

# DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

## NEWSLETTER – March 2017

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### BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

2:30 pm

Bancorp South Bank Building

13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin

Executive Board and Governing Board

### Next Meeting and Luncheon

Regatta Bay Golf & Yacht Club

465 Regatta Bay Blvd, Destin, FL 32541

(850) 337-8080



**Wednesday, March 8, 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 next to last page

**Deadline to RSVP is Friday, March 3, at noon**

## March 2017 PROGRAM



Ladies, you DO NOT want to miss this speaker! His stories are gripping, haunting, and mind stimulating! Invite a guest, bring your spouse--make reservations today! We are hoping for a full house on Wednesday, March 8.

Merle Temple from Tupelo, Mississippi, is the author of the Michael Parker quadrilogy: Deputy, A Ghostly Shade of Pale, A Rented World, and The Redeemed. The novels are written as fiction but drawn from his experiences as a deputy sheriff, the first Captain for the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, a manager in the corporate world, and as a campaign chairman where he confronted the unholy trinity of politics,

crime, and business.

He signed Ghostly for the cast of Criminal Minds and dined with producers in Hollywood, where a treatment is underway for a TV series. He interviewed on KKLA, the largest Christian radio station in America and on Media Mayhem TV in Beverly Hills.

Ghostly was chosen by one college as required reading, and his books are used in many middle and high school English classes. Ghostly is the all-time bestselling novel at the Barnes and Noble store in North MS, and his books are favourites in the library for the 30,000 member Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis. His books are in shelters and prisons around the country and soon to be offered by the Vicar of Baghdad, Canon Andrew White, in the Christ Church bookstore in Jerusalem.

Merle signs books across America, and speaks to churches, schools, civic clubs, book clubs, and library groups.

## President's Letter

Dear Ladies,

Happy St. Patrick's Day – may the sun be always on your face and the wind at your back and many leprechauns invade your house on March 17!!

Now those of us who spent seven days at sea last week are finally home safe and sound, it's time for me to let everyone know about the fabulous time we all had!!

Huge thanks go to JoDell for organizing our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cruise and organizing two great evenings where we all got together for dinner. Unfortunately Bill and Cindy Posey were not with us to celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary due to Cindy fracturing a vertebrae a few days before our Cruise – however, once Cindy is feeling better and unencumbered with a

neck brace we intend to host an Anniversary Party for Cindy and Bill at Helen Everett's Condo Party Room. Once a date is set, everyone will be given the details.

Back to the Cruise: We all had seven wonderful days at sea and on land in various countries and think that we helped the economy of each of those countries we set foot on!! From what I heard during the cruise, everyone enjoyed the particular land tour they chose as well as the daily shows! Am sure there are plenty of photos that will attest to the fun time we all had!

I am sure that all of you will remember my speaking of our Family Fund at our February Luncheon and that Mabel and myself are working on getting a circular out to our local churches reminding them of our Family Fund and our commitment to financially help local families in need. Mabel has just let me know that the single mother with five Children has just moved into an apartment – thank you so much to all of you who brought linens, etc. for them to our February luncheon. As we all know, setting up home isn't easy and worse still if you have few \$\$\$\$. Our mother of five is still in need of a coffee table, end tables and a TV and if any of you have any of these items that you no longer need, could you please contact Mabel. Many thanks for opening your hearts to people in need.

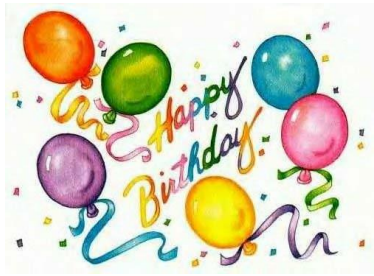
We are quickly approaching our April 21 Fashion Show and although many tickets have been sold, I do hope you haven't left it too late to purchase your ticket. For those of you attending our March Lunch at Regatta Bay Golf Clubhouse it would be just wonderful if you could bring a bottle of wine with you so we fill our wine cart to raffle at the Fashion Show. Last year our fabulous wine cart earned \$2,100 and it would be fantastic if we could raise that amount again this year.

