# DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### **BOARD MEETING**

Date: Wednesday September 7th, 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 September 14th
At
Tuscany Italian Bistro
Highway 98

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

Our September program will be a presentation by Todd Eric Allen, Artistic Director of the Northwest Florida Ballet Company. This organization has produced many outstanding professional dancers and teachers, and Todd will give us an overview of its operation and aims for the future. Continued....page 7

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

Dear Ladies,

Another Great Year awaits this Wonderful Club of yours!

Horrors of horrors, Summer is fleeing by us and we are now beginning to put dates on our September calendar!!

Yes, it's true the wonderful Club you are members of will be "up and running" again in September. Although I have to admit to most of you that your Executive Board didn't get any respite from their tasks this Summer!!

Your Executive Board has been hard at work organizing our upcoming Year Fundraising Events and your Restaurant/Program Chairpersons have been working hard on finding wonderful Restaurants to please our palates and very interesting Programs for us all to look forward to.

First "off the bat" I have to let you all know that the Executive Board has agreed to have our Fashion Show Fundraiser "put on the back burner" until 2013. Like you, I hate even to type that date, let alone think on it. As you all are very well aware we had a tremendously successful Fashion Show on the 26<sup>th</sup> March and the Ex. Board agreed that we should "let the tide ride" for a year, so when we do indeed have a Fashion Show during 2013, we hope there will be yet another resurgence of commitments from our local community to help us with this endeavour.

As most of you know, the Destin Seafood Festival has always been an opportunity for us to volunteer members' time, no work, no thinking/planning/no advertising etc., everything is always done for us and we reap the benefit of a monetary reward for having fun. This year, it appears things may not be going that way. I am still trying to get our Club a "spot" on their volunteer list, but at the moment am up against a brick wall, with no direction. As soon as I know, one way or the other, about the DWC being involved as volunteers for the Seafood Festival – the word will be sent out to all of you.

Not to dampen your spirits and eagerness to raise money for our superb Club, I need to let you know that once again, we are planning on having a Yard Sale in October and have high hopes to be able to use Dr. Lichorwic's Parking Lot for our venue. Proceeds from this Yard Sale will be given to Sharing & Caring of South Walton, our chosen Charity for this year.

Please bring to our September Meeting saleable items, such as children's clothes, adult clothes, shoes, things you love, but no longer have room for etc. It seemed from last year's Sale that small items, such as knick knacks didn't sell. I do believe that area rugs were popular as are small appliances. The money we raise at this Yard Sale will be donated to Caring & Sharing for their Thanksgiving Drive.

You should also be aware that your Club has already donated money to Caring & Sharing of South Walton to help them provide lunches to underprivileged children during the Summer and also they have received money to put towards their "Back to School Program" which entails giving each child in the South Walton area a \$50.00 gift token to use at Target for the many things they each need in preparation for another School Year.

Now, Another Fun Event: Yes, for you new members, we are not solely about raising money for our local Community but also committed to ensuring members get to have fun too amongst themselves!!

## President's Letter Continued on Page 3

We shall be having a "Christmas Evening Dinner Social". Maggi has reserved the Ocean Club for us for the evening of Friday 2nd December 2011. Social Hour will commence at 6.00pm. This will be an evening to "remember" – it will be "pay-as-you-go". If my memory serves me correctly, the last Christmas Social we had at the Ocean Club was just outstanding. Prepare yourselves for a wonderful evening, which has been timed to start off your Christmas Season with Joy. More details will be forthcoming in later Newsletters.

Our Spring Fundraiser for 2012 is scheduled for April 18th aboard the Solaris. For those of you unfamiliar with the Solaris, it is moored at Sandestin and holds approximately 150 people. They sail at sunset time and meander around the Bay for two hours. Dinner will be served and there will be a "pay-as-you-go" Bar. Proceeds from this Fundraiser will be donated to Caring & Sharing at our end of year lunch in June 2012.

Mark your calendars for this event, the cost will be \$150.00 per couple and the Menu will be: Salad, Surf & Turf, dessert, coffee/tea and ice water. Gratuity is included in the price. We are still organizing some form of music to be played as we "drift" along the Bay – so to all you aspiring Fred Astaires – get those dancing shoes polished!!

The Club does need a Chair and Co-Chair to help get this event organized. We, your Board, would like to have a small Silent Auction aboard the Solaris, we are looking at perhaps the most, 10 items, each with a value of over \$100. I urge you all to think about Chairing this Event. Just think, date has been set, Menu set, price set, so really all as a Chair to this Event one would need to just organize a Committee to collect some very nice Silent Auction pieces –VOILA!!

I really hope that each and everyone of you have had a wonderful Summer and, like me, are looking forward to another great year of fun, laughter and successful fundraising for this wonderful Club you have all created.

You will all by now have received Wendy's e-mail concerning a "Girls' Night Out Potluck". Wendy is very kindly hosting the Potluck and I urge each and every one of you to reply her e-mail before Wednesday 17th August. Again, another fun evening for us Ladies is on the Calendar!!

