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Member Corner: Judy Crim



Misty Fields:

How does one move on from a lifetime career in the CIA? Continue to live a secret life and have a secret identity, all the while telling people they are “retired”? Start your own undercover investigations of your friends and family, just for fun? Hide away and become a recluse, trying to uncover all the conspiracy theories in America and expose those causing trouble? NO! Not according to Judy Crim. You play golf, bowl, go kayaking, visit your

grandkids in Germany, take up quilting, and shoot pool..... There are a lot of myths, legends and misconceptions that surround a CIA agent and these may or may not be true of Judy, she really couldn't tell me much about her career in the CIA other than she was in forgeries and photos. What she could tell me was that she loved her career and she had some of the greatest experiences of her life.

Judy was born into a military family; her dad was in the Air Force. They were a family that moved around a lot. Usually this is a very difficult time for a young child, but Judy had twin sister, so no matter where she went she already had a best friend to make the first day of school less terrifying. After graduating from high school, Judy attended LA Tech where she graduated with a degree in Interior Design. On a side note:

Judy graduated with Terry Bradshaw and they went on a couple of double dates. After graduation Judy found jobs and her ability to really sell the interior design business not so good. She was living in Miami after her graduation and the culture of interior design in the mid '70's was to upsell everything to rich, little old ladies, Judy didn't have the heart to sell something to someone that didn't need it. So she was forced to fall back on her typing skills to find a job. In 1975 Judy met her husband at a party and 44 years later they are still going strong, doing life together. The 80's got really busy and exciting for Judy and her family. Her husband was already in the CIA, Judy was working for NCIS and they were living in Japan. While Judy was in Japan she decided to go back to school and pursue a degree in Asian Studies. She enrolled in a Study Tours program

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that allowed her to travel as part of her degree. She went to place like Russia and Indonesia. During this time she also decided to begin a career with the CIA. Judy and her husband really enjoyed the culture and lifestyle of the Japanese people so much that they did two tours in Japan. While in Japan Judy and her husband John has the opportunity to climb Mt. Fuji. At first Judy wasn't really thrilled about the opportunity because she knew, as a former smoker; she would be sucking wind the entire time. But she said that when they got to the top and she saw the sun rise, it was totally worth all the effort, wind sucking moments she had to endure to get there, it was a once in a lifetime view.

In 1991 the Crims left Japan with their two children and returned to their home in Centerville. Life continued as normal, or as normal as possible for two CIA agents, until Judy and her husband retired and decided to leave Centerville for something quieter. In their search for a retirement location, they had two requirements: Judy wanted a lake to kaki on and John wanted at least 8 acres. They found a wonderful location in Frederick Co, called, Lake Isaac.

Judy has been a member of Rock Harbor since she moved to Winchester 4 years ago. She loves everything about the place and the people. Judy is activity involved in many of the member's events and leagues. She has only one piece of advice for the owner/builder of the course: Moving the holes away from the water- this is her one request. Judy said her least favorite hole is Boulder #10, she feels it's too long and it has water, she doesn't like the water. She is also not fond of the bunkers. If they could be removed that would be great also. Her favorite hole is Boulder #3 because it is doable, if done correctly, she says. She also wanted to give honorable mention to Rock #3 because the first time she played the hole she got an Eagle, it was a fond memory.

I think we may be hard pressed to find someone who does not know Judy Crim, because of her outgoing and social character, but maybe you learned something new about her. If you don't know her it won't take long to get to know her. Sit down and have a cup of coffee and you will learn a lot.