Everything is moving along smoothly with final arrangements for our Fashion Show, which I know is going to be just super – if you haven't signed up on a Committee and would like to, there is still time to do so. Please call Linda Hodges and get details of all of our Committees.

Finally, I would like to just ask each and every one of you to keep Linda Bryan in your prayers. Linda is heading to MD Anderson in Houston, Texas, for Surgery. Please remember too that if you know of any of our members who are sick, let Kathleen Hall know as she is our Friend to Friend Chair and will arrange for flowers to be sent to those members.

Warm wishes and many thanks for being a part of our great Club!

Kate



## March Birthdays

Sarah Baker, March 20  
Cheryl McMurry, March 26

## DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING

**February 8, 2017**

Kate Callicotte, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting at 11:30 a.m. She announced that our Chaplain, Cindy Posey was unfortunately in hospital with a broken vertebra. This means that she and her husband Bill will not be able to go on the DWC Cruise on which they were to celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. We all wished Cindy a speedy recovery.

In Cindy's absence, Mabel Prescott gave the invocation on the subject of "pressing on" in the face of adversity. Persistence goes hand-in-hand with faith.

Simona introduced our speaker, Tim Krueger of Merrill Lynch Wealth Management. He is her boss, role model and mentor. Tim told us some amusing and poignant memories of his father and his struggle with Alzheimer's. He emphasized that we should all have a plan for the future. This could include long-term care insurance, which now offers more options than in the past. Also, we should all ensure that our wills, powers of attorney and other legal documents are written in accordance with Florida law. All beneficiaries should be clearly designated. This is particularly true for women whose husbands have children from a previous marriage. Legal issues should be addressed whenever a significant life change occurs, or at least every 5 years. He also said that Merrill Lynch offers Trustee services which enable a trustee to administer your portfolio and pay bills, etc., if you are incapacitated.

### **Business meeting:**

Kate said the Minutes of the January meeting are posted in the Newsletter. Please see Maggi if you have any questions.

**Treasurer's Report:** As agreed last month, the Club Balance Sheet is no longer on the tables. See Denise if you want to see a copy or have any questions.

**Family Fund:** The Executive Board agreed at its last meeting that we would put together an information sheet about the Family Fund and distribute it to local churches and charities.

Hopefully this will make the public more aware of our ability to help those in need and encourage people to apply.

Mabel told the meeting about a young mother with 5 children who is in the process of moving out of sheltered housing and into her own apartment. She is lacking in a lot of basics for her home. Members have kindly donated goods, furniture and gift cards to help this young woman, for which Mabel was very grateful. Kate said the Board would meet after the lunch to decide if the club should donate some money from the Family Fund.

**Correspondence.** Sherry said we have received a thank you note from the Barcello family, to whom we gave \$500 at Christmas.

**Membership/Guests/Birthdays:** Simona acknowledged our February birthday girls: Mabel, Kathleen Hall, Linda Post, and Beth Ann Cox. Our guests were: Angel Barber and Alicia Adams of Med Spa in Destin and Sandestin. Angel and Alicia kindly donated spa packages as silent auction items for the upcoming Fashion Show. Also present was Elena Stone, Mabel's daughter, who has recently completed nursing school; Susan Burch, a local girl who moved away to Kentucky but is now back; Beth Sundstrom, who has lived in the area of 13 years and has 3 children in local schools; Ruth Parr, who moved here from Nashville; Sandy Darnell is from Nashville and joined the club last month.

**Sponsorship Task Force:** Our sponsors are vital to the club for providing start-up money for our fundraising activities. The STF started with a goal of \$6,000 for the year, and have actually raised \$7,320 in sponsorships this year. Member Sarah Baker and her husband became Bronze sponsors. Also Prescott Architects, Mabel's company, signed as a Bronze sponsor. Thank you to all for the generosity shown to the club.

**2<sup>nd</sup> annual Cruise:** JoDell said that everyone was prepared for the upcoming Caribbean cruise on February 12<sup>th</sup>. She will compile a video and photo montage of the event, but could not guarantee, that "everything that happens on the cruise, stays on the cruise"!!

