

THE BRIEFING SHEET



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WELCOME ABOARD



We are! We continue to hear more and more of you have gotten your vaccines and we are confident we will be able to plan a gathering soon. Stay tuned!

We are happy our slate of nominees for our May board elections is coming together! We have a couple positions open and would love to fill the following positions with your capable abilities and energy!

- ★ **VP Fundraiser:** Will organize the event, contract with a mobile bidding company (DCW previously used GiveSmart), enter and/or delegate entering items into the mobile system, work with event planning co-vice presidents to choose a venue and organize committee chairmen.
- ★ **VP Virtual Events:** This is a new concept we can use to keep our members engaged with DCW in the absence of being able to host our normal luncheons. Anyone with experience and/or a desire to help DCW venture into this new entertainment arena is most welcome.
- ★ **Co-VP Webmaster:** Our website is through MemberClicks and was upgraded in 2020. It is ready-made for the right person who has previous website experience or is willing to be trained over the next two years. **DCW depends on a Webmaster to function, so PLEASE consider stepping up to fill this position.**

Won't you join us? We will announce the slate of nominees in our April newsletter.

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Note: Thanks to those of you who notified us about this DCW phishing scam as it is an important defensive move to help protect us and our members.



Because some of our members have recently received phishing emails from either Bettie Asip or Suzi Modisett as DCW Co-Presidents, claiming "Delta Clipped Wings needs some gift cards for donation to Veterans at Hospice and

Palliative care units for preventive items from Corona Disease (COVID 19)," we thought it was wise to remind everyone to be diligent when responding to emails.

Our short advice is to look at the email address from the sender **BEFORE** you consider responding to any message you think is from one of us at DCW. Take a look at the following email addresses that appeared in these phishing emails:

The **Subject** field was **Delta Clipped Wings**

From: Bettie Asip <referenc@onnansor.com OR From: Suzi Modisett <references@commanacan.net

You don't think they look suspicious? Well, they are, and you can do your part by reporting anything suspicious. Ways to report:

- Let the person you recognize (using their real email address) know, so they can let their friends know it is a SCAM.
- Report the phishing attack to the FTC at ftc.gov/complaint.

The Federal Trade Commission has posted an article entitled HOW TO RECOGNIZE AND AVOID PHISHING SCAMS at this link: <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams> ... Check it out!

The article has some good advice and guidance on what you can do to protect yourself and others, e.g.,

- How to Recognize Phishing
- How to Protect Yourself from Phishing Attacks
- What to Do If You Suspect a Phishing Attack
- How to Report Phishing
- What to Do If You Responded to a Phishing Email

BEWARE: Scammers use email, text messages and phone calls to trick you into giving them your personal information. Again, in the environment we live in today, we all need to be very diligent in protecting our privacy.



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Please send Carol and Sue Zino (sszino45@gmail.com) any information regarding life events, so we may share it with our members.



PILLOWS, BLANKETS AND MAGAZINES



Annette Knott Felahis' husband, Steve, passed away on February 8th from COVID pneumonia and other serious complications.

Address: 10 Eastlake Dr., Palm Coast, FL 32137 | afelahis@bellsouth.net | FA class 07/06/1970

Online condolences may be posted at www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/flagler-beach-fl/steven-felahis-10048287/add-memory

For those wishing to do so, donations in Steve's memory may be made to Flagler Humane Society located at 1 Shelter Dr., Palm Coast, FL 32137 / www.flaglerhumanesociety.org **OR**

Grace Community Food Pantry of Flagler County located at 245 Education Way, Bunnell, FL 32110 / www.gracecommunityfoodpantry.com **OR**

Wounded Warrior Project - www.woundedwarriorproject.org.



Diane Adams Carvelli's husband, Frank, passed away on February 20th after being in failing health for several months.

