

NOVEMBER 21, 2013



## Message from the President

Dear Sister Dames,

As I write this letter, the LDEI auction on Charity Buzz is going live! Woo Hoo! Our Chapter came in with the top number of auction items: 3. A big thank you to the generous members of our Chapter who made it all possible: **Carla Hall, Mel Davis, Annie Boutin-King, Ris Lacoste, Ann Yonkers, Amanda Manheim, and Ann Stratte**. Check it out at [www.charitybuzz.com/ldei](http://www.charitybuzz.com/ldei).

The program at Burma Restaurant on November 7th was a big success. The food was both intriguing and delicious and the presentation on Burmese food and culture by restaurant co-owner, John Tinpe, was very informative. I enjoyed seeing many of you there.

Our recent Dames Who Dine events, at RIS, and **Ann Stratte's** home in Annapolis, MD, have been well attended. Given that our chapter membership is spread over a large area, these get-togethers are scheduled at various locations throughout our region to make it easier to see each other in a casual setting. The next event is a lunch at Addie's in Northern Virginia. I hope you will take advantage of Dames Who Dine when it arrives in your area.

Looking forward, Sacred Foods of Italy is coming up on December 7th at Al Tiramisu Restaurant. Book now. Italian food is always a very popular topic and I expect this program will sell out. Our Holiday Potluck will be at my home this year. There is a link below for you to register and let us know what you will be bringing to share. This annual event is always fun and festive! I look forward to sharing a glass of good cheer with all of

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### Having Trouble Logging into [www.lesdamesdc.org](http://www.lesdamesdc.org)?

To log into the "Members Only" section of our website to make reservations and find chapter documents, remember to click on "Members Only" choice on the top menu bar, and then click on "Members Login Page." Then sign in to your account. You must use the email address recorded in your account plus the secret password you created. It is not possible for our Chapter Web Administrator to retrieve a Dame's password --only you know the password you created for your account.

**THE SOLUTION:** If you don't remember your login email address or password, send an email to DC Chapter Web Administrator CiCi Williamson, [ciciwmson@aol.com](mailto:ciciwmson@aol.com), and she will let you know what email address is listed for your account. She will assign a new password in the database, and then you can use the new password to get into your account. After you get into the members-only area of the website, please update your account information and you can change your password to whatever you like (which will again be secret and not retrievable). In order to save time for everyone, each Dame needs to record somewhere her login email address and password for [www.lesdamesdc.org](http://www.lesdamesdc.org).

It is important to update your contact information on both Les Dames DC website and Les Dames

you then.

Warmly,  
Drew Faulkner  
President

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## Programs

### DAMES WHO DINE (DAMES ONLY)

**DATE:** Monday, November 25

**TIME:** 12:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Addie's Restaurant, 11120 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD

**COST:** Dutch Treat

Sneak away from your daily responsibilities and share a wonderful moment with friends. Family comes later in the week!

### THE SACRED FOODS OF ITALY

**DATE:** Saturday, December 7, 2012

**PLACE:** Al Tiramisu, 2014 P St NW, Washington, DC 20036

**TIME:** 12:00 - 2:00 pm

**COST:** \$49 Dames; \$59 non-members. Includes food, drink and gratuity.

**METRO:** DuPont Circle

Reservations at [www.Lesdamesdc.org](http://www.Lesdamesdc.org) or call 202-973-2168

Al Tiramisu's award-winning chef/owner Luigi Diotaiuti and **Amy Riolo** tell the fascinating story of Italy's most beloved dishes. Chef Luigi, a member of the U.S. Department of State's American Chef Corps, recounts his experience preparing some of these very dishes for international presidents, politicians, and celebrities, as well as his personal memories of the culinary traditions of his homeland. Amy explains the historical, cultural, and religious significance behind each tradition and draws a parallel between similar practices in various cultures. After an engaging PowerPoint presentation, enjoy a buffet lunch of traditional holiday foods, a book signing (*The Al Tiramisu Cookbook: An Elevated Approach to Authentic Italian Cuisine*), and a Culinary Diplomacy Dialogue—a conversation among participants about culinary traditions around the globe.

**Crostini con purea di ceci** -- Crostini with Chickpea Puree

**Crescentine** -- Fried Tuscan Flatbreads with

d'Escoffier International site [www.ldei.org](http://www.ldei.org).

If you need with assistance with your LDEI account please contact Executive Director Greg Jewell at [ldei@aecmanagement.com](mailto:ldei@aecmanagement.com) or call (502) 456-1851.

**Without up-to-date contact info our communications will not reach you!**

## Social Media Connections

### Connect with Sister Dames

Like us on Facebook 

Follow us on 

We need **ALL** members who have FB and Twitter accounts to follow and actively re-tweet our members' tweets to spread the great news about our activities and programs!

### Connect with Les Dames d'Escoffier International

Please share news, events and updates. Join the LDEI members-only LinkedIn Group to stay connected with other Dames.



## Join a Committee....

You were invited to join Dames because of your talents and achievements and you promised to be part of our chapter's committee work; so, now it is time to

### **Get Involved!**

Our committees offer the perfect opportunity to get to know your sister Dames, share your skills and to give back to the community through service. Every committee needs dedicated participants. Please contact the committee chairs and offer your time and skills, now.