**Fashion Show:** This is scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be a meeting of committee heads immediately following the lunch. Linda requested that all members bring a bottle of wine to the March meeting, which will be donated to the Wine Wagon. The Celebration Cart Committee is requesting donations of "miniature" spirits and mixers. Tickets are on sale to members today, see Wendy if you want to buy one. They will be on sale to the general public on February 15<sup>th</sup>. They can also be purchased through our website, using Paypal. Can also pay with credit cards. Posters and flyers are available. Please take one and get it displayed in your local haunts.

**Door prizes:** Prizes were donated by Betsy Stout-Jones (Avon), Med Spa, Georgeia Pappas-Johnson, Helen Everett and Simona.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Maggi Grogan

Acting Recording Secretary

## DWC Fashion Show 2017



The Heart & Sole Fashion Show is on Friday, April 21, at Marina Café on the Harbor! Be sure to purchase your tickets if you have not already done so.

Please bring a bottle of wine (\$15/bottle and up) to the March luncheon for the "Wine Cart" along with cloth wine bags if you have any.

We are in need of items to fill our newest Fashion Show raffle item, "Celebration Cart". The "Cart" will make its debut at our April 21 Fashion Show!! What we need: Any party/entertaining supplies, miniature bottles of spirits, bar mixers, champagne, theater tickets, restaurant gift cards that you might not plan to use, etc... Please bring items to our March luncheon or contact Debbie Wilson at [debndestin@comcast.net](mailto:debndestin@comcast.net) for pick up.

Thanks in advance for assisting with this new DWC fund raising opportunity!!!

### Exciting News from your Sponsorship Task Force!

Dear Members,

This has been a banner year with regards to Sponsors for DWC. In fact we have exceeded our goal! Please take an opportunity to recognize and thank the following Sponsors:

#### **Platinum Sponsor:**

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

#### **Gold Sponsor:**

Dermatology Specialists of Florida & Aqua Medical Spa

#### **Silver Sponsors:**

Coastal Skin Surgery & Dermatology

Bankcorp South Bank

#### **Bronze Sponsors:**

First Florida Bank from President Frank Burge

Prescott Architects, Inc. from Mabel Prescott, DWC Member

Steve & Patti B Burcham, Patti B, DWC Member

Wal-Mart Destin

Matthews & Jones, LLP, from Dana Matthews

**Bronze Sponsors (continued):**

Ted & Sandra Williams, Sandra, DWC Member  
Krueger, Fosdyck & Associates of Merrill Lynch  
Today's Boutique  
Roger & Sarah Baker, Sarah, DWC Member  
Betsy Sells Avon, Betsy Stout-Jones, DWC Member

**In-Kind Sponsors:**

Storage Max Destin

**Patrons:**

Denise Kendust, Individual Patron & DWC Member  
Diane Neuman, Individual Patron & DWC Member  
Dawn Stuntz, Business Patron & DWC Member

As ALWAYS, we welcome your suggestions for potential Sponsors. If you know of any business owners that you feel would be a potential Sponsor, please do let us know. We would be delighted to reach out to them.

Please see below for the levels of Sponsorship Opportunities. We will be happy to provide you with details on each level and their amenities. Thank you!

Sandra Williams, JoDell Haverfield and Patti B  
Chairs for Sponsorship Task Force

**Sponsorship Opportunities 2016-2017:**

**Platinum Sponsor Level ..... \$2500**

**Gold Sponsor Level ..... \$1500**

**Silver Sponsor Level ..... \$750**

**Bronze Sponsor Level ..... \$250**



**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!

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**October 13, 2017**  
**DWC will be hosting**  
**Sip and Shop Event**  
**At**  
**J McLaughlin Boutique**



**Stay tuned for more details to follow!**



**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!

When you send your reservation, **PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR FULL NAME AND YOUR MEAL CHOICE**. Lunch is \$22 payable to DWC on the day of the luncheon. Late cancellations and no-shows will be responsible for paying \$22!!!

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

- 1. New York Strip** – topped with Boursin whipped potato and asparagus
- 2. Blackened Grouper** – bronzed Grouper topped with Etoufee over brown rice
- 3. Veggie Stuffed Portobello Mushroom** – large Portobello mushrooms stuffed with onion, ginger, red and green peppers, garlic and pecan

**Dessert** – fresh baked cookies