# DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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#### **BOARD MEETING**

Date: Wednesday June 1, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Kelly Plantation Homeowners Clubhouse

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

Next meeting and luncheon is Wednesday June 8, 2011 Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort Beach Club Restaurant 9300 Emerald Coast Parkway, W 267-6762

The complementary shuttle will be running. Ladies who wish to ride the shuttle simply need to stand by their automobile after parking. The shuttle will be making continuous rounds to pick up passengers and deliver to the front door. It will also be available after the meeting.

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

This month, we have two important events to cover as we wind up the year. As a result of our hard work over the past nine months, including our very successful Fashion Show, we will be presenting the Destin Fisherman's Foundation and the Fisher House at Eglin with donation checks.

Also on the agenda is the installation of the new Executive Board for the 2011-2012 year. We look forward to seeing everyone before summer starts for real.

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

Dear Wonderful Members.

I don't know where to begin with this, my last President's "mutterings/urging on/pearls of wisdom" – which I don't have, wish I did and how do I say Thank You to all of you, letter.

I'll start from last June and the Installation of Officers and go from there – please bear with me and I promise to try and cover everything that has been achieved since our very first Fundraiser of the Year, which was the Destin Seafood Festival. A great money raiser for our Family Fund – sometimes Fisher House. Last September saw the "gang" show up (this gang has been doing this for several years now and they have a blast/giggle and some of them are known to buy outrageous sunglasses – that still look great today!! Anyway due to changes with how many dollars the Destin Chamber of Commerce were going to give each Non-Profit Organization, we were scheduled to do not one but two four hour stints at the Seafood Festival. So last September we had another "gang" who showed up on Sunday and did their stint too – and a great job they did too. These two stints provided our Fisher House Fund with \$500.00!! What a way to start our Club Year.

Well, there's no rest for the weary – November saw members involved with a "Treasure/Yard Sale, which garnered over \$2,000 for our Family Fund. As I drove over the Mid-Bay bridge on that very early dark Saturday Morning, I asked myself, why are we doing this – think you all know the answer to that – we are the Destin Woman's Club and we will do the utmost that we can to help our Community – Kudos to all of you!!

Christmas came along and we managed to buy a Bike for our Darling Amber – she, her Mom and Marley had a wonderful time at our Christmas Lunch and again – there you all are!! We managed with funds from our Family Fund and your great generosity at a lunch to give Amber's Family \$1,500 – which helped provide Marley to check on Amber's sugar levels.

January saw a shift – rather a crater I should say!! The Spring Fashion Show was right around the corner and Whoa did we have timelines to meet!! Well, guess who stepped up to that plate and got everyone motivated/moving/grooving and stepping up to the Plate – our great V/P Peggy Herbig – there aren't enough words in the Oxford Dictionary to thank Peg for the great work she did. Little did she know when she stepped in to help Kathy Lynn and Sarah Whalen that she would have to carry the "day" on 26<sup>th</sup> March. As always Peg has that "aura" about her and it all got done. Sorry I missed it all!!

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Thanks of course, must go to the various Chairs of the Fashion Show – Maggi for doing a great job on the Raffle/Silent Auction, Carol Winsett for procuring shops/clothes/raffle and silent auction items, Georgeia for taking charge of tickets sales and Denise for designing and procuring our great Program. Linda Mendenhall for organizing our great models and last but not least our two Designers for the Ballroom: Lynn Lake for the outstanding Designer Table and Lin Bryant for the brilliant work she did for our backdrop on the stage and the wonderfully coordinated napkins on everyone's table.

As I speak of the Ballroom and it's wonderful décor, which I did see, I have to thank each and every one of you Models who "strutted" and looked magnificent – no I know you know I didn't see any of you, however, I have seen all of the photos – and you all should be very proud of yourselves – as I am of you.

The combined efforts of all the above managed to make our 2011 Spring Fashion Show very profitable and at our June lunch we shall very proudly be presenting \$6,000 to Fisher House on the Emerald Coast as well as \$6,000 to the Destin Fishermen's Foundation and also putting \$6,000 into our much needed Mary Kirkpatrick Family Fund.

