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President's Message **By John Meislahn**

It might seem that this is my first message to the club as President ... but that's not the case. We did not see a lot of each other in the year 2020 when I first became WOSC President, as we were in the midst of a tumultuous pandemic. So, the Board decided to let me have a do-over as your 2023 President. I want to thank our outgoing President Jolene Cortright for also fulfilling a do-over year and leading us all through an exciting 2022.

We had our club's Annual meeting on January 17th and welcomed 6 newly-elected Board Members. Congratulations to Mark Randol, Pam Kersh, and Tom Hinde as new Board Directors, and welcome back to Scott Bartley, Herbert Inestroza and myself as returning elected Board Directors. The annual meeting notes will be posted to the website soon. I am very proud to say that we have over \$400K in the bank at year end and exceeded our budget by \$196K with income derived from our outside events and a wonderfully successful contribution by members at our Derby Day Party. The 2022 deck project used a tremendous amount of our reserves, but we are still in a great position going into this new year.

The facility is constantly needing a little TLC and our 2023 projects will be smaller in nature to take care of our aging building. We need to pay attention to the sub floor in the bar, some flooring in the kitchen and take a closer look at those pesky leaks from the roof and onto the deck after the rainy season.

We are already booking some fabulous musical entertainment for you for the first half of the year, and I know Lori and Chef Joe, along with Arts & Entertainment and our Social Committee, will continue to put on the best parties in the county! The Website Committee continues to evolve, and add to our WOSC site constant improvements, additional information, and videos of past meetings that were recorded. The Sports and Activities committee continues to do a stellar job getting members to try new things and participate in all our club activities. A schedule of activities is now active and posted on the WOSC website with the days and times that the various groups meet.

There are several special events planned for this month, so check out the fliers in this newsletter for additional details. I look forward to meeting our new members and enjoying a great year together with all our membership. Cheers to you and the many wonderful times ahead!

Social Activities for February & March

February 3	Friday Night Dinner
February 5	Sunday Brunch
February 7	Tightwad Tuesday
February 10	Friday Night Farm-to-Fork Dinner
February 12	Sunday Brunch
February 14	Special Valentine's Served Dinner, Friday Night Pricing
February 17	Friday Night Dinner
February 19	Sunday Brunch
February 21	Tightwad Tuesday
February 22	Complimentary Reception – Oceania Cruise Launch Party
February 23	Lunch & Learn with Celebrity Historian Gaye LeBaron
February 24	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner
February 26	Sunday Brunch
February 28	Tightwad Tuesday
March 2	Burger Night is Back!
March 3	Friday Night Dinner
March 5	Sunday Brunch
March 7	Tightwad Tuesday Fried Chicken Dinner
March 10	Friday Night Farm-to-Fork Dinner
March 12	Sunday Brunch
March 14	Tightwad Tuesday
March 17	Friday Night St. Patrick's Dinner
March 19	Sunday Brunch
March 21	Tightwad Tuesday
March 24	Friday Night Dinner
March 26	Sunday Brunch
March 28	Tightwad Tuesday
March 31	Friday Night Prime Rib Dinner

News from GM Lori ... Special Events

February

- Special Valentine's Dinner February 14
- WOSC Cruise Reception February 22
- Lunch & Learn with Gaye LeBaron February 23
- Prime Rib Night February 24

March

- Burger Night March 2
- Friday Night St. Patrick's Dinner March 17
- Prime Rib Night March 31

Wild Oak Saddle Club's 2023 Cruise Launch Party

Oceania Cruises - Boston to Montreal - October 19-30, 2023

Come Enjoy a Complimentary Reception in the WOSC Dining Room with
Wine & Heavy Appetizers
Wednesday, February 22 at 5:00pm

A Message from Bob Briner, Chair Arts & Entertainment

The Arts and Entertainment season is still on hiatus until March 31st when we will feature the Taylor Street Stop with Ron & Maryann Sfarzo. Ron is an accordionist, pianist, organist, and composer. Maryann is a singer, actress, v/o talent and lyricist.

Ron and Maryann met through their music and have been performing together for over 25 years. They started in San Francisco and their collaboration has brought them across the US, Canada and Europe. They will bring us a heartwarming and nostalgic play list of 20s and 30s classics presented in the traditional style. Be sure to make your Prime Rib Dinner reservations early!



Let the Good Times Roll!
The Sports & Activities Report from Kari Briner



Pickleball Enthusiasts

We continue to enjoy our Club in so many ways! The ongoing cards, dominoes and mah-jongg groups are meeting regularly and there have also been “pop up” games scheduled as desired. Much appreciation to the membership for reaching out to me when they want to gather. That way, we can welcome those spontaneous gatherings and avoid scheduling conflicts. The outside activities, obviously, took a rainy hiatus but are back in full swing (pun intended!).

