# THE BRIEFING SHEET



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# WELCOME ABOARD



As we bring our 2019-2020 Clipped Wings season to a close with this May newsletter, "The Briefing Sheet," we would like to quote John Foster Dulles:

The measure of success is not whether you have a tough problem to deal with, but whether it's the same problem you had last year.

We look forward to hearing about all your successes when we regather this fall following the recovery period for our nation and the world!

In the meantime, a bit of good news: while we have postponed our annual fundraiser, we have distributed the 2019-2020 donations from the In Memory of/In Honor of campaign. Your total donations were \$7,178 and we distributed that money according to your specific directions to the following charities: Atlanta Humane Society's Pets for Patriots  $\sim$  \$2,443; CURE Childhood Cancer  $\sim$  \$3,413; and The Breast Cancer Research Foundation  $\sim$  \$1,322. Thanks, Everyone!



Have a SAFE and SECURE SUMMER!

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The comfort of having a friend may be taken away, but not that of having had one.

~ Seneca the Younger · Roman Philosopher ~



### Bennie Hart

December 25, 1924 - April 13, 2020 | FA Class April 12, 1947 | Retired 1994

Bennie Hart passed away on April  $13^{th}$ . In 2016 she said, I began my career with Delta in 1947, and retired as the No. 1 most senior flight attendant. Flying was really in my blood – I loved to travel and experience new places, and felt so lucky I was able to meet people from all walks of life throughout my career.

For many years, Bennie was involved with Delta's blood drives for the American Red Cross\*. In 2006 Bennie stated: Donating blood is a great way to help others; if you are healthy and able to donate, there's no reason why you can't share your blood to help save a life. It is important Delta employees and retirees continue to give back to the community because it is really the nature of our livelihood.

We do not have an address for condolences; however, for those wishing to do so, a donation may be made in Bennie's memory to the American Red Cross, PO Box 37839, Boone, IA 50037-0839 | https://www.redcross.org

\*The American Red Cross is Delta's longest-standing nonprofit partner. The partnership has allowed the airline, its customers and employees to help those in need since 1941. In 2018 Delta became the #1 corporate blood donor in the U.S. In addition to blood donations, Delta is an Annual Disaster Giving Program (ADGP) participant at the \$1 million level, allowing the organization to be strategic and proactive in disaster response.



# Carol "Gabby" Lynn Barrett

August 18, 1946 - April 16, 2020 | FA Class 10/03/1977

Carol passed away on April 16<sup>th</sup> from COVID-19. She is survived by a sister and three brothers.

A tribute to Carol was posted on a billboard in her hometown of Pensacola and broadcasted on TV. To view video <u>CLICK HERE</u>.



#### Addresses for condolences

Kathy Keys, 4870 Spyglass Dr., Ione, CA 95640

Tom Barrett, 5300 McMillan, Fair Oaks CA 95628

Mike Barrett, 15840 Stratford Row, Wichita, KS 67230

Brian Barrett, 5292 S. Maryland Pkwy. #83, Las Vegas, NV 89119

For those wishing to do so, a donation may be made in Carol's memory to:

- Gary Sinise Foundation, P.O. Box 368, Woodland Hills, CA 91365 | www.garysinisefoundation.org
- Autism Spectrum Disorder Foundation, 228 West Lincoln Hwy. 301, Schererville, IN 46375 | https://myasdf.org
- Delta Care Fund c/o Wells Fargo Bank, National Philanthropic Services Group, Terminus 100 Bldg.
  3280 Peachtree Rd. NW, Suite 400, GO141-41, Atlanta, GA 30305 | Attention: Robin Moore <u>OR</u> you can deposit cash or checks payable to Delta Care Fund at any Delta Community Credit Union branch. Please include "Charitable Donation" on the memo line and be sure to write your employee or retiree ID number on the check next to your name. Account # for Delta Employees Care Fund is # 0880056182-70



# **Annual Holiday Bazaar Luncheon**

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With these such uncertain times right now, it's hard not being able to physically lean on each other with hugs and gatherings of encouragement. Hopefully, we will be on the other side of this virus soon and be able to celebrate in the Fall. Which brings me to our annual bazaar...

I have listened to our membership over the past many years concerning this event and hope you will embrace what I have planned for this November. Of course, I will be happy to tweak the event again in 2021 once I hear your comments after November 9<sup>th</sup>.

