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R enewing? Changing your address?

To find your expiration date, look at the address label on the back cover. It is above your name and with your file number. If, in the address label you have received the notice of impending expiration there really isn't much time to renew. **It is no longer your birthday. It is the date upon which your renewal was last entered into RUAEA database. There is no longer a grace period.**

All renewals and changes of address must be received in the Denver office by the first of the month. All requests must include your name, file number, telephone number and email address if you have one.

The easiest and fastest way to renew is online, follow these steps:

1. Go to ruaea.org
2. On left hand side of homepage, click on "renew membership"
3. Insert your file number, numbers only, no letters
4. Enter your last name
5. Review the information and make sure it is correct
6. There is a box you can write a note which may be printed in the newsletter
7. Also check the circle if the billing address is different than the mailing address

8. Check the newsletter option:
 - a. One year membership - \$35 for online and mailed newsletter
 - b. One year membership - \$30 for online newsletter
 - c. One year membership - \$30 for mailed newsletter
 - d. Contribution
9. Secure checkout
10. Insert credit card information
11. Submit order

If you are only changing your address online:

1. Follow the above procedure.
2. Where you review your address, put in the new address.
3. Make sure to check the circle if the billing address for your credit card is different than the address just inserted
4. Choose contribution, and make a contribution of at least one dollar
5. When prompted, fill in the address to which your credit card bill is sent
6. Submit your order, which is to change your address

If you are renewing and mailing your check by the United States Post Office:

1. Allow plenty of time for it to reach the office by the first of the month
2. Make sure to put your file number on the check
3. Include your name and your telephone number so we can contact you if necessary

If you are changing your address and mailing the information by the United States Post Office:

1. Allow plenty of time for it to reach the office by the first of the month.
2. Make sure to put your name, file number and telephone number in your letter
3. Put your old address and your new address
4. If you are a Snowbird, you must change your address with us each time you move. We have no ability to remember to change to a previous address. ■

GENERAL NEWS

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Update from Bill Corbett, VP Conventions



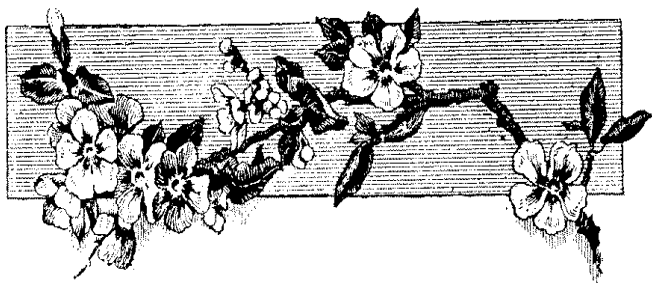
On Wednesday morning July 10th at 11am, I was walking across our kitchen when I felt very dizzy and then lights out and I hit the floor very hard on my back. I blacked out and did not know how long I was down. I got up and went to bed to lay down. Around 4

pm, we went across the street to drop off something; I was walking about 25 yards and I felt I was going down once again as I was feeling light headed. But 4 people saw something was very wrong with me and rushed to help me stay up and sat me down.

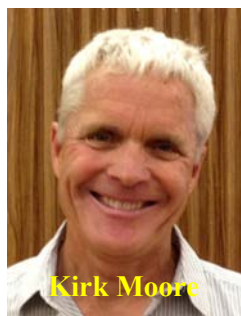
About a ½ hour later, we went home for me to calm down. At 6 pm we were pulling in to an ER 2.5 miles from our house. I got right in and they did about 5 tests on me. Then I was admitted and on Thursday I had an Echo and it was determined that most likely I had a blood clot. But it was not confirmed until 1 pm that afternoon when they ran 2 cats into my lungs from a vein. It was then and only then when it was confirmed 100% that I had 2 massive blood clots on my right lung.

The job of the 2 cats was to blast the blood clots and clear the clots from my entire system. They were completely successful and they had color images that confirmed. Now I have to be on this new medication for the rest of my life called Xarelto. It is supposed to be the best on the market not only for blood clots but also for strokes.

As 2 doctors pointed out that I am very lucky to be alive just now, and they also said I guess it was just not my time. Imagine the shock I have been in thinking about this. I went there not knowing what was exactly wrong with me to being told this. Life style changes. Also I am sure you can imagine what Kathy has gone through, knowing she almost lost her husband. But I am still here and back to trying to be normal.



A message from Kirk Moore RAFA Travel Benefits Committee



It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve as RAFA's Travel Benefits Chairperson for the last 8 years. Keeping myself and fellow retirees informed about Pass Travel, collaborating with the kind and patient employees at the ETC, working with all RAFA council Presidents to get information to you, presenting travel seminars in SFO, LAX,

SEA and representing retiree organizations in Chicago have all been very fulfilling, but now it's time for me to move on. This will be my last Pass Travel Update.

Although many RAFA councils are closing, it's heartening to hear SFO members recently voted to continue; elections of new officers will take place in October. RAFA members from other councils can keep in touch by transferring their membership to SFO. That's one way to stay up with Pass Travel news.

I often forward valuable travel tips from other retirees, specifically Pat Palazzolo at RUPA and Kathie Torgison at RUAEA. So I've gotta say "Thank You", Pat and Kathie!

Retiring now doesn't make me feel too guilty since the latest Pass Travel information is available 24/7 on Flying Together/Travel. The Employee Travel Center has done a great job with the website and both the new employeeRES and the United app are terrific for listing/booking. I highly recommend retirees get comfy with using Flying Together for Pass Travel; if you need help, ask a question at <https://helphub.ual.com> or take a look at the Links page on our website: <https://rafa-cwa.org/page-1831807>.

Happy trails!

From The RUAEA Newsletter Staff - Thank you, Kirk! Your updates have been an invaluable resource for RUAEA members. We are happy you are "retiring", but we will miss your updates. Thank you very much for being such an asset for all of us.

Pass Travel Update - September 4, 2019

1) Traveling to New Zealand? Must get NZeTA!

For arrivals on or after October 1, 2019, all travelers from visa-waiver countries (including the USA) must have a New Zealand electronic Travel Authorization (NZeTA). If you do not have one you will not be boarded on flights to or through New Zealand. Obtain your NZeTA before your trip via the New Zealand Immigration Website (NZ\$12) or by using the NZeTA app

(NZ\$9) from the [app store](#) or [Google Play](#). You must also pay a tourism tax (which doesn't apply if you're just transiting the country) of NZ\$35. The NZeTA is valid for multiple visits up to 2 years and is non-refundable.

<https://ft.ual.com/news/2019/08/19/new-zealand>

2) Mexico travel tips from RUPA ~ Many thanks to Pat Palazzolo and [RUPA](#) for these recommendations on visiting San Miguel de Allende and Mexico City: Click to open/download the September RUPA Pass Travel Report pdf:

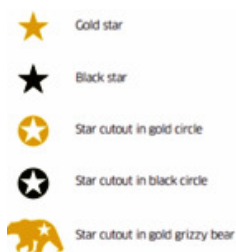
https://rafa-cwa.org/resources/Documents/Pass%20Travel/2019_0901_RUPA_Pass_Travel.pdf

3) Buying standby tickets on Other Airlines ~ Here is a direct link to buy ZED (Zonal Employee Discount) standby tickets on most Other Airlines: [myID-Travel.ual.com](#). Simply log-in with your UAL password and you will be taken directly to myIDTravelPurchase.

Hot tip: When searching for flights on [myID-TravelPurchase](#) the system will only show red faces for passenger loads when "All Airlines (from your GDS)" is selected in the drop-down box. To see a better estimate of your boarding chances, input the individual airline (i.e. Lufthansa) in the box. After filling in flight origin/destination and departure date, the search results will show green, yellow or red faces depending on pax loads.

Note: ZED tickets on some Other Airlines are purchased on the ID90Travel website. Access those via FlyingTogether > Travel > TopHits > "[Other airline interline travel](#)", then select "How do I book with ID90Travel?"

RAFA has a step-by-step guide to Other Airline Travel here: <https://rafa-cwa.org/page-1836104>



4) Important! REAL-ID & Do NOT sell passes ~ REAL-ID. Save the date. Check for the star. Beginning October 1, 2020, every air traveler 18 years of age and older will need a REAL-ID compliant driver's license or another acceptable form of ID to fly within

the United States. REAL ID-compliant cards are generally marked with a star located in the upper portion of the driver's license. If you're not sure, contact your state driver's license agency on how to obtain a REAL ID compliant card. Generally a star indicates it is a REAL ID.

Just remember, when it's time to renew your driver's license, make sure it's REAL-ID compliant. That goes for your pass riders 18 years of age and older too. The TSA has additional information and FAQs at <https://www.tsa.gov/real-id>.

Selling pass travel privileges: not OK ~ We all know travel privileges are fun and exciting, and they're

an important part of the rewards offered to us from United Airlines. As a gentle reminder, your pass travel privileges are intended for use only by you and your own close friends and family members. Sure, you can be reimbursed by your pass riders for any taxes, fees and imputed income for their travel, but charging above that amount is not allowed – and selling pass travel or trading for goods or services isn't either. To help make sure that we can continue to enjoy pass travel, we need everyone to know and stick to the Pass Travel Guidelines: https://ft.ual.com/-/media/ual_intranet/documents/travel/pass_travel_guidelines.pdf?la=en

So, read and understand these guidelines, explain them to your pass riders and always keep them in mind when using your travel privileges. Also, it's very important to be careful and not to share your United ID and Flying Together password with anyone, as they could be used to add pass travelers to your profile and book travel without your knowledge. If you have any questions about the policies, you can contact an Employee Travel team member through Help Hub (<https://helphub.ual.com>).

5) 737 MAX out of schedule until December 19th ~ United expects to cancel 70 flights per day in September and over 90 per day in October, November & December, affecting ~2,500 flights per month. This will impact domestic travel so make sure you have back-up Pass Travel plans in place. <https://ft.ual.com/news/2019/08/30/max-schedule-update>

Meanwhile, United's fourteen 737 Max aircraft are being moved to Phoenix for storage, <https://ft.ual.com/news/2019/08/27/united-to-move-max-aircraft-to-gyr>

6) Have you seen our RAFA website? ~ Check out the Travel Benefits tab here: www.rafa-cwa.org/page-1830854

Read the Pass Travel Program Summary, helpful links, phone numbers & more.

