

March-April 2023 Newsletter

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

Hi everyone!

Springtime is arriving, although a little cooler than usual, we here in the Bay Area are still enjoying the green hills left behind by all the rain, beautiful blooming poppies, tulips and fruit trees. Life is good. (Editor's note: Eva wrote this before the snowstorm)

We hope this finds everyone healthy, safe and sound, and that you are eager to share the new season with us!

According to a long and true tradition for our chapter, the Valentine's Party is the first event of the year for us. Always so popular, until Covid raised its ugly head and forced us to cancel. But after three years we are back!!!, and we are so thankful to Marilyn for again opening her home and inviting us in! We had a wonderful time, just like the "old days" - visiting, talking, enjoying a great array of food and wine, and winning exciting prizes. Thank you again. Marilyn!!!

Our charities are benefitting from this event too, and in addition to previous funds, Edith informs us that we again are able to contribute generously to each charity.

The distribution of checks will take place at the **General Meeting**, **Thursday March 23rd** at Divino in Belmont, Representatives from each of our charities will join us for lunch, and will share news and information about each charity. This is always a very moving experience for us, we look forward to listening, and are thankful that we can be supportive!

News about our board: Anne Miltimore has graciously accepted our request to join the board to fill the vacant position as the new Corresponding Secretary. Anne has held previous board positions and is well versed on board procedures. We are thankful and excited about welcoming Anne on board, and look forward to working with her!!

Anne follows Irene Lindbeck Tibbits, who had to resign because of previous obligations. Irene has held several board positions through several years, and we thank her for her longtime

support and friendship! Although she is no longer a board member, we hope to see her at our future events!

As shown in the Jot-it-down column, this promises to be a busy and interesting year, and we hope to see you at several of these events! More information about the March 23rd luncheon at Divino follows, and we look forward to you joining us at this very important event!!!

Wishing you good health, good times, and happiness always!!!

Love, Eva evacondy@gmail.com

Election of Chapter Officers

By law we must present a slate of potential officers asking for your approval or disapproval for the next term, 2023 to 2026. If anyone would like to serve on the Board, please email Eva as soon as possible so we can put your name on the Slate of Officers:

President: Eva Condy (Current)

Treasurer: Edith Kipping (Current)

VP Membership/Programs: Marilyn Porto (Current)

VP Charities/Recording

Secretary: Dorene Goad (Current)

VP Ways and Means: Hildur Kirchdoerfer (Current)

Corresponding Secretary: Anne Miltimore (Currently filling a retired member slot)

Co-President Emeritus: Carol Crown

To make this process simple, we ask you to please send an email to my address, <u>evacondy@gmail.com</u> with your answer and / or comments. Thank you, Eva

Charity Corner from Dorene Goad

In the last issue of the newsletter, we stated that it was time for a three-year evaluation of our charities, and we asked for nominations. In alphabetical order, these are the nominations:

LifeMoves (Current)

Formerly Georgia Travis Center, with 26 shelter and service sites from Daly City to San Jose, LifeMoves, whose roots began with the Georgia Travis Center, gives those experiencing homelessness a temporary place to call home while providing intensive, customized life training case management geared to permanent housing.

Mission Hospice and Home Care (Current)

Mission Hospice serves patients and families in the Peninsula and South Bay with personalized, compassionate end-of-life care and education. This local, independent nonprofit has supported thousands of patients and families through illness and bereavement. Donations from the community support exceptional care and educational programs, and help serve people regardless of medical coverage and ability to pay.

Peninsula Humane Society/SPCA (Current)

PHS/SPCA is a local, private non-profit charitable organization dedicated to animal welfare. They adopt out 100% of healthy dogs and cats. They have programs for those who need healing and behavior training before adoption. It is an open shelter; meaning no pet is turned away. They work with abused and sheltered women by giving their pets shelter until the women can relocate. PHS also cares for injured and orphaned wildlife, returning them to the wild when healed.