First let me mention, I tried to find a venue in the Cobb/Marietta area due to so many of our members living there; however, either the location or the dates were not available for 2020.



With that being said, I am hosting this year's Holiday Bazaar at The Metropolitan Club in Alpharetta on Windward Parkway (Exit 12 off 400). It is a beautiful private event space with ample parking and easy access for our vendors. One of the really great things about this facility is everything is on one level from the parking lot.

If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact me for more information ... contact info above.

I miss all of you and honestly believe we will be together again in the early Fall, if not sooner.

Be Safe and Be Well,

RoyAnne







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CURE posted the following on their Facebook page on April 8<sup>th</sup>: Our Delta Clipped Wings friends have loved serving Open Arms meals since 1991. When told they would not be able to serve in the hospitals due to the COVID-19 virus, they unanimously agreed to sponsor a boxed lunch meal and noted, "We all agree the families receive the food even though we can't be there. That is the most important thing!" A special thank you to Taziki's Mediterranean Cafe Sandy Springs and Taziki's Mediterranean Cafe Toco Hills for boxing up and delivering these amazing lunches to the hospitals. Taziki's is open for delivery and curbside pickup - please support our generous partners.

Team 1 serves at Egleston Children's Hospital



L-R: Katherine Dennis, Kathryn Wilson, Sue Zino, Sally Ervin, Kathy Larkin

## Team 2 serves at Scottish Rite Hospital



L-R: Karen Turner, Elaine Keeton, Peggy Carlson, Louise Van Damm

I sent the following email on April 8th, but for those of you who may not have read it yet, I am including here.

From: CURE Childhood Cancer | Subject: A chance to double your impact for families in need

In this time of unprecedented crisis in our country, children with cancer are among the most vulnerable. Cancer treatments destroy their immune systems, making it impossible to fight off most any virus, much less the novel COVID-19. As a result, the families we serve are being impacted by this crisis in extremely difficult ways. But our amazing community is coming together to help.

Through a special \$100,000 matching gift, your donation through May 31, 2020 will be matched and have double the impact.

In the last week we have seen parents facing new challenges and reaching out for CURE's help more than ever:

- Parents working in high risk environments like hospitals, restaurants, grocery stores as well as heavily impacted
  industries including airlines and retailers are losing their jobs, having to resign, or take leave to protect their
  vulnerable child. Now in addition to the stress associated with caring for a very sick child many are unsure how
  they will pay their bills. CURE is addressing these emergency financial needs by paying for housing, food,
  utilities, medical bills, and other basic expenses.
- In the current situation, many caregivers will not leave their child's room for fear of potential infection. Getting meals safely has become difficult and expensive. CURE is delivering boxed meals, snack bags, and other food as parents isolate with their child in hospital rooms.
- Due to hospital restrictions, parents are now faced with a choice of which parent will stay with their sick child, separating the other parent and siblings. CURE is making our counseling program easier to access through telemental health sessions through an internet connection. CURE is also covering the cost of all sessions, waiving co-pays and session limits, so all of our families have access to this service through this COVID-19 crisis.

Families come from far away to seek cancer treatment at the facilities CURE serves. After bone marrow treatment, these children would usually transition with their families to lodging nearby. Those facilities have had to close. CURE is responding to this unique situation by covering the cost of hotel lodging for families until they are well enough to go home - often weeks.

In short, families faced with a childhood cancer diagnosis have just been dealt another devastating blow in this crisis. But CURE is here to help and you can, too. Through this \$100,000 matching-gift challenge from a generous donor, all gifts we receive through May 31, 2020 to support our families will double, dollar for dollar up to \$100,000.

Your support, at any level, matters now more than ever.

DOUBLE MY GIFT | https://curechildhoodcancer.org/donate/



Remember there's no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple with no logical end." ~ Scott Adams · Creator of Dilbert comic strip ~

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Report by Christina Hill · AHS Director of Marketing and Communications

The Atlanta Humane Society has launched multiple resources for pet owners during this difficult time. We are providing free virtual veterinary and behavior assistance, low-cost illness and injury vet care, no-cost emergency boarding for pet owners hospitalized with COVID-19 who have no one to care for their pet, a free pet hotline, and providing free food to pet owners in need during this time.

Many of our friends at Delta Clipped Wings stepped up to help donate food to our food program during this time and we couldn't be more thankful. We received box after box from Amazon last week and many more food drop-offs from members of the public. This food will help pets and their owners through these hard times.