Your Board and myself are looking forward to seeing you on 17th August and at our September luncheon at Tuscany. Let's hope the searing heat we've been enduring this Summer will have found its way to distant Shores.

Last but not least, I have to say how touched I have been to receive all the cards and well wishes, and prayers, you have all sent me since "my Darling" left us for better climes – your thoughts and kind words have meant the world to me, as did your presence at his Memorial Service. Thank you all for caring.

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Love,	
Kate	

DWC By-Laws: Members will be asked to vote on the following changes to the current bylaws at our September 14th business luncheon. This will serve as a thirty (30) day notice as stipulated in Article X - Amendment. Old is 'red' and new is 'blue'.

- Page 1 Add to years By Laws Amended: 2011
- Page 4 f) Ways and Means: Shall oversee all fundraising activities. Shall be advisor to Chosen Major Charity, Family Fund and Fisher House of the Emerald Cost, Inc. <u>change to read</u>:

Ways and Means: Shall oversee all fundraising activities. She shall be advisor to chosen charities.

- Page 7 Family Fund <u>change to read</u>: Family Fund (MK) Membership Book <u>change to read</u>: Membership Directory
- Page 8 e) Family Fund: Process all recipients, direct fundraisers, monitor budget.

  change to read:
  Family Fund (MK): Process all recipients of the
  greater Destin area, direct fundraisers, monitor budget.
  - f) Fisher House: a/k/a Fisher House of the Emerald Coast, Inc. Coordinate fundraisers with Eglin Air Force Base and monitor budget. change to read:

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g) Friend to Friend: Send a 'Get Well' card to members or flowers to hospitalized members.

change to read:

**Friend to Friend:** Send 'Get Well' and 'Sympathy' cards to members, flowers to hospitalized members. Coordinate meals when appropriate.

j) Membership: Recruit new members and introduce them at the first attendance and notify the members of meetings and programs. Match new members with a current member to act as their 'Membership Pal'. Maintain database of membership. change to read:

**Membership:** Recruit new members and introduce them at the first attendance. Maintain database of membership.

- Page 9 m) Program change to read: Programs
  - q) Scholarship Fund: Monitor two-\$10,000 endowments with state matching funds at Okaloosa Walton College and monitor separate DWC scholarship account. change to read:

**Scholarship Fund:** Monitor self-perpetuating scholarship fund at Northwest Florida State College updating Donor Agreement when necessary and monitor separate DWC scholarship account.

Page 10 Standing Rules, I. Order of Business
change to read: move program from #10 to #3

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Invocation
- 3. Program
- 4. Minutes

- 5. Financial Report
- 6. Reports
  - a) Officers Elected Appointed
  - b) Committees Standing Special
    - 7. Communications
    - 8. Unfinished Business
    - 9. New Business
    - 10. Announcements
    - 11. Adjournment

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IV. A guest shall attend meetings twice yearly and only with an active member.

#### change to read:

A guest may only attend meetings twice yearly and only with an active member. Past Presidents will not be considered guests.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:**

Maggi Grogan September 2
Linda Mendenhall September 8
Julie Foll September 11
Helen McMillan September 16
Gaby Volvulescu September 20
Katie McPartland September 28



## DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING JUNE 8 2011 SANDESTIN BEACH CLUB

Kate called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. She noted that this was the last meeting of the club year, and what a great one it had been – from the Seafood Festival last fall to the Fashion Show this spring.

Cindy gave the invocation, asking for blessings on both the outgoing and incoming Executive and Governing Boards.

Kate said that the Profit & Loss Accounts could be found on the tables, and thanked Margie for her great work during the past financial year. Margie distributed information on the Family Fund and how it had been used to help many families over the year. She reminded everyone that annual dues are due on July 1<sup>st.</sup>

Kate announced that \$10 of the annual dues will be set aside in a "Social Fund" and will go towards a party for the whole club at some point in the year.

It was then time to introduce our guests – Captain Marc Wren of the Destin Fisherman's Foundation, Ken Walsh and the newly-appointed President of Fisher House – Tom Rice.

Several other guests and new members were introduced – welcome all, and we hope you will come back!

This month's envelope was devoted to Caring & Sharing, our new major charity. The proceeds from the envelope will be matched by club funds and will go towards Caring & Sharing's summer food program, so members were urged to be generous.

Before announcing the June birthday girls, Peggy Herbig thanked Kate for her hard work over the past year, and also the club Board members for their support. Please send birthday wishes to the following members: Christina Williams, Tammy Bracewell, Mara Visknins, Denise Hatcher, Diane Lauterbach, Peggy Herbig, Marie Jackson, Nina Jeffords, Judith Moore, Lorraine Pless, and Myra Shanklin.

Kate then stepped up and presented Peggy Herbig with a restaurant gift certificate in recognition of the super effort she put in to make the Fashion Show the success it was. Thank you Peggy, from the whole club!

