

January-February 2023 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S LETTER - From the desk of President Eva Condy

Happy New Year to all!

We hope everyone is healthy, safe, and dry - and that your Holidays were warm and meaningful!!!

In saying good-bye to 2022, we have to acknowledge that the year was one of mixed emotions, filled with hope and joy, but also tinged with sadness over the loss of some of our wonderful friends and members. We cherish their memories, and will try to follow their good examples in continuing their dedication to World Wings for which we stand.

To this point, your Board started 2023 with our first meeting and planning session. In spite of overwhelming storms, power outages, floods and disasters, a hardy group of members showed up, and to make sure we had a quorum, the rest joined under the able leadership of our "tech guru" Edith, via Zoom. As you can see in "Jot-it-Down", we are planning quite a few activities and fund-raisers, both indoor and outdoor, and we really look forward to seeing everybody at these events!!!

Our first party/fund raiser is the Valentine Party at Marilyn's on February 19th. It has been quite a few years since she was able to host this party, so we are really excited about having this nice venue back! More information will follow.

The Treasurer's report from Edith just informed us that so far we have almost \$10,000 to divide between our three local charities. Before the distribution of checks in March, we continue to thankfully accept further contributions. To simplify things for her, we ask if you could specify in the memo section on your check the preferred beneficiary of your donation (local charities, MSF, or other). Thank you as always!!! Edith's address is always available in each Newsletter.

The International Board is inviting members to join in their leadership by asking interested

members to apply for one of the Board positions. We, as a local chapter, are following suit. If you are interested in becoming a. SFO board member, please contact us. See Dorene's "Charity Corner".

At the beginning of this new year, I want to continue thanking our wonderful and hard-working board, and our supporting and generous membership (and Pan Am who hired us all......)!!!

May 2023 be a year of optimism, good health, and happiness for us all!!!

Love, Eva evacondy@gmail.com

Charity Corner from Dorene Goad

Two of our charities are working together to offer smiles and happiness. It started when Leslie Davis set out to adopt a dog at Peninsula Humane Society. She didn't care about breed or gender. She just wanted a "happy dog." When she saw Buddy, a 1 1/2 year old Golden Retriever/Great Pyrenees mix, she knew the happy gentle giant was the one. PHS told her about pet assisted therapy, and she knew that was "Buddy's calling." Once the duo competed therapy training, Leslie and Buddy visited people in assisted living facilities and story time at a library in Daly City.

PHS then suggested she consider visiting hospice patients, and she loved the idea. Now, after additional training, Leslie and Buddy visit Mission Hospice patients weekly in their homes or at Mission House. While the training through PHS and Mission Hospice was extensive, Leslie says she is so grateful she signed up for it. And Buddy loves his "job" of bringing joy to others.

All three of our local charities are celebrating the holidays in their own way and they look forward to continuing their missions in 2023.

<u>IMPORTANT</u>

According to Chapter Policies and Procedures, every three years we elect a new Board and reconsider a change in charities. That time is here. You are invited to submit your nomination for Chapter Charity at this time. Please provide a <u>Mission Statement</u> and a few words about your nomination and send it to Dorene Goad at <u>orbitsmaw@aol.com</u>. We ask that sponsors of our current charities also do this. A complete list of the nominations and descriptions will be sent to members for a final vote. The top two receivers will be selected. The new charities will go into effect on May 1, the start of the next fiscal year. <u>The deadline for submitting your choice is: February 28, 2023.</u>

Charitable donations should be made out to World Wings, and sent to:

Edith Kipping, 833 N. Humboldt St. #508, San Mateo, CA 94401

Be sure to make a notation in the Memo space telling Edith that it is for our charities

Membership Dues: If you have read your roster and your name isn't on it, perhaps you forgot to renew Membership, please send a check! You ONLY need to fill out the renewal form if there are changes to your personal information, or you are paying for longer than one year - or by credit card. If you need a form for any of these reasons, email us and we'll send you one.

