

DESTIN WOMAN'S CLUB

NEWSLETTER – January 2014

P.O. Box 9267 Miramar Beach, FL 32550

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BOARD MEETING

Wednesday December 4th , 2014

Bancorp South Building (formerly Whitney Bank)

13331 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin

9 am Executive Board and Governing Boards

NEXT MEETING AND LUNCHEON

75 EGLIN PARKWAY | SUITE #126

FORT WALTON BEACH, FL 32548

Wednesday December 11th, 2013



WOOD FIRED PIZZA & CLASSIC ITALIAN CUISINE

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

Program 11:30 a.m. –Noon

Lunch - Noon

Business Meeting 12:30 p.m.

Reservations and Menu: see the last page. Deadline for reservations is Friday 6th , by Noon

***Anyone wishing to car pool should plan on meeting at Bonefish Grill restaurant located across from Destin

Commons no later than 10:15am.***

Program



Our lunch this month will be at Mama Clemenza's in Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach. Dominic, the gregarious owner and chef extraordinaire, will be giving us a cooking demonstration. Sounds like a lot of fun!

PRESIDENT'S LETTER....Maggi Grogan



Dear ladies

I cannot believe we are at the end of another year, and the Holiday season is upon us

We count our blessings that we live in this beautiful area, and that for another year we have been spared the disasters that have impacted so many other parts of the world, both near and far.

We receive requests for help from so many directions at this time of year. As you know, Caring & Sharing of South Walton has been a past Chosen Charity for DWC and holds a special place in our hearts. The good people of Caring and Sharing give out thousands of bags of food to needy families over the Thanksgiving and Christmas period and are once again requesting donations of food and other necessities. The Executive Board voted at its last meeting to donate \$1,000 from the Family Fund to Caring & Sharing of South Walton. This will enable them to help many families with whatever they are in need of. If you would like to make a personal donation, it would be much appreciated.

We could not help these causes without the dedication all of our members. Our recent Yard Sale raised over \$1,300 for the Family Fund, and this figure should increase in the next few weeks as we have placed several items in local consignment shops and will receive the proceeds from them. We had a wonderful response from our members who made it possible to stage the Yard Sale, with donations, physical help (including husbands and children!), and in countless other ways. A big thank you to all of you, and particularly Beth Ann Cox and Mabel Prescott, our Family Fund co-chairs.

It's time to reward ourselves, too. Our Christmas Dinner is set for December 6th at The Vue (formerly Santa Rosa Beach Club) starting at 6:30 p.m. Details are in this Newsletter. The Vue has great food and a wonderful location right on the beach. Please come and join us!

Our December luncheon is a Mama Clemenza's in Fort Walton Beach. Dominic will be giving us a cooking demonstration. He is quite a character and it promises to be great fun. To add to the pleasure, we will be having a gift exchange. Please bring a gift (value not more than \$20) and we will get into the Christmas spirit. As Fort Walton Beach is a little out of our usual range, we will be car-pooling. Please meet in the Bonefish Grill parking area no later than 10:15 a. m on December 11th.

I wish you and your families a happy and safe Thanksgiving, wherever you are.

Fondly

Maggi



Santa's coming to town!

Bring a wrapped gift

take part in our

Gift Exchange.

(value not more than \$20)

Family fund – Mabel & Beth Ann

As always, if you know of a family on need please contact Beth Ann or me for a family fund application.

Thanks to all who contributed merchandise, work and/or support to the recent yard sale fundraiser. We made about \$1300 profit. We are donating to families in need this holiday season through Caring and Sharing .

I would appreciate comments and suggestions on the yard sale so that we can continue to improve.

Thanks to all

Mabel

Thank you for your support!

Membership - Denise Dobelek

Pamela Sparks joined us at our November meeting. She assisted new member Emily Carvallo at her booth for the member bazaar. We currently have 70 members. We are looking forward to all our new members assisting in our efforts to raise funds for our charities and enjoy our sense of community.

Destin Christmas Parade
Saturday, December 14th 9:00 a.m.

We need your beads and candy for the Destin Christmas Parade. Also walkers needed.. let us know if you would like to join us for the parade. Please bring beads and candy to the December Luncheon , Sherry Sheldon will be collecting them.



Christmas Dinner

December 6th, Friday, 6:30pm

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The 'Vue' Restaurant

f/k/a Santa Rosa Beach Club on CR 30A.

Dinner cost is \$45 per person (includes tax and gratuity)

Cash Bar

Advance Tickets Only

Checks should be sent to

DWC, P.O. Box 9267, Miramar Beach, FL 32550.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

December Birthdays...

