DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

NEWSLETTER – December 2017

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BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 2 p.m.

Bancorp South Bank Building 13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin Executive Board and Governing Board

Next Meeting and Luncheon Tuscany Italian Bistro 36178 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin, FL 32541 (850) 650-2451



Wednesday, December 13, 2017

Check-in: 10:45 to 11:15 a.m. Social time: 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Program: 11:30 to 12 noon

Lunch: Noon

Business Meeting to Follow Reservations and Menu: see last page

Deadline to RSVP is Friday, December 8, at noon

December 2017 PROGRAM

Ms. Carol Hayes, Violin Virtuosa



Ms. Carol Hayes, Violin Virtuosa, has been playing the violin since the age of 8 years old, following in the footsteps of her father and grandfather, who both played "folk fiddle" before the turn of the Century.

Carol graduated from Indiana University, with a Bachelor of Music Education, with violin concentration, and then obtained her

Master of Music Education from the Catholic University of America. Carol was the Principle Violinist for 22 years in the United States Marine Chamber Orchestra, stationed in the entrance of the White House. During her years of Service, Ms. Hayes played for 5 US Presidents: Ford, Carter, Reagan, Bush and Clinton.

She has also played for world dignitaries, including Lady Thatcher, Prime Ministers of Singapore, Israel, Thailand, Japan, and Australia, the Presidents of Germany, Italy, Egypt and Queen Elizabeth of England.

Carol shares her talent, her gift of music with the DWC and we hope that we can all give back to others during the Holiday Season.

President's Letter

Dear Ladies,

I sincerely hope you and your families all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are now gearing up for the Christmas Festivities.

Our November lunch was excellent and the weather cooperated for us to enjoy our gorgeous Beach. Many thanks to Sue Whitton and Sally Maurer for reserving the Crab Trap for our lunch and many thanks to Peggy Herbig for arranging for LTC Christine Mau to come and speak to us about the 20+ years she spent as a Fighter Pilot for the Air Force. Christine gave a wonderful presentation interjected with female sense of humour!

Christmas is almost here and I would like to urge all of you to visit Wesley House at Eden State Park, where once again a very merry group of our members spent a morning decorating the entryway hall, staircase and upstairs hall! Huge thanks must go to Anne Petzold, Sylvia Vazquez, Gabriella Mirea, Peggy Reis, Diane Newman, Traci McQuillen, Susan Burch and Linda Hodges. Although I am completely unbiased, I have to say our decorations are by far the best in the House!

We all know with Christmas, comes parties and many get-togethers and, trust me, our great Club has a slew of get-togethers for us to enjoy during December. First off the bat is our Club Christmas Party being held on December 1, at Helen Everett's Condo Clubhouse, then on December 8, many of us are going to the College for their "Holiday Pops Concert" and on December 9, we will be participating, as usual, in the Destin Christmas Parade! Many thanks must go to Helen Everett, Carol Rementer and Sherry Sheldon for spearheading these events!

Our December lunch is being held at Tuscany and whether you have been "naughty or nice" I believe that Santa is going to be making an entrance to hear all your Christmas wishes! Please make your reservations by December 8 for what is going to be a truly lovely Program and lunch on December 13!

As we move through December and into the New Year, our thoughts will be turning to next year's Fashion Show scheduled for November 2 at Louisiana Lagniappe which brings me to again ask you all to consider being a member of the Sponsorship Task Force. As most of you know, this Committee is instrumental in getting sponsors for our Club, which in turn means we are able to financially have an annual fundraiser. So please contact Patti Burcham for further details on this Committee.

If you haven't decided to participate in our Annual Cruise in February yet, I believe there is still time to make a reservation – Missy Assad has all the fun details, so please contact her.

I send my very best wishes to you and your families for a very Merry Christmas and an even happier New Year, and thank you all for your great support of this very special Club.

Kate



December Birthdays

Janine Pitts, December 1
Dana Austin, December 8
Angel Barber, December 11
Mary Palmer, December 20
Sherryl Carlson, December 23
Cyndi Hyatt, December 28

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING

November 8, 2017

Kate welcomed everyone to the meeting at The Crab Trap at 11:30 a.m. Cindy gave the Invocation, focusing on Veterans' Day: "Jesus, you said: "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends". Today, we pray for those men and women who have, in their military service, sacrificed their time, strength, ambition, health and even their lives on this earth, to benefit friends, known and unknown. Bless the families of soldiers who bear these pains. Give them patience, wisdom and strength to endure - and more than endure - to hope that everything will work out in the end. Not everything that happens in life is good, but you have promised to work all things out in the end. Bless the wives left behind in their struggles. Lift her up when she stumbles, carry her in her sorrows. When she's tired out from filling countless roles beyond wife, and being a mom, let her know that her friends are like her family. Be there for her and her children and provide them with the security of a home found best in people, not places. Help her release all her fears to you, the one who ones all of them! We ask these things in your name. Amen"

Following the invocation, Peggy Herbig introduced our speaker, Lt. Col. (Ret) Christine Mau of the U.S. Air Force. Christine gave us a fascinating talk, accompanied by great pictures, about her life as one of the Air Force's first female fighter pilots and the first woman to fly the F35. She was inspired at an early age to pursue her ambition to fly jets, and overcame many obstacles and prejudices to fulfil her dream. She proved that a woman was just as good as a man in the cockpit. Christine described her experiences during her deployments to Afghanistan, Turkey, and Iraq. She described her time in the Air Force as "the most rewarding job ever". Following this inspiring program, lunch was served.

