

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

NEWSLETTER – April 2015

P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, FL 32550

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BOARD MEETING

Wednesday April, 1st 2015 at 10 am
Bancorp South Bank Building (formerly Whitney Bank)
13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin
Executive Board and Governing Board

Next Meeting and Luncheon
Regatta Bay Grill / Rutherford's 475
(Located inside the security Gates of Regatta Bay).
465 Regatta Bay Blvd. Destin
[\(850\) 337-8888](tel:(850)337-8888)



Wednesday, April 8th, 2015

Check-in: 10:45 to 11:15
Social time: 11:00 to 11:30
Program Presentation: 11:30
Lunch: Noon
Business Meeting: To Follow

Reservations and Menu: see last page
Deadline to RSVP is Friday, April 3rd, 2015 at noon.



Ron Adams Musical Entertainer Coming to April 8th Luncheon Meeting!
Ron Adams is famous for his Elvis Tribute show. He has written, produced, directed and starred in many shows which include “The Life of the King”, “Ron Adams and Friends Country Legend Show” and Ron Adams “Rat Pack” Tribute Show. So get ready to be captivated by Ron, who will have everyone standing and clapping, even singing and cheering!

Letter from the President

Dearest Members,

As the winter chill leaves us and spring flowers begin to bloom, there is a different feeling in the air. We begin to bask in the sun and enjoy the outdoors. And soon we will pack up our winter clothes and bring out our warmer things. What better time to sort out those items that we never use and clothes that we have not worn for years. So ladies, gather up those items and consider donating them to benefit our Family Fund. See “*Family Fund News*” on how you can do so.

Our March Luncheon meeting was absolutely fabulous thanks to the captivating and heart-warming presentation by Author & International Speaker Olivia deBelle Byrd Cooley. She is the “authentic Southern Belle” and the ultimate story teller. Olivia brought laughter and tears as she shared her witticisms & stories. The only thing missing were the Mint Julips! Members were able to purchase her books “Miss Hildreth Wore Brown” and her latest “Save My Place” which Olivia signed. Members who would like to purchase her books can visit her website at www.oliviadebellebyrd.com.

Door prize items were donated by Wendy Schmutz, Betsy Stout-Jones, Patti B as well as Olivia deBelle and Home Goods Store. And for the first time, a 50/50 Raffle was offered at the luncheon. Members were able to purchase raffle tickets with 50% going to the Family Fund. Three lucky winners split the remaining 50% of the raffle monies.

What ‘binds’ us together as a unique and wonderful club is not only our emphasis on making a difference in our community, but also our ‘being there’ for each other. With this in mind, please keep our long-time member Cindy Posey in your prayers. She is undergoing tests and most likely will need a complete shoulder replacement. Also, Mabel Prescott’s sister who is recovering from hip replacement and soon to be undergoing cancer treatment. As well as Gail Murray’s husband who is having chemo treatment. If you know of any members who need prayers or assistance, please let me, or any of your Executive Board members know.

Kate Callicotte, as head of the Nominating Committee, has filled many of the open Executive and Governing Board Positions. However, there are still some positions to be

filled, so please contact Kate if you are interested in getting involved or would like to recommend another member. Voting will take place at the April 8th Luncheon Meeting.

Scott Taylor Gift Certificates were a huge success. Members who wish to purchase a gift certificate will have another opportunity to do so sometime in late Fall of 2015.

Please forgive me for again addressing our Luncheon etiquette and protocol, but it bears repeating. So, everyone please RSVP by the deadline date. Also, if you must cancel your reservation, please do so by the deadline as well. FYI: for late cancellations and 'no-shows', the restaurants still charge the club for the cost of the lunches. Most importantly, out of respect for our Presenters, please try to arrive on time and prior to our Program Presentation, which begins at 11:30 am.

Mark your calendars for **April 8th** which our next Luncheon Meeting. **Ron Adams, musical entertainer and Elvis Impersonator**, will be our Program Presentation!