Pat Smyth 5th

Denise Greene 10th



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Destin Woman's Club

Minutes of the General Meeting

November 13, 2013

Welcome: Maggi Grogan

Maggi welcomed everyone to our yearly Bazaar at Louisiana Lagniappe. This event allows members to display items that they sell.

Invocation: Cindy Posey

Susan Frishman has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

IN TWO WEEKS.....we gather around the dinner table with family and friends to share good food, warm laughter, and the happy memories of Thanksgiving past. But for many families, whose loved ones serve in the Armed Forces, this year's Thanksgiving celebration will not be complete. A familiar voice will not be heard and a chair at the table will remain empty because, they have someone far from home serving our country.

IN TWO WEEKS... members of the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard (men and women, Active Duty, Reserve, and National Guard alike) will gather in mess halls or in tents across the globe as friends and comrades to enjoy the traditional Thanksgiving meal.

SO,.....as those of us who are blessed to be with our families celebrate and give thanks, let us remember in our prayers the homes that have an empty chair at the table and also offer a special prayer of thanksgiving and ask God's Blessings for the brave men and women of our Armed Forces, whose service and sacrifice will, we further pray, make the world a better and safer place. And a very special prayer dear God, for those homes that have an empty chair that will forever remain vacant and for those servicemen and women who have come back to us, may their sacrifice not have been in vain.

When we have food, help us to remember the hungry, when we have a home, help us to remember the homeless, when we are with friends and family, help us to remember those who are friendless and shunned; and in remembering, help us to destroy our complacency, move our

hearts and reach out by our words and deeds to those who cry out for what we take for granted.

We ask these things, in your name, Amen!

Business Meeting:

Minutes of the October 6th Meeting: Sherry Sheldon

Maggi asked members to direct their questions regarding the Minutes as published in the newsletter on the DWC website to Sherry.

Treasurer's Report: Denise Hatcher

Maggi asked members to direct their question regarding the Treasurer's report to Denise. A copy can be found on each of the tables.

Correspondence: Julia Boykin

- A 'Thank You' note from DWC's Scholarship Recipient, Melody Matthews. Kate Callicotte was recognized for being instrumental in helping the Winsett's estate contribute to this scholarship that has been newly named the Destin Woman's Club Carol and Bob Winsett Scholarship Fund.
- Caring and Sharing of South Walton: Penny Lucas sent DWC a letter stating they need a donation of cash and/or food. In addition to keeping their food pantry full, they are helping people pay their utility bills. Maggi announced that Destin Womans Club responded to her request with a donation of \$1,000.00.
- Shelter House of Northwest Florida sent us a letter for donations. It is a non-profit, state-certified domestic violence center. It serves victims of domestic violence in Okaloosa and Walton counties. Services provided include a 24 hr. hotline, crisis counseling, advocacy, outreach, primary prevention, transitional housing, and confidential shelter. Members can Go On-line to learn more at www.shelterhousenwfl.org or call their local number (850) 243-1201. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Maggi said Destin Woman's Club will be donating in the near future. Shelter House is our major charity. This will be our 2nd year of a two-year commitment.
- Michelle Sperzel, Executive Director of Shelter House, thanked us for DWC's contributions to Shelter House of Northwest Florida this year.

Guests/Membership: Denise Dobelek

- Pamela Sparks - guest of Emily Carvallo
- Linda McGowan – guest of Joanne Chandler
- Marie Buretta – guest of Denise Hatcher

New Members since September include: Emily Carvallo, Kathy Cray, Fay Gross, Nancy Gross , Joy Mayer, Amanda McConkey, Gail Murray, and Joyce Sullivan. Denise noted that Fay and Nancy are not related.

Birthday Girls: Patti Burcham

- Denise Dobelek, Linda Panzarella, Carol Rementer, Debbie Wilson

Sponsorship Task Force: Sandra Williams (not present), Patti Burcham

- Patti Burcham said they have signed up 9 new sponsors this year and a Business Patron.

Friend to Friend: Joy Segno

- Susan Frishman has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She is doing better now.

Yard Sale Wrap-Up: Mabel Prescott, Beth Ann Cox

- Maggi thanked Mabel and Beth Ann for chairing this event. We made over \$1,300

For the Family Fund. Mable thanked all the members who participated donating their time and yard sale items. It takes everyone and she appreciates it.

