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**RENEW ONLINE
BY
OCTOBER 31st**

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★ WELCOME BACK to the 2016-2017 DCW Membership Year ★

★ We currently have 818 active members who support Delta Clipped Wings ★

- **AUTOMATED RENEWAL NOTICES:** Courtesy renewal notices will be sent via email with a 60, 30 and 7-day reminder based on our October 31 expiration date.
- If you have paid for multiple years, you will not receive a notice this year.
- **RENEW** online with a credit card at www.deltaclippedwings.org (**NOTE: We do not accept American Express**).
- Click on **RENEW MEMBERSHIP** in the **QUICK LINKS** section.
- Use your email address as your **USERNAME** (unless you changed to something else).
- Forget your password? Click on **FORGOT PASSWORD** to create a new one to proceed.
- **Contact changes:** We prefer you enter any changes to your profile yourself. If you have **TROUBLE** doing that, contact Suzi Modisett (tsmodi@bellsouth.net) or Sue Zino (sszino45@gmail.com).
- If you paid in advance (for 2 to 4 years), you will not receive any reminder notices. However, you will continue to receive all other correspondence from DCW.

MEMBERSHIP FORM: You can still submit the paper form attached at the end of this newsletter. Mail form/check to the address on the form: Delta Clipped Wings, Inc., PO Box 19773, Atlanta, GA 30325-9773.

NOTE: The membership form will **ONLY** be attached to the **September and October** newsletters.

CARRYOVER DUES: If you joined/renewed after May 1, 2016, your dues have been applied to the 2016-17 (or later) membership year and your dues expiration date has been adjusted accordingly.

E-NEWSLETTER: HELP us reduce mailing costs by choosing to receive "THE BRIEFING SHEET" via email. The emailed version is very colorful and can also be viewed from a "Newsletter" drop-down box on the website after you log into the Member Login section. We have archived the 2014-15 and 2015-2016 issues.

RED BOOK DIRECTORY: The directory goes to print before Thanksgiving and the number ordered is based on the number of renewals received by October 31st. **** NOTE: If you do not need a hard copy of the directory, click on the RED BOOK OPT OUT option on the website membership renewal form. If you use the paper form, check the appropriate box at the bottom of the form. ****

DIRECTORY DISTRIBUTION: To reduce mailing costs, the directory will be available at the December AND January luncheons. For those unable to attend either luncheon, the directory will be mailed AFTER the January luncheon.

DON'T FORGET: YOU CAN ACCESS THE ONLINE DIRECTORY AT ANYTIME THROUGH THE MEMBERS SECTION. LOG IN AT www.deltacrippwing.org



WELCOME ABOARD



After our long, hot summer, we are all looking forward to cooler weather and getting back together with old friends to tell our stories of vacations and adventures.

And speaking of stories, our guest speaker for the September 15th luncheon is a true storyteller ... author/artist Laurie Parker from Mississippi. We welcome Laurie to Georgia and are eager to hear her stories and admire her fabulous art. We are also excited to see everyone and meet our new members. We have a great plan for this year's luncheons ... see page 3 to check the dates and places for the next several months.

See you in September!!

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PROGRAMMING ~ EVENT PLANNING

VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS ~ Brenda Newman ~ bgnew@bellsouth.net ~ (770) 973.8605

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| SEPTEMBER 15 THURSDAY | | 10:30 TO 3:00 |
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500 Atlanta Country Club Drive, Marietta 30067 ~ (770) 953.2100

GUEST SPEAKER: Mississippi Artist and Writer ~ Laurie Parker*

MENU

~ Trio Salad Plate ~

Chicken Salad and Shrimp Salad over a bed of Spring Greens with Seasonal Fruit Salad

Banana Bread Muffins

Key Lime Pie

Cost: \$29 per person (includes taxes and gratuities). Cash bar available.

