

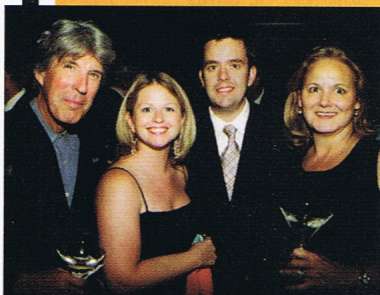
★ SCENE ★



The United Way's Summer Fellows chow on pre-game fare.

"I'VE NEVER EATEN ANYTHING THAT LOOKED LIKE THIS."

GEORGIA PUBLIC BROADCASTING'S HAMILTON NORTHCUTT, JUDGING THE CHIHULY CONFECTION CONTEST



Honoring Pano: Bill Johnson, LaDana Latham, Oliver Carter and Jeanne Dufour

"WITHOUT PANO, MY CAREER WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT LESS INTERESTING."

ATLANTA MAGAZINE RESTAURANT CRITIC CHRISTIANE LAUTERBACH



The Karatassos family (L-R): Pano I. Karatassos, Anne Symbas, Pano Karatassos, Georgia Karatassos and Niko Karatassos

TASTING AND JUDGMENT

Not every summer internship ends with lower-level seats at a Falcons game and the chance to meet a celebrity, but 110 students in the **United Way's Summer Youth Fellows Program** did just that, thanks to the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation. Pre-game, the teens, who completed paid internships with various nonprofits including Zoo Atlanta and the Atlanta Police Foundation, celebrated with tailgating fare as Blank and special guest Judge Glenda Hatchett spoke. The former Fulton County Juvenile Court Judge-turned-TV judge exhorted students in her no-nonsense manner to go for their dreams, calling anyone who gets in their way "no-good and trifling." ★ The phrase "edible art" came to life at the Atlanta Botanical Garden's **Chihuly Confection Contest** as local pastry chefs went apron-to-apron in the contest inspired by the "Chihuly in the Garden" exhibition. The colorful entries, made entirely of spun sugar, looked more like sculptures than anything edible. The stiff competition made it tough for the judges, including *Atlanta Magazine's* own Jennifer Green, the *AJC's* Catherine Fox, Georgia Public Broadcasting's Hamilton Northcutt and Ron Wolf of the Georgia Restaurant Council. Ultimately, Nikolai's Roof Pastry Chef Motokazu Motoyoshi prevailed with his replica of Chihuly's Howell Fountain Tower Installation. ★ More than 100 family and friends gathered for a surprise celebration honoring Atlanta restaurant guru **Pano Karatassos'** 25th year in Atlanta's dining scene. Buckhead Coalition President and longtime friend Sam Massell said that, without Pano, Atlanta would be like "a tuxedo without cufflinks." ★



The winning entry, a replica of Chihuly's Howell Fountain Installation

"WE HANDED OUT COPIES TO ALL OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS; THEY'LL BE TESTED ON IT."

FALCONS OWNER ARTHUR BLANK ON GLENDA HATCHETT'S BOOK, SAY WHAT YOU MEAN AND MEAN WHAT YOU SAY

"THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE A 'CLIMB EVERY MOUNTAIN' KIND OF SPEECH. . . . I REALIZE I'M STANDING BETWEEN YOU AND THE FALCONS."

JUDGE GLENDA HATCHETT, AS SHE BEGAN HER KEYNOTE ADDRESS TO THE UNITED WAY'S SUMMER FELLOWS



Winning pastry chef Motokazu Motoyoshi (center), with Nikolai's Roof's Antonio Alberto (left) and Johannes Klapdohr



Judge Glenda Hatchett and Arthur Blank at the United Way celebration

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