Address: 603 Old Carrollton Rd., Roopville, GA 30170 | 1dianeac@att.net | FA class 03/04/1968

Online condolences may be posted at www.martin-hightower.com/obituaries/Frank-Lewis-Carvelli?obId=20055614

For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in Frank's memory to the **Tabernacle Baptist Church - General Fund**, 150 Tabernacle Dr., Carrollton, GA 30117.

Diane sent the following note on February 25th: *Thank you all for your support and love you have extended to me for the passing of my husband, Frank. God bless each of you. Love, Diane*



Andrea Ewing Layne's husband, David, passed away on February 24th following open-heart surgery and a prolonged hospital stay.

Address: 130 Wisteria Circle, Roswell, GA 30076

andreaewinglayne@gmail.com | FA class 06/30/1969 | **no phone calls at this time, please**



Linda Mason's sweetheart of 39 years, Jack Pinyan, passed away on February 20th from COVID-19 complications.

Address: 5925 Greenbrier Rd. NE, Atlanta, GA 30328 | twod2r@aol.com | FA class 09/24/1974



Margie Houff Nelson's stepson, Jeff, passed away on December 30th after a brave 2-year battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Robin.

Margie's address: 319 Stream Side Pass, Woodstock, GA 30188

marjorienelson@bellsouth.net | FA class 10/04/1965



In our September newsletter we told you Sherri McClendon O'Kelley had been diagnosed with Stage 4 lung cancer; she is now under hospice care. Her husband, Tim, posted the following on CaringBridge: *Within the last several days we have made the decision to move to hospice care for Sherri's symptom management. Because of her extreme fatigue and ever-increasing pain, having someone who can come to our home for assessment and care makes the most sense.*

You can access current information on CaringBridge ... www.caringbridge.org/visit/sherriokelley

Address: 300 Summerhour St., Marietta, GA 30060 | Sherriok@bellsouth.net | FA class 02/01/1984

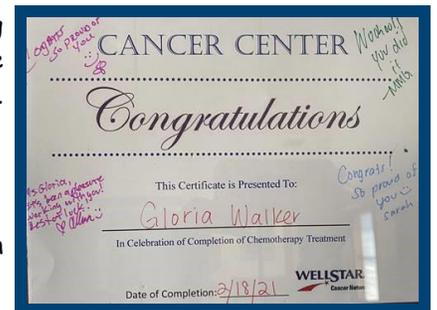


Former DCW Co-Treasurer, Gloria Walker, has been fighting cancer for over a year and sent the following note in late February: *I want to thank everyone in DCW that prayed for me. The prayers worked for me, indeed. Gloria*

Address: 1150 Norfolk Dr. NW, Acworth, GA 30102

g.walker8656@att.net | FA class 01/06/1969

Gloria received a certificate from the Wellstar Cancer Center on February 18th upon completion of her chemotherapy treatment.



*"I've learned people will forget what you said,
people will forget what you did,
but people will never forget how you made them feel."*

Maya Angelou • American poet





FLYING HIGH



QUEENIE'S 100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

A note from DCW member Karen Huff · kkhuff73@bellsouth.net



Mary Frances Woodside, better known as "Queenie," had a great time celebrating her 100th birthday. Delta Clipped Wings' response to my request to shower her with cards was overwhelming; she wasn't just showered, she was flooded!! I was nearly in tears at the love and care shown in your response and your kind words to her. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Her family did a great job of providing a party without a party!! She was certainly celebrated in a regal way!! After she recovers from her big day, she will send her own personal thank you.

Again, **Thank You, Thank You, Thank You** for your part in celebrating this special milestone in Queenie's life!! Nothing like the Delta family to come through for you!!

With love and appreciation, Karen

These are some of my favorite photos from her BIG DAY!



