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Kris Landrum

“Several of our WPF members, including your less than illustrious leader, attended the February luncheon meeting sporting tanned bodies and smiling, rested faces, fresh from a weeklong sailing trip in the British Virgin Islands.”

We were bombarded with requests for details of our trip from many of you...well, some of you...OK, one person, but the needs of all members

are important, including my need for newsletter material!

I feel perfectly justified in raving about our fantastic trip because you were all encouraged to join us and create a fleet of sailboats. Surely you remember the emails and announcements about camping on the water, sharing

cabins, small bathrooms (heads), close quarters for a week, minimal shopping, but the chance to enjoy sailing, hiking, snorkeling, kayaking, swimming and the beauty of the Caribbean! The invitation was a testament to truth in advertising, although the cabins (4) and heads (4) for eight women were larger than we had anticipated. The heads actually had separate showers making

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March Meeting

Wed., March 9 @12:30
The Painted Plate
2001 N. Church St.
Greensboro

Cost

Active members - prepaid. Supporting or Emeritus members and Guests -\$15.00.

Reservations

Please contact Carol Matznick, 605-9108 or carol4wpf@aol.com if:

- You are a Supporting or Emeritus member and would like to make a lunch reservation
- You would like to invite a special guest
- You are an active member and need to cancel your reservation

Cancellation of reservation is a membership requirement.

Important Dates To Remember

March 9 - Next Meeting

March 15 - Board Meeting, Tuggle Duggins & Meschan PA,
100 N. Greene St., 12pm - 1pm

March 18 - April Newsletter deadline

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them much nicer than described in a tongue-in-cheek sailing dictionary which suggests standing naked for two minutes in a closet with a wet dog to approximate a sailboat shower experience!

Joys of the trip that couldn't be adequately conveyed in our invitation and that our sailing group will smile about for years to come included...

- Starting each day on the boat deck, barefoot, in pj's, sipping coffee or tea, and soaking in the beauty of turquoise water, brilliant blue skies, white beaches, and mountainous islands; some of our group said that the sunrises were spectacular, but the rest of us are sure that the sunsets were equally breathtaking, although we can't make the comparison based on personal experience.

- Savoring lobster prepared especially for us while sitting at an open air restaurant (its only customers for the evening) on the beach of Anegada Island, enjoying balmy breezes and watching the flickering mast lights of sailboats bobbing at anchor in the harbor.

- Dancing on our boat and the pier at Virgin Gorda Yacht Harbor to the rhythms of Caribbean and American music played by a group on shore. Our native captain and cook both out-danced us all, but with a little wine and vodka, we were looking good (which can be proven by a few pictures which could provide a steady source of future income!)

- Huffing and puffing in a hike over a Virgin Gorda mountain, but blown away by the view of the brilliant waters of the Caribbean on one side and the waters of the Atlantic on the other.

- Snorkeling at Great Dog and other sites with our masks, fins, and ski belts (yes, we were that lazy!) amazed by the colorful fish and intricate corals & seagrass.

- Strolling on white sand beaches or kayaking on azure waters, but always marveling at the serenity and beauty of quiet anchorages. (See typical photo by photographer Laura).

- Stretching out on the boat deck or trampoline with a book, sunscreen, and sunglasses with the boat under full sail and water occasionally (OK, frequently) splashing over the prow (and us).

- Gathering around our deck table to enjoy sumptuous island meals prepared by our cook, whose cooking skills fortunately compensated for her sonorous snores in the galley where she slept each evening.

Guessing that by now your snores are nearly as loud, I'll spare you the myriad of additional sights and adventures that we shared, and focus finally on the element of our week that I think we will remember and treasure the most...each other and the bond which we formed in seven days of close living. Although only six of us, Laura Stroupe Barrier, Michele Smith, Anita Henderson, Margaret Bertrand, Darlene Ball, and I are WPFer's, I thought of our whole group, including Lynne Schiftan and Barbara Lankton, as a microcosm of WPF. With three doctors, two lawyers, a CPA, and two retired business women, one person described us as a boatload of chiefs. Darlene called it a boatload of Type A, A+, and A++ personalities (funny, I've always thought of myself as a B-), but doesn't that really describe most members of WPF?

Despite what might sound to some like a prescription for disaster...a bunch of women likely to fight for control...we spent the week in perfect harmony. I like to think that we were each mature and confident enough in ourselves and each other to either share or cede control, delighted not to have to make decisions for once. There was no pettiness, no gossip, no odd woman out. Some of us had been good friends from the start, others had only met most of the group a time or two before the trip, but by the end of the trip we had shared not just the beauty of the islands, but the joys and sorrows and triumphs and disappointments of our lives. We had created our own small sisterhood.

This microcosm is an example of what I hope WPF is or will become for each of us...a group dedicated to supporting each other, determined to work together harmoniously, and eager to enjoy WPF meetings and activities. If you attended the meeting in February, you know what a fabulous speaker we had. I'm sure we'll all be talking about "Picking Cotton" for a long time to come! This month we are

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fortunate to welcome nine outstanding new members. Our March meeting is dedicated to them, providing your chance to learn their names and faces and what makes them incredible additions to our group. Let's welcome them with open arms, smiling faces, and shared excitement, and make each of them feel important and cared for. Encourage them to participate in one of the many events that we have coming up: Dining Out, Health and Wellness (The Human Race on March 26th), Salon, Whine Divas and join them there. Make a special effort to come to the New Member Social on Wednesday, March 30th, and make getting to know each of the new members your goal for that evening. This event will be followed by the March Dining Out, so you'll have even more time to socialize with new and not-so-new members. Keep reading to learn the details of all the activities we have planned for March. As always, I hope to see you at some of them!

