

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

NEWSLETTER – November 2017

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BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

2 p.m.

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

Next Meeting and Luncheon

The Crab Trap

3500 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, FL 32541

850-654-2722



Wednesday, November 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 last page

Deadline to RSVP is Friday, November 3, at noon

November 2017 PROGRAM
LIEUTENANT COLONEL (RET.) CHRISTINE A. MAU



Lieutenant Colonel retired, Christine A. Mau served 20 years and one month in the United States Air Force, culminating as Deputy Commander, 33d Operations Group, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

Colonel Mau is from Thousand Oaks, California and entered the Air Force in May 1997 after graduating from the United States Air Force Academy with a degree in Biology. She completed Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training in 1999 as a Distinguished Graduate and went on to fly the F-15E at RAF Lakenheath and Seymour Johnson AFB. She then helped stand up the first Air Defense Aggressor Squadron and served as an Instructor

Aggressor at Nellis AFB. Following that she served as the 366th Fighter Wing Director of Staff and Director of Operations for the Royal Singaporean Air Force 428th Fighter Squadron at Mountain Home Air Force Base. Prior to her final assignment, she served as Commander of the 4th Operations Support Squadron at Seymour Johnson AFB where she led 285 airmen in the Air Force's most diverse squadron. As the 33d Operations Group Deputy Commander she assisted the commander in leading a 390 personnel group comprised of an Operations Support Squadron, Formal Training Unit Air Control Squadron and Formal Training Unit F-35 Fighter Squadron.

Colonel Mau was a command pilot with more than 2800 flight hours in the T-37, T-38, AT-38, F-15E, F-15SG, and F-35A, and has flown over 500 combat hours in Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, NORTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM.

President's Letter

Dear Ladies,

Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas are right on top of us and how on earth did this all happen so quickly?

Mercifully we dodged the bullet again with regard to Hurricanes coming into the Destin area, and as I write, am thinking I need to keep my fingers crossed that nothing suddenly "pops up" and arrives on our back door to give us a last of Hurricane Season upset!

As our October Lunch Meeting moved on from the great introduction of a new Dentist Dr. Lichorwic now has on his team by Patti B, and Dr. Lichorwic's presentation who very kindly answered several questions regarding these things in our mouths that cause nothing but

problems from the minute they start to push through our sensitive gums to their upkeep at a later stage in life, and how we should/could/would like to maintain that (what we always thought) lovely smile – everyone I believe enjoyed a wonderful lunch. Many thanks must go to Sue Whitten and Sally Maurer for organizing our October lunch at Guglielmo's newest Restaurant in Destin. I am sure that I wasn't the only one who would have liked to have lingered longer on Wednesday afternoon and perhaps stayed for dinner, despite being sated from the wonderful lunch Guglielmo served.

During our Business Meeting I mentioned that the DWC has a wonderful article about our dedication to helping our community and our annual fundraising efforts that support our very own Family Fund and Fisher House in the October issue of VIP Destin Magazine. I passed a few copies around our dining room at Guglielmo's and for those of you who couldn't be with us last Wednesday, I believe you can find copies of VIP Destin Magazine in the Destin Library and the Chamber of Commerce. Many thanks must go to Peggy Herbig for supplying the photos that went with the two page article.

ON OUR CALENDAR:

Our 2nd Annual Sip, Sip, Hooray, evening is scheduled for Friday, November 3, at Kathleen Hall's beautiful home in the Burnt Pine Area of Sandestin. Please bring a friend and whatever you wish to drink as well as a dish to share with everyone. Our aim is to encourage your friend to become a member of our great Club! Time is from 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. – thank you, Kathleen, for once again opening your home to the DWC!

Yet again, I am delighted to say we have been invited to decorate the downstairs entryway, staircase and upstairs hallway at Wesley House on Eden State Park on November 14 – I have a lovely long list of members who signed up to help and for those of you not present at our October lunch, if you would like to sign up to come and help untangle lights, and spend a wonderful few hours with someone you didn't know in the Club, please let me know. By the way, we always find somewhere nice to have lunch after we have completed our task!