Social Activities: Mary Chalmers

- November 20, Wednesday, MEMBER'S SOCIAL: Rum Runner's restaurant in Baytowne Wharf in Sandestin. Seven members have signed up.
- December 6th, Friday, 6:30pm, CHRISTMAS PARTY at the 'Vue' restaurant f/k/a Santa Rosa Beach Club on CR 30A. Dinner cost is \$45 per person (includes tax and gratuity), Cash Bar. Advance Tickets Only. Send checks payable to:

DWC, P. O. Box 9267, Miramar Beach, FL 32550.

Deadline: Friday, November 28th (checks to be received no later than Tuesday, Dec.3.)

DWC December 11 Meeting – Mama Clemenza's, Ft. Walton Beach: Maggi Grogan

Maggi suggested those who would like to carpool meet at Bonefish Grill restaurant located across from Destin Commons at 10:15am.

- Gift Exchange: Bring a gift to get a gift. Limit \$20

Fundraiser 2014 update: Betsy Stout-Jones

- Spring 5K fun run. Betsy said she is still organizing this event.

Christmas Parade December 14, Saturday, 10am: Sherry Sheldon

- Sherry said she will continue taking names for participant's until next month's meeting on Wednesday, December 11. Call Sherry: 837-2933 or, email: rascorp2@cox.net
- Twelve members have signed up to walk in the parade. Members are asked to bring candy and/or beads to the December meeting. Theme of the parade this year is "Fantasy

Christmas". Member Cindy Posey and her husband, Bill, will be Mr. and Mrs. Claus in the parade again this year.

Any Other Business: Maggi Grogan

Beth Ann Cox asked members if they would like to make a donation to an animal shelter. They have a 'Shelter Wish List' for supplies, etc and a 'Cat Wish List', so please contact them:

Eglin Pet Welfare. (850) 678-5066

Mailing address: P. O. Box 1914, Eglin AFB, FL 32542 Email: petwelfare@embarqmail.com

Meeting Adjourned: 1:30pm

Door Prizes: There were three lucky winners this month.

Respectfully submitted:

Sherry Sheldon

Recording Secretary

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**The Humane Society and
Adoption Center &
Animal Control at PAWS**

**Save a Life...Adopt a
Homeless Animal.**

752 Lovejoy Road Ft Walton Beach, FL 32548
Phone: (850) 243-1525 Fax: (850) 664-0445

PAWS, The Humane Society, in FWB is completely full! That means that there is no more room for any kittens, cats, puppies or dogs. I have also been advised that ALL no kill shelters are full. So unfortunately we know what will happen to those that are no longer wanted. Please help me make a difference for those babies that do not have a voice. You can bring the wish list items to the next meeting and I will deliver. The following is a wish list for **PAWS**:

Canned & Dry Puppy/Dog food

Sorry don't know what happened...

List continued:

canned (pate') & dry kitten/cat food

canned tuna fish

KMR kitten milk

Espilac puppy milk

peanut butter

brooms

blankets/towels

cat toys

dog toys (hard rubber chew)

laundry soap

hospital type wash pans

metal dog food bowls

travel crates

litter boxes (all sizes

bleach

paper towels

Cash, check (made out to **PAWS**) It is tax deductible!!

Gift card to Wal-Mart or Pet Smart

Digital camera to photograph lost & found animals & those up for adoption

Wednesday December 11th , 2013

Menu

Entrée Choices

Mahi picatta sautéed in a lemon butter white wine caper sauce served with angel hair pasta

Sundried tomato & Italian bread crumb crusted chicken breast served with penne pasta in a tomato butter cream sauce.

Rigatoni Ala Caprese - Fresh cherry tomatoes, roasted garlic, fresh basil, cooked in a white wine sauce, topped with fresh mozzarella & Arugula.

Desert

Dessert Demo - Key Lime crepes cooked table side from Clemenza's Demonstration Kitchen

This include a beverage choice of Soda, ice tea, water, and coffee

Your contact for making RESERVATIONS FOR DWC luncheons is

Joanne Chandler

Email: dwcreervations@gmail.com

Everyone please RSVP by the deadline. Friday 8th November Noon.

Remember to include your entree selection.

Should you miss the deadline, please contact **Joanne** as soon as possible to RSVP, or if you need to cancel your reservation

For last minute requests, please contact Joanne via home or mobile phone. (Please refer to your DWC Member Contact list for her phone numbers)

No reservations may be made the day of the luncheon

THANK YOU ALL!!!

Please note: If you cannot make the luncheon and do not cancel your reservation in time you will be charged for your lunch.