

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB
 NEWSLETTER
 P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, FL 32550
 Website: <http://destinwomansclub.org/>



BOARD MEETING

Date: Wednesday February 1st, 2012
 Time: 9.00 a.m.
 Place: Kelly Plantation Owners Club
 The meeting will be for both the Executive and Governing Boards .

Next meeting and luncheon is Wednesday February 8th,
 On board the "Solaris" which
 is docked at the Baytowne Marina in the Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort
 Go past the Tennis Center and watch for the Solaris sign on the left.
Please be on board before 10:30 a.m.

Program 11:30 a.m. –Noon
Lunch Noon
Business Meeting 12:30 p.m.
Reservations and Menu: see the last page

.Deadline for reservations is FRIDAY February 3rd, by Noon
 Please email dwcreservations@gmail.com
 or telephone 850-398-4485
 please remember to mail your check for \$20 payable to DWC
 to Louisa Matthews
 1405 Winged Foot Drive,
 Niceville, FL 32578

PROGRAMS....Maggi Grogan

Our speaker this month will be Lori Ceier, a Florida native and founder of the Walton Outdoors.com website. Lori's presentation will cover our local spring fed waterways, where they are and what to look for. She has a wealth of knowledge of interesting places to explore, have a picnic or take the family that will make a change from the beach. This will be especially relevant as we cruise around the Choctawhatchee Bay aboard the Solaris!

PRESIDENT'S LETTER....Kate Callicotte

Dear Ladies,

Happy Valentine's Day to each and everyone of you and I hope you all get "buckets" of red roses from your loved one!!

If you missed the January lunch meeting, you missed a wonderful treat. Our Speaker Lt. Col. Sam Lombardo gave a really interesting program on how he arrived in the United States from Italy and how he joined the U.S. Army and was returned to Europe after Pearl Harbor – I know he didn't have the time to recount his entire military career or what he did after retiring from the Army but hope that he will kindly return at a later luncheon to complete his story.

Thank you Kim and your Committee for arranging our lunch meeting held at "Vue", which, am sure you all know, used to be the Santa Rosa Beach Golf Club. Despite the Gulf being in a "rage" the scenery and our lunches were spectacular.

I don't know about you, but this year seems to be moving too swiftly along!! Speaking of swiftness I need to remind you all that reservations are being taken by Dorothy for our very important Fundraiser being held aboard the Solaris on April 18th. We all need to work together to make this event a huge success and also raise much needed \$\$\$\$\$\$ for Sharing&Caring of South Walton. Further details can be found in this Newsletter.

I have to say huge thank-yous to Denise Dobelek, Wendy Schmutz and Katie McPartland for their tireless efforts in getting the Club information on our Website. This is a very large undertaking, and as I said at our January luncheon, by putting our club membership and other information that normally is contained in our Membership Directory on-line, we shall be saving the Destin Woman's Club over a \$1,000 per year in printing costs. Don't forget that you can still download this information and put it into your Directory, if you wish to. Another thing to think about is, saving trees!! Yes, this new venture of the Club will certainly put us on the "green list"!!

Another thing we need to think about, I know, if you are like me, you are now saying to yourself, something else to think about? Our year's sponsorship of Sharing&Caring will end in June. Your Executive Board is in the process of whittling down those Charity names they have been given, to three Charities. I shall be asking the final three Charities to do a Presentation at our April luncheon. After their presentations it will be up to each and every one of you to vote on which Charity you think we should sponsor for the next two years!! I am sure it is going to be a tight race to the finish line and urge all of you to be present at our April lunch to ensure your vote gets counted. You have all done a magnificent job in raising money for Sharing&Caring this year and my dearest of hopes is that we can rise to the occasion again next year with our fundraising efforts.

The Nominating Committee will shortly be meeting to discuss the year end changes of your Executive Board and naturally will be in contact with all of you to ask if any of you would like to hold an open position on the Executive Board. Please consider filling an open position on the Executive Board. It does give a greater insight to what our great Club is all about and there is always a great sense of camaraderie amongst the Executive Board members.