“Christmas Pops” - the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation at Northwest Florida State College is having a Christmas Pops evening on December 8 – Sarah sent an e-mail out to everyone – I would just like to remind you that if you would like to join some of us on December 8, please send your \$25.00 check to DWC at our PO Box, by Monday, October 23, 2017. Payment and a block reservation will be made for those of us who have decided to go. Food for thought: Dinner before the Show?

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY – Friday, December 1, at Moreno Point Road Condos - 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. BYOB and a dish to share. Thanks so much to Helen Everett for getting this organized at her Condo Clubhouse – we had a wonderful time last year and I look forward to it being another great evening this Year.

HELP NEEDED:

So sorry that we were missing some of you at our October lunch, not only did you miss a superb lunch you also missed discussion on several items that are the very soul of this great Club.

Our Sponsorship Task Force is in NEED of Committee Members – I know and understand that this is a particularly difficult subject to bring up to everyone, however, without the STF Committee our Club will not be able to produce fundraisers like the Fashion Show we have had for the last two years.

Without funds from Sponsors we will not have the financial “wherewithal” to be able to produce fundraisers such as the Fashion Show. Please consider helping this Committee, they really need more members to help them not only keep our current sponsors but also find new sponsors. Patti B and Sandra Williams will “train/advise” any new member who would like to join this very important Committee prior to starting the 2018 Sponsorship Campaign.

SipNShop: A huge thank you to Patti B for organizing our SipNShop afternoon at J.McLaughlin's on Friday, October 13 - the Club will be receiving 15% of sales made that afternoon!

Your board and I look forward to seeing all of your lovely faces at our November lunch and I wish you all Good Luck with the Goblins, etc. on Halloween!

Your proud President,

Kate



November Birthdays

Donna Nowack, November 4
Debbie Wilson, November 5
Susan Burch, November 11
Linda Panzarella, November 22
Denise Dobelek, November 23
Sandy Donnell, November 25
Susan Mielnik, November 28
Carol Rementer, November 28

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 2017

The meeting began with Kate Callicotte welcoming everyone to the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Cindy gave the invocation: "Dear Lord, help us to become more sensitive to your voice. I'm asking you to nudge us when you are wanting our attention. Open our eyes to see the tricks of the evil forces that want to draw us away from you. Thank you for raising us up to be strong in our faith in you. Encourage us! Strengthen us! Give us victory over failures, help us to judge what the right thing to do is and then guide us to do it. You have modeled us after you. Give us the grace to make a difference in others' lives. We ask these things in your name. Amen."

Patti Burcham, while waiting for our speaker and Platinum Sponsor, Dr. Licorwic, introduced Dr. Licorwic's newest dentist in his practice, Dr. Cindy Perrone. Dr. Perrone said that she was a critical-care nurse before becoming a dentist. She fell in love with this area while working at Eglin Air Force Base. Dr. Licorwic, in his remarks, told us about a recent innovation in dentistry, wafer-thin veneers and crowns that can be put over existing teeth with minimum preparation. This results in natural-looking teeth and can be achieved in just one office appointment. Dr. Licorwic then answered many questions from our enthusiastic members, and many gave testimonials about their treatment at his practice.

Kate thanked Dr. Licorwic for his sponsorship of DWC going back many years. In addition to DWC, he is an active supporter of local charities and works closely with Childrens' Volunteer Health Network to provide dental care for disadvantaged local children.

Following lunch, the business meeting began. Kate first announced that \$180 had been collected in the 50/50 raffle for Fisher House. The lucky winner generously donated her half to the Fund.

The minutes of the last meeting can be found in the October newsletter. Please ask Maggi Grogan if you have any questions.

Likewise, please address any questions about the Treasurer's report to Denise Dobelek.

Correspondence: Sherry said we had received a thank you note from Beth Ann Cox for the help the club had provided over the summer while she was recovering from major surgery. The club took groceries and other necessities to her home while she was unable to drive. We also fixed some plumbing problems and are still working on getting some outstanding plumbing work done.