Thanks to the research done by Melissa Bowers, we now have new pickleball nets on order! The current ones were fading fast so it will be great to have the courts spruced up for the pickleball demonstration being planned for the spring. **THE PICKLEBALL DEMO WILL BE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 12 at 11:00. YAHOO!!** Put it on your calendar!

A small group met with Doug Pavese to discuss the next WOSC golf tournament. The date is soon to be secured by Doug so we will have more information about that very soon.

This month we will revive “Lunch and Learn” on Thursday, February 23rd with the ever-so-wise and talented Gaye Le Baron. Questions will be submitted ahead of the event. Sign-ups to attend and a basket for your questions are both available in the Club living room. Have an idea for a future Lunch and Learn? Please email your suggestions to kvigeland04@gmail.com.

Looking forward to more fun times!

Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday wishes to these wonderful members!

Our February birthdays are:

Barbara Donaldson, Bill Hatcher, Catherine Buse, Chelsea Hedrick, Cheryl Tolin, Chuck Bartley, Doug Patterson, Gil Whissen, Gloria Dermott, Henry Beaumont, Jim Fisher, Kay Marquet, Kevin Ireland, Laura Whooley, Linda Frye, Melinda Scatena, Mike O’Callaghan, Patti Martzall and Pete Eschelbach.

To have your name added to the Birthday list, sign up on the Birthday sheet tucked in the inside front cover of the Reservation Book in the Club living room.



LUNCH

Daily Soup - Cup \$6

Lori's Salad \$17

Baby greens and romaine lettuce tossed in white balsamic vinaigrette with house-made applewood smoked bacon, oven roasted turkey breast, grilled shrimp, avocado, grape tomatoes, and hard-boiled egg

Grilled Salmon Salad \$18

Grilled salmon, garden greens, capers, olives, cucumber, and pickled red onions with a creamy lemon-dill vinaigrette

Half Sandwich / Soup / Salad \$17

Ham and Swiss on grilled artisan sourdough, cup of the daily soup, and a small garden salad

Grilled Chicken Quesadilla \$17

Grilled chicken with sautéed onions and tomatoes with cheddar-jack cheese in a flour tortilla

Turkey and Avocado Melt \$17

Oven roasted turkey breast, house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar-jack cheese, avocado, roasted bell pepper mayonnaise on a grilled ciabatta

Blackened Shrimp Tacos \$17

Blackened shrimp, cabbage and cilantro slaw, chipotle cream, on local artisan tortillas

Grilled Reuben \$17

Corned beef brisket, thousand island dressing, house-made cabbage slaw, and Swiss cheese on grilled artisan marbled rye

Bacon Cheddar Burger \$17

Local ground beef patty with house-made applewood smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, and house-made dill pickles on a grilled bun

Impossible Burger (plant based) available +\$3

Sandwiches, tacos, and quesadilla served with fries, garlic fries, side fruit, or small garden salad

An 18% gratuity will be added to all bills

"Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions."

Tightwad Tuesday

Clubhouse opens at 5:30pm

\$22.00 + tax per person

February 7th, 2023

Fried Chicken

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Radishes, Shaved Squash,
Shaved Carrot, Lemon Vinaigrette

Roasted Vegetables

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Buttermilk Biscuits

Dessert:

Chocolate Cake with Vanilla Buttercream

February 21st, 2023

Mardi Gras Theme

Blackened Catfish with Spicy Remoulade

Chicken and Shrimp Gumbo

Dirty Rice

Mardi Gras Salad

Cajun Corn Maque Choux

Dessert:

Beignets

February 14th, 2023

Valentine's Day

Family Style Dinner

Balsamic Marinated Flat Iron Steak

Caramelized Pearl Onions

Seared Salmon

Salsa Verde

Roasted Beet Salad

Baby Greens, Pistachios, Shaved Brussels Sprouts,
Pickled Red Onions, Champagne Vinaigrette

Sautéed Green Beans and Roasted

Baby Carrots

Herb Roasted Potatoes

Dessert:

Decadent Chocolate Heart Cake -
Costeaux Bakery

February 28th, 2023

Beer Battered Fish and Chips

Garden Salad

Baby Greens, Butter Lettuce, Shaved radishes, and
Strawberries, with Champagne Vinaigrette

Cole Slaw

Potato Salad

Dessert:

Apple Bread Pudding with
Whipped Cream

Friday Night Dinner

Clubhouse opens 5:30pm

Dinner 6:45pm

\$50.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$40.00 + tax per person without alcohol

February 3rd, 2023 Family Style Dinner

**Braised Pork Shoulder Roast with
Winter Vegetables**

Cedar Plank Grilled Salmon

Endive Salad

Baby Greens, Toasted Almonds, Dried Cherries, Goat
Cheese, Shaved Fennel, Meyer Lemon Vinaigrette

Sautéed Florentino Cauliflower

Creamy Herbed Polenta

Dessert:

Pineapple Upside Down Cake

February 10th, 2023 Family Style Dinner Farm to Fork

Sourcing the Best local ingredients; menu
will be announced Tuesday, February 7th.

