

MOTOWN CHAPTER NEWS-MOT



Most of our members were snow bound all winter and therefore, we did not have any meetings. We have a luncheon coming up on May 22 and are hoping for warm weather and perhaps eating at an outside patio.

We were able to send six members from our chapter, to the convention in Alexandria. They were **Madge Humphrey/Kelley McGoorty**, **Dorothy Gomolak Nouhan**, **Donna Smith Erickson**, **Janet Lilja** and delegates, **Joan Lamborn** and myself, **Kathie Richards Laper**. It was a great convention and we send kudos to the DCA chapter for a job VERY well done! I think it's probably safe to say, however, that most of us find little to fault at any of our conventions. Always a good time and always fun to see so many happy faces!



ABOVE AT GALA DINNER: Donna *Smith* Erickson, Madge *Humphrey*/Kelley McGoorty, Dorothy *Gomolak* Nouhan, Janet Lilja

Personal news from members are as follows:

KRIS KARG ERICSON-DIBBLE—So sorry to have missed the 60th Reunion Convention. From all of "my contacts" that attended, the consensus was outstanding! Would we expect anything less from our wonderful DCA chapter? A very long, cold winter here in Michigan, but now the tulips are out, farmers' markets have opened, and doors, walls and windows are open. Didn't know if we would see

a Spring after breaking 100+ plus year records for snow and cold temps. I did "escape" for a two week respite in FL with gal pals, and enjoyed every minute of it!

MADGE HUMPHREY/KELLEY McGOORTY-Congrats to DCA Chapter for putting on a great convention! I loved the DVD and it brought back a lot of fun memories. It was wonderful seeing old Silverliner friends and I was excited to meet our new members. Since getting back I have been busy working on my High School Class Reunion. It can be quite a job tracking down people after ten years!!! Also busy planning my summer getaway. Remember the old saying: It's better to wear out than rust out.....keep busy!

JANET LILJA-My new business, Airbnb.com (renting out rooms) that I recently started, is thriving. Anyone who wants to visit Boulder should get in touch. Probably more fun, however, is that I will be sailing around Italy for two weeks in October. I have friends with a three cabin sailboat. Looking forward to that.

DONNA SMITH ERICKSON-I have been living in Myrtle Beach now for the last five months and am enjoying it very much. My brother and mother are visiting now and expecting my husbands brother and sister-in-law the end of the month. We have great neighbors and am hopeful that if any of you are around our area that you will stop for a visit. My daughter has an internship with Hyatt Hotel in Seattle for the summer and then one more semester before she graduates from Michigan State. I hope she will have a job offering when she graduates. I will be flying out to help her get settled. Looking forward to a river cruise out of Paris to Normandy this summer. Also, a wedding in Traverse City, MI, in June. It will be a busy summer and I'm looking forward to it. Really enjoyed the convention in Alexandria. It was a huge success.

JOAN LAMBORN-I am expecting a litter of puppies from my two Yorkie champions this summer. Looking forward to being at home on maternity leave with the pups and hanging out by the pool. I have a trip planned to Hawaii in November.

DOROTHY GOMOLAK NOUHAN-What a wonderful trip I had! Before the DCA convention, I spent four days in Annapolis, MD, with my God Daughter and her family. Some of you will remember Brae De Pol from Annapolis convention. She flew for US Air and Don is a Capt. with American Air Lines. Her mother, Marty Hillis Lockwood was my room mate and her sister Pam flew for Eastern also. They live near Pinehurst, NC in case someone else is in the area for a potential chapter. Then on to our convention. It was so great being with all of you, especially those we haven't seen in much too long a time: **Karen Ety Weston/CCC-4**, **Carol Corbett Comerford/CCC-4**, **Kathy Hornyak Lawrence/CCC-2** and **Eleanor Johnson Skipsey/SAN**. **Willie Podesta Young/OMA** we missed you!

I was sincerely moved by my Barbara Blume Award. All I have helped to accomplish during my 41 years as a Silverliner was done out of love and respect for my Motown Chapter and all the rest of you amazing women. The happiness our organization has brought to others, especially children, was reward enough, but I was deeply honored and I thank you all many times over.

KATHIE RICHARDS LAPER- I was fortunate to be able to winter in Hobe Sound, FL again this year and was thrilled to miss out on that horrendous winter in the north. After four years of renting in this area, we bought a nice little 2 bed/bath villa in a golf community and will be official snowbirds, come this Sept. - Apr. We are planning a trip to Pinehurst for the U.S. Open in June, where we will stay at our son-in-laws parents place, with our daughter and the blended family for 10 days.



I didn't get any news from our other three members, but I know that **SHERRY WINKLER SHEILDS** broke and shattered her arm/wrist, around the Christmas holidays, had surgery and is still trying to mend. Our dear sweet, **LORRAINE SEMRAY SCHULTZ**, lost her son, suddenly, last month. They lived together and took care of each other. It is a tremendous loss for her. And last but not least, **MARY SNORTON** stayed busy this winter, sewing, refinishing furniture and decorating her darling little apartment. She has taken on a part time position with a fabric store in the area, sewing and making things.

Submitted by: Kathie Richards Laper



AT THE EAL TERMINAL RECEPTION 2014 CONVENTION, L to R:

Joan Lamborn, Kathie Richards Laper, Dorothy Gomolak Nouhan, Donna Smith Erickson and Janet Lilja