



Message from the Board:

Uniting American Women in Lagos



The AWC Executive Board would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to all of The AWC members who participated in last week's election. We had a tremendous turnout from our membership and it was wonderful to witness the members' support for The AWC and its democratic election process.

The newly elected Board would also like to extend our warm appreciation to all of the outgoing Board members for

their dedication and service to The AWC.

The outgoing and incoming Boards have met for their handover meeting and, in its first week in office, your Board-elect has taken thoughtful steps to move The AWC forward in a positive and inclusive manner.

These steps include:

- Offering a full calendar of social events to all club members. *Our social events have been scheduled for weekday mornings, weekday evenings and weekends in an effort to reach*

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Introducing our 2012-2013 Executive Board

The results of the General Election 2012-2013 are:

President

Gina Muller

First Vice President

Pascale Anglade

Second Vice President

Carolee Weber

Third Vice President

Jameelah Ayedun

Secretary

Gail Vendeland

Treasurer

Frances Mathews

Assistant Treasurer

Donna Davis

Membership

Dorisanne Adaralegbe

Membership

Janet Hall

Communications

Karin Troy

Social Programs

Annalisa Alexander

READY TO GET INVOLVED?

The AWC runs on volunteer power. If you have special interests or talents, talk to a board member or a standing committee chairlady about ways you can help.

Worried about the time commitment? Don't be! Ask a friend to share the load.

Thank You

The AWC would like to thank its 2011-2012 Executive Board for their service and dedication:

Honorary President

Kathleen Stafford

2nd VP, Fundraising

Mary Walker

Secretary

Renata Edghill

Erica Jeffery McVey

Treasurer

Julie Detomo

Assistant Treasurer

Frances Duke Mathews

Communications

Adaeze Williams

Membership

Amanda Crook and Gina Muller



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out to and include as many members as possible.

- Providing you with an advance copy of the agenda for the May 22 General Meeting.
- Publication and distribution of this newsletter. *We look forward to increased communication with the membership and will be soliciting your input for future newsletter content.*

It is such a pleasure to have a complete Executive Board in which every office has been filled with properly elected officers, chosen by the club's members. The AWC Board is comprised of an extremely dynamic and diverse group of women: a mirror of The AWC's membership. The Board's primary objective is to rebuild and unite The AWC. We will pursue our objective with honor, integrity and selflessness. The Board is sincere in its desire to return The AWC to its former glory — a strong and healthy organization which supports American women living in Lagos.

We thank you for entrusting us with the opportunity to do this.

As Board Members, we pledge to:

- Promote unity within the organization.
- Avoid conflicts of interest.
- Ask informed questions and make thoughtful, educated decisions.
- Be transparent with the membership concerning any decisions which would have an impact on the organization as a whole.
- Serve as custodians of The AWC legacy with honor and integrity.
- Support Board decisions and membership votes even when one may disagree with the majority opinion.
- Provide the members with an agenda for General Meetings in advance of the meeting.
- Commence and conclude meetings on time.

Ladies, we thank you for the honor of electing us to The AWC Executive Board.

We look forward to a unifying year ahead!

Sincerely,

The AWC Executive Board

Left: Kelly Alston-Hobbs, Renata Edghill, Patty Lewis and Carolee Weber enjoy the March Hospitality Coffee, hosted by Idunnu Tomori.

Below: A vendor tempts us with tunics from Senegal and dresses from Iran.



Mark Your Calendar...

Wednesday, May 23

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Beach Day
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Out at Diana Leach's

Friday, May 25

10:00 a.m. to Noon Continental Cards at the GQ

Monday, May 28

10:00 a.m. to Noon Got Photos Class at the GQ
10:00 a.m. to Noon Stitching at Kristen Tierney's

Tuesday, May 29

Noon Galloping Gourmets at Bunyakis Teppanyaki Table

Wednesday, May 30

9:00 a.m. to 4: p.m. Beach Day

Saturday, June 2

7:00 p.m. The Epicureans at Medici's

Monday, June 4

10:00 a.m. to Noon Stitching

Tuesday, June 5

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Social Programs Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 6

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Beach Day

Friday, June 8

10:00 a.m. to Noon Continental Cards at the GQ

Monday, June 11

10:00 a.m. to Noon Stitching

Wednesday, June 13

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Beach Day
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Out

Friday, June 15

10:00 a.m. to Noon Continental Cards at the GQ

Saturday, June 16

Noon Weekend Galloping Gourmets out for Pizza

Monday, June 18

10:00 a.m. Stitching

Tuesday, June 19

Noon Galloping Gourmets at The Oriental

Wednesday, June 20

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Beach Day

Friday, June 22

10:00 a.m. to Noon Continental Cards at the GQ

Contact Annalisa Alexander for more information at annalisaa@yahoo.com

Thank You

The AWC would like to thank its 2011-2012 Standing Committee Chairs for their service and dedication:

Activities

Donna Davis

Adopt-a-Marine

Cary Parra

Community (Charities) Services

Carolee Weber

Corporate Donations

Theresa Okeke and Mary Walker

E-mail

Mary Walker

Hospitality

Donna Davis

Newsletter

Patricia Ojora and Susan Hunt

Passport to Food Cookbook

Beth Cook

September Tea

Kathleen Stafford

Scholarship

Margaret Anyigbo and Lorraine Toliver

Small World

Kiki Kamanu and Sarah Boulos

Special Events

Bose Martins

Warden System SMS Alerts

Gina Muller

Ways and Means

Beth Cook

Website

Judith Tchamdjou Njomgang

Bon Voyage



The AWC would like to extend its appreciation to Mrs. Kathleen Stafford. As wife of the Consul General, Mrs. Stafford served as Honorary President of The AWC during her time here in Lagos.

Now the Staffords will be moving on to their next posting as Mr. Joseph Stafford takes on the role of Chief of Mission, Charge' d'Affaires in Khartoum, Sudan.

Many AWC members will fondly remember the special events hosted at the Consul General's residence such as the Membership Tea, Caroling by Candlelight, Luncheons and many more.

We'd like to thank both Mr. and Mrs. Stafford for generously opening their home to The AWC. Your presence will be missed in Lagos.

We wish the Staffords safe travels and the best of luck in their new post!

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