UNDER OUR WINGS



DCW LIAISON to ATLANTA HUMANE SOCIETY
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<https://atlantahumane.org/adopt/american-heroes/>



Atlanta Humane Society
Main Phone (404) 875.5331



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Alpharetta Campus
1565 Mansell Road
Alpharetta, GA 30009



Duluth Campus
2148 Duluth Highway
Duluth, GA 30097

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The American Heroes Adoption Program is going strong at the Atlanta Humane Society. The West Midtown campus is open 6 days a week for adopters to come and meet their new family member. The Alpharetta campus will start being open one day a week for adoptions in March! COVID-19 has made things more difficult, but we are continually full of gratitude for the support of our community during these times.

In January, through this program, 19 dogs and cats found their new families with a healthcare worker, a veteran, or a first responder. Three of these adoptions are below!

The reason you only "see" people in the cat adoptees section below, is because they were in a cat carrier when they left the facility. =^..^=



Luna the cat was also adopted last month. Her new dad is a local Atlanta fire and rescue worker; Luna will be joining their previously adopted feline at home.

Peppermint the cat was adopted by a worker at the CDC whose wife is a marine. They were excited to start their new lives as a family!



Butterball was recently adopted to a wonderful family - a husband, wife, and 6-year-old son. The couple met in the military; the husband is now retired and suffers from severe PTSD. They came into AHS because they were looking for the perfect family dog and specifically wanted to adopt their new companion instead of buying one ... they found their perfect match in Butterball!



Animals don't stop being in need during a pandemic and our community is relying on us now more than ever. We'll be there for Atlanta's animals through it all, just like we have for the past 148 years.



GUEST COLUMN Ann Beaman D'Agostino • annbdag@att.net

About this time of year, we would normally be gearing up for our annual fundraiser event. But given the situation of the past year and the beginning of this year, all I can say is ... **BUMMER, no fundraiser this year!**

So here we are, masked up, hand sanitizer at the ready, social distancing at six feet or in our own little bubble, or like me, staying pretty isolated.

Is it the best time we've ever had? Absolutely not. But it has been a good time to reflect, declutter, read, reconnect with friends through Zoom, FaceTime or something as old fashioned as letter writing.

We've tried new recipes, cooked old favorites (maybe a little too much) and fed ourselves, our families and neighbors via the "leave it on the porch" method.

We've napped, read, binged watched TV, Netflix, Hulu or whatever streaming service exists out there. Maybe some of you have even taken an online course. I've been quilting. Might as well try to use up some of that fabric I've accumulated as a "fabricholic." There might even be a quilt for DCW in the future.

All this to say, you have to make the best of any situation. Yes, 2020 can be considered the forgotten year, but you got through it. Pat yourselves on the back for hanging in there.

I must say the one thing that has kept me sane has been friends. They have been my touchstone since I couldn't go to North Carolina to see my family or to Maine and New Hampshire to see the grandkids. I'm sure you have your own set of friends that have seen you through these tough times. Friends keep us sane, keep us going and keep the humor flowing.

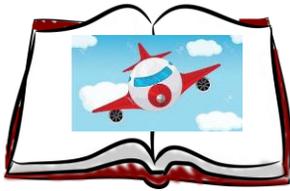
It's a definite "reach out and touch" each Sunday evening when I do a Zoom call with six close friends. We laugh, share, commiserate and update each other on our families. These are friends forged through years of Delta friendships. While that may not make us unique, it makes us feel loved and cherished.

Let's not ever give up or forget friends and friendships, especially those forged through our DCW association ... they are priceless. Friends are nurturing and should never be taken for granted.

I love all of you and I miss each of you.

'Til next time...

Ann



“AISLE” TELL YOU A STORY...

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My story occurred on a Stretch 8 from SJU-MSY.

The captain called to tell us there was a chance of a nose gear collapse on landing. He said he didn't think it would happen, so we shouldn't alarm the passengers, but to just run over the procedure in our minds.

My aft jumpseat partner lived on a farm, so we quietly practiced “grab ankles, heads down, stay low!” We were sitting with our heads between our knees and she said, “Sh..t!”

I replied, “I couldn't agree more!”

“Naw, I mean cow sh..t. I can smell it on my boots. Must've stepped in it when I opened the gate this morning!”