St Francis Center

The goal of St. Francis Center is to reduce and help break the cycle of poverty by providing a solid value based education to economically impoverished client families. They provide a clothing bank, food bank, an after school program, showers and laundry facilities, and almost 200 apartments designed to serve families with very low incomes.

It has been suggested by several members that we reduce the number of charities so that monies raised will have a bigger impact. The original reason to have 3 charities was to represent the three areas our chapter covers; the City, the Peninsula, South Bay. The board will make a decision at our March 4 meeting. Please email Dorene at orbitsmaw@aol.com with any input you have on this decision. Keep the above descriptions handy. In the next few weeks, you will receive an official ballot to make your choice.

March 23, 2023 at 12;00 noon

We'll be giving checks to our three Charities at this meeting

At Divino Restaurant.

968 Ralston Ave. Belmont, CA 94402, 650-620-9102

Cost: \$40 (includes Tax and Tip)

Divino has graciously waived the corkage fee

Menu

Entrée Choices (write choice on check)

Chicken Piccata

(sauteed breast of chicken with lemon, caper, white wine sauce)

Homamade Lasagne Bolognese

(With Bechamel sauce)

Homemade Fettucini

(with Basil Pesto and Bufala Ricotta)

Pesce del Giorno

(fresh fish of the day, usually sole)

Gelati e Sorbetti -

House gelato

Coffee or iced tea

Send checks IMMEDIATELY - made out to: World Wings Intl. and mail to: Edith Kipping, 833 N. Humboldt St. #508, San Mateo, CA 94401.

Please indicate choice of entree on your check

Directions: From 280 north or South, turn onto CA 92/San Mateo, then IMMEDIATELY take exit 9A for Ralston Ave, Belmont

From 101 north or South, take Ralston Ave exit, Belmont

There is a large lot behind the restaurant and another lot across the street, all free parking.

For all information regarding Conventions, Charities and other World Wings events, please go to the website:

www.worldwingsinternational.net



IN MEMORIAM

Thankfully, we have not received any information re: deaths in our Chapter since the last newsletter

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	
March 23 11:30	General Meeting. Divino, Belmont
May 13 11:00 - 4:00	Pool Party/Fundraiser at Hildur's
June 15	General Meeting TBA
August 5 TBA	Garden Party at Deborah Concklin's
October 29- Nov 1	Convention. McCormick Ranch, Scottsdale, AZ
November 9 11:30	General Meeting Allied Arts
December 9	Holiday Party





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.

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!

Uniforms— fit for a Queen - by Cees

In a previous contribution to this newsletter I had recalled my participation in Pan Am's TAP program and how I had met Queen Alia in Jordan. As it so happened she was an alumna of Hunter College in New York, while I was an alumnus of Baruch College. Both colleges were part of CUNY.

When I came to Jordan in 1973, it didn't take long for the powers that be to decide that the F/A's needed new uniforms. A search for a designer ensued and she was found in the person of Papou Lahoud from Beirut.

She designed the female and male uniforms, along with accessories, which then had to be presented to the Queen and the upper management of the Royal Jordanian Airline for final approval. But Ms. Lahoud had arrived from Beirut with only a female model.

So then it was decided that I would have to be the male model. But I found the whole idea rather funny since I had never modeled before and now here I was to model before the Queen! I thought the entire production so hilarious especially since we had both been alumnae of the same University. I had great difficulty behaving myself and in trying not to burst out laughing. Her Majesty took notice and she herself seemed quite amused. A photo session followed with the chairman, the designer, the model and me.

Upon noticing my continued bemusement, the Queen laughed and then placed herself in the center of the photograph for which she posed with us. Pictures are attached.

The uniforms had received Her Majesty's final approval. But thus had begun— and ended— my very brief modeling career

Cees





Cees With Queen Alia (Her Highness is Centre in both photos)



Scroll Down for photos of our latest gathering

Valentine Party at Marilyn's

























The Auction Items