

# THE BRIEFING SHEET



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**!!! RENEW ONLINE ~ PAY BY OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> !!!**

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### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

- Automated dues renewal notices are currently being sent to members with an email address on a 60-, 30- and 7-day schedule for the October 31<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- After October 31<sup>st</sup>, the "You have been bumped" notices will automatically be sent to those who have not renewed and they will no longer receive correspondence from us.

### EXPIRATION DATE CLARIFICATION

Because of the date-based system we use for the dues reminders, **NEW** members who join(ed) **BEFORE** October 31<sup>st</sup> will have a 2017 expiration date on their email confirmation; however, we will correct that to 2018 or beyond if they joined for multiple years.

**Members renewing for 2017-18 should see 2018 as their new expiration date on the confirmation email.**

- ❖ **MEMBERSHIP FORM:** You can print/mail the form attached to this newsletter. Going forward you can print one from our website. You don't have to log in to our website to print the form. It is located on the HOME page in the navigation pane at the top under MEMBERSHIP FORM.
- ❖ **CARRYOVER DUES:** If you joined/renewed after May 1, 2017, your dues have been applied to the 2017-18 membership year and your dues expiration date has been **changed** accordingly in your profile. You will not receive an automated dues renewal reminder for this membership year.
- ❖ **DIRECTORY PRINTING/DISTRIBUTION:** The RED BOOK Directory goes to print before Thanksgiving and the number ordered is based on the number of renewals received by October 31<sup>st</sup>. The directory will be mailed at the end of December.
- ❖ **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 sign-in to the Member Login section. We have archived the 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 issues for you.
- ❖ **CONTACT CHANGES:** Please make any contact changes yourself in your online profile. If you have any trouble doing that, contact Suzi Modisett (tsmodi@bellsouth.net) or Sue Zino (sszino45@gmail.com).



## WELCOME ABOARD



Welcome to Fall 2017!!! She certainly made her presence known by sending us Harvey and Irma! It makes one wonder if this is just the beginning of more unpredictable weather months ahead! We pray everyone is safe as of this newsletter.

A Thank You goes out to Joy Callahan and Kristi Handley, Co-Vice Presidents Programs - Event Planning, for making a last minute "Right Call" to move our September luncheon to October 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was unfortunate, but unavoidable. Fortunately, Rays on the River worked with Joy and Kristi and we were able to swap out the date without financial ramifications to our organization.

We apologize to any members who will not be able to attend in October due to the date change; we look forward to seeing you at our Holiday Bazaar on November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Atlanta Hilton/Marietta Conference Center which is the same location as the past 2 years.

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### IN MEMORIAM

*Every blade in the field,  
Every leaf in the forest,  
Lays down its life in its season,  
As beautifully as it was taken up.*

~ Henry David Thoreau ~

It is very sad to report the recent loss of two long-time members. Please keep the families and loved ones of these ladies in your thoughts and prayers.



#### Jean Allen Scherer

November 14, 1927 ~ August 26, 2017

"Stewardess" class November 01, 1951

A DCW Founder | DCW President 1963-64

Jean fell in her apartment on August 26<sup>th</sup>. She was taken to the hospital and passed away shortly afterwards.



Jean flew from 1951-57 when she resigned to marry and begin a family. In 1978, she returned to Delta's Reservations department focusing on the "Tours to Europe" division. She resigned again in 1988.

She was very proud to be part of the famous corporate Delta culture that thrived on taking care of their employees and customers. She also loved supporting Delta Clipped Wings after getting her own wings clipped in 1957. From 1962-63 she served as DCW's vice president under Pep Green and as president from 1963-64. She also held numerous other officer positions through the years.

The following is a small portion of an article Bea Van Vliet wrote in 2007 when each month we featured one of our founders leading up to our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in September 2007.

Jean's dream was to be a stewardess for Delta Air Lines, so in 1948 she came to Atlanta with two friends from Rollins College in Winter Park, FL to pursue her life-long passion. She worked for three years to save enough money (\$300) to attend Barbara Spiers Stewardess School; upon completion of the course she was hired by Delta.

Jean was quite proud of her flying status and recalled in her 2007 interview with Bea that she had met such famous notables as Claudette Colbert, Oleg Cassini and Sally Rand. "Every trip was an adventure to me! I enjoyed meeting and greeting new passengers. There was a certain elegance about flying back then. Everyone was dressed up, not stressed and very rarely upset by delays."

