

Cornelia Guest To Speak At Women In Business Luncheon On March 15

The Palms West Community Foundation has announced that the fashion icon Cornelia Guest will be the speaker at the Women in Business luncheon Thursday, March 15 at noon at the Players Club (13410 South Shore Blvd., Wellington).

"Through our trustee member, Mason Phelps Jr., we learned that Guest was going to be in town to promote her new line of must-have cruelty-free bags, and she has graciously agreed to join us to be a part of our Women in Business Luncheon series," said Maureen Gross, director of development of the Palms West Community Foundation.

Guest is the daughter of Winston F.C. Guest, a polo champion and cousin of Winston Churchill, and Lucy "C.Z." Cochrane Guest. Guest is also the goddaughter of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor. In 1982, she was named "Deb of the Year" and in 1986 was named "Deb of the Decade."

Guest then authored the book *The Debutante's Guide to Life*, a lifestyle she was well qualified to write about.

Guest has been passionate about animals and nature since she was a child, and her passion is reflected in every aspect of her life, including her philanthropy, animal activism and business enterprises. She has been able to utilize her notoriety, media attention and pro-



Cornelia Guest with some of her animal friends.

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fessional contacts to support causes she believes in, such as the Humane Society of New York. In 2009, she founded Cornelia Guest Cookies, which offers vegan cookies, reflecting her mission to encourage and inspire people to be conscious of diet choices.

The 2012 Women in Business Luncheon series is sponsored by Iberia Bank, and the "Lunch with Cornelia" event is made possible by Phelps Media Group International and the Players Club. Make your reservations early for this pre-paid event, which is likely will sell out. The cost is \$25 for chamber members and \$35 for nonmembers. For reservations, visit www.palmswest.com and click on the Women in Business icon, or call Gross at (561) 790-6200, or e-mail maureen@palmswest.com.