As always, thank you all for allowing me serve as your President, which is such an honor and privilege. Thank you to all of our members who have signed up to help in our various committees Family Fund, Fisher House and Fundraising Events! There is always room for more who are willing to share their time and their talents. *Together we truly make a difference!*

Cheers and Blessings,

Patti B

Membership

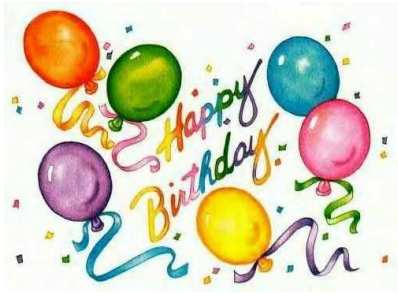
It is that time of year when we must think about paying our dues for the next year.

Our By-laws state that they are due by the May meeting.

Please bring check to April or May meeting for \$50.00.

Or send to the P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, Fl. 32550

A reminder that if you have friends who are interested in joining, new members who join in March, or any time after will be will be paid for the following year as well.



April Birthdays

Lisa Bailey

Julia Boykin

Patti B Burcham

Catherine "Cat" Holland

Georgeia Pappas-Johnson

Diana Sharple

Family Fund News!

As you know, members have been donating items in anticipation of hosting the club's annual one-time yard sale. These items have been stored in the club's storage unit at Storage Max Destin. Thanks to the generosity of Sherry Sheldon and her husband Rick, a much better alternative has been arranged. Rick & Sherry are the owners of Racetrack Consignment Antique Flea Market "Racetrack Emporium". They have generously agreed to sell all of the yard sale items, thus eliminating the need to do a 'one-time' yard sale. These items will be inventoried & priced by Racetrack Emporium and placed in Rick & Sherry's 10,000 sq. ft. antique flea market for sale. Each month DWC will receive a check and an updated inventory list noting items sold and remaining. What a WIN-WIN!

MEMBERS Now is the perfect time to do your Spring Cleaning and donate those items that you no longer need. Members can either deliver them to Racetrack Emporium or call Sherry and she will arrange to pick them up. They will even pick up large items of furniture at no charge to us.

A special thanks also goes to Sandra Williams for arranging use of the Storage Max truck at no charge to DWC. Also to those members who volunteered to help load and unload the truck. In appreciation for their generosity, both Rick & Sherry Sheldon and Storage Max have been recognized as 'in-kind' DWC Bronze Sponsors.

Note: Racetrack Emporium is located at 348 Racetrack Road, NW, Ft. Walton Beach. Please stop by Racetrack Emporium to visit Tuesday through Saturday 9am-6pm and Sunday 12pm-6pm. Closed on Mondays.

Fisher House News!

A special thanks to all members who brought paper goods to the March Luncheon. These items were gathered by Louisa Matthews and Kate Callicotte will arrange for them to be delivered to Fisher House. A 50/50 Raffle was debuted at the March Luncheon and was a huge success. Members purchased raffle tickets (three for \$5) from our Treasurer Denise Dobelek. Three lucky winners were drawn, receiving 50% of the monies collected. The remaining 50% was donated to the Fisher House Fund.

2016 Spring Fashion Show!

A meeting to discuss the Club's major fundraising event was held on March 4th. The Fundraising Events Committee determined that the best date to host the Fashion Show is Friday, April 15, 2016. The Committee is researching the best restaurant location for the event. Final selection should be completed in time to announce at the April 8th Luncheon Meeting. So stay tuned for more exciting news!



Minutes

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 11, 2015

President Patti B Burcham welcomed everyone to the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

She then introduced our speaker, local author Olivia deBelle Byrd Cooley. Olivia's family has lived in Panama City for generations, and she has a long repertoire of humorous Southern anecdotes. Her latest book "Save my Place" is a romance set in the 1960's and 70's. Her Southern humor kept us all laughing until we almost fell off our seats! Olivia had copies of her book for sale and signed and personalized them as well.