For other Pass Travel Topics: [Previous Travel UPDATES](#).

2019 Family Day showcases employees, core4



The 14th annual Family Day at the San Francisco Maintenance Center will showcase the work United's

employees do at the base and hub, spotlighting their many contributions to United's core4 standards, including the successful startup of our V2500 engine line. As always, the event is expected to attract thousands of employees, family members and friends.

Family Day will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, October 13, the final day of San Francisco's Fleet Week celebration, which includes air shows starring a United widebody airplane. Family Day also features aircraft and shop tours, exhibits and displays, a classic car show, plane pull contests (including qualifying pulls for the company tournament), and Fleet Week airshow performers, the Patriots Jet Team, as well as other military and private aircraft.

The event also features entertainment, food vendors including the United 777 BBQ team, and a special unveiling of United's "Her Art Here" aircraft. Parents please note: because this year's Family Day features the unique skills and talents of San Francisco Maintenance Center employees, the children's play area will be replaced by additional aircraft and maintenance displays. Family Day will still offer lots of activities for kids, including our annual paper airplane contest, a balloon artist, a caricature artist and face painting.

All employees, retirees and their family members and friends are welcome with wristbands, which can be requested in advance and are limited to four per employee/retiree. SFMC and SFO employees will request and obtain their wristbands (starting September 2) through area coordinators. Employees from outside the area, as well as retirees, should submit a request to SF-FamilyDay@united.com no later than September 30. Include the number of wristbands you are requesting, your employee number, department (if active employee), and phone number. Your wristbands will be available at a will-call table on the day of the event.

United is also looking for volunteers who are willing to help out for three-hour shifts. If you are interested in volunteering, check this article on Flying Together. There will be a YourCause link in place. Volunteers will receive a meal voucher and Family Day T-shirt for service. Volunteers from outside the Bay Area are welcome but are responsible for their own travel and accommodations.

MileagePlus miles never expire



United announced that, effective immediately, MileagePlus award miles never expire, giving members a lifetime to use miles on flights, experiences, hotels and more.

"We want to demonstrate to our members that we are committing to them for the long haul, and giving customers a lifetime to use miles is an exceptionally meaningful benefit," said Loyalty VP and MileagePlus President Luc Bondar. *"Our MileagePlus program provides customers more ways to earn and use miles than any other U.S. airline. More customers used miles to book award trips in 2018 than in any year before, and we expect with today's announcement that an even more will use miles to travel the world in the years to come."*

United continues to enhance its award-winning MileagePlus program, making it more beneficial for customers. Highlights include:

- Recently announced partnership with CLEAR that includes free or discounted CLEAR membership pricing for US-based MileagePlus members.
- Award travel to more destinations than any other U.S. airline with service to more than 1,300 destinations through United and Star Alliance partners, and ability to book award travel on United and all Star Alliance partners through the mobile app.
- Most low-priced economy award availability of any global U.S. airline.
- Everyday opportunities to use miles starting as low as 1,000 miles for eGift cards when purchasing through MileagePlusX.

So Simple From Sheryl



Fall is approaching and with that football season. What could be better with hamburgers, pulled pork, chicken wings or almost anything? How about coleslaw? My husband claims to be an "expert" on this subject, he will not eat anyone else's coleslaw so I hope you agree with him.

Have a great football season and may the best team win. Of course my being in Denver you can probably guess who we are cheering for.

Coleslaw:

I use 2½ bags of chopped cabbage with carrots.

1/3 cup sugar

½ teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon pepper

½ cup mayo

¼ cup buttermilk

1½ tablespoon white vinegar

2 tablespoons lemon juice

Mix ingredients and add to cabbage. Remember

that it will produce more sauce as it sits so use your own judgment on the amount you choose to use. Hope you enjoy.

Rules For Submitting Articles To The Newsletter



Francis Domaratius

All articles submitted for publishing in the Newsletter are due in the Denver Office on **the 7th of each month**. This includes chapter reports, letters for the "Letters" Column, obituary listings (*Note: Rules for submitting an obituary notice is listed in the Obits section of this Newsletter*), and in general, any item for inclusion into the current Newsletter. All items received after the 7th are subject to be considered for the next Newsletter.

Newsletter articles may be sent by e-mail to Francis Domaratius at ruaenewsletter@surewest.net and John Chu at johnqchu@hotmail.com. If sent by U.S. Mail, address to RUAEA, 7401 MLK Blvd, Denver, CO 80207-2433. Please allow for postal delay. We cannot extend the deadline!

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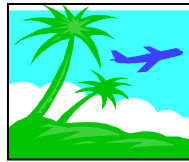
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LOCAL NEWS

ALABAMA



GULF COAST (ALABAMA / FLORIDA)

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Our September meeting was held on the first Monday of the month, which was Labor Day. Seeing that we are all retired and don't do any labor; a good group showed up.

President **Conrad Hamilton** called the meeting to order by reminding us that it was officers' election time. As usual, we all agreed that the current slate of officers were doing a fine job and they should continue.

Of course, Conrad asked our secretaries, **John & Myrl Eisinger**, and they agreed after a lot of backpedaling. Next was treasurer **Barbara Serra**, she also agreed. Several suggestions were made to just leave our officers as permanent party. We all got a good laugh, until Vice President **Bill Hayden**, who had said nothing asked, "*so do you guys want to keep me?*" We all agreed to just leave them in office until one requested to be replaced (you have to give that a LOL).



Everybody came alive when **Kim Ray** entered the room with a small Golden Retriever puppy with a service apron on. Kim explained the puppy was in training for a VA service dog for Veterans. The prison inmates are doing the training. The dogs need working outside in different environments. Kim thought our group would provide

some good training. Reading up on this online, I see it is a win-win for the inmates and Vets. The inmates learn a lot from the little animals.

Jeanne Reinoehl told us that we lost a dear member, who had been sick for a while, **Park Learned** passed away in March. We expressed our condolences to his dear wife **Billy** and family.

It was really good to see **Sande & Tom Zander** from New Orleans this month, I guess they wanted to check out the hurricane we missed. Yes people, we are very sorry for those who got hit, but also so glad we missed it. Pray now for those who were lost and their families as well as the ones who will be fighting the long lines for fuel and food.

Conrad brought in a 1965 Life magazine (you had to be very careful to turn the pages) about the Vietnam War. **Ed Southworth** had written 25-page essay on his experience in VN during 1967 as a Marine Corp H-34 pilot; I have that story in my computer and would be glad to forward it to anybody, email me at myreo@bellsouth.net.

Even if you did not win the 50/50, everybody was glad to see our missing members **Chuck & Georgene Krewer** won. Florida Gaming commission was getting ready to do an investigation on the drawing of the winning ticket. Still, there was talk about someone getting a cut. Our president assured us that everybody can not win.

Let's not forget our guest **Veneta Hale** for attending. It was good to see fellow member **Rita Toucher**; my wife **Mai Owens** told me I forgot to mention her being at the meeting. We're looking forward to next month's meeting, it maybe on the Pensacola ferry boat. We'll see.

Come join us, first Monday of every month at the Cubi Café (with its entire memorabilia moved from the Philippines), Pensacola FL NAS Museum at 11:00AM.

SWEET HOME ALABAMA

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Due to declining attendance, we will now meet 4 times yearly. Our meetings will be the second Monday in March, June, September and December. As always, we welcome all retired United friends and their families to join us for fellowship and lunch at 11:30 at various Birmingham restaurants. For more information, call **Beverly Yeager** at (256) 775-1711.

ARIZONA



PHOENIX AZURES

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We have nothing to report, as we do not meet in the summer. However, we do continue to hold Breakfast meetings on a reduced schedule.

Breakfast is on the second Wednesday of the month (not every other Wednesday) at 8:30 A.M. at Lou's Tivoli Gardens hosted by **Sherry Muoio** and **Suzie Hughes**. 12535 W. Bell Road, Surprise, AZ 85378. All are invited, call Sherry or Suzie if you will be attending, (602) 312-5117 or phx22@cox.net.

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By the time you get this newsletter, the RUAEA Convention in Denver, will probably be over. It's always exciting and fun to attend the conventions each year to see and meet people from all over the United States; attend the various tours that we are interested in; try and win one of the raffles; attend the meetings and get a lot of information we may have questions that we are concerned about. And, of course, attend the banquet on Saturday evening, where we consume wonderful food, enjoy the entertainment provided us; plus see all the people at one time that attended the convention, and everyone having a wonderful time. You can't beat it! If you weren't able to go this year; really make plans ahead of time to go to the next RUAEA Convention. You won't be disappointed!

Our August Breakfast had 14 members in attendance. Maybe it was too hot for some of them, as we usually have more than 14 come. We started signing up hosts for the upcoming monthly luncheons, which start in October. We have lunches normally from October and end in April; where we have a catered picnic. If any of our members would like to host an upcoming luncheon, please contact our Vice President **Peg Snowdall**. She's trying to get the list filled by whoever will volunteer to be a host. If you want someone to share it with you, that can be done as well.

Rich Vehring updated us on the changes that are going to be made regarding the Fantasy Flight, normally



held the first week in December. We also discussed the new Aetna-Medicare Advantage Plan, but still have some unanswered questions about that. Our next breakfast in September has been moved up to September 20th due to the RUAEA Convention falling the week we normally meet.

Recently, we saw one of our members, **Bill Norwood**, a retired pilot for United Airlines, was on Good Morning America. Bill was asked to meet with some youth who had earned their Pilot License on single engine small aircraft from the Tuskegee Airman Group. They were on the Chicago Lake front being honored for this and were presented with round trip tickets to New York. Before the group departed ORD, the leader of Tuskegee group had Bill come on board to talk to them about overcoming the challenges of being a minority. Bill wrote a book called, "*Cleared for Take-Off – a story of Challenges and Triumph*" several years ago, which many of us have read. Very interesting!

We were informed by a family member that **Barb Tremonto** has had a number of mini strokes, and is at home with the care of her two sons and a daughter-in-law. We were so sorry to hear about this happening to her. She's been active with our Chapter for several years. If you would like to send her a card, please send it to **Barb Tremonto**, 20321 Enchantment Pass, Maricopa, AZ 85138. I'm sure she will be happy to hear from us.

