

CHEYENNE SCENE

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Dr. Boone Croons Christmas Tunes for the Troops

If you've never met Dr. Pat Boone you need to put it on your "Bucket List" of things to do before you die because you're in for an extraordinary experience.

She is the owner of Dr. Patricia M. Boone LLC, which offers a variety of services based on her Doctorate Degree in Counseling and her experience as a Hospital Chaplain and Counselor. She is a Certified Mediator in General Business and Real Estate. She is a speaker, announcer, songwriter and artist.

She's been a teacher, an accountant, a model at the Dallas Merchandise Mart, a flight attendant and has completed pilot ground school. She was appointed by our city council to the Colorado Springs Airport Advisory Commission and is the only woman on that council. She presently serves as Vice-Chair of the El Paso County Board of Adjustment. In other words, she's a fireball of energy and talent!

The first time I met her, I immediately noticed her warm and sincere personality, making me feel so comfortable, that it felt as if we'd been friends for a long time. I'm not the only one who thinks so, as I heard similar remarks from others while attending her 65th birthday on September 18th at the North

Star Studios. She requested no presents or birthday cake but invited friends and community leaders to support her efforts and to sing in the chorus of

session, participants enjoyed decadent old-fashioned root beer floats!

Dr. Boone gave guests bandanas and wristbands plus postcards to send a personal message to our soldiers, all donated by Jack Daniels of Lynchburg, Tennessee, as a part of their "Toast to the Troops" program with the USO. Boone, a Tennessee



Greeting guests at the door for Dr. Pat Boone's recording session were Jane Elliott and her husband Col. Bob Elliott, AF, Retired.



Visiting before the Tennessee Bar-B-Que were, (l to r), Capt. George Sugars, USN, Retired, Dr. Pat Boone, Leigh Hanchett, the seamstress who made Dr. Boone's western outfit for the event, and Casey Koester, who drew the cartoons on the name badges for the recording party and the cartoons and illustrations for the three books Dr. Boone has written.

her third annual Christmas CD titled, "That's How I'm Spending Christmas," given away free, to honor our troops.

Dignitaries who sent their regrets to this event, but applauded her sincere efforts for our troops, were President and Mrs. Obama, Congressman Doug Lamborn, Gen. Renuart - Commander, NORAD and Northcom, Gen. Kehler - Commander, Air Force Space Command, and Gen. Story - Deputy Commander, US Army Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command.

After feasting on a very delicious Tennessee Bar-B-Que dinner, catered by Garden of the Gods Gourmet, guests had fun recording the chorus of the new 2009 Christmas song to be released this October. Debbie Wyman, of Sweet Reflections Photography, placed singers in a Christmas tree formation, which will adorn the front cover of the new CD. Wrapping up the

native also recognized both Nashville's country music and Memphis' Elvis Presley's Rock-n-roll styles in her new Christmas song.

During this fun and meaningful event many echoed the same sentiments about Pat, "It's the most wonderful thing you can give another human being and that is to give of yourself like Pat does."

You can enjoy listening to the 2009 Christmas CD, written, recorded and given away free by Dr. Boone, by visiting www.redwhiteandblue.com. The new CD also includes the songs from 2007 and 2008.

Butterflies & Friends

With a beautiful September 19th evening already in place, the grassy area of the Briarhurst Manor in Manitou Springs was dotted with 30 phenomenal butterflies decorated by our area's talented artisans. Inside, a 31st butterfly adorned the event room, ready to become the prize for someone lucky enough to be