February 17th, 2023 Mixed Grill Night

**Hand Carved Grilled Steaks, Chicken,
Grilled Fish, and Sausages**

Butter Lettuce Salad

Broccoli Au Gratin

Baked Potato Bar

Dessert:

Kozlowski Farm's Pie with
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

February 24th, 2023 Prime Rib Dinner Family Style

Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, *au jus*

**Seared Arctic Char with Sundried Tomato
Pesto Cream**

Butter Lettuce and Citrus Panzanella
Fennel, Croutons, Avocado, and Pickled Red Onion
with a Champagne Vinaigrette

Roasted Acorn Squash and Caulilini with
Sautéed Greens

Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Dessert:

Chocolate Ganache Cake



Special Valentine's Dinner

Tuesday, February 14th

Friday Night Pricing, with Served Dinner

Join your Sweetheart or WOSC Friends!

Bar opens at 5:30pm with Live Music, Full Bar + Wine,

Dinner time – 6:15pm

Family Style Dinner

Roasted Beet Salad

*Baby Greens, Pistachios, Shaved Brussels Sprouts,
Pickled Red Onions, Champagne Vinaigrette*

*Sautéed Green Beans and Roasted Baby Carrots
Herb Roasted Potatoes*

*Balsamic Marinated Flat Iron Steak
Caramelized Pearl Onions*

*Seared Salmon
Salsa Verde*

Decadent Chocolate Heart Cake-Costeaux Bakery

\$50.00 + tax per person with alcohol

\$40.00 + tax per person without alcohol

Attendance is limited. The event is Members Only.

Come Join us for a wonderful evening!
Dinner, Wine, and Dancing the Night Away!

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**Wild Oak Saddle Club's 2023 Cruise
Informational Launch Party, WOSC Dining Room
Complimentary Reception, Wine & Heavy Appetizers
Wednesday, February 22 at 5:00pm**



**Oceania Cruises' *Insignia* Ship
Canada & New England Charms**

Cruise Highlights:

- ◆ Sailing Boston to Montreal – 11 Days
- ◆ October 19-30, 2023
- ◆ Onboard Oceania Cruises' elegant 656-guest *Insignia* Ship

**Advance Reservations for the Reception, Please!
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Lunch & Learn
Thursday, February 23rd
Q&A with Gaye LeBaron
Historian & Celebrity Author



Sonoma County Woman of the Year, 2015

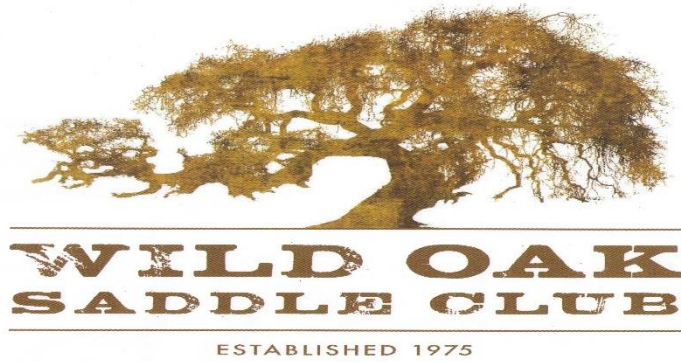
Renowned *Press Democrat* columnist, historian, author, humorist and Saddle Club member Gaye LeBaron is coming to Lunch & Learn on Thursday, February 23rd.

Please submit questions for the Q&A for Gaye in advance. Index cards will be placed in a basket in the club Living Room, for writing down your questions. All questions should be submitted no later than Feb 17th.

After several years as a reporter, Gaye wrote her first column for *The Press Democrat* in 1959. Since then, she has penned over 8,000 columns in her more than 60 years with the newspaper, until her recent retirement.

Gaye is the author, with three other researchers, of a two-volume local history -- "Santa Rosa, a 19th Century Town," and "Santa Rosa a 20th Century Town," and, with Vermont author Bart Casey, "The Wonder Seekers of Fountaingrove," a history of Santa Rosa's 19th century Utopia. Gaye's letters and papers from some 40 years as a daily columnist are archived in Special Collections at the Schulz Library at SSU.

**You won't want to miss this! Lunch at 11:45, with Q&A to follow
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Burger Night

Thursday, March 2nd

Clubhouse Opens at 5:00pm

Dinner at 6:15



Come Join us for Burgers with all the Fixings!

- Wine Pour & Full Bar During Cocktail Time
- Ice Cream Sandwiches
- Plus Live Music!

\$30.00 per person + tax

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