Special thanks go to Margie for ensuring the money transactions for the Fashion Show Tickets, Raffle and Silent Auction were kept straight. Not an easy feat, especially when you have a crowd of ladies all wanting to pay for their Silent Auction items at the same time.

From the bottom of my heart I want to thank our superb Executive Board who have done an outstanding job this past year, also dear Cindy Posey for always having the "right" words to use in her invocations – without you, dear hearts and your belief in this great Club we wouldn't be standing tall and proud today.

The same grateful thanks go to our great Governing Board, who are welcomed at every Meeting and your enthusiasm and thoughts are always attentively listened to and considered. To say our Restaurants and lunch attendance have been "off the scale" is a great testament to the work of Kim Ederer, Sandra Williams, Peggy Benson and of course, Rhonda Comparin who did her utmost to keep abreast of Reservations.

Another great Thank You has to be given to Wendy Schmutz – without her attention and help this Newsletter wouldn't be on our website. Another unsung hero of our great Club. Also thank you to Stephanie and Susan who kept our advertising going!!

It appears that some members would like to meet every second Wednesday during July and August for a Happy Hour. I think that's a great idea and also keeps us in touch with each other during the Summer. So, the first Happy Hour Get Together will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in July at 790 South – starting at 4.30pm. No sign-up involved – just show up and enjoy each others company – sounds like fun to me. I will send out a reminder the beginning of July for that.

Last but not LEAST – Thank you All for being a member of this wonderful Woman's Club, I look forward to seeing you all at our June Meeting. The Sandestin Beach Club is just the best venue for our end of year celebration and Installation of the new Executive Board and I hope that many of you will be able to attend. We shall be presenting checks to our Charities, as I mentioned above and also will be showing a slide show of "our happenings" over the past nine months – do join us.

With my very best wishes to each and everyone of you.

Kate

## TREASURER....Margie Foutz

Reminder from the Treasurer

Destin Woman's Club dues need to be paid by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

July 1<sup>st</sup> is the start of our new fiscal year and having your dues in by the end of June helps us with our budgeting for the new year.

Hoping all of you wonderful ladies join us again. We look forward to some special programs and brand new (and old favorite) venues for lunch.

Dues can be mailed to: Destin Woman's Club, P.O. Box 9267, Miramar Beach, FL 32550. An envelope will be passed at our June meeting.

Dues are \$50.00

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

Cathy Brock and Judy Stoddard are two new members.

Ladies we are happy to have you join our group.



#### FAMILY FUND....Mabel Prescott & Beth Ann Cox

The family fund is continuing to help area families in need. Many thanks for the Board for a portion of the funds raised by the Fashion Show - it will go to good use. If you know someone in need, please contact Beth Ann or myself for an application. It is our privilege give back to Destin area families.

Thanks to you all, Mabel Prescott

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE....Linda Mendenhall

DWC Committee Chair positions for the 2011-2012 Governing Board still available are as follows:

Sponsorship Task Force, Reservations, Budget and Finance and Hospitality. Please contact Linda Mendenhall, Sherry Sheldon or current Committee Chairs to let us know of your interest in being considered for one of these positions. Linda Mendenhall,

**Nominating Committee Chair** 

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

June 1
June 2
June 4
June 10
June 10
June 15
June 17
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June 25



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## RECORDING SECRETARY...Maggi Grogan

## DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING MAY 11 2011 790 ON THE GULF

It was a perfect spring day for enjoying lunch overlooking the clear emerald green waters of the Gulf. Members enjoyed socializing while sampling the appetizers kindly provided by our host restaurant, 790 on the Gulf.

In Kate Callicotte's absence, Peggy Herbig welcomed everyone to the meeting, and Linda Mendenhall gave a delightful invocation.