LASTLY, excuse the Capital Letters, but I really need to heavily emphasize that if you make a reservation for our February lunch, aboard the Solaris on February 8th, you need to be at the Dock at Baytowne Wharf by 10.30am. The Solaris will leave promptly at 11.00am to meander around Choctawhatchee Bay and I don't want any of you to miss a beautiful lunch, a very interesting program on the wildlife in the Bay or the sheer pleasure of floating around the Bay for two hours!! So please make a note of the time for embarking on a fabulous trip around the Bay!! Please God the sun will shine on all of us that day!! Many thanks to Maggi for arranging the Program for this lunch and Kim and her Committee for securing the Solaris for us.

I also need to emphasise that reservations for our lunch are due NO LATER THAN the Friday before our meeting and these reservations need to go to Louisa Matthews at her DWC website.

I look forward to seeing you all you wonderful women on February 8th and wish you all bunches of roses and 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.

Tickets and posters will be available at the February meeting.

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

Linda Morton	March 4
Linda Vorbeck	March 10
Becky Bruce	March 13
Karen Brommer	March 15
Rhonda Comparin	March 15
Judy Stoddard	March 16



FRIEND TO FRIEND...Julia Boykin

Please keep these members in your prayers

Sarah Whalen is recovering from surgery, Carol Winsett has a back injury and

Cindy Posey is continuing her treatment.

Ladies we hope to see you all with us again very soon.



MEMBERSHIP....Denise Dobelek



Membership Book

In an effort to conserve our resources and provide all members with up to date membership information, the DWC membership book will now be available on our website. This will replace the printed updates that were previously supplied in the Fall and in January. This will also replace any monthly emails of new member pages. Instead, new member and updated member pages will be posted on the website in our new "Members Only" page and will be in a format that allows members to easily print the pages if you wish.

You may find the "Members Only" on the first page of our website

www.destinwomansclub.org on the left just below our Logo and above the "About Us"

It is User name and password protected to protect the privacy of our members. All members will use the same User Name and Password.

Click on "Members Only"

Wendy will be e-mailing members with our access codes, in the near future.

After pressing enter the Members Only page appears. You may find our Board of Directors and club structure, By-Laws, Sponsor Advertisements, Member updates and coming soon the complete book of all member pages. Single click to open.

If you have any difficulty please call me at 267-6041.

If cannot print the pages, simply ask any board member and I am sure they will be happy to print them for you.

Recording Secretary...Sherry Sheldon
Destin Woman's Club
General Meeting - January 11, 2012
The Vue on 30a

Kate Callicotte opened our meeting at 11:30am She was able to organize our program and prepare to introduce our speaker, read correspondence, discuss our membership directory on our website, talk about our Solaris cruise luncheon Feb 8 and Solaris cruise fundraiser April 18 and explain to our membership the process of choosing our next chosen charity. Mabel Prescott did the invocation... Fulfillment-I know who God is.

Program Speaker: Kate introduced Lt. Col. Sam Lombardo, a military veteran going back to World War II, entertained us with his stories and adventures while serving this country. He was invited to speak to our group by Cindy Posey. Julie Boykin provided transportation.

Minutes of the December, 2011 Meeting can be found in the January newsletter.

Treasurer's Report-on the table: Kate directed members to speak with Myra Shanklin should they have any questions.

Correspondence: Kate read a thank you note from Caring and Sharing of South Walton signed by Penny Lucas.

Birthdays - Maggi Grogan recognized all members with January birthdays.

Friend to Friend - Julie Boykin: Please keep Sarah Whalen and Cindy Posey in your prayers as they recover after having surgery. Both are doing well.

Member Directory: Kate stated we have been paying \$1,000 per year to maintain our membership directory. In order to save costs the Executive and Governing Board have decided to make our membership directory available through our website www.destinwomansclub.org, in pdf format with an added password for security protection. Members may print this information to put in their membership directory if desired. This will now replace our current DWC printed membership directory.