**Addresses for her sons:**

**Jim:** 4159 Conway Valley Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30327

**Bob:** 105 Clack Circle, Ste. 500, Eatonton, GA 31024

**Online condolences** may be posted at [www.legacy.com/guestbooks/atlanta/jean-allen-scherer-condolences/186594523?cid=full](http://www.legacy.com/guestbooks/atlanta/jean-allen-scherer-condolences/186594523?cid=full)

For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in Jean's name to Delta Clipped Wings by one of the following methods:

- 1) **Online** at [www.deltaclippedwings.org](http://www.deltaclippedwings.org). Click on the **FORMS** tab and choose **CHARITY DONATION** from the drop-down menu. Enter your donation amount in the **DCW** field and enter Jean's name in the "In Memory Of" section.
- 2) **Send a check** made out to Delta Clipped Wings, Inc. and put Jean's name in the **MEMO** line. Mail to Delta Clipped Wings, Inc., PO Box 19773, Atlanta, GA 30325-9773

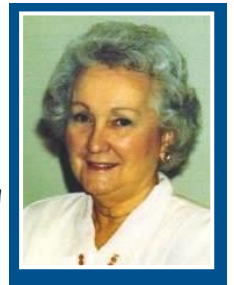


**Cathie Crombie Pitts**

April 04, 1927 - September 13, 2017  
 "Stewardess" class November 19, 1948

Cathie started her career as a stewardess for Delta in 1948 and flew until 1958. From 1958 to 1960, she was the Director of Delta Air Lines' Stewardess Training Center.

Below is a synopsis of two notes we received from DCW members Louise Van Damm and Lou Jean McKnight who attended Cathie's service on September 17<sup>th</sup>.



Meriam's oldest daughter, Kelly Freeman, is a Delta flight attendant of 4 years. She is currently based in Atlanta; transferring to Salt Lake City next month. Cathie pinned Kelly's wings on her when she graduated from FA training. There will be a poster featuring Cathie in the Atlanta domestic and international FA lounges.

**Addresses for her children:**

**Daughter: Meriam Freeman,** 202 Savanna Estates Court, Canton, GA 30115

**Sons: Bo Pitts,** 105 Bridger Point Road, Fayetteville, GA 30215

**David Pitts,** 110 Brandenburg Way, Fayetteville, GA 30215

**Online condolences** may be posted at <http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Catherine-Pitts&lc=4944&pid=186661019&mid=7555729>.

For those wishing to do so, donations may be made in Cathie's name to the American Cancer Society. Online: [www.cancer.org/involved/donate.html](http://www.cancer.org/involved/donate.html); U.S. Mail: American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123; Phone: 1.800.227.2345

**PROGRAMMING**


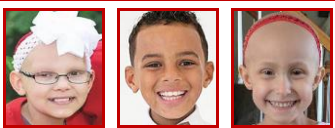
**Reminder:** This year we are only having events every other month ... see below.



Event information may also be found on our website ... [www.deltaclippedwings.org](http://www.deltaclippedwings.org)

- 2017** ● Friday, November 17 ~ Atlanta Hilton/Marietta Conference Center | Holiday Bazaar
- 2018** ● January ~ TBA
- Friday, March 23 ~ Atlanta Airport Marriott | Annual Fundraiser
- May ~ Date TBA ~ The 57th Fighter Group Restaurant



 <p>www.curechildhoodcancer.org</p>		<p>DCW LIAISONS to CURE CHILDHOOD CANCER                  Kathy Larkin ~ kslarkin@att.net ~ (770) 333.8688                  Kathryn Wilson ~ kew49@comcast.net ~ (404) 502.3304</p>
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**Quiet Heroes**

On September 23<sup>rd</sup>, CURE held their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual "A TRIBUTE TO OUR QUIET HEROES" luncheon to raise much-needed funds to support pediatric cancer research. As CURE describes 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.*

With the extra money DCW gave each of their charities this year, we used ours to donate a table for ten deserving mothers. It was our way of acknowledging the love, time and energy these mothers give to their children. This year there were 250 attendees and approximately \$400,000 was raised to further CURE's mission. Over the past decade, this event has raised more than \$3.2 million for CURE Childhood Cancer.

It is our honor and privilege to be part of this wonderful group of ladies. Thanks for your continued generosity.  
*No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted.*

~ Aesop | Greek Fabulist ~  
 Kathy and Kathryn



	<p>atlanta humane society  <b>PETS FOR VETS</b>                  DCW LIAISON to ATLANTA HUMANE SOCIETY                  Marti Wilson ~ monmuc1@att.net ~ (770) 565.0402</p>	
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*Free pet adoptions for veterans and current members of our armed services.*



Christine O'Shields | AHS Development Manager shared the following info with us.