Peggy Reis, **Friend to Friend** co-chair, asked members to let her or Kathleen Hall know if anyone is sick or needs help in any way. Her phone number can be found on the DWC website.

Membership: Simona announced October birthdays: Pam Sparks, Sherry Sheldon, Sylvia Vasquez, and Simona herself! Happy birthday to all.

Simona introduced new member and guest of Peggy Reis, Gabriella Mirea. Mary Palmer, who joined last month, brought guest Christine Payne. Sylvia Vasquez brought two guests – Debbi Dodge, and Debby McKinny. We also welcomed another guest, Lana Kovach.

Simona reminded all members that annual dues must be paid by now. Please give check/cash to Denise Dobelek.

Kate thanked Mr. Guglielmo and his wife for the fabulous lunch in his newest restaurant. Local celebrity pianist David Sering had played for us during the meal, and Kate thanked him for the lovely music.

Sip and Shop Fundraiser: Patti said that this will take place on Friday October 13 at J McLaughlin Boutique at Grand Boulevard. 15% of all sales will go to the club. Members are encouraged to stop by and represent the club – no purchase necessary!

Fisher House Supper: Sylvia Vasquez and Ann Petzold are co-chairs of this event, and are planning a supper of potato soup with plenty of toppings next week. Please see them if you would like to help. For November, they are planning a turkey dinner with all the fixin's.

Sponsorship Task Force: Patti, along with co-chairs Sandra Williams and JoDell Haverfield, have worked tirelessly on this Committee for several years. They urgently need some help. The club relies on sponsors to provide "seed" money to put on our major fundraiser, which this year will be our Fashion Show. Sponsorships range from Bronze at \$250 to Platinum at \$2,500. Even if you don't want to approach a business yourself, if you know of a likely candidate, please let Patti and her team know, and they will take it from there.

Sip, Sip, Hooray: This will be held on Friday, November 3, at Kathleen Hall's home in Sandestin from 6-9 p.m. The idea is for members to bring potential new members so they can get to know the club and its mission. Please bring a bottle and a dish to share. This is a fun evening for both old and potential members.

Fun evenings: The club is not "all business" and several fun social events are planned for the coming months. On December 8, we will get a group together to attend the "Holiday Pops" concert at Mattie Kelly Arts Center at NWFSC. Tickets are \$25. If you would like to attend, please send your check to Denise Dobelek at the club, P.O. Box 9267, Miramar Beach, FL 32550 by October 23rd at the latest. Once we have all names in, we will purchase a block of tickets. Those who are interested can get together for dinner before the event. Also at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center on January 20th, they are presenting "American Bandstand". Tickets are \$65. More details to follow.

Kate said the Board is working on dates and itineraries for a Caribbean cruise in early Spring 2018. This will be announced shortly.

New Business:

Christmas decorating at Wesley House, Eden State Park. The club had once again been asked to decorate the foyer, staircase and upstairs hall of Wesley House this year.

Decorating will take place on November 14, starting at 9 a.m. A sign-up sheet for those interested was circulated. Kate said that this is a great fun, and usually ends up with lunch!

2018 Fundraiser: The 2018 Fashion Show will be held on November 2, 2018, at Louisiana Lagniappe. Work will start in earnest the first of the year. Kate will bring sign-up sheets for committees to the next meeting. We aim to get most of the work done before the club closes for the summer.

Destin Christmas Parade: As usual, DWC will be represented at the Destin Christmas parade on December 9. Sherry Sheldon (and husband Rick) do a great job organizing this event. Sherry has a sign-up sheet, and asked members to bring candy and beads!

Door prizes were drawn, with prizes donated by Betsy Stout-Jones (our Avon lady), Sylvia Vasquez, Georgia Pappas-Johnson (our jewellery lady), and Debbie Dodge.

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

Respectfully submitted

Maggi Grogan
Recording Secretary
October 13, 2017

Special Letter from your Sponsorship Task Force Committee

Dearest Members,

It is that time of year when we begin seeking Sponsors for DWC. The Sponsorship Task Force “STF” Committee is responsible for eliciting and securing Sponsors for our club. For the past few years there have only been two or three of us on this committee. The overall mission of our Club is to help make a difference in our community by helping those in need. It takes all of our members to ensure that we sustain this mission.

