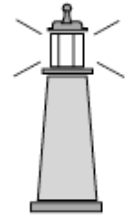


THE BEACON



Saturday

April 7

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Rainy

Day

Bazaar

Harrigan
Centennial Hall

\$1 entry fee

A Letter from the President

A great big Spring Hello it all!

Thank you for all the support I received while in the hospital with Tony. It was touch and go there for a while. He is doing much better and hopefully the trip home will be easy and pain free.

As for all the worker bees, thank you for keeping our association going strong. We are accepting pledges for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl for Kids' Sake. I am on that team also. If you are able, come support your fellow Association members! Hope to see you there!

With spring here, this means the Easter Bunny is almost here. A big huge thank you to Amy Kearns for all her work with the hopping Easter Egg Hunt. Hopping (get it) Easter Bunny. Oh, I kill myself. I believe humor helps cure all.

This year we should call the Rainy Day Bazaar the Snowy Day Bazaar. This fun event is a big one. I will be there; you can find me by the cookie bouquets and cakes! I am so pleased with all that goes into planning a large event like this. Thank you, Cindy Carlson, for all your hard work. We all know how hard it is to be a single mom (because of deployments) and do all the household chores, run a business, and put together a big production like this. Job well done! Even the Chiefs are involved. Way to get the whole community involved.

I would like to say a special thank you to Angela Cox for providing a home for us to have Movie Night, and our Welcome Committee Meeting. I believe that our new welcome books are going to be the bomb. I know I am here and I want one! Thank you, Susan, for giving the association the layout to make this possible. I think that our Hospitality Chairs have gone above and beyond this year with all the extras that they do every day. So the next time you see Susan Bourassa and Diana Cloud let them know that you appreciate all they do. I do believe that this trip has taught me a few things. One being that when you have something in your life that changes, rather it be something so small as your dog got sick all the way to a family member in the hospital, the more you appreciate those who help us, the more people are willing to help. Just like when we were children and our parents would tell us to say please and thank you, same rule is in effect. You catch more bees with honey than with vinegar.

Hope your April is filled with joy and new friendships.

Your President,
Lori

Meet the Board

Ways & Means Chair: Rose MacIntyre



Hello! My name is Rose MacIntyre and I'm the Ways and Means Chairperson for the CGSWA.

I was born into an Air Force military family. My Dad was born and raised in Pennsylvania and my Mom was born and raised in Japan. My younger sister and I were born at Dover, Delaware AFB. We were stationed in Japan for 4 years, lived at Ellsworth AFB in South Dakota, and at Hurlburt Field AFB in Florida. Dad retired from the Air Force after 28 years of service and we remained in the Florida Panhandle.

After I graduated from high school, I attended college in Birmingham, Alabama on a gymnastic scholarship. After a back injury from a release move on the parallel bars, dreams of continuing my love for gymnastics came to a crashing end. I attended a Dental Hygiene college in Pensacola, FL and have now been a hygienist for 24 years. I love my profession! In 1984, I met my husband, Rich, in Pensacola, FL while he was attending flight school for the Coast Guard. We married in November 1986. We were stationed in Clearwater, FL for 4 ½ years. Next, the CG sent us to Sitka. After driving around Sitka for 20 minutes immediately after disembarking the ferry at 4 am in May 1990, Rich announced to me that we were going to retire here!! I looked at him with my jaw dropped to the floor of the car!! Ha!! Our three year tour in Sitka was extended to 5 years! At Sitka Community Hospital, our son, Stephen, was born in 1992 and daughter, Jennifer, was born in 1995. Next, we spent 5 years in Juneau until Rich retired from the CG at 20 years! We moved back to Sitka where Rich's original two year CG "Contract Pilot" job was extended to 6 years!! Rich formally retired from the CG last fall. He is now the HAZMAT Environmental Specialist at Airstation Sitka. If you need to use the CGSWA helium tank to blow up balloons, he's your man!!

Well, little did I know when we first arrived Sitka almost 17 years ago, that I too would love this community enough to call it our home! My hobbies include downhill skiing, hiking, quilting, and traveling. I stay active as a dental hygienist three days a week, as a Mom attending my kids' sports & activities, and volunteering in Girl Scouts, Ocean Wave Quilters, Grace Harbor Church, and the CGSWA.

Executive Board Members

President:

Lori Field

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Kim Turner & Cindy Carlson

Vice President:

Amy Kearns

Ways & Means:

Rose MacIntyre & Lori Field

Treasurer:

Jennifer Caskey

Hospitality:

Diana Cloud & Susan Bourassa

Secretary:

Kimberly Powers

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2
Executive Board Meeting

April 6
Welcome Book Meeting
Movie Night

April 7
Rainy Day Bazaar

April 10
General Meeting

April 28
Honoring Women Dinner

April 30
Executive Board Meeting

Executive Board Meeting

Board Members are encouraged to attend,
but everyone is invited.
Tuesday, April 2 at 6:30 pm.
Kimberly Powers' house

**Welcome Book Meeting
& Movie Night**

Everyone is invited to attend!
Friday, April 6 at 6:30 pm.
Angela Cox's house
Angela will be making chili.

The April General Meeting

Everyone is invited to attend!
Tuesday, April 10 at 6:30 pm.
Amy Kearns' house
Please join us for a great evening and
bring a dish to share (snacks or desserts.)

Executive Board Meeting

Board Members are encouraged to attend,
but everyone is invited.
Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 pm.
Cindy Carlson's house
Parking is limited; please try to carpool.



*Honoring Women 2007
Dinner & Silent Art Auction*

CGSWA Woman of the Year: Susan Bourassa

April 28, 2007

Doors open at 6:00 pm, Dinner is at 7:00 pm

Tickets are \$40 per person

CGSWA will pay \$20 per member

Please RSVP by April 16 to Kimberly Powers

CGSWA is Giving Back!

Big Brothers / Big Sisters Bowl for Kids' Sake

April 21

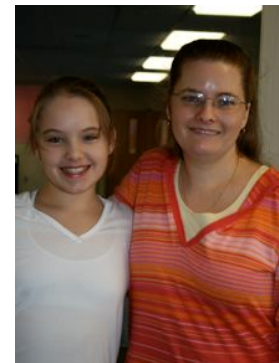
Our team goal is to raise \$600.
Contact Angela Cox to make a donation.

St. Jude Radiothon

Thank you to Susan Bourassa,
Angela Cox, Sally Goetz,
Kimberly Powers, and any
others who helped raise money!

Funds Distribution

CGSWA will be distributing funds to the
Sitka community's non-profit organizations.
Funds were raised at the Valentine Charity Auction and the Rainy Day Bazaar.
The deadline to request funds is April 25. Voting will be May 15.



The Easter Egg Hunt was Eggstra Fun!
Thank you, Amy Kearns, for a great day!

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 cindylouwho@gci.net

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Stamp Night
 May 4
 6:30 pm
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