As of September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Atlanta Humane Society had taken in over 500 animals from shelters affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. These animals were shelter residents before the hurricanes and were taken into the care of AHS to make room for the influx of flood-victim animals in local Texas and Florida shelters. This process afforded the flood-victim animals the best possible chance of reunification with their families in these states.

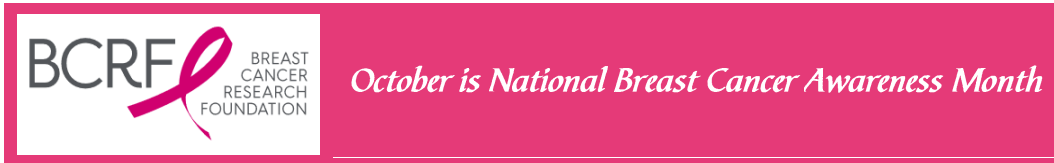


AHS also deployed a team of disaster responders to Houston on September 4<sup>th</sup> in an effort to aid their many shelter partners and support all the animals in need. They collaborated with other members of the animal welfare community - both in and out of the metro Atlanta area - to help as many animals as possible throughout this time of disaster.

AHS has many community partnerships that are invaluable to their success and that includes the partnership with Delta Clipped Wings. On average, over 40 animals per month find their forever homes with Veterans or active-duty military members through the Pets for Vets program. Those adoptions provide the opportunity to assist even more animals and families who come to the Atlanta Humane Society to find love.

*Animals are such agreeable friends...  
 They ask no questions, they pass no criticisms.  
 ~ George Eliot | English novelist (1819-1880) ~*





An annual campaign to increase awareness of this disease is underway. While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same. We have made a lot of progress, but still have a long way to go.

**Delta's Online Pink Boutique store now live for 2017 BCRF fundraising campaign**

Posted on Deltanet 9/18/2017



Delta is beginning its 13<sup>th</sup> year supporting the Breast Cancer Research Foundation with the launch of its 2017 Pink Boutique online store (<https://deltashop.com/Login.html>), with new BCRF-themed merchandise available for purchase. Proceeds go directly to BCRF that enable research projects toward finding a cure.

Pink Boutique shoppers can choose from BCRF-themed, for example:

- Women's and men's apparel and accessories, including short- and long-sleeved shirts
  - Drinkware
  - Handy travel gadgets
  - Office tools
  - A model of Delta's specially-liveried B-767 aircraft
  - For the pet in your life, a pink bandana

The Pink Boutique site also contains details on hours of operation for physical Pink Boutique times and locations across the system as well as an inventory display so shoppers can see what is expected to be available.

The online Pink Boutique store will be open through the end of October.



The huge storms which recently affected so many lives in Texas and Florida brought back memories of heartache and pain caused by Hurricane Katrina when everyone on the Ladies Day board was affected. We will long remember the wrath of this storm; property and even some dear friends were lost. So, our hearts go out to those who are now having to deal with the long road ahead resulting from Harvey and Irma ... we personally know it will be difficult! The good news ... there is the DELTA EMPLOYEE AND RETIREE CARE FUND\*. Thank goodness, this wonderful, employee/retiree-funded organization is available to help.

In 2005 Katrina struck Louisiana days before we were to have our September Ladies Day Boat Party Fundraiser!! Afterwards the city was a giant mess and for months the LDF board was scattered. The question: What to do about tickets already sold and the prize donations?? The good news ... Delta Clipped Wings board members came to our rescue, suggesting we bring "Ladies Day" to Atlanta ... why not have our fundraiser the day before their 2006 March fundraiser? Still heavy-hearted, still healing, we were overwhelmed and excited ... problem solved!! We came, we had a cocktail party and we decorated the entire room in Mardi Gras style!! DCW thought the decorations were fantastic and asked us to leave much of the decor for their fundraiser the following day! It was an amazing, well attended and very successful event!!

Many thanks for the wonderful financial support from DCW again this year. We are blessed in so many ways by your great organization.