It was then time to present Captain Marc Wren with a check for \$6,000 for the Destin Fisherman's Foundation. Marc expressed his profound appreciation for the help that DWC had provided during the bad times for the fishing industry. He was pleased to say that the fishing fleet was hard at work at present but that the money would be used to help during the Holiday season when it is specially needed.

Kate announced that the club will be meeting for "Happy Hour" at 790 on the Gulf during the summer months when there are no regular lunch meetings. She will put more information in the next newsletter.

Following lunch, Peggy introduced Ken Walsh, our local radio personality, and Tom Rice, the newly appointed President of Fisher House at Eglin. A check for \$6,000 was presented, which makes the total amount the club has donated to this worthy cause around \$15,500! Tom gave us a brief overview of the Fisher House aims and objectives, and how it has helped many service men and their families since it opened last year.

It was then time for the Installation of the Executive Board for the 2011-2012 year. Cindy Posey, as Chaplin, performed the installation and the following positions were appointed:

Kate Callicotte: President Maggi Grogan: Vice President Myra Shanklin: Treasurer

Linda Mendenhall: Corresponding Secretary

Margie Foutz: Recording Secretary Dorothy Robinson: Ways & Means

There being no other business, Kate wished all members a safe and happy summer and looked forward to seeing everyone again in September.

Respectfully Submitted Maggi Grogan Recording Secretary June 10, 2011

## TREASURER....Margie Foutz

JUST A GENTLE REMINDER
YOUR 2011-2012 DUES ARE "DUE"
PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK FOR \$50 TO
DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB
P O BOX 9267, MIRAMAR BEACH, FL 32550

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL MEMBERS TO

BECOME A PATRON OF OUR CLUB. FOR \$25 A YEAR YOU CAN ADD ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO OUR ONGOING FUNDRAISING AND SUPPORT FOR OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE THINK ABOUT

#### **BECOMING A PATRON**

Our new meeting year is beginning. Destin Woman's Club has great new restaurants, courtesy of Kim and Sandra, and wonderful programs, thank you Maggi. We are all looking forward to an exciting year. Please remember, when you make a reservation the club is responsible for payment on your meal. Many of the restaurants expect us to pay for all meals reserved. If you cannot make the meeting, please contact the reservations person and cancel. If you do not cancel in advance we will expect you to pay for your meal. These are tight times for our local business's and they open their doors especially for us.

Thanks

One of our members, Evelyn Frees passed away this past July and she will be sadly missed. DWC has made a contribution to PAWS in Fort Walton Beach in her memory



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

Please start cleaning out your closets in anticipation of are Treasure Sale in October. Thank you

#### PROGRAM UPDATE

Also coming up for the rest of the year, we have some fun events planned. In October we will be meeting at the Ocean Club restaurant, and the program will be given by Dr. Steven Clark of Bluewater Plastic Surgery (and husband of DWC member Donna Clark). November will be the ever-popular Holiday Bazaar at Louisiana Lagniappe. Our December meeting will be held at Rutherfords 465, and will be a fun holiday-themed program, so stay tuned!

Thank you to everyone who completed the Programs and Restaurants survey at the May meeting. Below is a summary of the results. Your Board will take your comments into account when planning this year's programs and meeting places.

Restaurant	Survey
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	Restaurant su	rvey			
	1 (poor)	2	3	4	5 (excellent)
Louis Louis	1	1	5	6	10
Fish Bar	3	2	4	3	8
Louisana Lagniappe	3	2	2	6	15
Ruths Chris	4	1	2	4	11
Signature Galleries	1	1	3	9	11
Another Broken Egg	0	2	3	10	13
Curvee Bistro	3	1	0	6	15
Bonefish Grill	0	4	2	3	18
790 on the Gulf	0	2	2	3	17
Program Survey					
Sacred Heart Hosp	0	1	5	10	3
Today's Boutique	1	0	2	7	14
Holiday Bazaar	0	0	3	4	20
Christmas Program	2	0	2	7	13
Retro Jewelry	0	0	6	9	10
Charity Selection	0	1	9	6	7
Fashion Show Special	0	2	4	6	10
Dr. Lichorwic	1	0	2	9	11
Dr. Soto	1	3	2	6	10



## Tuscany Italian Bistro

Rigatoni Cionciara
Pasta with Italian Sausage, Mushrooms, parmesan cheese in pink sauce

Greek Salad with Grilled Chicken
Mixed greens, feta cheese, green and red peppers, onions, cucumber, tomato, kalamata olives, pepperoncini and Italian dressing
topped with Grilled Chicken

Veggie Choice Stuffed Shells Marchiana baked stuffed shells of cheese and spinach with pomodoro sauce, parmesan and mozzarella cheese

Welcome back! Our new contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC LUNCHEONS is Louisa Matthews— Your reservation must be in by NOON Friday, September, 9, 2011

Send to: Louisa Matthews, 1405 Winged Foot Drive, Niceville, FL 32578. E-mail

contact: dwcreservations@gmail.com Telephone # 850-398-4485

MEMBER:	\$20.00 CK#
GUEST:	\$20.00 CK#
ENTRÉE'S	

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.