October birthdays: **Judy Burtner** (10/1), **Rosemarie Schaeffer** (10/6), **Carol Ward** (10/6), **Jennifer Strohmaier** (10/8), **Bob Forsberg** (10/10), **Donna Pedone** (10/10), and **Cindy Hilsabeck** (10/12). Happy Birthday to all! We have three couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries; **Bill & Pam Betz** (10/19/85), **Jim & Kathy Brigante** (10/24/64), and **Ferrol & Cindy Hilsabeck** (10/25/58). Congratulations!

Calendar:

October – Luncheon – No information yet!

October 25 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner, 1809 E. Baseline Rd. in Gilbert, AZ, starting at 9:15 a.m. Please let Vice President **Peg Snowdall** know if you will be attending at (480) 396-3317.



TALL PINES

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There is no report this month from the Tall Pines chapter of RUAEA. Just a reminder to all, our meetings have been changed to the second Tuesday of the month - same time/same place, Lone Spur Café, 11 o'clock.

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We are the Tucson Roadrunners, an active chapter. We meet for lunch at various Tucson restaurants on the 3rd Thursday of every month except in November and December, when it is the 2nd Thursday. All retirees are welcome to join us.

If you would like to attend our luncheons, you can e-mail **Pat Sommer Di Lallo** at rpdgarlic41@comcast.net or call either **Pat Di Lallo** (520) 825-7370 or **Sandy Lawyer** (847) 826-2640 for information.

We look forward to seeing you.

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There is no report this month from the California Northstaters chapter of RUAEA.

Calendar:

September 25 - Wednesday at 11:30 AM, BBQ at Lake California Campgrounds. Come Join Us!

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We met at the Spirit of San Luis Restaurant at the San Luis Obispo airport on August 21. Attending were **Mike & Bridget Zoldak**, **Bob & Marcia Stanger**, **Barbara Stilwell**, and **Al & Marilyn Rybar**. One of our long time members, **Nina Powers**, attended; she doesn't drive anymore and has the longest distance to go. She was able to have her designated driver bring her and both attended also. **Bob & Esther Bartlett** and **Joan Schaefer** were unable to attend..

Our President, **Mike Zoldak**, opened the meeting by asking if there was any anniversary or birthdays that

we should know about. It turned out that **Bob Stanger** and **Bridget Zoldak**'s birthday are on August 24th, with different years, of course..

Mike told us that you would need a Visa when traveling to New Zealand after October.

Our next meeting will be on October 16th, hosted by **Mike & Bridget Zoldak**.



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Gay Traber, ably assisted by Marji and me, hosted the Sunbirds' August Luncheon. It was held at Appleby's in Palm Desert. Twenty six Sunbirds were in attendance, along with **Alice Pappas**, **Sandy Sereno**'s guest. Also in attendance were two new members who joined last month, **Diane Schaefer** and her sister, **Jan Curtis**.

As usual, no UAL business was discussed, so after lunch, we went right to our 50/50 drawing, in which **Norm Burnett** won \$45.00. **Ken Hawley** won the Birthday Lunch.

At our Luncheon this month (and afterwards), I am going to attempt to determine how many of our members belong to RUAEA. When I started this column in 2010, I was under the impression that most, if not all, retirees joined RUAEA when they retired, as I did. Sadly, that's not the case. The result will help me decide if it is worth the effort to continue this column.

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Our September meeting was held on Labor Day, September 2, at the Old Spaghetti Factory Restaurant in Concord with 16 members in attendance. We were missing a few of our regulars due to the holiday. It was nice to see **JoAlice Canterbury** who had missed several meetings recently. Social hour started at 11:00 and lunch was served at noon. **Carol Parks**, our "candy lady," gave everyone Werther's caramels. **Jan Soderstrom** and **Wilma Leather** acted as cashiers and **Joe Leather** handled the raffle. Our group really likes this place! I've never had a bad meal here and I look forward to our luncheons very much. Will it be lasagna,

chicken piccata, or spinach and cheese ravioli with Alfredo sauce? Decisions, decisions! After lunch, we held our raffle. The **Bouskas** continued their winning streak. Last month, **Rich Bouska** won the money. This month, **Georgia Bouska** won the money! Other members won donated items of wine, chocolate and cookies.

At the August meeting, **Tracey Blanchard** announced that she and **Poldi von Muhlfeld** celebrated the 50th anniversary of their hire date with United Airlines on July 23, 1969. They went through training together, became best friends, and traveled the world together. Tracey brought in a scrapbook of her travel pictures and it was wonderful to see these two and their many adventures! Ah the good old day, a jet set lifestyle with more open flights and less security procedures!

Our member **Rich Bouska** is also a member of RUPA (Retired United Pilots Association). Rich is responsible for organizing their cruise each year. RUPA's next cruise is July 2020. Rich wants to spread the word that everyone is welcome, not just RUPA members. He says "the more the merrier" (and the larger the group, the larger the discount). (I went on the 2016 RUPA cruise from Boston to Montreal and had a wonderful time. A very welcoming and personable group I'd love to travel with again). There is more detailed info on this cruise elsewhere in the newsletter, but here are the salient facts: It's a 14-day cruise on Holland America, departing July 29, 2020 from, and returning to, Vancouver. You will see the Inside Passage, Ketchikan, Tracy Arm Fjord, Haines, Icy Strait Point, Inian Islands, Anchorage, Homer, Valdez, Hubbard Glacier, Juneau, and Misty Fjords. For more information, please contact **Rich Bouska** direct at rbouska1@comcast.net or (925) 443-4339.

Upcoming Meetings: Please join us! Our meetings are the first Monday of the month and we meet all 12 months of the year.

- ❖ Monday, October 7 at 11:00 – El Tapatio, 40 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill. We order from a set menu. Lunch includes soup or salad, choice of entrée and beverage.
- ❖ Monday, November 2 at 11:00. — Old Spaghetti Factory, 1955 Mt. Diablo Street in Concord. We order from a set menu. Lunch includes soup or salad, choice of entrée, beverage, and choice of ice cream for dessert.
- ❖ Monday, December 2 at 11:00.—Zio Fraedo's, 611 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill. Our annual Christmas party not to be missed. We will have a choice of their famous Prime Rib and several other entrees. We also collect Toys for Tots at this meeting. RSVP required to either **Jan Soderstrom** at email above, or to **Diane Griego** at diangriego@aol.com. RSVP deadline will be provided later.

Every month, we have an ongoing book exchange. The leftover books are donated to Contra Costa County Library book sales. We collect both new and used Christmas cards which **Barbara Cunningham** donates to a local special ed teacher who uses them in his classroom. He has told Barbara he can use “all he can get.” If you have cards you’d like to donate, please contact Barbara at tbcunningham43@gmail.com or (925) 846-8123 for more info. We also collect shampoo and other toiletries you collect on trips; **Diane Griego** donates these items to a wonderful domestic violence organization founded by one of our special UA ramp employees. Thanks to **Cheryl Kincaid** who brings items for this organization to almost every meeting.



GOLDEN GATERS

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President **Vera Kina** called the August 26 meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and remembering those Military and Armed Forces members here and abroad. Vera sent a note to the Chief of Police in Foster City thanking him for the great presentation Corporal Travis Murray did at our meeting, reminding us to stay alert and beware of the scams that are out there, especially targeting seniors and the elderly. The Chief (who is retiring after many years on the Force) replied with a note reminding us that the Police Department is always available when needed. Thanks to **Charlie Bogert** for suggesting this informative speaker. This was our Bake Sale day also – **Pete Cooper** and **Colleen Wood** can bake for us anytime! We sent over cookies (not donuts!) to the Police Department as a thank-you. Discussion was held regarding our September annual picnic – it was decided that we would have our meal catered by BJ’s Restaurant – delish Baby Back Pork Ribs with white cheddar mashed potatoes and Grilled Chicken Alfredo with fettuccini plus side dishes, rolls and dessert. Pricing has been reduced to \$20.00 per member / \$25.00 per guest. Let **Gene Walter**, (650) 856-9738 know you are coming so we have ’enuf to feed the troops!

Here’s what we have planned for the next four months:

- ❖ September 23 - Annual Picnic catered by BJ’s Restaurant, see above. Y’all come.
- ❖ October 28 - BYOBL – Bag lunch time and Bingo
- ❖ November 25 - Pot Luck, bring your special favorite dish, always a winner

- ❖ December 11 – Annual Christmas Luncheon at The Fish Market in San Mateo, pricing/times TBA. All members and guests are welcome. Sign up with the Auditors at the next meetings.

Treasurer **Art Barrett** reported that the treasury is in good shape – thanks to the Bake Sale too.

Secretary Pro-Tem **Ginger Dahlberg** read the minutes for July meeting, which were approved as read.

Copies of the up-to-date roster were sent out to members who have not attended meetings lately. A short note was included with meeting and luncheon dates. New RUAEA members who have retired and live in our general area were sent invitations to join us – hopefully this brings in new local retirees. Copies were provided for the SFO MOC Family Day which is being held on October 13th. You will need tickets to attend.

Jerry Milner, Pat Ortega, Harriet Kunze and **Ginger Dahlberg** attended the memorial service for **Jo Milligan** who recently passed away; she was a delightful lady and will be missed. Cards will go out to those on the “feel better” list – let us know if someone needs cheering up.

Membership Secretary **Barbara Underhill** has let us know that she will be unable to attend the next two meetings as she will be doing her Civic duty and working at the Poll headquarters for the November election. She has enjoyed doing this for several years. Birthday candles were lit for **Ginger Dahlberg** and **Kathy Cooper** – the Fire Department was not called. Nobody got married in August but we do have some needing some TLC. **Al & Lil** (she fell) **Christian** could use some caring thoughts and **Roger Casterline** has help at home. A card would be nice – the roster has the address. We had 28 people attending our Pizza Party today; thanks to President **Vera Kina** for all her hard work in putting this feast together for us, a real treat.

Auditors **Gene Walter, John Bogdanoff**, and **Helen Goodwine** (in absentia) finalized the yearly audit.

Special thanks to **Art Barrett** for his financial input. Sign up lists are with the Auditors for coming meals – these are “need to know” so you don’t go hungry.