It's a good thing that nose gear held because we were laughing too hard to handle an emergency.



Tell Me An Airplane Story!

Author: Lisa Flaherty • (678) 643-8119 • lisafлахerty@yahoo.com

I started flying 32 years ago and have a clear memory of my first couple of flights. They were on the L-1011 and the crew took turns telling me stories, educating me about my new job and how it was like no other I had ever experienced.

Years later, after receiving my Masters in Heritage Preservation and working with museums (both large and small), archives and libraries, I would like to give back to the wonderful group of women and men who so graciously welcomed me all those years ago. To do that, I would like to take oral histories.

This is how it works. I meet you at a quiet place where you will feel the most comfortable. I will start things off with some questions about planes, uniforms, layovers, etc. and you take it from there.

The interview is videotaped; however, if you wish, we can just do audio instead. I would love to attach your favorite picture of yourself as well. When we are finished you can reflect on the interview and decide if you want to add it to the archives of other interviews. The interviews will be stored at the Georgia State Archives and possibly the Delta Flight Museum.

If you are interested or simply have questions don't hesitate to reach out; I am happy to speak with you. This is not just for individuals, so if you and a friend wish to interview together, I am happy to do that as well.



Delta named best airline for American travelers by USA TODAY 10Best

Source: Delta News Hub • February 19, 2021



USA TODAY **10Best Readers' Choice Awards** announced their list of best airlines, airline amenities and airports of 2021 - naming Delta the best airline for American travelers, the Delta Sky Club at

John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York as the best airport lounge and **Delta flight attendants as the best cabin crew.**

“Delta ranks among the most highly rated U.S.-based carriers due to its on-time record (83 percent of flights arrived within 15 minutes of their scheduled time in early 2019), extensive routes, robust frequent flyer program and excellent lounges at airports across America. Even smaller planes have seat-back TVs to keep passengers entertained on their journey,” stated USA TODAY.

Nominees in all categories are chosen editorially by a panel of experts. Once the nominees were selected, readers could vote once per category, per day for four weeks. The winners indicate which airlines, airline amenities and airports make getting to your destination a pleasure rather than a pain.

"Delta people are the best customer service professionals in the industry, so seeing our flight attendants recognized for the service excellence they provide on board is a proud moment - especially considering all they've supported this year in response to the pandemic," said Allison Ausband, S.V.P. - In-Flight Service. "Our people truly elevate the experience for our customers and deliver unparalleled service by always taking the time to listen, empathize and respond. Congratulations, and thank you to the best flight attendants in the sky."

The Delta Sky Club at New York-JFK features a Sky Deck overlooking Terminal 4, free Wi-Fi, fresh food, premium drinks and more. During the ongoing pandemic, guests can expect to see a new standard of Club cleanliness that includes the same Delta CareStandard practices found throughout the airport and onboard aircraft. This includes, but is not limited to, individually packaged fresh food options; plexiglass partitions at check-in, at the bar and between seating areas; limited capacity and blocked seats to promote more space; and enhanced cleaning measures. Learn more on delta.com.

In September 2020, the airline opened its newest and largest Delta Sky Club as a part of Salt Lake City International Airport's newly opened terminal. Delta's support of the new Salt Lake City Airport build is part of the airline's ongoing strategy to modernize our hub infrastructure and customer experience by investing more than \$12B in airport projects.

Other **Awards and Recognition** Delta has received in the past few months:



Glassdoor recognizes Delta on 'Best Places to Work' list for fifth year | 01/13/2021



The Points Guy: Delta leads airline industry in pandemic safety | 11/19/2020



Delta named the No. 1 airline by corporate travel professionals in the annual **Business Travel News Airline Survey** for the 10th year in a row on strength of pandemic response, people-first approach | 11/16/2020



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



We have changed to a biennial printing of the RED BOOK (directory), so you may want to put the following list in the back of your current 2019-2020 directory.

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