While our locations are currently closed to the public, our organization is still very much active providing these new community resources to support pet owners through COVID-19 while caring for the animals entrusted to us during this time. We have hundreds of animals in foster care, many who have adoptions pending on them, as well as a few remaining in our facility who our staff have been caring for. We are grateful to our community during this time. We have a fantastic matching gift challenge\* occurring now if you or anyone you know would like to support these community resources financially right now, you can do so at atlantahumane.org (\* Through April 30<sup>th</sup>, your gift will be DOUBLED by a generous donor).

I sent the following email on April 7th, but for those of you who may not have read it yet, I am including here.

From: Caitlin Costello · AHS Development Manager | Subject: Atlanta Humane Society request for donations We are currently in need of pet food donations to support our pet food program. Normally, our program supports pet owners who are seniors and families with children through our partnerships with Meals on Wheels and Meals by Grace. Right now, we are also implementing a "drive-through" style pet food pantry service to support pet owners in need, especially for those struggling to make ends meet amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, we are providing pet food to our partner shelters like LifeLine Animal Project and Gwinnett County Animal Shelter.

Basically, we have a LOT of people asking us for support right now, so we are taking ANY pet food donations to support our pet food program. And while we prefer Purina or Pedigree (Whiskas is Pedigree's cat food brand), we will accept anything. If you would like to support our efforts, food may be shipped directly to our shelter at 981 Howell Mill Road NW, Atlanta, 30318 or, if you are in the East Cobb area, I'll be happy to come pick up your donations and take them to the shelter. My phone # is (404) 409-2461.



Caitlin Costello on her rounds picking up food donations from the community.



AHS team preparing to hand out food to pet owners in need.



A client holds a note against her car window when she picked up some food.

SUNSHINE CORNER

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

Even though this is the last newsletter until September, please continue to send Carol and Sue Zino (sszino45@gmail.com) any information regarding life events, so we may share it with our members.



















After 12 days in the hospital, our Sunshine Chair, Carol Ellington, was transferred to a rehab facility on April  $14^{th}$ . She will be there for at least a few weeks and looking forward to being healthy and strong in the near future.

As our Sunshine Chair, she is responsible for sending cards on behalf of DCW to our members who are ill or have suffered a loss.

Rehab address: Signature HealthCARE, 26 Tower Road - Room: North 309/A, Marietta, GA 30060

Home address: 100 Somerby Drive #4169, Alpharetta, GA 30009

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(No phone calls at this time please)



Susan Beyer Wolfe's husband, Grover, passed away on April 17<sup>th</sup> from cardiac arrest and bowel blockage.

On a happier note, their daughter and son-in-law, Amanda and Max Waddoups, became first time parents to a baby girl on April  $15^{th}$ . Her name is Wilder Wolfe, weighing in at 8.5 pounds and 21.5" long. Fortunately, Grover knew of his new grandbaby before he passed.

Susan's address: 302 Barrington Farms Pkwy., Sharpsburg 30277 susan-wolfe@att.net | FA class 0/15/1973





PAUSE FOR A MOMENT

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Who would have thought a little over a month ago our lives would have been put on pause? We all read about it happening in other countries, but for some reason, I didn't think it would or could get that bad here in the USA. The

entire world has been turned upside down by COVID-19. All of us have had a new reality thrust upon us, whether we like it or not.

Our normal lives came to a stop and we had to think about what to do next and find out what was important to us. We are now busy doing things we were previously "too busy" to enjoy. We are spending time at home with our families and reaching out to friends and family members we haven't talked to in a long time.

Some of us are also helping strangers during this time. Our faith, hope and love are keeping us going and helping us remember this too shall pass. We are a resilient people and we will get through this valley. Let's continue doing what we were asked to do so all doctors, nurses and frontline workers can stay safe and get back to their families.

Lately I have been reflecting on the meaning of a song by Louis Armstrong, WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD. The lyrics talk about the beautiful things of the world such as blue skies, the colors of the rainbow, and the warmth and friendliness people show each other. Despite the numerous heartbreaking things that happen around us every day, the song's lyrics try to help those of us listening understand the world has a beautiful side so worth appreciating.

