

Oakland World Wings Chapter Jan. 1, 2020
Newsletter from Louise Diracles

Happy New Year

Gloria Reid is organizing a lunch on Thurs., Jan. 16, 2020 at Delancy St. 600 Embarcadero in San Francisco, taking BART over to SF. Please **RSVP** to her as soon as you can: "Gloria Reid" gloriareid1510@gmail.com



We will meet at Lafayette BART station at 10:00 am or at the Ferry Building 45 minutes later. We will take a few minutes to walk through the Ferry Building shops and then walk (or trolley) along the Embarcadero about 1 mile to Delancy St. Restaurant.

Delancy Street Restaurant is a key training school of the Delancy Street Foundation, the country's largest self-help residential organization for people who have hit bottom to completely rebuild their lives.

Retired flight attendants deliver gifts of comfort

In December 2005, Ingrid enjoyed a special visit with her close friend Mary Ellen, who was dying from breast cancer. Mary Ellen relayed how her five-year-old granddaughter had been too afraid to approach to give her a hug – a much needed touch of comfort and love for both of them.

Hoping to cheer her, Ingrid bought her friend a huge white teddy bear, which became a very special gift. A few days later, Ingrid learned that the little girl had come to visit again, and with the teddy bear next to her grandma, had cuddled in close. The two had enjoyed a loving conversation. When Mary Ellen passed away, the white furry friend became a comfort to her granddaughter.

¹ Ingrid's delight over the wonderful benefit she saw in such a gift has inspired yearly donations of stuffed animals to Hope Hospice. A large assortment of teddy bears and other cuddly animals comes from Ingrid Templeton's philanthropic group, World Wings International's Oakland Chapter. This group of former Pan Am flight attendants supports local charities and C.A.R.E. (providing aid for women and children worldwide). Jane Euler of Danville, president of the chapter, says that volunteers for the international organization's consisting of over 2000 members worldwide, have raised \$3.5 million since 1969.

Hope Hospice has received these special gifts from World Wings International's Oakland Chapter since December of 2005. Staff distributes them to patients, providing sweetness and comfort during the challenges in their lives. ■

Welcome new member: Margot Vandercapellen
from Roseville CA; mavander12@gmail.com

Pam Feack reports about A Friendly Manor:

Pam, Peggy and Liv served in Dec. Please call or e mail Pam if you can volunteer for this worthwhile project: pamelavo1@sbcglobal.net or call her: 510-655-5675 Liv Milan reports that she will be purchasing items (perhaps a stove) for A Friendly Manor from our donations. Pam bought 12 fleece blankets at CVS and would love to have more. They really need LARGE underwear also.

2/28/19 Chinese Lunch \$180, 3/17/19, Hat Party \$190, 3/21/19 DVC Norseman \$110, 4/5/19 Asian Art. \$90, Janet Bisbing \$100, Jane's memorial \$745, 6/30 Wine Tasting \$80, 8/14/19 Commodore Cruise \$250, 10/8/19 Treasure Island \$120 Sally Andersen for the Rossmoor Bazaar. Total as of 10/31/19 = \$1,865. Plus \$690 from our Holiday Raffle. Total funds raised for 2019: **\$2,555.**

We wouldn't be able to raise so much money for our charities unless members step up with hosting events. Thank you to this year's hostesses: Jennie Young, Diana Kennedy, Hetta Malone, Linda Rineck, Marilyn Kaplan, Deborah Wood-Campbell, Suzy Proescher, Jennie Young, Sally Andersen and Else Welsh.

Nominations for Chapter Officers are now open. Please e mail me: louisediracles@comcast.net if you're willing to nominate yourself or someone else for President or other offices. Also, e mail Louise with your event ideas for 2020.

Nominations for the WW International Board are now open.

**Thank you to Else and Jauire Welsh for hosting
our chapter's HOLIDAY PARTY!**



Top: Pamela Feack, Liv Milan, Sylvia Ortlieb, Norma Corbin, Liz Turlington, Anne Tompkins, Linda Rineck, Janet Bisbing, Lucy Hart, Sally Andersen, Dorothy Mcgeath, Lorin Andersen.
Middle: Louise Diracles, Else Welsh, Ingrid Templeton, Suzy Proescher, Laurie Barton. Bottom: Phelps Euler



Liz Turlington won Pan Am raffle items.



Our male members: Lorin Andersen and Phelps Euler



Sally Andersen and Dorothy Mcgeath



Hostess Else Welsh and Pamela Feack



Photographer Laurie Barton and Linda Rineck



Anne Tomkins and Norma Corbin

Hugs from Louise Diracles

Hetta Malone

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