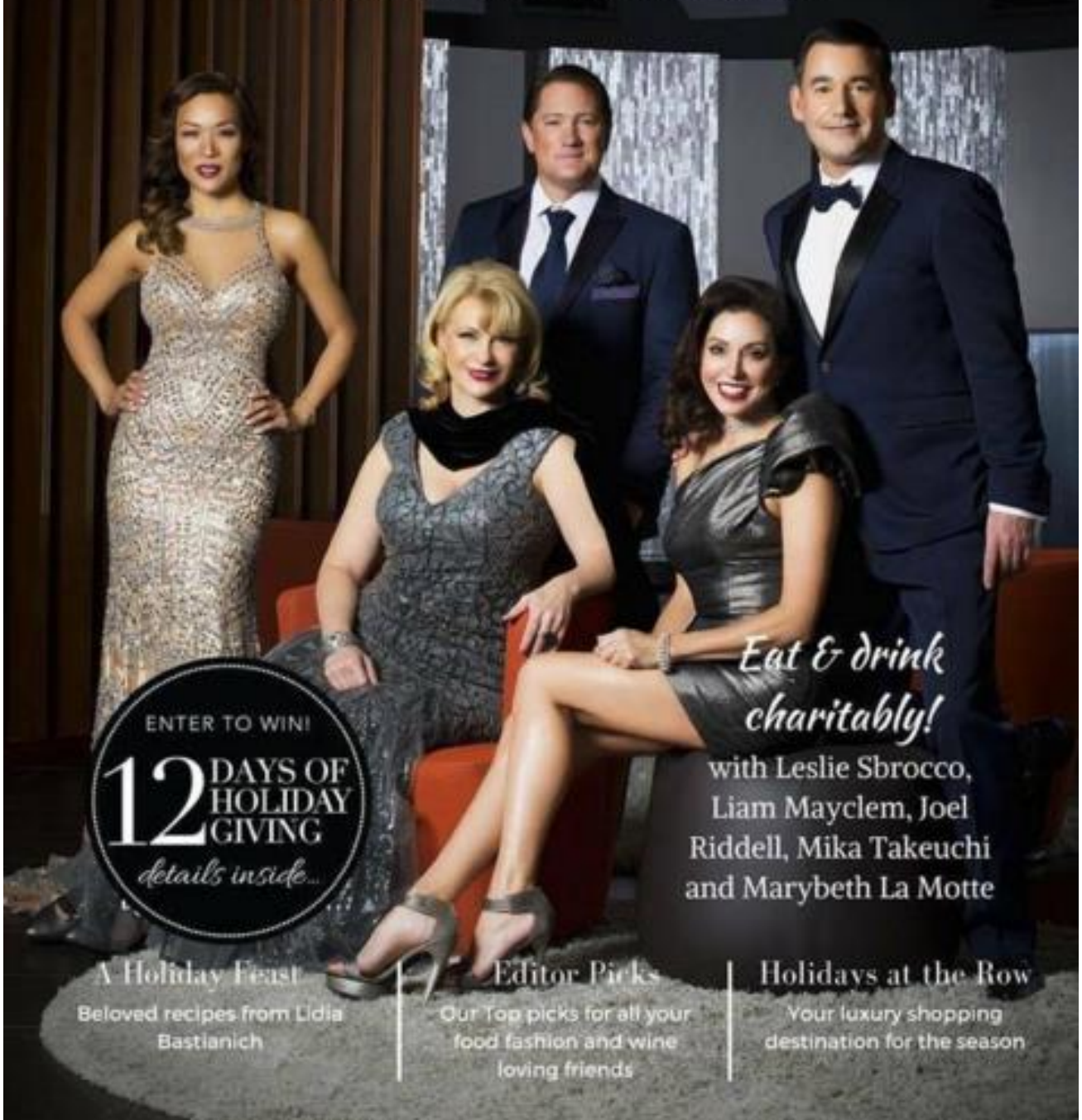


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WHAT THE HOLIDAYS MEAN TO ME

by Kaye Cloutman

When the air brings faint scents of pine and cinnamon and the kitchen is replete with the aromas of my husband's cooking and abuzz with my children's happy chatter; my heart fills up with delight. Either Charlie Brown or George Bailey is on TV, a welcome reminder to what this season is all about and it's definitely the time of the year for merry-making with my loved ones. I mean, how perfect can it be? We start with gratitude and end with a hopeful, positive outlook for the year ahead.

During Thanksgiving weekend, my family sets aside time to unplug from all our gadgets and bring out the Christmas tree. A sense of nostalgia envelopes everyone as we open boxes of Christmas tree ornaments which includes old handmade holiday school projects of the children from the past year, and gratitude sets in.

There are many things I am thankful for this year, too many, in fact, to write down in just this letter. It begins with a healthy heaping of appreciation towards my husband and children who have cheered me on continuously through any career decision I make: my husband especially for his devotion; he has unfortunately been dealt with not only a workaholic wife but also one who is constantly battling various

medical issues yet he proves to be a consistently devoted partner no matter what.

Next is the opportunity to work with amazing people on a daily basis at this magazine. Over the years, they have all really been my family and my main support group. GEV would not be where it is right now without these tireless and amazingly talented individuals. So, togetherness is really what the holidays mean to me—an opportunity to reflect on all the blessings bestowed upon us and once again celebrate the essential things in life.



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