With Spring upon us, it is a perfect time for lemonade, but this time when we make it, let's add a teaspoon of hope, a tablespoon of love and, of course, a heaping spoon of sugar. Then, when we sit and listen to Louis Armstrong with a large glass of lemonade, we can be filled with the love and hope that it is made of. It is amazing how sweet those bitter lemons can taste when you know the ingredients needed to get through this; all we need to do is use them. To use my terms from an earlier article, let us once again "Stop, Think and Locate" and let tomorrow handle the "and thens." No matter what, we will still have hope, love and each other.

I would like to leave you with this thought ... as you look at the azaleas and flowers blooming around you and hear the birds chirping, know everything will be alright in time.

See you in September,

Evelyn





# WOW ... DELTA STRONG & PROUD

I am so proud of our active flight attendants!!!!!





## GUEST COLUMN

Ann Beaman D'Agostino · annbdag@att.net

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Has there been any other news in recent months?

What a wild ride it has been. The only thing I can think of that is comparable is the polio pandemic of the 1950s. Do you remember lining up in your school cafeteria or somewhere similar, as my family and friends did, to get a sugar cube with the Salk vaccine on it?

How many of you had that flashback when the corona virus and its rapid spread was announced?

As you sheltered in place, did you hunker down with a sigh and resolve or hate every minute of it? Personally, I liked it. I got to quilt, nap, make face masks, nap, read, nap and eat (too much). Did I mention nap?

Thanks to a dear friend, I learned Zoom. I had FaceTime with the grandkids and sent silly messages to friends; I bet you did, too. Some of you may have tried new recipes, learned a new skill and, most certainly, cleaned out closets, junk drawers and garages.

For those of you who hated being in, I'm sorry, but you did the right thing to help "flatten the curve." I wonder if that phrase will ever have any other meaning?

All this to say, the last two months have been a watershed moment for many. It certainly tested our patience and taught us we can do whatever is necessary to protect those we love - even if it meant avoiding the ones we love the most.

I hope we will look back on this time and believe that staying in brought out the good in many of us. The evening applause to show appreciation for nurses, doctors, frontline workers, the renewed appreciation for teachers and neighbors checking on neighbors are just a few examples.

And let us not forget the voluntary leaves so many Delta family members took to help Delta. I couldn't be prouder of those of you who are active flight attendants who opted to take a leave. It may have hurt your bank account, but my hat is off to you!!

So, what did we learn from all this? We can do ANYTHING!

Let's take our summer break to appreciate all the things we were unable to do during our quarantine time. I will never again take for granted visiting family, hopping on an airplane to go visit friends, going to a party and grocery shopping without a mask (maybe).

It's indeed been an unprecedented time. I, for one, hope it never happens again. But if it does, we can handle it. We have more than proved, WE CAN HANDLE ANYTHING!

Enjoy your summer, YOU deserve it!

'Til next time,

Ann

P.S. You know what I missed most? Hugs. The warmth and physical contact of another human being. Hugs ... I sure hope they come back!!



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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



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While our March 2020 Annual Fundraiser was postponed to the 2020-2021 season, we want to thank our members who made IN LOVING MEMORY OF and IN HONOR OF donations.

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF...

My parents, Essie and Charles Anthony, by Juanita Buren My husband, Leon Banakas MD, by Frances Banakas Carol Bowers by Sandy Chinn Carol Bowers by Susan Newman Jack Brawley by Judy Graham Hal Buren by Juanita Buren Kenneth C. Carrico by Patricia Pavelka Bill Chapman by Ann Chapman Dot Cobble by Betty Warren John Cole by Karen Turner Bill Crist by Susan Gaddy Crist Bruce D'Agostino by Ann D'Agostino Kathy Donavan by Joanne Joiner Alastair Duff by Marie Bornemann Lynne Taylor Duncan by Carol Case Dennis Ergle, Jr. by Suzi Modisett Olivia Fletcher by Betty Donata Ann Clement Fossett by Ann Chapman Marty Gardner by Carol Ellington Kathy Doug Gill by Marie Bornemann Kathy Gill by Janet Stanford Pam Grudzinski by Louise Van Damm Anne Guthrie by Sally Rickett My dear brother, Brad Harris, by Sherri Selman June Heuerman by Laurie Colgan-Strum My parents, Helen and Grady Hilley, by Louise Van Damm My sister, SherryAnne Kennedy, by Sue Zino My mother, Carolyn Knight, by Karen Huff My nephew, Jason Knight, by Karen Huff My sister, Linda Knight, by Karen Huff My parents, Jane and Lee Knox, by Cindi Schubert Iris Laster by Janice Barfield Iris Laster by Helen Cork