Anchovy Bagna Cauda

**Insalata di rinforzo** -- Preserved Vegetable Salad

**Tortellini di castagna/Ravioli di Caciocavallo**

Chestnut Tortellini/Caciocavallo-stuffed Ravioli

**Mille Cosedde** -- Calabrian New Year's Minestrone

**Baccala** -- Basilicata-Style Salt Cod

**Finocchio/Cavilfiore** -- Fennel/Cauliflower

**Cappone con lenticchie** -- Capon with Lentils

**Petrali/Mostaccioli/Biscotti di Regina**

Southern Italian Cookie Platter

**Struffoli** -- Honey-topped Neapolitan Deep Fried Dough Balls

**Panpepato** -- Spiced Sweet Christmas Cake

**Torrone** -- Nut-filled Nougat

**Vini** -- White and Red Wine, Housemade

Limoncello

### **DAMES HOLIDAY POTLUCK (DAMES ONLY)**

**DATE:** Tuesday, December 10

**TIME:** 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** The home of Drew Faulkner, 7407 Honeywell Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814

**COST:** FREE, plus your potluck offering and a donation for Martha's Table of shelf stable food items or for DC Central Kitchen of women's winter scarves, hats and gloves.

**WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM 108 MEMBERS. THE INVITATION WAS SENT ON NOVEMBER 11 AT 2:23PM. PLEASE GO TO THE FOLLOWING LINK TO SIGN UP.**

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0A4EA9AC2BA64-holiday](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0A4EA9AC2BA64-holiday)

### **GREEN TABLES' MEALS FOR MINDS WITH MARTHA'S TABLE**

**DATES:** December 12 and 17 volunteers are needed along with dates in January forward. Our demos were so successful last year that Martha's Table has incorporated them into its operations and is doing the demo food prep for each location. **THEY STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP** during the holiday season. It is so much easier now. Just show up with an apron and a knife and help with whatever demo they have planned that day. Generally the volunteer commitment is from about 3:00 - 6:30. Please sign up at <http://www.doodle.com/zwthgm4kkegai3pb>

### **DAMES BOOK CLUB (DAMES ONLY)**

**DATE:** Monday, December 16

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

### **Grants/Mentoring:**

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### **Entre News Update:**

Please submit your Entre News information in a brief, concise statement to Katherine Newell Smith at [kns4pr@erols.com](mailto:kns4pr@erols.com).

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

To view the latest approved board meeting minutes, go to [www.lesdamesdc.org](http://www.lesdamesdc.org) and click on the *Members Only* tab and again on *Member Login Page*. Log in. Once you are logged in, click on the *Bylaws, Roster & Minutes* tab. You will see a link to the board meeting minutes. During each monthly board meeting, the board approves the previous month's minutes and they are then posted to our website.

### **Revised Members-Only Section to our Website**

Through the creative and diligent efforts of CiCi Williamson, our chapter's web administrator, it is easier to find chapter documents and resources,

**PLACE:** The home of **Kari Barrett**,  
5508 Waterway Terr., Rockville, MD 20853

**COST:** FREE

Beverages, heavy hors d'oeuvres and dessert will be provided. Lovely fellowship and conversation.

**Book to be discussed:** *Consider the Fork* by Bee Wilson

Upcoming books: *The Art of Eating* by M.F.K. Fisher

**SAVE THE DATE and INVITE FRIENDS**

**CELEBRATING FOOD: WOMEN IN GASTRONOMY**

**DATE:** March 8, 2014

**PLACE:** The Universities at Shady Grove, 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville, MD 20850

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## Editor's Note

ENTRE NEWS is published on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Deadline for HURRAH! and other news is the first and third Thursday of each month. Please send a BRIEF paragraph with your professional and personal news that you would like your sister Dames to know about in HURRAH!

HURRAH! is not meant as an advertising opportunity for a cooking class or event, rather it offers a shout out to members for recent accomplishments and honors.

And, we will try this for a while to see how it works: OF INTEREST will now offer Dames a chance to let their sister chapter members know about events they are involved in that might be of interest to a majority of the membership. OF INTEREST entries can be NO LONGER than 75 words. Less is always better.

Send information to EN Editor Katherine Newell Smith [kns4pr@erols.com](mailto:kns4pr@erols.com)

Thank you for your continued interest and participation.

Katherine Newell Smith  
Editor, Entre News

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our event archives and past editions of *Entre News*.

Once you log in under **Members Only**, you will see a revised toolbar where you can find:

- past and current *Entre News* issues posted under the **News** tab.
- archives of 57 past events in the **Events** dropdown menu along with upcoming activities.
- helpful files including chapter letterhead, name tag template, LDEI logos and tax-exempt certificates under **Resources**.
- our chapter's standing rules, bylaws and membership roster under **Bylaws, Roster & Minutes**

## Quick Links

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LDEI Quarterly  
<http://www.ldei.org/uploads/archives/52.pdf>

## Of Interest

**Susan Callahan** will host an open studio and sale at her home 10106 Greenrock Rd., Silver Spring, MD on Dec 8th from 12-4 pm. There will be three artists in jewelry, photography and mixed media. Susan will also offer hand-crafted foods for holiday parties. Come and enjoy and buy local from local artists!