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FROM PEACHES TO PEAKS

DENVER – HERE COMES THE WING



What a Peach of a Time we had in Atlanta! Starting with laughs in our Hospitality Room, our lively Welcome Reception where we proudly posed with our red bags compliments of the Georgia Peanut Commission hoping to be featured on their website, to being enthralled by dolphins and whale sharks at the fabulous Georgia Aquarium, taking care of our Annual Wing Business at



Mary Mac’s Tea Room and a thoughtful stroll through the historic Oakland Cemetery to learn some Atlanta history.



Greetings Wing Family!

Our time in Atlanta may be behind us, but it’s far from forgotten. Now we turn our sights west to Denver. Get ready for another amazing ride!

First and foremost, a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make our Atlanta adventure so amazing. Special thanks to Jackie Bohnker, our outgoing Wing President. Thank you so much for serving as The Wing president twice! It’s a Wing first. Jackie, thank you for passing the gavel to me and being a support as I take on the role as Wing President for this next year.



Our Atlanta Arrangement / Tours / Hospitality team really knocked it out of the park this year. **Michele Garber**, coordinated all the Arrangements. She worked with the hotel to make sure the Hospitality Room and Welcome Reception had the right amount of tables and chairs, plenty of sweet tea, lemonade and coffee. We loved the sweet and savory fare at the Welcome Reception.



Jen Faulkner and Gay Lynn Barson showed us what true southern hospitality is. Jen designed the centerpieces with elements from Georgia. Complete with granite, magnolias, cotton, and dogwood branches. Gay Lynn brought special aerospace themed table toppers making perfect centerpiece mats. Gay Lynn’s husband,

John Barson, also used his connections with the Georgia Peanut Commission for wonderful cans of butter toffee George peanuts, snack size packets of Georgia peanuts and of course, the red Georgia Peanut Commission bags that added the perfect touch to the décor.





The Georgia Aquarium – Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Guess who arranged the bus for our group, the tour to the Georgia Aquarium and got us reserved seating for the dolphin show? You guessed it! Michele Garber, our Arrangements Chair.

We weren't allowed to take pictures or videos during the dolphin show, due to Aquarium regulations. Here's a cool fact. We had a couple of extra tickets due to some Winglets not able to attend the Aquarium. After we were all accounted for and safely inside the Aquarium, Michele (who was the keeper of the tickets) found a father and son in line and gave them our tickets. Here's the coolest part. They were both chosen to be the audience participants with the dolphin trainers and became part of the show!





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Annual Wing Business Meeting and Luncheon Mary Mac's Tea Room – Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Many thanks to **Debbie Tripp, Liz Walker and Jackie Bohnker** for being the advance team at Mary Mac's. Jackie provided the centerpieces, Debbie Tripp put together the program, and Liz Walker pulled everything together. Oh, and did we need to mention **Michele Garber** got us on the bus and worked out the contract with Mary Mac's catering office?





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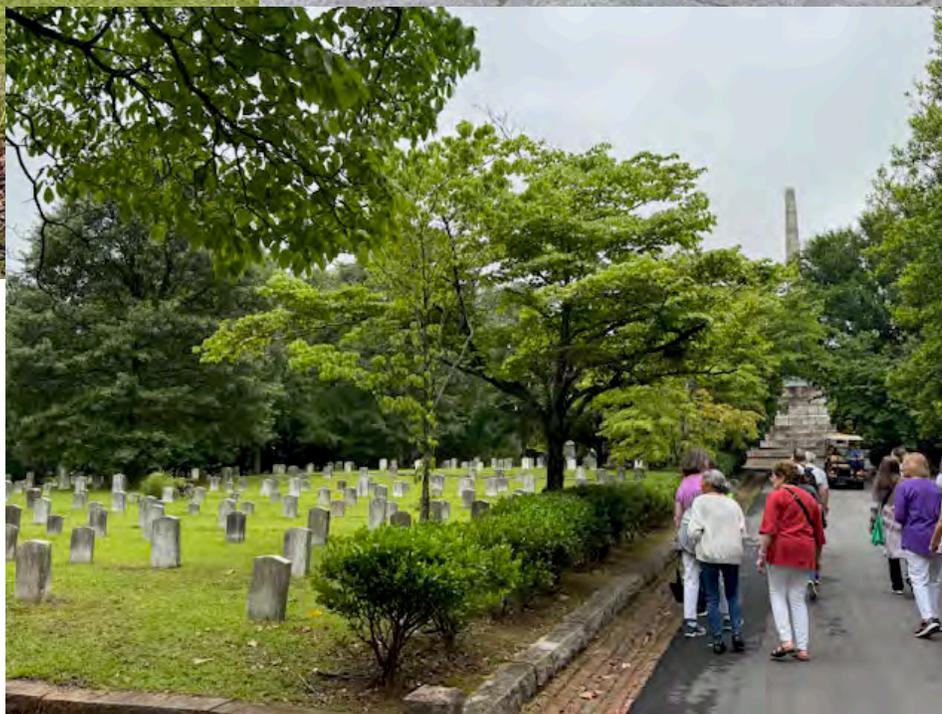
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Historic Oakland Cemetery Tour Thursday, June 5, 2025

Terry Crane, Deputy Treasurer and Tours Committee, deserves a special thank you, as well. Terry arranged for this beautiful tour. Terry was there every step of the way for the planning and execution of our wonderful Atlanta meeting. Terry worked closely with **Brenda Clinton**, Wing Treasurer. Brenda had to cancel her trip to Atlanta. She became gravely ill a couple days before time to travel. Brenda has also been involved every step of the way, paying all The Wing's bills and keeping all our accounting straight.



Above is where famous Atlanta author, Margaret Mitchell, is laid to rest. Interesting how many Wing members have actually read the book, "Gone with the Wind," from cover to cover. Most have seen the movie. We shared stories of where each of us were in our lives when we were thinking about being Scarlett O'Hara of days gone by.





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It's hard to say goodbye to Atlanta, we have so many wonderful Wing Memories.

Special thanks also go to **Abby Elliott, Registration Chair**, who worked tirelessly on all our Advanced Registration packets! Registration went very smoothly, thanks to Abby. She never left Registration! And, thankfully no one got lost or left out who registered. I hope you're still using your little peach stress balls that Abby gave to everyone. **Debbie Tripp, Julia Elliot and Liz Walker** also worked behind the scenes at Registration along with **Membership Chair, Yalonda Silberman**.

Last, but by no means least, I'd like to give my gratitude to The Wing's Atlanta **Honorary President, Dale Orford**. Dale helped with everything from the site visit to ideas for the Mary Mac's menu. Dale has been a valuable asset to The Wing! Thank you for everything, Dale!

Our congratulations go to Dr. Bob Orford, for his amazing year as the President of AsMA. His leadership has put AsMA on a straight path to greatness.



Menu

Grand Taste of the South Buffet

- Fried Chicken
- Pan Fried Cube Stead w/brown onion gravy
- Meatloaf w/red sauce
- Chicken & Dumplings
- Fried Green Tomatoes
- Green Beans (vegetarian)
- Mac & Cheese
- Potato Salad
- Whipped Mashed Potatoes
- Tomato Pie
- Peach Cobbler
- Banana Pudding
- Assorted Breads
- Sweet Tea, Unsweet Tea, Water



I look forward to an exciting year as we start planning for Denver! I can guarantee, The Wing has never done what we're getting ready to do ... so stay tuned!

All the best,

Lisa

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