Payment ~ Two Methods

1) Register and pay ONLINE at www.deltacrippwings.org. After logging in, go to the EVENTS SECTION in the bottom right corner and click on "09/15/16 ~ REGISTER FOR "SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON" to bring up the registration form. Your information will automatically populate the form. You can enter and pay for up to 5 guests with this online form! Submit the form and continue through the payment process. You will receive an email confirmation showing your credit card amount and the names for you and your guests ... VERY EASY and MODERN!!! **(NOTE: We do not accept American Express).**

2) Pay by CHECK. Make checks payable to DELTA CLIPPED WINGS (your check is your reservation). DO NOT SEND cash or a bank transfer. Please be sure your name, address and phone number is on the check as well as the name of anyone you may be paying for.

Payment Deadline: Payment must be received by Wednesday, September 7th, so the final count can be given to the facility. DCW is responsible for paying for that number of guests whether they attend or not and while we want to remain flexible and sensitive to personal circumstances, please understand we are not always able to make refunds once the count is finalized. Your check will be your reservation, so mail it early!!

Mail your check to **Delta Clipped Wings ~ Alva Blake, PO Box 724944, Atlanta, GA 31139-4944**

If you have any questions about your reservation, please contact Alva at (770) 436.4789 or alvab@att.net

Check-In/Arrival: Check-in begins at 10:30, please make every effort to arrive before 11:00 as the final number of attendees will be given to the kitchen at that time.

Advanced Seating: If you would like to sit with friends, "advanced seating sign-up sheets" will be available at the Check-in table. This process not only helps friends find where their party is sitting, it also helps other members find available seating at a quick glance. Please be aware, if you put someone's name on your list and they no-show, it is your responsibility to remove their name from your table list. **NOTE: Name cards may be placed on your table; however, NO "RESERVED" SIGNS** please as members walking through looking for an open seat may think the whole table is taken.

Parking: Self-Parking Only

Dress Code: Business Casual

NOTE: We will have Laurie's books and art items for sale in the Country Club lobby. ** Check out Laurie's web page ~ www2.netdoor.com/~lauriep/writer/about.htm ~ for her official biography and more **



SAVE THE DATE

Event information may
also be found on our
website
www.deltaclippedwings.org

2016 EVENTS

- 📅 Tuesday, October 11 ~ Crooked Creek Golf Club (formerly Alpharetta Athletic Club) Table Game Day benefiting Ladies Day Fund, Inc.
- 📅 Friday, November 18 ~ Atlanta Hilton/Marietta Conference Center | Holiday Bazaar
- 📅 Wednesday, December 14 ~ Country Club of the South



SUNSHINE CORNER

CHAIR ~ Carol Ellington ~ caepru@bellsouth.net ~ (678) 293.5912



Please continue to send Carol Ellington and Sue Zino (sszino45@gmail.com) any information regarding life events, e.g., births, marriages, illnesses, retirements, happy news, etc., so we may share it with our members.



PILLOWS, BLANKETS AND MAGAZINES



➤ MaryLou Uslan Seedorff's dad, David Uslan, passed away on August 1st after a lengthy battle with cancer.

On August 19th MaryLou sent the following regarding her mom and requested our prayers. *After losing her husband of 64 years, Arlyn Uslan (89), is struggling with serious heart and lung issues. We are hoping for an accurate diagnosis so we can make the best health decisions for her.*

Address: 2862 Baccurate Ct., Marietta GA 30062 | seedorff1@gmail.com | FA class 05/04/1981



- Nancy Wilson's brother, Peter, lost his long-time battle with Alzheimer's on August 3rd
Address: PO Box 1401, Buford, GA 30515 | nwe123@peoplepc.com | FA class 08/01/1966



- Margaret Pullen Collins' mother, Callie Pullen, passed away on August 10th.
 For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in Callie's memory to **Boston Baptist Church**, P.O. Box 156, Boston, GA 31626; **Bethany Hospice**, 1321 S. Main St., Moultrie, GA 31768 OR **Presbyterian Homes**, 301 E. Screven St., Quitman, GA 31643
Address: PO Box 392647, Snellville, GA 30039 | jpmargaret@comcast.net | FA class 09/30/1968
Online condolences may be posted at www.allenfh.com/obituaries/Callie-Pullen/