Peggy then introduced Dr. Rodney Soto of A Younger You Institute, a DWC Bronze sponsor. Dr. Soto gave a very interesting talk on his somewhat untraditional approach to medicine and the health care system in general. It was certainly very thought-provoking, and Dr. Soto answered several members' questions at the conclusion of his program.

Following Dr. Soto's talk, and while waiting for lunch to be served, Peggy announced that Caring & Sharing of South Walton County had been selected by the club as our major charity for the 2011-2012 year.

Peggy also announced that the minutes of the last meeting could be found in the Newsletter. She asked Margie Foutz to give us a quick update on the club's finances. Margie said that as a result of the Fashion Show, the club would be donating \$18,000 to our three selected charities, to be split three ways between them. The charities – Destin Fisherman's Foundation, Fisher House, and the DWC Mary Kilpatrick Family Fund would receive \$6,000 each. The checks will be presented at the June meeting.

Georgeia, as Correspondence Secretary, read a letter from the Carmichael family, thanking the club for its assistance after they suffered a major sewage catastrophe at their home. After lunch was served, Peggy asked Penny Lucas of Caring & Sharing of South Walton County to address the meeting. Penny thanked the club for choosing Caring & Sharing as their major charity and said that they have four major projects each year: a summer food program to help families provide meals that are normally provided at school; a back to school program, in which each child receives a \$50 voucher for use at the Gap or Old Navy; a Thanksgiving program which gives each needy family food for Thanksgiving dinner,

including a turkey; and a Christmas program in which families are "adopted" by organizations or individuals to fulfill a child's wish list for Christmas gifts. Penny said that all proceeds from the thrift shop and donations go towards helping families with financial assistance such as utility bills, etc. DWC's assistance will be greatly appreciated in these endeavors, and we certainly hope we can make a difference to the many disadvantaged children and families in the area.

Peggy went on to announce the May birthdays: Lynn Lake, Roseanne Maas, Palma Cooper, Evelyn Frees, Colleen Friesen, and Diane Barger. We wish you a happy birthday month, ladies.

Denise Dobelek, as Membership Chair, announced that we had one new member and several guests who were busily completing their application forms. Any member who joins between now and June will be deemed to have paid through the end of the 2012 year.

Although Louisa Matthews, our Friend-to-Friend Chair, was not present, it appeared that everyone, apart from Kate who is still recuperating from her knee injury, is in good form.

Linda Mendenhall and Sherry Sheldon have been busy filling the Executive Board positions for the 2011-2012 year. Linda announced the proposed slate, as follows:

President: Kate Callicotte
Vice President: Maggi Grogan
Treasurer: Myra Shanklin
Recording Secretary: Margie Foutz
Correspondence Sec: Linda Mendenhall
Ways & Means: Dorothy Robinson

Linda then opened the floor for nominations for each of these positions. There being no additional nominations, a vote was taken, and the Executive Board listed above was accepted.

Peggy announced that the club would be holding a Wine Tasting evening at Lumpy's Wine Bar in Baytowne Wharf on Tuesday, May 24, starting at 6:00 p.m. Significant others are welcome to attend. The Cost is \$15 per person, and a sign-up sheet was circulated. If you wish to attend and have not signed up, please contact Dorothy Robinson.

Following the drawing of door prizes, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



#### **Beach Club Dining Room**

Choose One

#### **Pressed Garden Panini**

Seasonal Vegetables, Mozzarella, Pesto, Hummus, Balsamic Glaze

#### **Chicken Paillard**

Seasonal Greens, Clementine Salsa, Citrus Vinaigrette

#### Grilled Mahi Mahi

Sautee Spinach, Spiced Jasmine Rice, Citrus Pico

Dessert—Chef's choice

RESERVATION GUIDELINES: [Please try to pay before the meeting]
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.

RESERVATIONS FOR D.W.C. LUNCHEON—	our reservation
must be in by <u>NOON</u> Friday June 3, 20	11
Send to: Rhonda Comparin,4219 Shadow Lan comparin@cox.net Tel:897-3788	e, Niceville, FL 32578.
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GUEST:	\$20.00 CK#
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