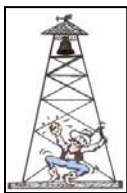
Travel Coordinator **Ginger Dahlberg** – Beach Blanket Babylon dates are on a waitlist basis. We will bid farewell to one of the **best** shows ever! An overnight trip to Reno and Lake Tahoe is being set up for October 31 – November 2, 2019. We will stay at the El Dorado Hotel and Casino, have dinner and see the Terry Fator show (an outstanding, very funny ventriloquist, he won the AGT, Americas Got Talent show several years ago, strolled over to Las Vegas and signed an 11 million dollar contract. Then off to the Lake Tahoe area for one night with special things to do. Flyer is in the making. September 20 – 27, 2020 we set sail on a Princess

Cruise sailing out of San Francisco to Canada for 7 days then back to SFO. Let Ginger know if you want on the interest lists and flyers will be sent.

Historian **Jim Goodwine** and his wife, **Helen** tried to find a parking spot for the meeting and could not do so. Foster City had their Carnival party during the weekend and the equipment was in the throes of being removed hence parking was next to nil. We missed you.

Ticket Coordinator **Harriet Kunze** has asked for canned goods to be brought to the next meeting. Also she would like new, unwrapped toys/games for kids to be donated to local charities during the holidays. Big raffle winners: **Kathy Cooper** and **Diane Heinrich**. Bingo produced lots of laughs and winners, no need for armed guards for those lucky ducks!

Come join us if you are in town, all United and Continental retirees are welcome - we meet on the 4th Monday of the month at 11:00am at the William Walker Recreation Facility, 650 Shell Blvd., (Shell Blvd. and East Hillsdale Blvd.) Blue Bird Room, Foster City, CA 94404. Note: Our mailing address is: UAL-SFO Bay Area Retirees, c/o **Vera Kina**, 203 Emerald Bay Lane, Foster City, CA 94404.



HANGTOWN MINERS

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Okay, we can chalk up one more great restaurant now! **Bill & Linda Dinette** arranged for it at Connie's Pit Stop in Pilot Hill. Now, our server (also the owner) was just 5 days away from her delivery date for her first baby! But that didn't slow her down one bit. What a trooper! The food was delicious, freshly cooked, so some wound up waiting a bit for theirs, but the 27 miners who attended found it worth the wait. I saw salads, burgers, fried chicken (and we're talking a lot of chicken!) and sandwiches heading out for us. Bill extended a "Thank You" to himself which we all agreed with! Turns out we had two birthday "boys" at lunch – **John Muir** and **Rudy Blazius** received the "Happy Birthday" greeting (Rudy's was on that day). The only miners with an August anniversary are **Tom & Gerry Boyle** – a big "Happy Anniversary" to them. Now, three people walked in as "guests" but they left as our newest Hangtown Miners members! Welcome to **Gina Kenworthy** and **Dave & Robin Garland**.

President ~ **Bill Dinette's** report is covered throughout the minutes.

Vice President ~ **Rudy Blazius** reported that he/they took advantage of the El Dorado County Senior Legal Services recently. In case you're not familiar

with how this works; if you are a resident of El Dorado County, you can avail yourself of their services – this is made up of lawyers who can help you with various legal questions/actions. In Rudy's case, he was updating his trust. There is no charge for these services, however, it is recommended that you make a "donation" of whatever you feel is appropriate and you can afford. They will come up to Cameron Park Senior Center if that is needed. Rudy also mentioned that one of our members, **Roy Martin**, is active with a group that does baseball tours and is also president of a cribbage club in the area. The group is called the Gold Country Cribbers and they meet every Wednesday at the Senior Center in El Dorado Hills (Old Firehouse) 990 Lassen Lane. They start at 6:00pm and last until (around) 9:30pm. They teach cribbage to beginners on Thursdays. If you're interested in either, get in touch with Roy.

Treasurer ~ **Tom Kenny** was not able to join us today, but his lovely wife, **Suzanne**, brought his report to us.

Secretary ~ **Jane Gibson** expressed a big "Thank You" to **Suzanne Kenny** for filling in for her during the July luncheon/meeting. Not only does Suzanne do a great job taking notes, but she writes up wonderful minutes too! Jane needed to pass around the sign-up sheet for hosting. **Bill & Mary Voetsch's** plans have changed and they are not able to host. Happily, **Ed & Lindalee Akin** are willing to host that month. Thank you!

Sunshine ~ **Suzanne Kenny** (she has been a busy gal) reported that a Get-Well card was sent to **Linda Dinette** (foot operation) – Linda was at the luncheon and doing well; and one to **Kerry Kozelka** who is also doing better.

Historian ~ **Pati Kenney** brought the books. I don't know if any of you have taken a moment to browse thru our history books, but do so. The historians have done a great job keeping them up to date and it's a kick seeing so many familiar faces; some still with us, some not. By the way, Pati's back is doing better, not great, but better.

Old Business ~ We still have not had an acknowledgement of the donation we sent to the local food bank. This donation is above and beyond the donations we collect for them at the December luncheon.

New Business ~ **John Muir** brought up the December luncheon. Several years now we have rented the American Legion Hall in Placerville for our luncheon. The fee for this rental has been increasing, though, they did reduce it some for us last year. This time of the year we must begin to think about where we want to have the December luncheon and you are asked to think about any other place you think would be good. If you have a suggestion, please check out the availability, the cost, is there a caterer already in place, what they offer (food, decorations etc.) and bring that info to our September lunch.

If you are a veteran, or know someone who is, or who is a member of the military, consider coming to the American Legion Hall (4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville) on Fridays and enjoy their get-together.

Whether you are a member of AARP or not, you will appreciate that they are fighting to help you keep your pensions. As you already know, PBGC handles our pension distribution and we have already lost part of our monthly pension. Now the PBGC is faced with less monies coming in, but the same obligations to all of us. They are coming up against the “wall”, so to speak. Another reduction would be devastating to all of us. If any of you have any more information regarding this, please contact Bill Dinette and let him know so he can pass it along to us.

So, you may remember that the topic of the \$10,000.00 insurance was brought up before – who is eligible for it; how do we know; what do we do. Our leader, Bill Dinette opened a “can of worms”, as he put it, when he called to inquire about his status. When he was told that he did **not** qualify, he wrote to **Dale Harper** (Dale provides, thru emails, information that is useful to retirees) asking what he knew about it. Some people who responded said that they were told they qualified, some not. What Bill was told was this: *“Our support team have checked your account and was able to see that you are not eligible for Retiree Life Insurance. It says from the 1114 agreement if the employee retired prior to 7/1/03, all retirees that had Medical or VSOP would not be eligible any longer even if they had a certificate of coverage.”* This doesn’t seem to be true for everyone who inquires. One response said they called 3 times before someone finally said they qualified. Our Regional Director **Sonda Sandstedt** was at this lunch and she said she will look into this and try to get us some answers. If you wish to ask whether you qualify or not, you can go to <https://flyingtogether.ual.com> or www.yr.com/united. You can also call 1-800-651-1007 from 7:00am-7:00pmCST Mon-Fri. Let us know what you find – this is quite a mystery.

RUAEA Regional Director ~ Sonda Sandstedt joined us today, it’s good to see her again. Sonda reminded us that the RUAEA Convention is September 23 – 28 in Denver, CO. This is a beautiful area to visit and there are many tours you can take each day. If you wish to be part of this, you can still make a reservation at the Doubletree By Hilton Stapleton North Hotel. Phone number is 1-800-222-8733. The “final” date was extended to midnight August 27th so don’t delay. Sonda also brought several applications to join RUAEA. You can also go on line to join.

Contributions ~ Bill brought some fun quotes to share.

Our next luncheon will be hosted by **Bill & Pati**

Kenney and we will be checking out yet another new restaurant (for us). We will be getting together on September 9th at the Beef & Brew in Diamond Springs. Now, this month you will be choosing what you want to eat and sending that info and a check for your meal to the Kennys before the lunch.

Bill brought our meeting to a close and Rudy took over so he could run the raffle. So, you all know that Rudy can be a bit of a “cut up”, he was joking around as he stirred up the donators tickets in the box and saying that he was trying to be sure to pull his wife’s ticket. Guess whose ticket he pulled! Yup, Cindy won the donator’s prize. Sounds a bit sketchy to me! A big “Thank You” to all who brought items to be raffled: **Blazius** – vase; **Dellinger** – tote bag & hanging welcome decoration; **Kenny** – garden lantern; **Gibson** – magnets U beer/cheese pretzels; **Kenney** – tile hot plate; **Akin** – eggs; **Bauer** – eggs; **Dinette** – table decorations which included a trivet and goodies.

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Although this was a quiet month, we had a good turnout of twenty six for Breakfast and some surprise visitors. **Mardelle Celeste** was visiting us from Florida, she is visiting **Betty Tomaino** and ultimately to the convention in Denver.

We were so happy to see **Donna Capps** join us after a long absence, she is a volunteer at Scripps Memorial Hospital and had a Thursday shift which has now been changed. We look forward to seeing more of her in the future.

Roberta Berchtold also joined us, she has just returned from a trip to Iceland and did some kayaking around the island. As we all envisioned her suffering in the cold, she told us that the temps were in the 70’s and 80’s. That certainly was a shock to our imaginations of snow, frost, and mostly the inclement weather we think of when we think of this part of the world.

There were three September Birthdays we remembered at Breakfast: **Peggy Van Sickle, Shukria Zamani and Josie Ryba.**

Louis Semon sends his greetings from his cruise ship in Denmark, heading out on a Baltic Cruise. **Galen Barr** is cruising the Baltic also. Perhaps they will meet among the icebergs.

Last month I referred to **Rosalie Tripicchio's** husband as Dan. I apologize for the error as his name is **Ray**. He is home recovering from heart surgery and Rosalie is being a diligent nurse. We wish him a speedy recovery.

I do not have a Bio for this month. Everyone was very elusive, traveling or involved with family and other projects and summer just got away from me also.

Looking forward to our meeting next month and receiving some news from the Denver Convention.

Calendar:

October 3 – Breakfast at Pt. Loma Café, 4865 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA. 92106-2394, (619) 226-0255.