Without the funds we receive from our wonderful Sponsors, we could not accomplish our goals. While our members give so willingly of their time, talents and often monetarily, we do not want to place any financial burdens on them. That is not what being a member of DWC is about.

So, as you can see, it is critical to the livelihood of DWC to maintain our Sponsorship Task Force. We are seeking additional members to help us on the committee. We can assure you that the rewards are great. The more members that we have on this committee, the less work that is required of each of us.

We do understand if you are not able to help serve on this committee at this time, especially if you are already serving on another committee.

One simple way that each of you can help is by sending us your suggestions of individuals and businesses we can reach out to. We realize that not everyone feels comfortable asking for donations. That is ok. Sometimes all we need is a recommendation on who to reach out to. Sometimes all we need is for someone to “open the door” for us.

Most importantly, each and every one of you brings a special quality and talent to our club. YOU are what makes DWC such an incredible club comprised of amazing ladies!

Thank you for helping our Sponsorship Task Force in any way! God bless each and every one of you!

STF Co-Chair Patti Burcham

Thank you to our newest Bronze Sponsors!!!

**Betsy Sells Avon, Betsy Stout-Jones, DWC Member
Jeff Prescott & Associates, Mabel Prescott, DWC Member
Bancorp South Bank, In-Kind Sponsor**

2017 DWC Christmas Party

You and your significant other are invited to a casual, coastal fun Christmas party at Dolphin Point Condo club house on Friday, December 1, from 6-9 pm. Bring a dish and your favorite beverages. Parking may be limited so carpooling is advised. Please RSVP to Helen Everett at heleneretires@gmail.com NLT Friday, November 17. The club house is at 30 Moreno Point Road, on Holiday Isle, and a detailed map will be sent at a later date. Let's start the holiday season off with a splash 🍷 🍹 🍸 ☐ 🎄



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!



Fisher House Needs Your Helping Hands!

On the 3rd Wednesday of each month, we deliver a meal to Fisher House on Eglin Air Force Base for service members and their families receiving medical treatment.

In the month of September we were able to serve 12 families and would like to thank all those who helped with that endeavour.

In the Month of November we will be delivering Turkey Chili, Cornbread and Butter, A Vegetable tray, Cupcakes and Ice Tea.

If you'd like to supply any of these things, please let either Sylvia Vazquez at astvc@att.net or Anne Petzold at annepetz54@gmail.com know. Feel free to contact either one of them if you'd like to contribute to a different month. Thank you!!!

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



Sherry Sheldon is organizing the Christmas Parade entry for DWC again this year (her 13th year). Thirteen members have signed up. They will soon be contacted with details and meeting times to decorate. Parade number for the DWC float will be given to her 1 or 2 days before. Members will be notified by Sherry if parade has been cancelled. No rain dates. There will be room on the float for riders to sit.

However, members will be encouraged to walk alongside so candy and beads can be handed out. Please contact Sherry if you would like to participate or donate candy/beads: Email: rascorp2@cox.net Cell: 850-496-5394

Arrival times to the staging area, which is in front of the Destin Cinema and next to Old Time Pottery at Hwy 98 and Main Street, are: **8 a.m. Floats; 9:30 a.m. Groups; parade starts at 10 a.m.** Distance is 1.3 miles and ends at Shoreline Church (former location of Nighttown). Parade starts at 10 a.m. and goes from Main Street and Hwy 98 (Harbor Boulevard) and turns at Stahlman Avenue (at a 4-way traffic light just before the Destin/Marler Bridge).



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!

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!!!

Menu Entrees ~ Confirm ONE from the three choices below:

- 1. Fresh fish** with braised lemon butter sauce with two sides
- 2. Mixed greens topped with grilled chicken breast** with house-made sun-dried tomato balsamic vinaigrette
- 3. Linguine pasta** with fresh vegetables and basil cream sauce

Dessert – Key Lime Pie