Sincerely,  
Carole



# 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.

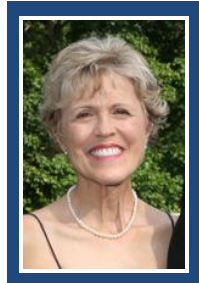


## PILLOWS, BLANKETS AND MAGAZINES



➤ Phyllis Deriso Morrow's mother, Martha Kate Deriso, passed away on September 14<sup>th</sup> after being bedridden and in declining health since last Easter.

**Address:** 2532 Centennial Commons View, Acworth, GA 30102 | erinnicolemorrow@gmail.com | (678) 574.9177 | FA class 04/30/1973



➤ Update from Paula Saporito Knight's husband, Chuck (09/16): *We are finally home in Marietta after completing chemotherapy and proton treatment at MD Anderson. We were in Houston for 11 weeks, but it seemed much longer with Harvey interruptions. We're exhausted mentally and physically. The first question we are asked is, "Did the treatment work?" We don't know. The tumor has definitely become smaller and the proton will continue to work for another week or so. We return to Houston on December 12<sup>th</sup> for three days of tests and consultations; that is when we'll be able to answer the question. No judgment can be made until then even though Paula may still be able to feel something in the roof of her mouth; that could be permanent. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers as Paula continues the fight.*

**Address:** 1649 Princeton West Trail, Marietta, GA 30062 | paulasknight@hotmail.com  
FA class 03/02/1970 | Past DCW President 1999-2001

## DELTA EMPLOYEE & RETIREE CARE FUND



The Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund is here for employees/retirees  
Source: Deltanet | 08/29/2017

The Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund is on call for anyone in the Delta family seriously affected by recent hurricane-related weather.

### Need Help?

The first level of care for anyone affected is Delta's Employee Assistance Program which can be reached at 1-800-533-6939. Beyond that, retirees and employees who may need assistance have several options for contacting the Care Fund. They may do so via local leadership teams, via email - [DeltaCareFund@delta.com](mailto:DeltaCareFund@delta.com) - or by calling (404) 801-8514. (\*\*All disaster applications should be submitted through local leadership teams.)

**\*\* Editor's note 1:** Retirees should contact Care Fund by email or telephone.

**Editor's note 2:** If you know of anyone who has been affected, please advise them about the Care Fund.

### Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund in need of donations for hurricane relief effort

When disaster strikes, Delta people never hesitate to jump into action to help and make a difference for each other. Please consider starting or increasing any existing payroll deductions to the Care Fund or making a one-time donation now to help members of the Delta family affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. You can donate to the Care Fund in one of the following ways to help employees/retirees and their families impacted by recent hurricane-related weather.

1. Sign up for ongoing payroll deductions of any amount
2. Make a one-time donation of any amount, using one of three methods below:

**Online Bill Pay:** Use this option from any bank or credit union that offers online bill pay. Make the "payee" the "Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund" and include "Charitable Donation" in the "memo" section. **Address:**

Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund  
c/o Wells Fargo Bank  
National Philanthropic Services Group ~ Attn: Kevin Reid  
Terminus 100 Building, 3280 Peachtree Rd. NW - Suite 400, 60141-41  
Atlanta, GA 30305

**Delta Community Credit Union Online Transfer:** DCCU members can make an online transfer from their account, directly to the Care Fund. From your DCCU account page, go to "Transfers" and select "Member to Member Transfer." Then select "Add a Recipient." Enter the below information for the Care Fund and then select and process your transfer amount.

- \* Who do you want to add: **Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund**
- \* First 3 characters of last name: **DEL**
- \* Account type: **Savings**
- \* Suffix: **70**
- \* Recipient's ID: **0880056182**

**Check Donation by Mail:** Make check payable to "Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund" and include "Charitable Donation" on the memo line. Mail to: Delta People Care ~ Department 901, P.O. Box 20706, Atlanta, GA 30320-6001



**DALRC Retiree Assistance Program**

Source: DALRC ~ [www.dalrc.org](http://www.dalrc.org)

### DO YOU NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH MEDICAL BILLS?

We would like to inform you of a charitable program available to all Delta retirees, their spouses and their survivors. It is called the DALRC Retiree Assistance Program, Inc.

This program was established to assist retirees, spouses and survivors with paying their health-related medical bills, including health insurance premiums. The program is funded by donations from Delta retirees and active employees and is administered by a volunteer Board of Directors, all of whom are Delta retirees. You do not have to be a member of DALRC, Inc. to qualify for assistance; however, certain income and asset restrictions apply. Financial assistance is in the form of a grant and does not have to be repaid.