Iris Laster by Betty Warren

My daughter, Lauren, by Chery McKinnon Betty Lee by Lynn Parrish Pat Mackey by Sally Rickett Rachel Maddox by Susan Newman Laura Mahacek by Carol Case Wanda McCoy by Janice Barfield My husband, Scott, by Ruthie McNeil Our parents, Paul and Geraldine Mulvaney, by Kathy Horner and Margaret Glazer My dad, JD Norris, by Sandy Chinn Josie Phillips by Nancy Klausing Carolyn Powers by Betty Donata Carl Wayne Raymond by Kathy Raymond My mom, Jean Allen Scherer, by Bob Scherer Sharon Stone by Laurie Colgan-Strum Tim Stratton by Helen Cork Shelley Stratton by Saundra Statton Don Strum by Laurie Colgan-Strum Sandy Thurston by Nancy Enos Sandy Thurston by Susan Newman Sandy Thurston by Sally Rickett My husband, Charlie, by Mary Lou Turner Linda Vick by Janice Barfield Linda Vick by Sandy Chinn Linda Vick by Cynthia Hale Linda Vick by Janelle Hern Linda Vick by Louise Van Damm Linda Vick by Rebecca Vaughn Bobbie Wallace by Laurie Colgan-Strum Patsy Washovsky by Susan Newman Danyse Weinberg by Louise Van Damm My parents, Howard and Beverly Wiles, by Susan Johnson Marge Yesulaitis by Betty Donata



## IN HONOR OF...

Bettie Asip by Gillian Tilghman Betty Bull by Carol Ellington My sweet husband, Bill, by Liz Cary My sons, Bryan and Kevin, by Sandy Chinn Evelyn Curtis by Janice Barfield For his strength and faith, Dennis Ergle, by Louise Van Damm Peggy Fett by Carol Ellington

Pep Greene by Carol Ellington

Sandra Hicks, my best friend for 50 years, by Sue Zino Ginger and Bill Hines by Juanita Buren Dr. Chelly Hines Dykes by Juanita Buren

Paula Knight by Carol Ellington Sue McCleary Boyes by Rebecca Ford Hayden My daughters, Melanie and Hilary, on their 40<sup>th</sup> birthday, by Lynn Currin

> All, Past and Present, Board Members by Retta Christoforatos MC O'Kelley by Janice Barfield My friend, Linda Ramsey by Sue Zino Alisa Smith by Ann D'Agostino

My dear 99-year old friend, Mary Frances Woodside, by Karen Huff

Sue Zino by Juanita Buren

Sue Zino, thank you for being my friend, by Linda Ramsey

#### DONATIONS MADE TO DELTA CLIPPED

My birthday buddies: J, J, J, B, V and K, by Ann D'Agostino

Jackie Hizel by Kathy Horner

Sue Zino by Sue Stone

#### WINGS WITHOUT AN IMO OR IHO DESIGNATION

Teresa Campbell Anne Carter Cobb Galleria Automotive, Inc. by Jennifer Sapp Babs Gordon Lynda Lloyd

Lynda Lloyd Larri Milligan Mikie Taggart The Atlanta Center for MindBody Psychotherapy, LLC

by Jennie Ziesenhenne

## IN MEMORIAM OF DELTA CLIPPED WINGS MEMBERS WE LOST IN 2019 AND 2020

The loss of a friend is like that of a limb; time may heal the anguish of the wound, but the loss cannot be repaired.

~ Robert Southey · English Poet (1774-1843) ~

Carol "Gabby" Lynn Barrett | August 18, 1946 - April 16, 2020 | FA Class October 03, 1977 Sybil Peacock Harmon | July 9, 1916 - October 14, 2019 | "Stewardess" Class September 01, 1940 Bennie Hart | December 25, 1946 - April 13, 2020 | "Stewardess" Class April 12, 1947 Linda "Stretch" Anderson Oudens | February 13, 1950 - March 12, 2020 | FA Class February 02, 1970 Simone Metcalfe Travers | July 8, 1939 - June 10, 2019 | FA Class August 31, 1959 Linda Wilson Vick | August 4, 1947 - January 5, 2020 | FA Class May 06, 1968 Marge Yesulaitis | March 06, 1943 - February 01, 2020 | FA Class November 15, 1965