

# DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

## NEWSLETTER – December 2015

P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, FL 32550

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### BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

9:30 am

Bancorp South Bank Building (Formerly Whitney Bank)  
13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin  
Executive Board and Governing Board

### Next Meeting and Luncheon

#### **Louis Louis**

35 Musset Bayou Road, San Rosa Beach, FL 32459  
(850) 267-1500



**Wednesday, December 9, 2015**

Check-in: 10:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Social time: 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Program Presentation: 11:30 a.m.

Lunch: Noon

Business Meeting to Follow

Reservations and Menu: see last page

**Deadline to RSVP is Friday, December 4, 2015, at noon**

## DECEMBER 2015 PROGRAM



Demetrius Fuller is the innovative & energetic Conductor, Music & Artistic Director of Florida's Sinfonia Gulf Coast. 2015-2016 marks his tenth season. Demetrius continues to redefine the cultural landscape of Northwest Florida by offering inspiring and artistically evocative performances that have excited critics and patrons alike.

A versatile conductor, Demetrius is an award recipient from the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, the Werner Foundation, and the International Music Foundation.

Sinfonia Education Initiatives: since 2006, Sinfonia Gulf Coast has impacted more than eighty thousand school children throughout Northwest Florida's Okaloosa and Walton Counties. The organization continues to bring the highest quality music education initiatives to our region. These include live orchestra concerts, musicians and guest artists in the schools, a youth orchestra program, and an expanded collaboration with the Weill Music Institute at Carnegie Hall's Link Up program for third through fifth grade students.

## Special Opportunity To Be Treated Like a Star!



Scott Taylor Speaking at DWC Luncheon

You have a unique opportunity to be treated to a one-of-a-kind experience with Scott Taylor, known as the Hair Stylist to the Stars. Scott's resume is that of a "Celebrity Who's Who". He was the lead hair stylist for three Academy Awards and was awarded an Emmy for his exceptional talent.

Scott has styled hair and transformed countless celebrities. Such notable celebrities include Barbara Walters, Sharon Stone, the Olsen Twins, Jane Leeves (from the new TV hit show "Hot in Cleveland"), Winona Judd, Kathy Bates, Keith Urban, Diane Sawyer, Maria

Shriver, and far too many to enumerate.

Scott has also styled hair for many TV Celebrities including those who starred in "The Young and the Restless", "The Bold and the Beautiful", and "General Hospital"; Regis & Kathy Prime Time Talk Show, Good Morning America, 20/20 and Prime Time Live.

What separates Scott from most hairstylists is not just his exceptional talent. It is his passion for ensuring that everyone has a wonderful experience and is made to feel special. For a donation of just \$70 to Destin Woman's Club, you will receive a Gift Certificate which entitles you to a haircut and style from Scott. Contact Patti B to purchase your gift certificate now. Don't delay while there are still certificates available.

## President's Letter

Dear Members,

I cannot believe that 2015 is coming to an end – where did this year go? I hope that you all have great memories of the trips you took during the year!

Please remember to sign up for our December Lunch which is being held at Louis Louis in Santa Rosa Beach on Wednesday, December 9. As usual, our very own Santa Claus will be with us and I am sure he eagerly awaits your Christmas Gifts request!!!

Speaking of Christmas Gifts and those thoughts of Christmas Gifts, I would like to ask each and every one of you to donate \$10.00 to our Family Fund for the Club to distribute to two families in our area that are facing medical and financial difficulties. Usually the Club has an Angel Tree from which we take an Angel at our November Meeting and then come to our December Lunch Meeting with the gift noted on the Angel. This Year the Board has decided to give money to the Family we have been donating money to who have two children suffering from Cruzon's Disease and another Single Mother who has two children, one of whom has recently been diagnosed with Burkett's Lymphoma. The money that we collect will be divided between these two Families to help them with their Christmas Shopping. I know that at this time of the year it seems every time we turn around someone is asking for a monetary donation, however, I hope you will all find it in your hearts to make a \$10.00 donation for the above two families. If you do not plan on attending our December lunch, and wish to donate to the families, you can always mail it to the DWC PO Box 9267, Miramar Beach, Destin, Fla 32550-1023 – many thanks!

