Welcome!

E-Town Epicurean Club is your place to gather, socialize and share your favorite novelty wines, drinks and foods. Our monthly newsletter provides info about upcoming events notifi-cations. Please "like" and follow us on our Facebook page here to share your favorite recipes, tips, gourmet wine, spirits, special events and announcements.

Epicurean Club Officers

John Lemis - President

Pamela Lewis - Vice President

Marilyn Kole - Treasurer

Melissa Schwartz - Secretary

New Members Cheryl & Ned Billings

Annual Dues

Beginning Oct. 1, annual dues for returning members is \$85 and \$100 for new members. People who have not paid by Nov. 1 will be removed from the Facebook page and newsletter distribution.

October Birthdays Scott Ausum Tom Balacki Allen Goldstein Karen Goldstein Kim Kasin





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Epicureans celebrate successful first year



Epicurean President John Lemis (second on left) congratulates wine drawing winners Angela Kaiser, Judy Kubala, Tom Balacki and Cela Gwinn at the Epicurean Year-End event.

Del Webb Epicurean Club observed a fun-filled <u>first year</u> with a wonderful catered dinner among friends and neighbors at the DWET Gallery Ballroom, Sept. 23.

Over the past year, the club has grown to 118 Epicurean members who received 74 wine glasses and 43 rocks glasses and participated in more than 30 entertaining functions.

Thank you to all the committee members who helped make this a top-notch event. Looking forward to another fun and exciting year!



Treasurer Marilyn Kole and former Secretary Alison Henderson serve catered food during the event.

JOIN US!

Committees Make It Happen

Planning & Travel

Pam Lewis, Ken Nimmich, Jean Ward
Volunteers are needed

Food & Beverage

Frank Salvati, JanAnn Salvati

Decorating

Angela Vaughn, Laura Lancaster, Barbara Morrison, Kathy Grimes

Newsletter

John Lemis, Bob Pettignano, Dean Paul, Mary Davis

Display Case

Susan Burtchell, Cheryl Burns, Lydia Dudzik

Greeting

JanAnn Salvati, Karen Goldstein, Kim Kasin

Committee Meeting
10 a.m., Oct. 21, DWET Gallery

Representatives from all Epicurean Club committees are encouraged to attend.



6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Oct. 19 at Del Webb E-Town Gallery Ballroom

Experience the exciting culture and flavorful cuisine of our 50th state! Hawaii is like no place on earth with it's welcoming aloha spirit, glimmering ocean, emerald valleys, and golden sands. We welcome you to explore the Islands with your Epicurean friends. Aloha! Decorating Committee seeks Hawaiian items for the display case and event decor.

Upcoming Monthly Themes

Dec. 16 - Holiday Social (Thanksgiving, Hanukkah & Christmas)

Jan. 18 - Republic of the Philippines

Feb. 22 - West Coast States

Hawaii: Islands of Beauty and Wonder

By Mary Davis

Newsletter Committee

Hawaii, a mesmerizing archipelago in the heart of the Pacific Ocean, is renowned for its breathtaking landscapes and vibrant culture. With its lush greenery, pristine beaches, and volcanic craters, Hawaii offers a diverse range of natural beauty. Visitors are captivated by the majestic volcanoes, including the iconic Kilauea, and the stunning Waimea Canyon, often referred to as the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific."

Beyond its scenic allure, Hawaii is steeped in Polynesian traditions and a welcoming Aloha spirit. The culture is rich with hula dances, luaus, and ancient rituals, offering visitors a glimpse into the islands' captivating past. The island's cuisine, a fusion of various influences, is a delightful exploration of flavors.

Hawaii beckons adventurers, sunseekers, and culture enthusiasts alike, promising an unforgettable journey into a topical paradise.



UPCOMING EPICUREAN GROUP EVENTS

Night of Lights

Jan. 7, 2024 from 4 – 9:30 p.m.

Location: St. Augustine

Take a chartered bus and trolley tour (Pricing will be announced as pricing info becomes available).

Enjoy dinner with friends at restaurants downtown (early reservations are recommended).

Deadline is Dec. 1



Sandestin Wine Festival 2024

April 11-14, 2024

Join us at the 37th Annual <u>Sandestin Wine</u> <u>Festival</u>! Whether you're a wine aficionado or a grape novice, there's something for everyone with 100's of featured wines!

Attendees are responsible for their own travel and accommodation arrangements. Some suggested places to stay: Hotel Effie or VRBO -- any place in Baytown Wharf to include Sandestin Beach Resort, Grand Sandestin, Village of Baytown Wharf and Osprey Point. Make you travel plans early, because accommodations will fill up fast!



Join the group for a "Sunset Dinner Cruise" with Sunquest Cruises! Set sail on a 125-foot-yacht with three decks and panoramic views throughout.

VP's Quote of the Month

Stick to the plan...
You knew it wouldn't
be easy.

Did You Know!

The most well known of all Hawaiian drinks is the Mai Tai, made of a mixture of rum, lime, orgeat, and curacao or triple sec.