Membership Directory on Website: Katie McPartland and Wendy Schmutz announced to the Board of Directors and By Laws are ready to go. They are still working with webmaster, Sherry Kennedy. Our website address remains unchanged. Members will access our newsletter the same way. The membership directory will be under a special tab button accessed with a user name and password available to all members. Wendy will send out access information in a few days to all members.

Wendy noted that anyone who has our website in their 'favorites' will need to reset it by entering: www.destinwomansclub.org again.

Solaris Fundraiser – April 18th, 2012: Our major fundraising event this year is the Solaris cruise to benefit Caring and Sharing of South Walton. This is a plated sit down dinner, music, silent auction, and cash bar. Peggy asked Dorothy when a flyer will be ready and Dorothy reported this is unknown at the moment. Dorothy Robinson passed around a sign-up sheet for members who will be buying tickets. We counted 34 reservations. Another sign-up sheet was passed around for members to help work at this event. Call Dorothy Robinson if you can help with this event. She also needs volunteers to secure more silent auction items.

DWC Chosen Charity 2012/2013: Kate said up to six named charities are needed in order for the Executive Board to choose three charities to come to our April lunch with their presentations, where members will be asked to vote for one of them as our next chosen charity. Members were encouraged to help in the selection. Currently named is Sacred Heart Hospital of the Emerald Coast and Shelter House. It was discussed by members that larger organizations are just as much in need as smaller organization. Mabel Prescott said a portion of the money raised in past for Sacred Heart Hospital of the Emerald Coast went to the indigent fund to cover unpaid costs. A Fashion Show is planned for next year as our major fundraiser.

Next Month's Luncheon-February 8th: Our regularly, schedule monthly luncheon will be aboard the Solaris cruise boat at Baytowne Marina in Sandestin. Lori from Walton Outdoors.com will present a program on the wildlife of the Choctawhatchee Bay. Chicken salad, gulf shrimp or rigatoni pasta are on the menu. All members need to be aboard by 10:30am as the cruise boat will leave the dock by 11am. Kate emphasized that members keep in mind that the Solaris cruise boat luncheon on Feb 8 and the Solaris cruise boat fundraiser on Apr 18 are separate functions.

Silent Auction

Gaby Voiculescu, owner of Spa 98, donated two items: facial creams and a European facial. We are pleased this silent auction raised \$200 for the DWC Family Fund. Gaby announced Spa 98 is moving to the Holiday Plaza in Miramar Beach on February 1st. She is offering our members 50% off all treatments every Saturday for the next two months, Feb and March. Treatments will be done by experienced aesthetician, Mayra Maleze. Look for Gaby's email on Saturday about an exciting "moving" special.

Door Prizes: Kate won Avon products donated by Betsy Stout-Jones. And, our guest speaker won a bottle of wine donated by Mary Rose Hidalgo.

Member Guests and New Members: Katie McParland announced we had five guests: Betsy Stout-Jones invited Collen Duffey and Sonnia Gibson; Wendy Schmutz invited Janice St. Vincent; Donna Clark invited Jan Flores. Members who joined in November were recognized: Lore McDonald, Judy Schlosser and Char Thompson.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sherry Sheldon

DWC-RC-Gen Mtg-Jan 11, 2012

Solaris Cruise Ship



Chicken Scaloppini

Tender chicken breast lightly breaded with white wine lemon butter, vegetable and herb roasted potatoes

Gulf Shimp Saute

Local gulf shrimp sauté with fresh herbs, apple wood smoked bacon wine butter and served over stone ground organic creamy grits

Roasted Pork Tenderloin

Herb crusted pork tenderloin, fruit compote, seasonal vegetable and potatoes

Roasted Vegetable Rigatoni

Roasted Tomatoes, Garlic, Fresh Basil, Olive Oil and Parmesan

Your contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC LUNCHEONS is Louisa Matthews— Your reservation must be in by NOON Friday, February 3rd, 2012

Please remember to mail your check for \$20 payable to DWC .
Send to: Louisa Matthews, 1405 Winged Foot Drive, Niceville, FL 32578.
E-mail contact: dwcreservations@gmail.com Telephone # 850-398-4485

MEMBER.....CK #.....

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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.