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> had netted \$1,437 for Caring & Sharing's Thanksgiving Dinner program. The Executive Board had agreed to round this up to \$1,500 and a check will be delivered to Caring & Sharing today.

**Angel Tree:** Kate had contacted Caring & Sharing to get information about the Christmas wishes for local children. However, they did not have this information available in time for our meeting, so the Board had decided to ask for monetary gifts instead. Our "Angel" was guarding a donation box and members were requested to give as generously as possible, either this month or at the December meeting. Any members who wish to give something more tangible can contact Caring & Sharing directly at the beginning of December and they will have information available then.

**Christmas Social Evening**: Our holiday party will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Ocean Club. Betsy Stout-Jones had a sign-up sheet and she will need to have a final count by the end of November.

**Destin Christmas Parade**: As usual, Sherry Sheldon is in charge of the Christmas Parade, which will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup>. We will have a decorated car and will also need walkers to walk next to the car and hand out candy. Sherry had a signup sheet for people willing to help with decorating and/or walking in the parade. Linda Kedy said she may be able to get us a limo for the parade.

**Spring Fundraiser 2012**: Dorothy Robinson and Diane Lauterbach are co-Chairs for this event, which will be a dinner cruise on the Solaris on April 18, 2012. Cost will be \$75 per person. There will be more on this event at the December meeting.

**Eden State Park**: DWC, in the persons of Lin Bryant and Lynn Lake, will be decorating part of the Wesley House at Eden State Park this Christmas. This is a spectacular event that members will not want to miss. There will be an Open House at Wesley after Thanksgiving and then the house is open to the public at certain hours.

Following the drawing of door prizes, the meeting was adjourned and members returned to the fun of the bazaar.

#### Rutherford 465

Homemade Quiche with Applewood smoked bacon with green onions and cheddar served with mixed green salad.

Grilled flank Steak w/ Portobello mushroom sauce , brie mashed potatoes and medley of fresh vegetables.

Vegetarian: Spinach Fettuccine with mushrooms, artichoke hearts, roasted red bell peppers and sun-dried tomato sauce.

Warm apple pie with cinnamon sauce for dessert.



Your contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC LUNCHEONS is Louisa Matthews— <u>Your reservation must be in by NOON</u> Friday, December 9th, 2011

Send to: Louisa Matthews, 1405 Winged Foot Drive, Niceville, FL 32578. E-mail contact: dwcreservations@gmail.com Telephone # 850-398-4485

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RESERVATION GUIDELINES: [Please try to pay before the meeting] When paying, please make your payment for one month at a time.

Reservations are required and must be made no later than the FRIDAY [by noon] preceding the Wednesday meeting.

Mail your check as soon as you make your reservation.

Please note: If you cannot make the luncheon and do not cancel your reservation in time you will be charged for your lunch.