(As this was going to "press," we learned that one of our brand new members, Barbara Stewart, fell and broke her hip the day after new member orientation. Please watch for additional information in News of our Sisters about how we can help Barbara. Let's show her what a supportive group of women she's joined!)

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New Member Social

Kate Weaver

WPF's New Member Social will be...
Wednesday, March 30...5:30 pm...
at Community Foundation...
Friends, food, and festive libations.
The Dining Out will immediately follow.
Mark your calendar now. **WPF**

New Member Social

March 30, 2011
5:30 pm

Community Foundation



Dining Out

Janice Lanier

Dining Out

March 30, 2011
6:30 pm

The Palmetto
223 Elm Street
Greenboro



Thanks to all of you who attended February's Dinning Out at Leblon Brazilian Steakhouse. It was wonderfully fulfilling evening!

Fried Whiting with Red Rice and Collards

No one left hungry.

We are doing something special for the month of March. We are going to have our Dinning Out in conjunction with the New Member Social. This will be a wonderful chance for you to attend the New Member Social and then join us for dinner.

Dinning Out for the month of March will be at The Palmetto, 223 S. Elm Street at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30th. Miriam Harmon will be your hostess for the month. The Palmetto is a fairly new restaurant to Greensboro. The Chef, Carlos Brown boasts a Low Country cuisine with a contemporary twist. You are sure to find something delicious! Come out and try one of their signature dishes like Charleston White Cheddar Shrimp & Grits or Gullah Shrimp!

If you would like to join us please contact Miriam Barkley at mcbarkle@gmail.com. Please RSVP by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 28th.

I am still looking for Dinning Out hosts for 2011. So, if you are interested please let me know. **WPF**



SALON SIG TURNS 1 YR OLD!

Meryl Mullane

The Salon

March 23, 2011
7:00 pm

Home of
Paula Sinozich
923 Benfield Drive
Greensboro

The March Salon marks our first year anniversary! Time marches on...which brings us to our upcoming topic:

Our fear of aging and
obsession with youth in
21st Century America

Please join us on
Wednesday, March 23, 7
– 9 p.m. at the home of
Paula Sinozich, 923
Benfield Drive. Bring wine
or a snack and your opinions!

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For Your Calendar

Julie Lapham

Annual Summer Social

June 8, 2011
6:00 pm

Home of
Meg Sternberg

WPF's Annual Summer Social . . . June 8th . . .

6-8pm . . . Meg Sternberg's home.

Watch for further details! WPF



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WPF Foundation Grants Cycle In Full Swing

Beverley Gass, Chair, WPF Foundation Grants Committee

The WPF Foundation Grants Committee is seeking applications from qualified non-profit organizations in Guilford County for grants that further WPF's philanthropic mission of "Nurturing Girls To Be Tomorrow's Leaders." The 2011 total grant amount is \$12,462, a 49% increase over the 2010 total of \$8,394. Guilford County non-profit organizations have been invited to submit a one-page "Letter of Intent," by March 1. These letters will be reviewed by a Grants Selection Committee and the programs that fit the grant criteria will be invited to submit a complete application by March 31. Grant applications will be reviewed by the entire Grants Committee and the 2011 grant winners will be presented at our May 11 lunch meeting.

The amount available for distribution is determined by the Foundation's Board based on the standard practice of allocating 5% of the three year rolling average balance of WPF's funds. Our year-end fund balance is \$244,085.66. Five percent (5%) of our three year rolling average is \$12,462.30. We are hugely appreciative of the time, energy and thoughtfulness that the Grants Committee devotes. The Grants Committee is chaired by Beverley Gass, and includes Patty Aiken, Laura Barrier, Cindi Dorman, Maureen Hartigan, Margaret Kantlehner, Sue Kennedy, Meryl Mullane, Tara Sandercock, Melanie Tuttle, Jeri Whitfield, and Beverly Williams.

The Women's Professional Forum Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, was established in 1984 by the members of the Women's Professional Forum and has been built from member and non-member contributions. The Foundation is a means for professional women to give support to help other women and girls succeed in leadership through gifts to organizations that serve them. Foundation membership is comprised of all members of the Women's Professional Forum. The Foundation does not develop or run any programs itself, but grants funds to other non-profit agencies that have programs in place or in the process of being started for "Nurturing Girls to Be Tomorrow's Leaders."

Women's Professional Forum Foundation 2010 Year End Financial Report

Pat Price, WPF Treasurer

This was a great year for the Foundation! We not only made our \$200,000 goal, we also surpassed it by over \$40,000. Our 2010 year-end fund balance stood at \$244,086. The market came roaring back! In 2010, a year with hard economic times, we received great support from our members and friends. Total 2010 contributions were \$12,804.

We were able to make grants in 2010 totaling \$7,446 to further our mission, "Nurturing Girls to Be Tomorrow's Leaders." Artista was also a great success. After expenses, 2010 contributions totaled from Artista \$4,831. If we add the \$1,500 in Artista contributions received in 2009, the Artista event raised \$6,331. This was a unique opportunity as it provided women artists a venue to display their works while providing everyone a fun filled evening.

Thank you for your continued support of our Foundation! **WPF**

The Womens Professional Forum Foundation February 2011 Newsletter Honor Roll

The Women's Professional Forum Foundation thanks all of you who so graciously contributed to the Foundation's mission in the calendar year 2010. [WPF](#)

Who's Who

Darlene Ball	Margie Gibbs Motsinger
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