Our Fashion Show Committees are beginning work on our April 15, 2016, Fashion Show and if you haven't already signed up on a Committee, please do. Everyone has fun working on the Fashion Show and many of us discover hidden talents, whether it's decorating or obtaining items for our Silent Auction and of course working during the Fashion Show either by helping our Models change outfits or selling raffle tickets for our Wine Cart or helping distribute the Silent Auction Items that our guests have successfully bid on and won!! So if you haven't already put your name on a Committee List, please contact either JoDell Haverfield at: [jodel917@gmail.com](mailto:jodel917@gmail.com) or Linda Hodges at [lhodges@cox.net](mailto:lhodges@cox.net). These great Ladies have very kindly agreed to be Co-Chairs of our Fashion Show.

Another thing coming up in the New Year is the Destin Woman's Club very first Cruise! Several Members have already signed up for this exciting 5 day cruise, visiting Cozumel and Yucatan – this promises to be a great cruise and a sort of mini fundraiser as \$50.00 of monies collected from each passenger will be donated to our Fundraising Fund. Total cost of the Cruise is \$453.05 per person. We shall be hitting the “High Seas” on Monday, February 1, 2016. Please e-mail JoDell at [jodel917@gmail.com](mailto:jodel917@gmail.com) to make your reservation. Again, I have to say “Thank You” to JoDell for arranging this for us all to enjoy.

As you all know, Jan Geisinger is kindly opening up her Home for us all to enjoy a DWC Christmas Party on December 4. Jan and your Board are looking forward to seeing many

members at this event – again “Thank You, Jan” for opening your Home to the Club and I know we shall all just have a fabulous evening! Our Board and I look forward to seeing your smiling faces not only at Jan's Home but also at our Christmas Lunch on December 9<sup>t</sup> at Louis Louis.

I wish you safe travels if you are travelling to family over Christmas, if not I hope you have a wonderful Christmas at Home and also have a very Happy New Year.

Warm Christmas Wishes to you all.

Kate



### **December Birthdays**

Denise Greene, December 10  
Sherryl Carlson, December 23

### **Membership**

**Please welcome the following new member:**

**Cheryl McMurry**

It is well past the time to pay our dues for the next year. Our by-laws state that they are due by the May meeting. Please bring your check to December meeting for \$50.00.

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

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



**Door Prizes Needed!!!** Our Hospitality Chair, Julie Wurster, needs door prizes for our monthly luncheons. Please call Julie at 614-735-1731 or e-mail her at [juliewurster3@gmail.com](mailto:juliewurster3@gmail.com) if you have items suitable for door prizes.

## DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING

November 11, 2015

**Our November** meeting, the annual Fall Bazaar, was well-attended and members and guests spent time perusing the items on sale at the booths. Our “crafty” members were kept busy attending to their customers and a good time was had by all.

**At 12:00 noon** Kate called the meeting to order and asked Cindy Posey to give the Invocation. It being Veterans' Day, Cindy's message concerned our serving and retired military, and the sacrifices that are made to protect our country.

**During lunch**, Patti Burcham announced the winner of the Fisher House 50/50 raffle. A total of \$186 was collected, resulting in the lucky winner receiving \$93.

**The business meeting** followed lunch, and Kate announced that the Minutes of the October meeting were included in the November newsletter. Any questions concerning the minutes should be directed to Maggi Grogan.

**Denise Dobelek** had put copies of the Club's Balance Sheet on each table. Questions should be directed to her.

**Sherry Sheldon** said that the only correspondence received was the annual renewal of the Club's membership of the Destin Chamber of Commerce. Kate said that the Executive Board had decided not to renew this year but will reconsider for next year.

**Denise, wearing** her “membership” hat in Simona's absence, introduced several guests: Carole Lahitte, guest of Denise; Sherry Smith, the administrator of the DWC website, Cheryl McMurray (who became a new member – welcome, Cheryl) and Camille, guest of Barbara Speni. She also recognized Peggy Herbig, a returning member, making her first meeting following back surgery.