- Debbie Holley's mother, Bettie Lee Holley, passed away on August 12th.
 For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in Bettie's memory to **Johnson Ferry Baptist Church**, 955 Johnson Ferry Rd., Marietta, GA 30068 | www.johnsonferry.org OR **Billy Graham Evangelistic Association**, 1 Billy Graham Pkwy, Charlotte, NC 28201 | <https://billygraham.org>
Address: 595 Lenox Woods Ct., Marietta, GA 30068 | debbielholley@bellsouth.net | FA class 09/23/1974

Online condolences may be posted at <http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Bettie-Holley&lc=4945&pid=181066554&mid=7047388>



- Patricia Murphy's dad passed away. She sent us the following note: *On August 17th, my precious 94-year old dad, James Murphy, Sr., went to be with the Lord Jesus the Messiah!*
 For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in James' memory to the Building Fund at Bethel United Methodist Church, 1215 New Hope Rd. SW, Atlanta, GA 30331.
Patricia's address: PO Box 300544, Casselberry, FL 32730 | flightgone@yahoo.com | FA class 06/27/1966
Address for her brother, Rev. Matt Murphy, 4224 Cascade Rd. SW, Atlanta, GA 30331



- Barbara Jones Leder had a total knee replacement on July 26th and went home on the 29th. That same evening, she suffered a heart attack and was back in the hospital and had quadruple bypass on August 3rd. Barbara returned to her home on the 16th. Her doctors tell her she is doing remarkably well considering all she's been through.
Address: 9500 Greens Mill Ct., Loganville, GA 30052 | bfleder@gmail.com | FA class 02/28/1966



FLYING HIGH



- Join us in congratulating Patricia Murphy for being included in the Delta Flight Museum's SPOTLIGHT ON SPIRIT display. The display, as shown on the following page, will be up until at least January 2017.

(FA class 06/27/1966 | flightgone@yahoo.com)



SPOTLIGHT ON SPIRIT

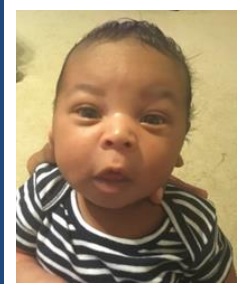
Hired in June of 1966, Patricia Grace Murphy holds the important distinction of serving as Delta's very first African-American flight attendant. Pat remembers fondly that after her graduation, Delta Chairman C.E. Woolman invited her class to his office and met with each new stewardess. Throughout her long and stellar career of service, Pat was featured in national advertising in 1980 and ultimately honored in 1997 as part of Delta's inaugural Chairman's Club class.

Pat retired from Delta in 2001. She was an early supporter of the Delta Flight Museum and continues to be a frequent visitor.

The uniform featured in the case to the left is the type Pat would have worn during her first years of In-Flight Service.



The "Spirit of Delta" has carried me all around the world. Every airplane I ever flew in - from the DC-7 to the Convair 880 to the L-1011 - had the Spirit of Delta. And it is still here today in 2016. ~ Patricia Murphy ~



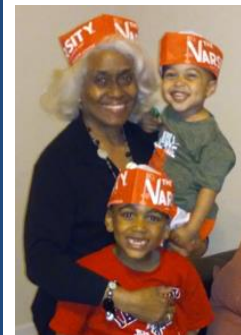
➤ Congratulations to Deirdre and Melvin Pierce on the June 13th birth of their third grandson, Cannon Aiden Layfield. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 oz. and was 20" long. The happy parents are Deirdre's daughter and son-in-law, Terry and Shardae Pierce Layfield.

Deirdre shared a couple of cute photos of her three grandsons.

<< Cannon (at 1 month)

Deirdre, Cameron (7), Carter (3) >>

(FA class 08/30/1971 | momstaxidp@aol.com)



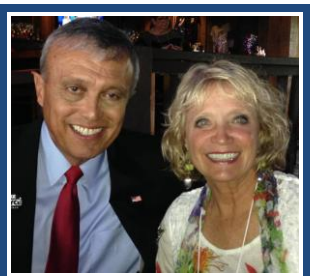
THE FOUTS WAY STATION

➤ Suzi and Tom Modisett, with 110 other family members, gathered in July for a family reunion in Delphi, IN. Cousins reminisced and celebrated the restoration/installation of the Noah Fouts 1839 log cabin in the Wabash and Erie Canal Park.