SACRAMENTO GOLD DIGGERS

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The Sacramento Gold Diggers held our August 28th meeting at Mel's Diner, in Auburn, CA. President **Jim Simon** thanked **Ken & Stephanie Norton** for hosting this month's luncheon. Jim also thanked our server, Sydney; she did an excellent job and managed to get all of our meals to us all on her own.

Jim welcomed everyone and stated that we have 35 members and 1 guest in attendance, **Elsie Weaver** is the guest of **Sonda Sandstedt**.

Secretary ~ **Marji Gabert-Milam** reported the anniversaries for August: **Lance & Trudy Engledinger** (44 years), **Ron & Rhonda Yates** (49 years), **Forester & Jean Sinclair** (37 years), **Karl & Ruth Stammnitz** (63 years), **Skip & Marie Jenkins** (58 years), and **Daniel & Rosemary Figueroa** (63 years). Marji also reported the anniversaries for September, as there will not be a meeting: **Jim & Roberta Wagner** (40 years), **Ken & Stephanie Norton** (58 years), and **Francis & Veronica Domaratius** (34 years).

Treasurer ~ **Judie King** is on vacation.

Sunshine ~ **Angie Dellinger** reported there will not be services for **Dale Volker**.

Historian ~ **Stephanie Norton** has nothing to report.

Regional Director ~ **Sonda Sandstedt** reported the

hotel for the Convention was extending reservation deadline for the convention rate until today only. She encouraged all that are not members of RUAEA to join. She had many travel tips to report. B777 assigned to ORD Int'l will replace the B787 to FRA, MUC and BRU. The company has added a "connection saver" program for inbound delayed flights, to hold connecting flights without impacting the operation as it pertains to A/C and crew scheduling. The 2020 Olympics will be held in Tokyo. UA is adding 3 new flights to HND to accommodate the passengers traveling to Tokyo.

Roster – **Jack Raynor** has no report.

RUAEA Newsletter – **Francis Domaratius** stated that renewal of subscription to the newsletter used to be 1 month, but now there is a short amount of time and hardly any grace period. October 13 will be "Family Day" at the SFO Maintenance Base, please go online before September 30. The Patriots Flight Demo Team will be on hand. There are many volunteers from our chapter; however, some chapters don't have any. The Solano Flyers have a really interesting newsletter and he encourages us to review.

Penny Greenacre was our birthday roll-off winner for August.

Robin Garland volunteered to attend the Correspondence meeting at the Convention in place of Marji.

Ed & Rose Rheam will host the luncheon in October at the Lincoln Chinese Restaurant in Lincoln, CA.

VPs **Vicky Enriquez** and **George Taylor** conducted this month's raffle.

Jim adjourned the meeting. See you at the Convention or at October's luncheon.



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Vice President **Bob Scoble** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance; Bob was filling in for President **Steve Foster** who was unavailable. Thank you Bob for covering for Steve! Steve won't be able to attend in September either because he is having surgery on his shoulder two days before our next luncheon meeting in September. We hope to see him in October because he and Jacque are hosting the luncheon.

We met at Strings Italian Café in Jackson. The luncheon was hosted by **Fred & Joan Verbaere** and there were 15 people in attendance. Thank you Fred & Joan for setting up our luncheon! Our Jokester, **Don Nesja**, was not in attendance so we entertained ourselves and visited with each other while we waited for lunch to be served. Don and Jo are traveling in their RV visiting family and friends. We all missed them and look forward to seeing them in September.

Bob & Joy Blair attended our luncheon meeting for the last time; they sold their California home, flew to Texas and bought a home 14 minutes from their daughter in Nevada, Texas. They will be moving the end of August and we will surely miss them as they have been an active member of our chapter for many years.

Bob & Pat Scoble told us about their vacation on an ocean cruise around the British Isles. They said it was a beautiful trip and enjoyed being on a smaller ship with less passengers. When they returned from their cruise, they went to Seattle to attend their granddaughter's college graduation. Pat said she is done traveling for awhile.

Bob & Sandy Brooks flew UAL to Idaho to visit friends for a weekend. There was a problem when she listed for the flight and both their names showed up as two different boarding priorities. The gate agent corrected the problem and they were off to Idaho together.

We were so happy to have **Sonda Sandstedt**, Northern CA/NV Director, join us. She brought information about the 2019 RUAEA Convention to be held in September in Denver. I don't think anyone from our chapter is planning to attend. Sonda, we all thank you so much for coming and we hope you will join us again.

Our next luncheon will be hosted by **Rudy & Elma Reyna** and will be held at the Golden Corral in Modesto on September 12th.. Our October 10th luncheon will be held somewhere in Oakdale and will be hosted by **Steve & Jacque Foster**. If there is anyone out there reading this Newsletter and you would like to join us, we would love to see you. Call **Steve Foster** at (209) 328-1210 or me, **Rosie Walls** at (209) 728-7641 for more information.

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We have relocated our weekly breakfast meetings from Holders to IHOP. This is about 1½ mile from our old location. IHOP is located at 102 Miller Ave, San Jose at the corner of Bollinger Rd., in the Safeway shopping center.

Those of you that were at our first meeting at IHOP experienced some issues, however since then the restaurant manager has worked to make improvements. We have single billing, orders are placed immediately, additional coffee pots at the tables and a much better staff assigned to us. Although not available every meeting, they have some great rates for select items, in addition to the 55 and over menu items.

The fall luncheon was held on September 10th and plans are now being made for our December luncheon. This event is always attended by a large number of people and is our major fundraiser of the year. Flyers will be sent out to all members. As always, any RUAEA members are most welcome to attend. More information to come in future newsletters.

Some of our members are looking forward to attending the RUAEA Convention in Denver. Unfortunately, this writer will not be able to, but I look forward to hearing from those that do. Our wishes are for a most successful convention and thanks to all those who work so tirelessly to make it happen.

An executive decision will be forthcoming, to begin the process of electing our chapter board for the coming year. Preliminary discussion did not result in an overabundance of candidates, so a debate will not be necessary. However, we do need to have a couple of volunteers step forward to take on the position of Vice President. Most other positions will continue to be held by those who have been doing so for many years now. Please consider this position so we as a chapter can continue to function for the next couple of years.

On a sad note, one of the employees I had the pleasure to work with at United in SFO, **Nelson Galindo** and who was nearing retirement, passed away suddenly as the result of a heart attack. He was a great employee and just a really great person. Kind, considerate, compassionate and just a joy to be around. He will surely be missed.

Summer now is coming to a close, how quickly it has gone by. Traffic across the valley will become more of a challenge, as more schools begin to open their fall sessions. Drive safely. One good thing, perhaps less travelers, so maybe we can get on the flight as an SA.

We meet every Friday beginning at 0800, at the IHOP restaurant, on the corner of Miller Ave and Bollinger Rd. in San Jose. Everyone is invited to join us.

SOLANO FLYERS
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There is no report this month from the Solano Flyers chapter of RUAEA.

Calendar:

September 18 - Black Bear Restaurant, 111 Sunset Ave., Suisun City.



COLORADO

DENVER MILE HIGHERS

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The September 7th breakfast meeting was opened by President **Don Burbank** with 28 in attendance. The Denver Mile Highers are looking forward to sharing our wonderful state with all of you who will be attending the RUAEA Convention September 23rd thru the 28th.

The 50/50 winners were **Orland Baldwin, Jim Spate, V. Hansen, Vic Andreatta, Matt Ohr** (twice). Thanks to all the winners for returning the winnings to the Chapter.

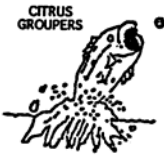
We finalized the plans for the convention. A **big** "Thank You" to our wonderful members volunteering their time and energy.

Our next RUAEA breakfast meeting will be Saturday, October 5th at 9am at Ted's Place Restaurant in Commerce City. Address: 5271 E. 52nd Ave, Commerce City. Phone: (303) 287-7544. Directions: Go North on Dahlia St. off I-70 to 52nd and turn back East to the address. Going West on I-70 exit on Holly St. and take the frontage road to get to Dahlia.

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There is no report this month from the Citrus Groupers chapter of RUAEA.

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Our meeting scheduled for September 5 was cancelled due to the unwanted visitor Dorian threatening our state.

Calendar:

October 3 - 11:30 - Red Lobster, 3162 S. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL

November 7 – Same as above

December 5 – Christmas Party, Smyrna Yacht Club, New Smyrna Beach, FL



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The September 3rd meeting and lunch of the Real McCoy's was cancelled due to Hurricane Dorian. After watching news tracking of the powerful storm for almost a week, President Ernie decided to cancel our meeting and ensure that all our members would be safe.

We will meet next on October 1st.

The Real McCoy's meet the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Corral on So. Semoran Blvd. Future Golden Corral Luncheons will be on October 1st. Mark your calendar and join us – you'll be glad you did!

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There is no report this month from the SW Pelicans Drop-Ins chapter of RUAEA.





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There is no report this month from the Sand Dollars chapter of RUAEA.

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There is no report this month from the Tampa Bay chapter of RUAEA.

Calendar:

October 7 – Picnic at Anderson Park - site location to follow.

November 7 – IHOP, 10:30. We will discuss Christmas Luncheon



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With the uncertainty of Hurricane Dorian, it was decided to reschedule our September meeting from the 3rd to the 10th. Hurricanes can be very unpredictable; we will be thinking about and praying for all in her path.

Our October picnic will be discussed at the September meeting, with a signup sheet provided. Annual dues will also be collected at this meeting.

September birthdays include **Diane Liebisch** on the 5th, **Diane Brodis** on the 6th, **Jane Kerr** on the 16th, and **Joyce Smith** and **Sandy Ruggiero** on the 22nd.

Calendar:

October 15 - Semi-annual picnic, Dubois Park, Jupiter, 12 noon

November 5 - Luncheon/ Meeting, Duffy's South Stuart, 12:30

December - Annual Holiday Party, Date to be determined

GEORGIA

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Our correspondent, **Ron Heider** was unable to attend the meeting because he is recovering from ear surgery. The good news is that he is healing well.

Ron did receive some meeting information from **Fred Cron**. Twelve Flyers attended the meeting and the 50/50 was \$15.00, won by **Fred Cron** who donated his winnings to the Ladies In Distress. There was some talk about the Atlanta airport adding more gates.

