## The ASC Archives

## Andrews Spouses' Club - Friendship, Fun and Philanthropy

What a great start to the new ASC. We have more than doubled our membership in the past 2 months, and are excited to continue that trend. This club is meant to be a source of, Friendship, Fun and Philanthropy.... We are already hearing stories of spouses new to Andrews that have made fast friends at ASC events.

The *fun* goes without saying. From the Harvest Tea, to Creativity Club, and Movie Madness there is fun to be had by all.

Our Cookie Drive for the young service members in the dorm has just kicked off and we encourage our members to get baking and freezing those cookies for Dec. delivery.

The ASC is meant to be a reflection of our members. Let us hear from you.



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Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving."

~ W.T. Purkiser

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## Open Board Positions

We are looking to fill 2 last board positions. General Treasurer and Parliamentarian. We will need a new Programs Chair soon, and if you are interested in being a co-chair for Publicity or Programs we'd like to hear from you. Contact Cathy at ascpresident1415@gmail.com



Répondez, s'il vous plaît

"R.S.V.P. stands for a French phrase, "répondez, s'il vous plaît," which means "please reply." The person sending the invitation would like you to tell him or her whether you accept or decline the invitation. "

Why are we reminding you of this? No not because we are etiquette police, © but because when the ASC has an event we must let the venue know ahead of time what type of attendance we are expecting. If we are short on RSVP's they may not be prepared. If we have too many RSVP's the ASC must still pay for the absent attendee.

This is not to say that on occasion we can't handle a last minute cancellation or attendee, we are just trying to make sure everyone is informed of why we may sometimes require payment even for a missed event. We appreciate your understanding on this important matter... Mercí Beaucoup

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## An optimist is a person who starts a new diet on Thanksgiving Day.



#### Did you know?

# "Abraham Lincoln Declares an Annual National Day of Thanksgiving?"...Read the

**newspapers in 1863** We all know the story of the feast held in the autumn of 1621 by the Pilgrims and Wampanoag to celebrate the colony's first successful harvest as the First Thanksgiving. However, it was not until 1863 after a decisive battle against the Confederacy at Gettysburg that Lincoln would declare that the fourth Thursday of every November thereafter would be considered an official U.S. holiday of Thanksgiving.

George Washington had proposed such an event in 1789 but did not decide on a specific day. So the dates shifted.

Between 1815 and 1863 there was no Thanksgiving Proclamation made by US Presidents until Lincoln declared his proclamation on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 1863.

In 1939,PresidentFranklin D Roosevelt, hoping to boost the economy by providing shoppers and merchants a few extra days to conduct business between the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, moved Thanksgiving to November's third Thursday. (Ha, now we know it WAS a conspiracy to get more money ©)

In 1941, however, Roosevelt bowed to Congress' insistence that the fourth Thursday of November be reset permanently, without alteration, as the official Thanksqiving holiday.

And there you have it....

## Thanksgiving's other favorite Pie

#### - Apple Crumble.

We are lucky to live in an area that has a multitude of Apple Farms. Run out and pick a bushel...or stop at the commissary. ©

Be sure not to over mix the topping. You want to see big crumbles on the pie even after it comes out of the over.

#### Apple Pie Crumble

- · One pre-made pie shell
- Eight apples peeled and sliced (Granny smith works well)
- ¼ cup sugar
- One teaspoon cinnamon
- · One cup flour
- · One cup sugar
- One teaspoon baking powder
- · Pinch of salt
- One egg, beaten
- One cup unsalted butter, melted

#### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

In a large bowl add the cinnamon and sugar to the apples. Mix well then spoon into the pie shell. In a separate bowl, mix the flour, salt, sugar and baking powder, mix well and sift. Add the egg into the flour mixture and mix until large lumps form. Spread the mixture over the apples, being careful not to crush the lumps.

Pour melted butter over the crumbs.

Bake for one hour.

Serve warm.

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#### THESE ARE A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE THINGS...

We'll start this one with a fun winter thing to do...ice-skating. Have you ever been wandering around the museums downtown and needed a break from another artifact? How about ice-skating at the National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden? Its a bit tucked away and most people don't even know its there, but if you want a wonderful day out with the family, skating at the Sculptures Garden is so much fun. Even if you don't ice skate, you



can take lessons or just grab some cocoa and snacks at the café and sit and people watch for a little while. ~ Another reason to love this city. ©

If you don't want to go to the heart of DC there are 2 other skating rinks that become fall/winter play zones in our area. The Washington Harbor Skating Rink in Georgetown is a little busy in the weekends but still a great time. It is the largest rink in our area and larger than the rink at Rockefeller Center in NY.