Business Meeting:

Kate said that the Minutes of the October meeting could be found in the Newsletter. Questions should be addressed to Maggi Grogan. Denise Dobelek, our Treasurer, is available to answer any questions about finances.

Correspondence: Sherry Sheldon said we had received a thank you note from Sally Maurer for flowers following her recent surgery. Sacred Heart Hospital sent a note thanking us for

the \$500 donation to the Women's Health Services Center. Pat Dubois, whom the club assisted recently from the Family Fund, sent a thank you note for our help.

Membership: Simona announced our November birthday girls: Donna Nowack, Debbie Wilson, Susan Burch, Linda Panzarella, Denice Dobelek, Sandy Donnell, Susan Melnick and Carol Rementer. We had one new member, Carla Tichell. Our guests were introduced: Beth Faucett, Jeanine Pitts, and Christy Plain.

Sip and Shop: Our Sip and Shop event at J McLauglin had raised \$325 for the Club, which will be put in the Fundraiser Account. Thanks to Patti Burcham for organizing this fun event.

Fisher House Suppers: Ann Petzold had a sign-up sheet for food for November's supper, which will be turkey chili and fixin's. There are also sign-up sheets for the months to come for anyone who would like to participate.

Sponsorship Task Force: Kate made an impassioned plea for members to help this important Committee in its work to find sponsors in the business community. Without our sponsors, we would not be able to stage our fundraisers, such as the Fashion Show, which requires up-front money to make it work. We need suggestions for potential sponsors, and, more importantly, volunteers to approach the sponsors to explain the benefits of becoming part of the DWC team. Please see Kate or one of the committee members, Patti Burcham and Sandra Williams, if you can help.

Sip Sip Hooray: We had a successful evening last Friday which member Kathleen Hall kindly hosted at her beautiful home. Hopefully this will result in 2 or 3 new members. Mustn't forget to mention our two handsome bartenders who made the evening memorable! **Fall Fun Evenings:** The club is attending the Christmas Pops concert at NWFSC on December 8th. Dinner reservations have been made at the Boathouse Landing in Niceville at 5:00 p.m. We are also planning on attending a presentation of "American Bandstand" on January 20th.

DWC Christmas Party: Our party this year will be at the Dolphin Point condo clubhouse on December 1st from 6-9 p.m. Please RSVP to Helen Everett if you plan to attend. Bring spouse/friend, a dish to share and a beverage of your choice.

Christmas Parade: If you have not already signed up to participate in the Destin Christmas Parade, please contact Sherry Sheldon. We will be re-purposing our Mermaid theme from last year. The parade starts in the parking lot in front of Olde Tyme Pottery and walkers (or riders) should be there by 9.00 a.m. Following the parade, those of us who want can get together for lunch at Pepito's. Please bring candy and/or beads to hand out to the crowd.

Christmas Decorating at Wesley House: We are once again decorating the foyer, staircase and upstairs hall of the Wesley House at Eden State Park. Decorating is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14 starting at 9:00 a.m. We have several members helping out. Our theme is "A Victorian Christmas". The morning will be rounded off with lunch somewhere in the locality.

Annual Cruise 2018: The Board is reviewing several proposals for the club's annual cruise. We are looking at the Eastern Caribbean. As soon as a decision has been made, the members will be informed.

Fashion Show 2018: Work on the Fashion Show will be begin in earnest at the January meeting. Committee sign-up sheets will be available then. The event is scheduled for November 2, 2018 at Louisiana Lagniappe.

50/50 Drawing for Fisher House: The club collected \$180 for Fisher House, and the lucky recipient of the 50/50 drawing was Susan Burch.

Door Prizes: Door prizes were donated by Helen McMillan, Georgeia Pappas-Johnson and Helen Everett.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned t 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Maggi Grogan Recording Secretary November 13, 2017

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2017 DWC Christmas Party





Friend to Friend Co-Chairs Kathleen Hall and Peggy Reis would like to hear from you if you know of any member who is sick or has been in the hospital. Please call or e-mail Kathleen (404-285-6871; peach1kgh@aol.com) or Peggy (513-519-7821; peggydreis@gmail.com) with the information. Thanks!

Destin Christmas Parade, 10 a.m., Saturday, December 9



Destin Christmas Parade starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 9. Sherry Sheldon wants to thank everyone signed up to participate. Please contact Sherry if you have any questions.

Email: rascorp2@cox.net Cell: 850-496-5394



We need door prizes – if you would like to donate door prize items for our monthly luncheon, please contact Cyndi Hyatt at 205-999-9281.

Thank you!

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS MUST BE SENT TO Cyndi Hyatt at cynhyatt@att.net by NOON ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE LUNCHEON. Though we understand that unexpected things happen, and on these rare occasions will do our best to accommodate, we simply cannot accept reservations on Tuesday afternoon. Your understanding and cooperation will be greatly appreciated!

Menu Entrees ~ Confirm ONE from the three choices below:

- **1.Chicken Parmesan** breaded and baked with marinara, parmesan and mozzarella cheese, served over pasta
 - **2.Salmone al Nero** blackened salmon with lemon butter sauce, capers over a bed of arugula
- **3.Stuffed Shells Almafi** baked stuffed shells of ricotta and spinach with creamy parmesan cheese sauce, topped with melted mozzarella

Dessert Platter