The Dixie Flyers meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 2 o'clock at the Broadway Diner in Fayetteville, Georgia. The next meeting will be October 2.

HAWAII



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Aloha! The Honolulu Menehunes is an active chapter and we meet for lunch at various Honolulu restaurants on the 3rd Thursday of February, June, and September. All retirees are welcome to join us. If you are planning to be in Honolulu and would like to attend, just send your email address to HNLRLUA@gmail.com and we will email you the details.

We look forward to seeing you in United's Little Corner of the World!

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Aloha from The Big Island! Pau Hana Kupuna is a very old RUAEA group which has become moribund. I would love to hear from anyone who would like to help me get things going again ... lunch meetings, potlucks, good times, and more. If you are interested, please send your email address to annmedve@icloud.com and/or call **Ann Medve** at (808) 889-1636.

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There is no report this month from the Boise Gems chapter of RUAEA.

Next meeting will be in October.

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October—it's finally here! My favorite month with pumpkins, mums, ghosts and goblins! It's also time for my orange and purple lights, black cats, and chubby skeletons! Good things come to those who wait. I've also been awaiting the arrival of my great-niece and nephew in the middle of the month. I'm so excited, twins! Double our pleasures, double our fun, or should I say, double my fun? We take out the little darlin's, spoil them, give them candy, then take them back to mom and dad. Ahh, love it! Just to set the record straight, I've always been a "great aunt"! October has some great observances, most importantly, Breast Cancer Awareness, and Domestic Violence Months. Then some fun Days, National Chocolate, World Animal, No Bra, National Dessert, National Nut Day, (the edible one, or the guy that drives us crazy?) Mole Day, (the bug one, or the one on your face with a hair coming out of it?) National Pumpkin, Trick or Treat, Black Cat, Candy Corn Days, and my favorite Day, Halloween! You can dress up and be somebody else for a day! Maybe I'll be a cute, fluffy white Maltese dog this year, and be pampered for 24 hours. Next month, November 3rd, we change our clocks back one hour. It's time to stock up on batteries now for your clocks, smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms. Be safe, we're the ones that get hurt the most in an emergency.

The Northside breakfast had about 20 people. Newbies were **Gail & Jim Rudolph**, ORDPV, back from Arizona, **Judy & Bob Bugos**, ORDGQ. **Jill & Bill Bergner** did some traveling, home now for a little

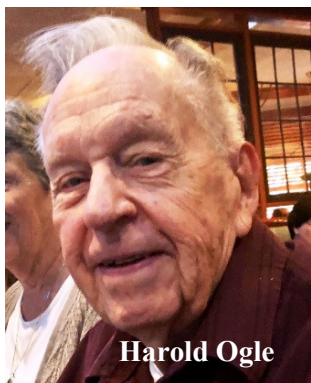
while. **Joe & Joan Teister**, **Jerry Tipperreiter** and **Pam**, went on an Alaskan cruise, traveling on the original Love Boat. The trip had a few rough seas, not necessarily on the water. Ask them sometime, I don't have enough room, and, I can't speak ill of transportation companies.

The Southside breakfast was a little lean, only 10 retirees were there. **Barb Wesemann** celebrated her birthday that morning by bringing in two dozen beautiful muffins. We all sang to her, too. **Mila Walker** returned from her trip to Barcelona, she attended a family wedding that sounded spectacular. Interesting to hear how various countries celebrate their special days. Barbara, the Birthday Girl, **Sylvester Gant** and **Bill Corbett** won the raffle. **Gwen Brookins**, and her grandson, Paris, talked about her upcoming trip to Biloxi, Miss, with her daughter, Sharon. They'll be traveling by bus with her Sociable Seniors. Sounds like there just might be some gambling going on.

The IAM 1487 had 82 members at their Meet and Eat Lunch. The food was delicious; everybody brought something tasty and it was plentiful. As usual, the dessert table was brimming with delicacies. **Karen Carney** is planning another spectacular Christmas Luncheon on December 5, at The Seville. Now is the time to get your table of 10 signed up, give in your money and pick out your new dress, ladies. The next meeting will be October 3, a Brown Bagger, that means, bring your own food.

ORDMM mechanics had their breakfast at Maxfield's, 20 attended. **Judy & Walt Chornomaz** are preparing for their Mediterranean cruise where they'll visit Israel, Jordan, and the mystifying site of Petra. I'd love to see that! He can tell us all about it next month. The MM supervisors met at Elly's, where there were a whopping 16 people. Two couples came in from the land of Florida, **Sherry & Chuck Parker**, and **Judy & Dave Stoves**. **Linda & Dick Kolloff** were there from the land of the Oswego, and **Bob Larson**, from the land of the Elk. It was wonderful to see so many friends getting together after a long absence. The poor eight-month pregnant waitress was over worked that day, considering she was used to waiting on about half that number. Our friends, **Pam & John Witkowski**, moved to North Carolina last month, just in time to be welcomed by Dorian, great timing, Ski! Luckily, they were not harmed, and only had rain and wind.

We had a monumental celebration in September. **Harold Ogle**, from EXOAU, celebrated his 99th birthday. His family had a nice gathering for him at Jami-son's in Elk Grove. He was born in Paloma, just north-east of Quincy, IL, on September 12, 1920. He served in the Army Air Corps during WW2. Afterward, he came to Chicago looking for a job, went to Midway Airport, and applied at American Airlines. They had no



Harold Ogle

openings, but told him to try United, they were hiring. United did hire him in 1945, where he had a very successful career, he retired in 1980, with 35 years of service. Harold was a whiz with numbers and accounting issues; he lived in SFO, did audits while the Maintenance Base was being built. He also did audits with Capital before and after the merger in 1961. Harold also went to court on behalf of us when any problem came up with fraud, company theft or other wrongdoing against United. I personally met him after I started with the company. He always had a smile on his face, and is still a very funny, outgoing individual. His mind is as sharp as a tack, and remembers the smallest detail from yesterday or from 1943. He is one of those 'really nice guys' that we call a good friend. Harold told the group that he stopped driving when he turned 96. He was tired of taking three tests every year, and if he was involved in an accident, they'd blame him regardless, only because he was older. He lives at The Moorings, in Arlington Heights, if anybody would like to call or visit. His cousin, **Carl Hibbert**, ORDJL, said Harold would love to hear from his old friends. Coincidentally, Carl and his wife, Judy celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary that day. It was a lovely celebration with their children and grandchild.

Some of our old Chicago friends said hello, **Paul Weatherford, Jim Francis, Jim McCusker, Marcie & Don Moller, Debra & Bob Graham, Dick Coughlin, Jim & Emma Sedell, Tom Wiley and Rich Bulanda**. They're all doing well, and hope you are, too. What a nice family we have! We might not have talked to one another every day, might have even had an argument, but we still care about each other and our families.

Some notables flew West this month, **Al Haynes**, our reluctant hero of flight 232, landing our crippled DC10 at Sioux City, in 1989, a kind and unassuming man, SEAFO, **Jerry Butz**, ORDSW, **Sue Koller**, EXOKF, **Al Deak**, EXOLQ, **Frank Olson**, EXOSA, and **Jay Shirman**, ORDCG. Also gone are, Peter Fonda, David Koch, racer Jessi Combs, Carol Linley, and the beautiful and courageous Valerie Harper.

Calendar:

Northside Breakfast - Elly's Restaurant, 8:30 A.M., 372 E. Golf Rd., Arlington Heights, IL (**October 9**). Second Wednesday of the month.

Southside Breakfast - Jedi's Restaurant, 9:30 A.M., 9266 S. Cicero, Oak Lawn. (**October 29**). Last Tuesday of the month.

IAM Lodge 1487 - 50 W. Oakton, Des Plaines, (**October 3**), 11:00 A.M. First Thursday of the month.
RUPA Lunch - Nick's Pizza and Pub, 856 Pyott Rd., Crystal Lake Tuesday, (**November 12**), 11:00 Cocktails, Lunch 12:00

December 3 - Skyliner's Christmas Lunch - The Avalon, 1905 E. Higgins Rd., Elk Grove, Tuesday, 11:00 cocktails, 12:00 lunch

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Our August meeting was held on Tuesday, August 13th at Emmy's Pancake House and Grill in Avon, Indiana. In attendance were **Chris Johnston, Bob Duffy, Jim Gibson, Frank & Rita Prinz, Hannelore Brabo, Bob & Myrtle Duty, Mario Bregante, Charles** and his son **Anthony Theiss** and guests **Bill & Barb Stout**. No business was discussed at this meeting.

Indy Racers extend condolences to **Frank Ingegno** on the passing of his mother. At meeting time, Frank was in New York for her viewing and funeral.

Member travel plans include: **Bob & Ruth Duffy** will be traveling to West Virginia in October to attend a wedding. **Frank & Rita Prinz** will be traveling to California in October to also attend a wedding. We wish all safe travels.

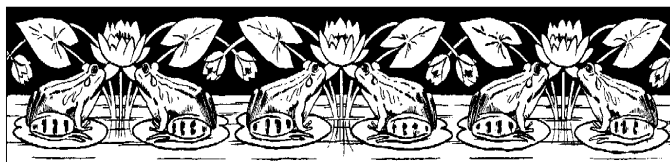
Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 10th at Emmy's Pancake House and Grill, 7508 Beechwood Center Road, Avon, IN 46123, (317) 272-7200.

If in the Indianapolis area during any of our meetings, please consider joining us. The lunch and conversation are both excellent.

Our future meetings schedule for 2019-2020 is:

- October 8 at Emmy's
- November 12 at Emmy's
- December 10, Christmas Luncheon at Maggiano's Little Italy
- January 2020, winter break, no meeting
- February 2020, winter break, no meeting
- March 10, 2020 at Emmy's

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While we have all been enjoying the beautiful New England summer weather, Nor'easters have been praying for all those in the path of Hurricane Dorian.

Linda & Jim Jenkins welcomed a gorgeous new baby granddaughter to the family, Jaliyah Lee. Congratulations to all! Not to be outdone, **Carleen & Bruce Eddy** welcomed their 23rd grandchild, a boy to their family. Way to go!