Noah was Tom's great-great-great grandfather. The German-style cabin boasts a fireplace in the middle of the house and was built during the construction of the Wabash and Erie Canal. It now appropriately sits on land adjacent to the last "watered"

section of the canal. The bottom sill beams, made from beech trees, were salvaged from the intact 160-year old Granauer Lock that was unearthed during road construction east of Fort Wayne.

(FA class 07/28/1969 | tsmodi@bellsouth.net)



➤ Congratulations to Judy Moon Boyce's husband, Mike, on winning his election for Cobb County (Georgia) Commission Chair on July 26th.

(FA class 11/24/1969 | judymoonboyce@aol.com)



UNDER OUR WINGS



www.curechildhoodcancer.org

DCW LIAISONS to CURE CHILDHOOD CANCER

Kathy Larkin ~ kslarkin@att.net ~ (770) 333.8688

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SEPTEMBER IS
CHILDHOOD
CANCER
AWARENESS
MONTH

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For information on how you can help
raise awareness and funding for the
cause, go to the CURE website ...
www.curechildhoodcancer.org

Every September CURE hosts A TRIBUTE TO OUR QUIET HEROES luncheon to raise much-needed funds to support pediatric cancer research. As CURE describes the luncheon on their website ... *This event honors mothers of children with cancer, whose love and dedication guides their families through the storm. And it's our way to let these courageous moms know we care about what they've been through and what they continue to endure.*

This year we are very happy to give our seats to this event to two of these mothers.

During this summer we provided two lunches at both Scottish Rite Hospital and Egleston Children's Hospital. We also helped at CURE's Annual Lauren's Run and Picnic. We had a great time with the children, handing out cookies and bubble wands.

We have had a wonderful response from so many of you in helping to raise money for these family lunches, so we will once again be raising money for them at the DCW Annual Bazaar (Friday, November 18).

Please know we always welcome our members to help serve these meals, so if you are interested in sharing a little of your time with these wonderful families, please let one of us know ... our contact info is above.

Everyone we meet is fighting some kind of battle we know nothing about, so it's important to remember your gifts, time and kindness are greatly appreciated by these families.

We want to thank everyone who has helped us this year.

Kindness is a simple gift, but the greatest of all.

Kathy and Kathryn



FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT of LADIES DAY FUND, INC.
Carole Lovelace ~ kismetxa@aol.com ~ (504) 598.5673
www.ladiesdayfund.com

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and are now ready for the cooler fall weather. Ladies Day was very thankful to receive the generous check of \$15,000 in May from Delta Clipped Wings' March fundraiser.

As some of you know, a few years ago it became difficult for LDF to have a large fundraiser every year, so a change was made and we now have one every other year. DCW's support of LDF, along with memberships and personal donations, helps make this change possible.

If you haven't sent in your 2016 membership dues yet, please know we accept membership throughout the year. If you are already a LDF member, simply make your check out to LADIES DAY FUND and write "MEMBERSHIP 2016" on your check and mail it to Ladies Day Fund, 1000 Bourbon St. ~ #370, New Orleans, LA 70116.

For those of you who will be a first time LDF member, a membership form can be found on our website (www.ladiesdayfund.com) on the GET INVOLVED page. Please send the completed form along with your \$25 check to the address above.

Many thanks again to all at Clipped Wings for continuing to support our fund so we can continue to offer a helping hand and make life a little better for struggling Delta flight attendants ... retired and active.

Sincerely,
Carole



PAUSE FOR A MOMENT CHAIR ~ Ann Beaman D'Agostino ~ AnnBDag@comcast.net

Hello, Friends! It's nice to be back among you. I hope you had a good summer, it sure was a sweltering one!! During the summer I found this quote by Idil Ahmed...

*You know great things are coming when everything seems to be going wrong.
Old energy is clearing out for new energy to enter. Be patient!*

I get that the Universe sometimes has a field day with the events in our lives. But it's the third sentence I have no tolerance for. And that is because, when bad things happen, I want them to be over ... NOW! I have a hard time waiting out the elements that make up the "events," I just want it to be over.