If you want to avoid crowds, head over to <u>Canal Park</u> in southeast DC. It is fairly new, and in the fall/winter the area around the water sculpture transforms into a beautiful calm rink of ice.

All of these rinks offer lessons and skate rentals. They are in the \$8.00-\$10.00 range for admission rates. Only the National Sculpture Garden does not off a military discount. Enjoy

## **Christmas Caroling and Baking Group**

Fa, la, la, la, la, ...this is an awesome opportunity to join your fellow ASC members in some holiday baking, and bring some holiday cheer by getting out and doing some good old-fashioned Christmas

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See the website flyer in "Special Interests" for further details. Or email Karen S.

kaza015@gmail.com



Be sure to check the Website and Facebook pages for latest updates and info on upcoming events.



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# LIVE ART AUCTION

And Special Silent Auction

The Courses, 4442 S. Perimeter Rd., Joint Base Andrews Saturday, November 22, 2014

2:00 p.m. Signin & preview live auction art and silent auction items (Complimentary light appetizers served, additional food & beverages available from The Courses)

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Art Talk & seating for auction

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Live Auction, first half

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Intermission & final bids for silent auction

4:45 - 6:00 p.m. Live Auction, second half

Free Admission, no children under 12 please
For more information contact Karen Sonza at kaza015@gmail.com

Special 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Offer: Sunday, 23 Nov, 7:00 – 11:00 a.m.

\*Come back for another viewing of available art, and a second chance to purchase your favorites. \*Breakfast available at own expense from The Courses.



Annual Calendar of Upcoming Events and Activities:

#### November

<u>Sat 1<sup>st</sup></u> Member +1 at the Courses featuring a comedy improvisation group, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (For members and their guests and (couples will pay for dinner)

Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> Movie Madness & International Club

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> -Creativity Club - Meet at Liberty Park at 1100 to make awesome Lighted Christmas Boxes!

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Art Auction Fundraiser, The Courses at Andrews

#### Dacamban

Fri. Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Lunch Bunch @Killarney's with a stopover at Homestead Gardens to see the holiday displays.

Tue 9th, Christmas Around the World luncheon at the Courses, 10:30 - 12:30 p.m.

Date TBD POSSIBLE White House Holiday Tour special event, time TBD (awaiting notification)

Wed 17th Andrews Cookie Caper (homemade cookies for dorm residents - base event/ASC sponsored

Date TBD Base Caroling and Bake Sale Fundraiser, for details email with Karen S. @kaza015@gmail.com

#### January

<u>Tue 13<sup>th</sup></u> Thrift Shop Fashion Show and Image Consultant at the Courses, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (members will pay for lunch <u>Sun 25<sup>th</sup></u> Theater special afternoon outing: Performance of Dixie Swim Club by the Port Tobacco Players, 3:00 p.m. (costs TBD)

#### February

Tue 10th Couple or Member+1 Murder Mystery Dinner, Mama Stella's time and costs TBD

<u>March Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Luck O'</u> the Irish, St. Patty's Day celebration at the Courses, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., featuring Irish dancers and the USAF Band Bagpiper (members pay for lunch)

## November ASC Thrift Shop News

- The thrift shop will start taking Christmas consignments this Saturday Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Santa will be at the thrift shop on Dec. 6th!
- The fee for Consignment Contracts has increased from .50 cents to \$1.00 as of Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Contracts and Operationg Procedures can be downloaded at our new ASC website at <a href="www.andrewsspousesclub.org">www.andrewsspousesclub.org</a> under the "Thrift Shop" tab.
- Donations, consignments and volunteers are always needed and welcomed!

Find us on facebook at "ASC Thrift Shop"

Please "LIKE" and "SHARE"



April G. Nov 1st Tammy T. Nov 20th

Erika S. Nov 2nd Alexandra H. Nov 24th

Ann B. Nov 9th Marie Hotaling Nov 24th

Laura L. Nov 10th Holly M. Nov25th

Maria S. Nov 19th Muriel O. Nov 30th

Denise G. Nov 20th

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