Kathy Tucker obviously knows the "way to go". She and her sister just completed the Pan-Mass Challenge, an annual bike-a-thon raising money for Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Well done!

The **Twings** report a wonderful family and friends vacation tour through the northeast before returning to the Florida sunshine.

Luncheon planned for Tuesday, September 24 at Pier 6 restaurant.

MICHIGAN



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Wow! It's September already. The summer sure did seem to fly by. We're going to be celebrating the coming of fall at our next luncheon at the Mexican Fiesta restaurant, 44401 Ford Road, Canton, MI on Thursday, September 12 at 12 noon. Our hosts are **Sue Craig** and **Carol Slade**. RSVP to Sue at schoozy62@wowway.com or (734) 664-0579 or to Carol at carolslade@hotmail.com or (734) 782-5447.

We sure had a great time at our August luncheon at the Olive Garden in Novi. We talked and laughed and ate and talked and laughed some more. Our three surprise guests added to the fun. **Kay Smith** was in from her home in Florida. **Mary Nowak Bosch** and her daughter, Brooklyn came from their home in Ohio to join us. What a surprise and what fun! Thanks gals for joining us. Also attending were **Gay Givens**, **Debbie Monette**, **Joni O'Brien** and her mother, **Helen Venn** (104 years young), **Sue Craig**, **Marlene Heaney** and **Gwen Dyc**.

We are sorry to report that **Marti Cooper** passed away on August 18. There is going to be a gathering in her memory on September 14 in St Joseph, Michigan at the Main Street Café from 11-1. Her daughters are "parking her Prius out front and would love to 'stuff it' with donations for the humane society". What a thoughtful remembrance.

Murphy Jean Miller (aka **Jean Miller**) has been having some health issues and needs our prayers. She has been undergoing dialysis three times a week and most recently fell and broke her pelvis. A cheery note would be welcomed. Cards may be sent to her at West Oaks Senior Care and Rehab, 22355 8 Mile Rd, Detroit, MI 48219.

The UA DTWRR picnic is Saturday, September 14 11a-5p at Edward Hines Park, Plymouth Riverside shelter. The cost is \$5 pp. RSVP to **Lori Asimakis-Schultz** at lori.asimakisschultz@united.com.

Thought for the month: *Every season brings a reason to rejoice.*

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14 Lites came together to enjoy a meal and catch up on the latest. The fact that a great many of our core, steadfast members were missing was noted, sliced and diced. Some had valid reasons, but some were puzzled over. We were *really* glad to see **Dee Eyestone** again, it had been about a year. She's not a fan of driving, period, but especially not during the winter months. **Marlene Overpeck** swung by her place and picked her up so we could all have a visit with her.

Amongst the missing was our treasurer, **Bud Ayres**, who has custody of the raffle tickets and the dice for the birthday roll-off. How can we have a raffle without tickets? And the b'day roll-off? Well, fortunately, only **Gene Delvaux** of those attending had an August birthday, so he won by default. Bud will have to pay him out of the September collection. We didn't have an August raffle.

Those of you who know **Nel Brawner** well will recognize that she's downsizing when I tell you that her little family is down to only two llamas and one dog. What? you yell. How can she possibly survive without a large group of critters wandering around her little homestead? **Mary Brennan** and **Connie Glattly** joined Nel for lunch recently and found that it's also true that she hates the vehicle she bought to replace Ol' Bessie,

the red 1998 Saturn with stick shift that she's been driving since, well, 1998. Tooooo many bells and whistles! Can't figure out how to ... doesn't know why ... so the suggestion was made that she read the owner's manual. Surely, one came with the vehicle? Her response, too darned hot to read in the car.

News of some of our colleagues

- **Ray Thorson** is transitioning from his home of decades to a senior living facility. When we have a new address, the Alumni Roster will be updated.
- **Chuck & JoAnn Eichacker** are not doing too well; they are still in their home but need help, especially since JoJo is tied to a wheelchair. (Now cut that out! I didn't mean literally.) Hurricane Dorian sideswiped their community but they were tucked away on the mainland in a Hampton Inn, thankfully.
- **Cindy Koentopf Bjerre** from a loooong time ago in the Res office, now suffers from Alzheimer's. Word is that even a phone call will go unanswered.
- **Mike Cunningham** is giving up the President's position because of declining health. Thanks for stepping up to the plate for us, Mike.

So now, we're in the market for a President again. It's truly an easy job! Don't everyone holler at the same time, now ...

The gathering devolved into reminiscing about the "old days", both in the Reservations Office and at MSP. From decades ago and also more recently, names came to mind who then filled our lives and careers. From the old res office, **Lou Kita, Vern Palmer, Warren Phillips, Rose Rauh, Johnny Magers**. From the airport, **Frank Brower, Andy Holen, Carolyn Weiss, Bill Cotcamp, Era Hoffmeyer, Bob Grissom, Al Gunderson**. This is a short list. All good people and friends who made our lives richer for having known them.

Lunch and meeting at 11:00 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at The Golden Corral, 3000 White Bear Ave., Maplewood, MN. (Directions: I-694 to Exit 50, south 2 short blocks to a strip mall on the left, next to Aldi's Market.)



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We are sad to report that we lost a member, **Kenny Casebeer**, husband of **Peggy Mangiamelli Casebeer**, passed away July 29th after a very short diagnosis of liver cancer. Kenny fit into our group beautifully, always with a smile on his face and good words for all. He will be missed.

Peggy Casebeer wishes to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to everyone who provided support during Kenny's illness and death. Those who made donations, extended prayers, visited and came to the funeral. It was all very much appreciated.

Frank Sesto let me know that his back is doing better since the last surgery. However, he is still having heart issues so is having a pacemaker placed this coming week. Hopefully, that will correct the problem.

Calendar:

October 1 - TBD

November 5 - TBD

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The Silverliners held their regular Luncheon meeting at Giuseppe's Italian Grill with 32 members and guest in attendance. One guest was **Jeannie Rolland's** daughter **Laura Marshall**. The meeting started off with the Pledge of Allegiance plus a few announcements pertaining to a bus trip to the Nevada Atomic Bomb test site which is being planned by **Mike & Eleanor Vasko**. Members are to contact Mike if they are interested. **Don Rutkowski** also reminded the membership about the upcoming Convention, September 23 to the 28 in Denver, after that we all sat down and had our lunch served.

After the lunch was complete, Treasurer **Jeannie Rolland** gave the membership the financial report for our Chapter which was well received. Jeannie also mentioned that the next Luncheon meeting will be a sur-

prise menu again created by the Chef at Giuseppe's. We had a surprise menu by the Chef this Luncheon and it was well received. She also mentioned that she will start collecting membership dues at the next Luncheon for the coming year of 2020. Secretary **Don Rutkowski** thanked **Jeannie Rolland** and **Eleanor Vasko** for their efforts arranging the seating, the menu and sweet treats for this and every Luncheon, their efforts pay off nicely.

Our Sunshine Lady **Eleanor Vasko** went over the members July and August birthdays and anniversaries. Eleanor also mentioned that she and her husband Mike celebrated 62 years of marriage. Eleanor also reminded the membership of the members who passed away or came down with serious health issues in the past few months.

Christine Earl supplied us with information on a local organization called "The Shade Tree" which provides a safe place for women, children and their pets who are in a crisis situation in the lives. At our next meeting in October, we will try to get a spokesperson to come in and brief us on their work.

We have a wonderful member **Ingeborg Levy** who at every meeting, gets up and has 1 or 2 jokes/stories to relay to the membership. She brings a smile to everyone's face with her tales. She has been doing this for many years and I think she has not repeated the same joke twice, everyone enjoys her humor.

Just before closing the luncheon, we had our 50/50 drawing for 3 \$20.00 prizes plus we also raffled off many wrapped items placed on the gift table by the membership. **Don Rutkowski** also mentioned that he and his wife Georgia volunteer at Ronald McDonald House Charities here in Las Vegas and collect the pop top tabs on soda, beer and other drink cans for the Charity. We ask that you save them and bring them in to a meeting or send them to us so we can turn them in to help support RMHC. The Luncheon/Meeting was closed and the Board members wished everyone to be safe driving home. The next Luncheon will be on October 10.

The Silverliners hold their meetings on the second Thursday of every even month. The meetings are held at Giuseppe's Italian Grill at 6065 Durango Road, Las Vegas, NV 89113. If you are in Las Vegas and or planning a trip here you are more than welcome to come to our meeting and visit with our members, you may even know or worked with one of them. Email **Don Rutkowski** at geodon1192@gmail.com or call him at (702) 300-4038, we will be glad to see you.



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There were 18 members at our August meeting at the Black Bear Diner, including **Bill & Donna Perkins** who drove up from Roseville. It's good to see them again.

Our September meeting will be at Murieta's at the former pink Scolari's strip mall on S. Virginia at the South end of town. (Located across the street from In & Out Burger). Each member will pay their own tab and it will include the tip. Thanks to **Larry & Barbara Leusing** for arranging this Mexican lunch. Our normal lunch time of 11:30 am remains the same.

August birthdays were celebrated by **Dottie Robinsand** and **Pat Zoboli**. **Kathy Robinson** won the 50/50.

On a sadder note, we learned that **Ann Batty** passed away on June 13, 2019, less than a year after moving to Five Star (senior) Residence. No services were held at this time. We will be notified when the family will have a service for both **Ann & Jerry Batty** at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley.

Our Christmas Luncheon has been set for Wednesday, December 4th at Tamarack Junction. More information on pricing and menu will be provided at a later date.

Our next meeting will be at Murieta's on Wednesday, September 11. See you there.

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Our meeting opened with a flag salute by President **Frank Warzocha**. A moment of silence was held for those who have passed. **Terry Butts** (ORDSW), **Steve Zwick** (EWRSW), and **Al Haynes**. Al was the DC-10 pilot on flight 232, who brought that flaming DC-10 for a landing in Iowa. Although many people died, many were saved.

Frank Kokoszka, "our man on the inside", who gives us constant up-to-date information about EWR, talked about the growing employee ticket scam, some-

thing that all employees working and retired should take special notice and know the consequences.

On a lighter note, two of our favorite longtime members, **Cathy & John Deily** are celebrating their 49th anniversary on this date. Best wishes to a great couple.

The 50/50 was won by **John Bumara**.