For more information, visit our website at [www.retireeap.org](http://www.retireeap.org) or, if you do not have access to a computer, contact us at DALRC Retiree Assistance Program, Inc., 155 Westridge Parkway - Suite 220, McDonough, GA 30253 or call 678.782.7577.

Bill Selby | Chair - DALRC Retiree Assistance Program, Inc.  
Sandy Phillips | Vice Chair - DALRC Retiree Assistance Program, Inc.



**Delta to offer enhanced pass travel on Aeroméxico**

By Reid Davis, Delta HR Communications | Deltanet 09/01/2017



Delta is making additional improvements to the nonrev travel program shared with its joint cooperation partner Aeroméxico.

Effective September 1, 2017, Delta employees, retirees and eligible family members will travel on the entire Aeroméxico network free of charge - only international taxes and fees will apply. This represents the elimination of the ZED low fares currently in place.

"Our partnership with Aeroméxico is great for our business and also for Delta people," said Rob Kight, S.V.P. - Human Resources. "Closer international relationships often bring about better pass options, which is a win for everyone."

When traveling on Aeroméxico, Delta employees will also be placed on a higher boarding priority for the economy cabin. This places Delta nonrevs just after Aeroméxico nonrevs but ahead of all other Aeroméxico codeshare and interline partners. Employees will continue to obtain standby tickets and list for Aeroméxico flights through

TravelNet and the myIDTravel site.

Tickets purchased prior to September 1 can be refunded on the myIDTravel website which can be accessed via TravelNet.

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">COMMUNICATIONS</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">VICE PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS ~ Sue Zino sszino45@gmail.com ~ (678) 457.3211</p>	
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**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Please do not be offended when I don't respond to an "invite" you sent me 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 check out family photos or look for a photo of a member 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.

**PHOTOS FOR DCW DATABASE...**

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 personal online profile at [www.deltaclippedwings.org](http://www.deltaclippedwings.org)?



## MEMBERSHIP

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	<h3 style="margin: 0;">WELCOME NEW MEMBERS</h3>	
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[R] Susan Permetti Brown   BD 04/06, FA class 10/15/1979 8519 Triola Ln., Houston, TX 77036   H (713) 774.9420, C (713) 569.5029, Susan5592@sbcglobal.net		
[R] Kris Reinke Cook (Jerry)   BD 07/17, FA class 03/03/1969 2081 Imperial Pond, Powder Springs, GA 30127   H (770) 428.0779, jkcook@mindspring.com		
[R] Deborah Gallagher Deppisch (Robert)   BD 07/20, FA class 09/23/1974 1450 Mariposa Cir. - Apt. 102, Naples, FL 34105   C (301) 310.1591, dsdeppisch@hotmail.com		
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[A] Lee Morrison Hall   BD 09/11, FA class 06/01/1983 492 Palmetto Tyrone Rd., Newnan, GA 30265   C (770) 314.6987, leecasey11@yahoo.com		
[R] Gina Meeke Jones   BD 04/09, FA class 05/01/1978 3621 Vinings Slope SE - Unit 3209, Atlanta, GA 30339   H (770) 485.1858, C (310) 710.0232, ginaejones@gmail.com		
[A] Kimberly Rhodes Leavitt (John)   BD 02/12, FA class 02/23/1994 6375 Barrington Run, Alpharetta, GA 30005   C (404) 933.5847, Kimelirho@gmail.com		
[R] Susan Werhan Martin   BD 06/06, FA class 11/20/1972 PO Box 14, Montezuma, GA 31063   H (478) 472.7570, C (210) 218.1538, swmartin@windstream.net		
[R] Jeannette Paschka McLarty   BD 10/13, FA class 05/26/1969 250 Lake Forrest Dr. SW, Pinehurst, NC 28374   H (910) 215.0115, C (404) 401.9098, jcarolpm@att.net		
[A] Daryle Richards (Tom)   BD 01/26, FA class 03/24/1998 3822 Bluffview Dr., Marietta, GA 30062   H (770) 971.2978, C (678) 409.2942, daryle.richards@gmail.com		
[A] Jennie Sellen   BD 05/05, FA class 03/24/1998 2356 Mt. Carmel Rd., Newnan, GA 30263   H (770) 755.7058, C (770) 301.2900, jennie.l.sellen@gmail.com		
[A] Lynn Vason (Carlisle)   BD 11/23, FA class 08/08/1996 1105 Beachview Dr. - #4, St. Simons Island, GA 31522   C (678) 427.1453, lvason@gmail.com		

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