In the absence of Cindy Posey, Chaplain, Patti B gave the invocation and asked us to remember Cindy in our prayers. She is undergoing some tests and also awaiting surgery for a shoulder replacement. Patti also gave us an update on Mabel Prescott's sister who is recovering from hip replacement and soon to be undergoing cancer treatment. Gail Murray's husband is having chemo treatment. Member Linda Hodges is making a good recovery from a partial knee replacement.

Treasurer Denise Dobelek sold tickets for a 50/50 raffle, with 50% of the proceeds going to Fisher House and 50% to three lucky winners. She sported fun signs pinned on the front &

back of her jacket. The raffle yielded over \$200! Patti thanked everyone who bought tickets and also those who brought donations of paper products for Fisher House. Louisa Matthews kindly collected all the products for delivery to the Fisher House, which Kate Callicotte will arrange.

Following lunch, Patti began the Business meeting. She announced that the Minutes of the February meeting, as usual, can be found in the Newsletter. She thanked Louisa Matthews for the fine job she has done for the past several years as Newsletter editor.

The Treasurer's report had been placed on the tables, by Denise Dobelek, for everyone to read.

Patti said that the Fundraising Events Committee had their first meeting to discuss planning the 2016 Fashion Show. April 15, 2016 was the date selected for the event. The Committee is reviewing 3 local restaurants for the event location and will be finalizing their decision. Plans are to announce the location at the April meeting.

Kate Callicotte, as head of the Nominating Committee, has filled many of the open Executive and Governing Board positions. However, there are still some positions to be filled, so please contact Patti or Kate if you are interested in getting involved.

Patti read a thank you note received from Cindy Posey for the flowers that were sent to her following her recent stay in the hospital.

Pamela Sparks introduced several guests and there were a couple of new members at the meeting.

Patti announced that all the donated items from the storage unit were delivered to Fort Walton Flea Market for sale. She thanked the volunteers who helped with this. The Flea Market is owned & operated by Dr. Rick Sheldon, member Sherry Sheldon's husband. They will take care of doing the inventory of the items and pricing. The DWC will receive 50% profit on all items sold. Special thanks and appreciation to them was expressed along with applause. Members will have opportunities in the future to bring items to their Flea Market on an on-going basis.

Scott Taylor Certificates were very successful. March 11th was the deadline. Scott Taylor will most likely offer again in the Fall Season.

The Executive Board approved a donation of \$100 to Children in Crisis. The \$100 was used to be a Hole Sponsor at their upcoming Charity Golf Tournament on March 13, 2015. DWC

will be recognized on the Tee Box Sign as well as the day of the event. DWC has supported Children in Crisis in the past.

To wrap up the meeting, the 50/50 drawing was done and door prizes were announced. These were donated by Olivia deBelle Byrd, Wendy Schmutz, Betsy Stout-Jones, Patti B and Home Goods.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Maggi Grogan

April 8th Luncheon Menu Entrees ~ Confirm ONE from the three choices below:

1. Grilled Chicken Cranberry Salad

Mixed greens, dried cranberries, diced tomatoes blue cheese crumbles, walnuts and balsamic vinaigrette.

2. Lump crab sliders: two

Two 2 ounce jumbo lump crab cakes served on buns with lettuce, tomato and a zesty caper sauce plus a side salad.

3. Vegetarian ~ Mango Salad

Mixed greens, sliced mango strawberries, tomatoes, feta, toasted almonds and raspberry vinaigrette

Desert:

Self-serve cookie tray

Your contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC luncheons is Joanne Chandler. E-mail her at **dwcreervations@gmail.com**. Remember to include your name with your entrée selection in your email. Lunch is \$20 payable to DWC on the day of the luncheon.

***** Reservations due by noon on the Friday before our Monthly Luncheon. Everyone PLEASE RSVP by the deadline!!!!**

Late cancellations and No-shows will be responsible for paying \$20

LADIES PLEASE RESPOND DIRECTLY TO JOANNE RATHER THAN RESPOND TO THE NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCEMENT. I WILL BE UNABLE TO FORWARD YOUR EMAILS AS I AM IN IRELAND WITH LAUREN. *Thank You!*

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