It's sort of like the current political scene. There seems to be all sorts of bad energy swirling around. I want it to all be over so the good, new energy can enter. However, it seems we have to go through bad times to get to new times. How many times have we said we had to learn a lesson the hard way, whether it was to ourselves, to someone else or it was said to us, all too often, as we were growing up?

Life is indeed like peeling an onion. You do it layer by layer and sometimes you cry. Bad situations happen; it's just life. It's how you get through it that makes you who you are. It's the grace of waiting it out in order to come out on the other side a better person that makes you the remarkable person you are today. It's keeping your mouth closed when your insides are screaming what you'd really like to say. It's not writing a letter filled with the diatribe that would get the hurt off your chest, but would do far more damage to the recipient.

Yes, when everything seems to be going wrong, **patience is the key.**

As I noted above, I am not a patient person. Many of you (and my family) already know this about me. I want it done; I want it over; I want to move on. However, life does not work solely on my terms ... imagine that!!

Life works on its own terms. Sometimes it takes a while for old wounds to heal and old hurts to be soothed. **Patience pays.**

I guess it boils down to this ... be quiet and be still. Let the Universe work things out on its own terms. If you try to push it, chances are it won't work in your favor.

So, my friends, **have patience.** Even at my age, it's a struggle, but if I keep still and listen to the world and the message it tries to send me, chances are, good things will come my way.

Till next time,
Ann

SOCIAL MEDIA

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Please do not be offended when I don't respond when you send me an "invite" to be friends on Facebook or "connect" with you on LinkedIn, etc., as I no longer join any "groups." And while I'm on Facebook, it is only to checkout family photos or look for a photo of a member that I don't already have on file.

Please know, not accepting your invitation is simply a matter of time management, nothing personal ... I trust you understand.

SPEAKING OF PHOTOS ...

If you would like me to have a photo of you in my files, please send me a digital copy in email ... sszino45@gmail.com. If you have a head shot, that would be best.

Did you know you can also upload a photo of yourself to your online profile at www.deltacrippdwings.org?



MEMBERSHIP

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



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2016-2017 MEMBERSHIP YEAR

(September 2016 through June 2017)

Delta Clipped Wings, Inc. (DCW) is a 501(c)(3) organization based in Atlanta, GA. Founded by John Sutton, Superintendent of Passenger Service, and former stewardess, Jan Fairchild Jones, Delta Clipped Wings has been charity based since its inception in 1957.

We are an amazing group of former and active Delta flight attendants who share a common bond through our memories and experiences while working in the In-Flight Service Department.

This commonality provides a rich environment of friendship as we once again "work together" during our fundraising events in support of our four charities: **CURE Childhood Cancer; Ladies Day Fund, Inc.; and The Breast Cancer Research Foundation.**

Activities are scheduled from September through June with a summer break during July and August. Members receive a monthly newsletter, "The Briefing Sheet" and a printed membership directory.

Membership dues support our annual operating expenses while our fundraising proceeds are distributed wholly between our charities.

Dues: \$25.00 **Check:** _____ (Keep this portion for your records)

Make checks payable/mail to: Delta Clipped Wings, Inc., PO Box 19773, Atlanta, GA 30325-9773

Dues paid after May 1st will be applied to the following membership year.

To ensure "RED BOOK" directory listing, please submit your information and dues by **OCTOBER 31st.**

~ TO RENEW ON LINE, visit our website at www.deltaclippedwings.org ~

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Dues: \$25.00

2016 - 2017 MEMBERSHIP YEAR

Check #: _____

NAME: _____ (_____ / _____)
(First or nickname) (Maiden) (Last) (Birthday - mm/dd)

ADDRESS: _____ FLYING STATUS: _____
(A = active, R = retired)

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

FA CLASS: _____ EMPLOYEE #: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy) (Required for **NEW** members for employee verification)

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____ SPOUSE: _____

(The above personal data will be published in the DCW directory if received by October 31st)

WOULD YOU LIKE:

To receive your newsletter via EMAIL? YES _____ NO _____

To receive time sensitive DCW and general Delta informational news via EMAIL? YES _____ NO _____

Would you like to receive a hard copy of the RED BOOK? YES _____ NO _____

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(Form revised August 2016)