

Carla Thurston

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- ♦ Over six years of responsible management in the civilian/military sectors.
- ♦ Two years of business ownership: Developed concept, business plan and strategy.
- ♦ Excellent communication, presentation, and mentoring skills.
- ♦ Ability to make decisions under pressure, along with outstanding negotiation skills
- ♦ Works well with diverse groups and is a proven consensus builder.
- ♦ Honest, hard-working, dependable and presents a professional appearance.
- ♦ Team Leader, capable of multi-tasking, quick learner, self-starter, and results oriented.
- ♦ Recipient of the Navy Achievement and Good Conduct medals.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

River Ranch Stockyards, Fort Worth, Texas

2016-Oct 2017

Sous Chef

- * Catered unique events (up to 4000 guests weekly)
- * Standardized menu recipe development for in-house recipe book
- * Menu development for special events
- * Supervised up to 12 kitchen staff in varying positions

Shady Valley Country Club (Club Corp), Arlington, Texas

Oct-Apr 2016

- * Line Cook: Successfully executed all menu items on grill, sauté and fry stations
- * Prepared from-scratch theme night buffet items for club members

Mod Bakehouse, LLC, Fort Worth, Texas

2014 - 2016

Owner/Business Strategist

- * Created business plan and developed concept
- * Created business strategies: menu design, customer/vendor relations, marketing events
- * Hands on approach with production: recipe development, packaging, delivery

Winslow's Wine Cafe, Fort Worth, Texas

2014 - 2016

Garde Manger

- * Prepared cold food, holiday action stations, brunch cook, pizza cook

Strategic Technology Institute, inc (STi, inc), Fort Worth, Texas

2008 - 2013

Engineering Support Personnel, inc (ESP, inc), Fort Worth, Texas

2006 - 2008

Command Aircraft Crew Training Scheduler- Civilian Contractor for both companies

- Managed a multi-million dollar aviation simulator training program
- Scheduled over 730 Navy personnel for Aviation Maintenance and Aircrew simulator instruction and aircrew certification
- Scheduled over 160 Marine Corps personnel for C-130 simulator training and qualification
- Maintained 7 different aircraft training pipelines and training platforms

- Established Fiscal Year projections for each type aircraft platform
- Customer Service Representative for the Navy and Marine Corps Reserves in coordinating with civilian aviation training contractors to ensure contract deliverables obligations were being maintained
- Documented the progress and approved course completion in the CETARS (Corporate enterprise and Training Activity Resource System) database. [Enrollment and Graduation database for all students who complete training]

UNITED STATES NAVY, Fort Worth, Texas

2001 - 2006

***Petty Officer Third Class, E4* 2003 – 2006**

- * Scheduled aircraft and crew members for flights
- * Maintained flight hour tracking database
- * Created and Maintained vital aircraft Weight and Balance records
- * Awarded Navy Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal and received Hard Charger Award

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin- Center for Professional Development October 2018
Coding Boot Camp

The International Culinary School at The Art Institute of Dallas June 2016
Associate of Applied Science- Restaurant & Catering Management

The Culinary School of Fort Worth December 2014
Certificate, Gastronomy & Kitchen Management

University of Phoenix, Arlington, TX March 2014
Masters of Business Administration
 3.55 GPA

Johnson State College, Johnson, VT May 2000
Bachelor of Arts Anthropology and Sociology