**November birthday** girls were: Debbie Wilson, Jan Geisinger, Denise Dobelek, Carol Rementer, and Amy Sheldon.

**Sherry Sheldon** gave an update on the Destin Christmas Parade. So far 11 members have signed up to walk in the parade. Walkers need to be at the parking lot of Old Tyme Pottery at 9:15 on the morning of the parade – December 12. We will need beads and candy to hand out. Some members have donated beads, but everyone is asked to bring a bag of candy to the December lunch.

**The very first** DWC cruise will take place on February 1, 2016. We will be sailing on the Celebrity Elation from New Orleans to Cozumel and the Yucatan peninsula. JoDell Haverford is coordinating the cruise. Deposits need to be paid by November 12. The price of \$453.05 includes a \$50 donation to the club, which will go towards fundraising for our charities.

**The December meeting** will be at Louis Louis. Kate said that the Board had decided that this year, instead of a member gift exchange, members will be asked to donate at least \$10. The money collected will be split between the family of the children with Cruzon's disease (a family that we have helped over the past year), and the family of a boy who is battling

Burkett's lymphoma. This family was recently brought to our attention by Family Fund Chair Mabel Prescott, and the club donated a \$500 gift card to help towards expenses.

**Kate said** that member Jan Geisinger had generously offered to host the Club's Holiday Social on Friday, December 4, at her home at 823 Kell-Aire Court, Destin. The party will be from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring an appetizer to share, and whatever they like to drink. Lynn and Lin have volunteered to help decorate the house. We will need a few people to help tidy up after the party. Kate sent round a sign-up sheet so we will have an estimate of numbers and food.

**Kate introduced** the members who had booths at the Bazaar. These are:

Pamela Sparks displaying Premier Design Jewelry which raises money for charitable missions. Betsy Stout-Jones, our Avon lady, Barbara Speni with McLaughlin Fashions at Grand Boulevard, Lynn Lake with her wonderful holiday wreaths, Coastal Dermatology, a DWC sponsor, with skin care products. We also had a "white elephant" stall with member-donated items. Money raised from the DWC Stall will be put in the DWC Operating Fund.

**Kate gave** an update on the Spring Fashion show, slated for Friday, April 15, 2016. She was delighted to announce that JoDell Haverfield and Linda Hodges have volunteered to act as Co-chairs for the event. Committees have been formed and will meet for a short time after the lunch meeting ended. All members are encouraged to get involved with this fun event.

**Louisa Matthews**, Fisher House chair, said that as the Holiday season is a quiet time for Fisher House, we will not have another donation drive until January. She will find out what their needs are at that time. The last donations were very gratefully received by Fisher House staff.

**Kate also** reminded everyone that gift certificates from Scott Taylor by the Sea are available for \$70. All proceeds from the sale of these certificates go directly to the club. Scott Taylor is a Platinum Sponsor of DWC.

**There were** 5 door prizes awarded.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggi Grogan  
Acting Recording Secretary  
November 13, 2015

# CHRISTMAS PARADE

Destin Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 12th starting at 10am. It will begin in front of Old Tyme Pottery at Harbor Boulevard (Hwy 98) and Main Street in downtown Destin, and ends at Stahlman Ave (near the Destin/Marler Bridge). Sherry has 11 members signed-up to walk in the Christmas Parade. Her husband will be using his Ford transit truck to pull a smaller float than previously described in the November newsletter. The float will be decorated with an inflatable Frosty the Snowman. Walkers will wear dark/black slacks, red tops and white tasseled Christmas hats and asked to bring baskets, candy and beads. Members who are unable to participate in the parade are welcome to bring candy (wrapped only) and beads to the December "Christmas" luncheon on December 9. Contact Sherry Sheldon if you would like to walk in the parade.

## **Menu Entrees ~ Confirm ONE from the three choices below:**

- 1. Panne Chicken*
- 2. Shrimp and Crawfish Pasta*
- 3. Curried Artichoke and Wild Rice Salad*

*Dessert: Bread Pudding*

Your contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC luncheons is Louisa Matthews. E-mail her at [louisalmatthews@gmail.com](mailto:louisalmatthews@gmail.com). Remember to include your name with your entrée selection in your email. Lunch is \$22 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 \$22!!!

**Special Appreciation to our DWC Sponsors**

Dr. Dennis Lichorwic of The Destin Center for Cosmetic & Family Dentistry

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