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World Wings International

Read JetWings to get details about forthcoming events

Or go to: <u>www.worldwingsinternational.net</u>



IN MEMORIAM

Jeanne Clover - April 5,1930-January 11, 2023

A Memory from Ute Harris:

I have to share one of my memories of her. On our 747 flights she was a director, I, a junior purser. In one of her briefings she advised us how to avoid passenger requests. She told us that she walks through the cabin, with a smile on her face, but her eyes are directed to the ceiling above passenger heads, thus not getting stopped too many times. I never tried it, as I don't think it would have worked with me, as passengers could grab hold of our aprons as we passed, to get our attention. Jeannie was much more serene!

From Jeanne's dear friend, Alan:

It is with deep sorrow that I am sharing the news that my dear friend Jeanne Clover passed away on Wednesday Jan 11 at about 7:00 PM. She began having some shortness of breath on Monday and was hospitalized on Tuesday night. This time she was not able to win the battle to stay alive and she passed quickly and peacefully. Her diagnosis upon being admitted to the hospital was Pneumonia.

Almost 40 years ago I was a volunteer at a tiny animal shelter in Salinas, Ca. There were only 3 employees (animal control officers) and the shelter depended heavily on volunteers to keep it open and functioning. As part of my "duties" I brought dogs to the local TV station to help find them homes. One day a woman arrived 2 hours before we opened and waited in her car for us to let her in. She had seen my TV spot early that morning and had come to adopt the dog that I had taken on TV. That was how Jeanne Clover came into my life. Neither of us could have imagined at that meeting that we would build a friendship that lasted almost 40 years, or the role I would eventually play in her life.

Jeanne was born in England on April 5, 1930. She had a challenging childhood and moved to the US around 1952.

She lived a very full life....she traveled the world as a flight attendant for Pan Am, meeting many dignitaries and celebrities. She spoke fluent French, had a curious mind, and a strong will. Jeanne was a force to be reckoned with, she knew her mind and did not hesitate to speak it. She was fiercely independent and self-sufficient. She was incredibly generous with those she felt deserving, and quick to dismiss anyone she felt was not. For Jeanne things were black or white, there were no shades of gray.

Her love of animals was known to everyone who knew her. She never hesitated to speak up for, and to help, any animal in need. She was proud of starting a spay neuter program in the 1970's, and after retiring she spent the majority of her time and resources on the many animals she shared her life with.

I have always tried to be a good friend to Jeanne. I supported her when I could and challenged her when I thought that her thinking was flawed. I became one of the few people in her life who could influence her. We spoke often and she shared things about her life with me that not many other people knew. Jeanne was proud to become an American citizen, something that she did in part in order to be able to vote for Hillary Clinton when she ran for President.

As Jeanne aged my role in her life changed. She began to depend on me more and more. Her cognition began to decline and her ability to take care of herself declined as well. For the last 10 years I looked out for her when she would allow it, and for the last years I took over her financial and medical care. She spent the last 5 years of her life in a board and care home. That life was very different from the life she had living in Prunedale. In Prunedale she lived alone on many acres of land surrounded by nature. She never complained to me about her move to board

and care and she was always grateful for what I did for her. She knew who I was right to the end and was always happy to see me when I visited her. I held the memories she had lost. She was always so surprised that I ended up knowing more about her life than she did.

With warm regards, Alan

JOT IT DOWN

NOTE: Everything in Jot It Down is subject to conditions at the time of the planned event, so keep these dates and we'll let you know as we find out more.

Jot It Down - Subject to Change	
February 19	Valentine Party at Marilyn's
March 23	General Meeting. Divino, Belmont
May 13	Pool Party/Fundraiser at Hildur's
June 15	General Meeting TBA
August 5 TBA	Garden Party at Deborah Concklin's
November 9	General Meeting Allied Arts
December 9	Holiday Party

Celebrity Snippets

Please send me stories about the celebrities you encountered while you were flying. We all have stories of being trapped in a long metal tube with famous people- now's the time to share!





Memories - From the Glory Days of Pan Am

Please send your bio so we can all share in your life adventures. We all have a story.

AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL

General Meeting at Allied Arts



Three of our Board Members
Dorene, Hildur and Eva



















HOLIDAY PARTY AT DIVINO