The above picture was taken at our July meeting. From Left to Right: **Terry Schultz, Teresa McNamara, Marty Etler, George Whitman, and June McManus.**

Please take notice of the following dates: September 25 - Meeting in Scotch Plains at 12 PM. There will be no meeting in November, following that, the next meeting will be for our Christmas luncheon on December 11 at 12 PM at Snuffy's in Scotch Plains.

***** From the great prophet Leroy "*A bad habit never disappears miraculously, it must be undone by yourself.*"

NEW YORK

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There is no report this month from the Buffalo Chips chapter of RUAEA.

Our next meeting is planned at a new restaurant, "The Oak Stave" in East Amherst, NY on September 10 or 11, the exact date is to be determined about a month before the date.



NEW YORK METROS

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Greetings from the New York Metro "Chatterboxes," twenty-six of whom gathered on this lovely summer day.

Chatterbox #1: **Suzanne Lagasi** met Fefita La-Grande, a famous Dominican merengue singer; Fefita asked Suzanne to take a picture with her instead of the other way around.

Chatterbox #2: There was a very opinionated chatter about the picnic. Thoughts were exchanged about what to do next year. **Emma Milazzo** is still recovering from her quadruple bypass. **Madeline Klos** is still on the road to recovery from a double stent implant. **John & Madeline Klos's** granddaughter is scheduled to graduate from army basic training on September 20th at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and then on to further training in Arizona. There was a very animated talk concerning the New York Mets. The who? The table was sorry to hear about the hurricane and the destruction in the Bahamas. A lively discussion started about the new health insurance coverage to start in January. Stay healthy.

Chatterbox #3: Kathy & Jim spent last week at Cape Cod with their daughter and her family at a house we rented on the beach at Pocasset, MA. It was a bit cool for starters, but the weather on the whole was beautiful.

Chatterbox #4: The **Feingolds** had a busy summer with two family weddings, and they celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary quietly at home.

Cassie and Una DeGeorge celebrated their annual Labor Day outing on LaUna, the 41-foot DeGeorge boat. Because of threatening weather, we stayed docked with our booze and food, but had a wonderful time with the crossword puzzles and gossip.

Now from the batter's box: **Tony Maggio** (LGACS) died; there is no further information; our prayers to the family.

Happy birthday to **Emma & Nunzio Milazzo** and **Joyce White**.

50/50 winners: **Evelyn Schroeder** (\$20), **Kitty McSweeney** (\$15) and **Margaret Hansen** (\$10).

Calendar:

October 2 – Davenport Press



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We had our yearly picnic on August 7th at The Chalet in Strongsville Metroparks for the ninth year. It was a nice day and we had a nice turnout of 92 people in attendance. **John & Dolly Taucher** were our hosts. The chapter provided fried chicken and beverages; the side dishes and desserts were provided by the members. A great array of all kinds of salads, potato salad, jello salads and various other dishes.

"Grace" was said by **Sue Broderick**, and we had a short meeting before we started eating. Dolly announced our members that were ill – **Nancy Carter, Elda Custer, Cheryl Goodson, Marie Keister, Cheryl McLin, and Steve Pytel**. Also, our photographer, **Lois Walter** was not able to attend; therefore, John & Dolly stepped in. Our RUAEA Regional Director **Jackie Monilaw** was also ill so she could not be here with us, but **Lynn Hagele** is here in Jackie's place. She brought games and prizes with her. Our 50/50 raffle was chaired by **Bernie Garrah**, with the assistance of **John Kercel**. Our winners were: #1 **Linda Graham**, #2 **Carol Hamlin**, and #3 **Tom Zadar**.

We have 4 new members: **Clara Dietrich, Barbara Hughley, Don Struk (CA)** and **Ron Turner (VA)**. Our guests today are: **Susan Battic (Doris Schueler's daughter), Roger Bender, Connie Hlen-driz, and Rich & Cathy Llewellyn**. John & Dolly thanked everyone who helped today.

Attending members with August Birthdays were **Sam Bennett, Phil Gaudio, Tom Hamlin, Tom Hassel, Helen Hockett, Judy McKnight, and Steve Rak**.

August Anniversaries: **John & Paulette Bazile-wich (55 yrs.), Joe & Carolyn Gall (56 yrs.), Jerry & Kathy Laco (52 yrs.), Tony & Angela Midea (46 yrs.), George & Nancy Oncu (50 yrs.), and Jim & Joan Schulte (50 yrs.)**.

We did play some guessing games for prizes, courtesy of **Jacki Monalaw**. **Lynn Hagele** conducted the games. For example: #1- Name States that begin and end with a vowel? #2- After various airport names listed, write that cities 3 letter "Code". i.e.-> Hopkins CLE. And what was it that we observed, but some members getting the answers from their cell phone.

Since our picnic, **Barb Vauls** who is still trying to recover from her stroke last July, has had yet another stroke. This one was not as severe. Please keep Barb, and everyone else in your "Thoughts and Prayers".

Calendar:

September 11 - 100th Bomb Group - *with view of "CLE – Airport", hosted by **Sharon Gatesman**.

October 2 - Old Oak Bible Church, Middleburg Hts., hosted by **Jeff & Judy Spooner**.

November 6 - Diamond Event Center, Brunswick, hosted by **Barb & Frank Wachs**.

December 4 - Williams On-the-Lake, Christmas party with a Special Guest, hosted by **Marty & Tom Hassel**.

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We had 63 folks join us for our August luncheon, including visitors **Elizabeth Smith**, granddaughter, and **Terry DeWitt**, daughter of **Ray & Sherry Reed**. It was delightful to see **Bill & Billie Olson** who have not been able to attend for quite a few months. The majority of our meeting was dedicated to our guest speakers from Northwest Battle Buddies, an organization solely funded by donations, that provides professionally trained and specifically matched service dogs for combat veterans with PTSD and traumatic brain injuries, at no charge, to help them regain their freedom and independence. It was a very informative presentation and we got to meet 2 of the veterans and their service dogs. We were delighted to donate to this very worthy cause.

During our brief business meeting, member **Bill French** proposed a motion, which was seconded and passed unanimously, that our elected officials be granted a free lunch at our December meeting as a thank you for all they do.

Unfortunately, we have one death to report this month. **Chuck Davis**, retired from PDXCS, died on August 3, 2019. A celebration of life was held on Sunday, August 18, 2019. **Jack & Nancy Hooper** have moved to Glenwood Place Care Center, 5500 NE 82nd Ave., Vancouver, WA 98662. I'm sure your correspondence would be greatly appreciated.

And our Good News this month: We're all alive! Quipped **Dennis Scheuerell**; **Linda Tracy** got a new puppy; **Carol & Bruce DeFord's** granddaughter had her first solo pass travel experience and made it safely to Hawaii; **Ray & Sherry Reed's** daughter and granddaughter got first class on their trip out here. What a delightful surprise.

This month's quote from our President relates to changing your attitude: *"If you fail never give up be-*

cause F.A.I.L. means: First attempt in learning! End is not the end, in fact E.N.D. means: Effort never dies! If you get No as an answer, remember N.O. means: Next opportunity!"

Anniversaries ~ **Tom & Shirley Walker** (60 years), **Steve & Margaret Borbely** (55 years), **Linda & Larry Tracy** (34 years).

Birthdays ~ **Shirley Walker** (8/15), **Patsy Ogden** (8/25), **Pat Smith** (8/3), **Ruth Larson** (8/19), **Bruce DeFord** (8/23), **Len Blodgett** (8/21), **Joe Alff** (8/25), **George Thomas** (8/30), and **Steve Borbely** (8/24).

Drawing Winners ~ Lunch/Door Prize - **Tom Walker**, Men's Birthday - **Joe Alff**, Women's Birthday - **Shirley Walker**, 50/50 - **Jerry Knott**, who donated his winnings to our guests from Northwest Battle Buddies.

Calendar:

Meetings at Colwood Golf Center Grill – Social Hour 11:00AM, Lunch served at noon

September 11 - Social gathering

October 9

November 13 - Veteran's Day/Thanksgiving Day celebration



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There is no report this month from the OUR Club chapter of RUAEA.

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There is no report this month from The Independents chapter of RUAEA.

See you October 14th. Enjoy the summer and sign up for the UAL convention.



PITTSBURGH

PIT-STOPPERS

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Well summer has flown by and we are starting into Fall, with that comes our Fall & Winter sports. The Steelers have calmed down after all the drama over the last couple of years and we see a run for number seven coming. The Penguins start training camp shortly and by all reports should make a run on the Metropolitan Division.

In August we lost another Pit-Stopper, **Dick Brinza**, PITMM/DEMM, passed away on August 2, 2019.

Bill & Johnna Chicots will welcome their second granddaughter in January 2020.

August Birthdays ~ **Pat Wagner** (8), **Sandy Burns** (15).

September Birthdays ~ **Olga Karmazin** (8), **Gerry McDonough** (9), **Diane Weber** (25).

September Anniversaries ~ **Jack & Betty Tinney** (25).

TENNESSEE

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There is no report this month from the Tennessee Rocky Tops chapter of RUAEA.

For Luncheon/Meeting's location, please contact Carolyn at the above phone number.

UTAH

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There is no report this month from the Salt Lake Retirees chapter of RUAEA.



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EMERALD CITY SLICKERS



Emerald City Slickers returned to their regular schedule with a lunch meeting on September 10 at Angelo's in Burien, which is fairly close to SeaTac Airport. Meetings are held the second Tuesdays in the months of September through November and January through May. If you're in our area on one of those days, we invite you to join us and share the camaraderie, reminiscing over "the good old days" and perhaps hearing about some new development in the world of UAL retirees.

As this is being composed before that meeting, we can't tell you which of our Snowbirds from Arizona stayed around long enough to bid us farewell, but you'll know in November. We realize that it's an especially tight schedule for **Shirley Claggett** and **Ron Paluch**, who would be busy with last-minute convention details as treasurer and registrar!

Co-Presidents **Ken Storey** and **Kathie Torgison** conduct our sometimes less-than-business-like meetings after opening with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Those of us who can comfortably stand, with hand over heart, or giving a military salute, pay homage to this wonderful country of ours.

For their 5th annual charity drive, United Retirees in Seattle will collect "Toys 4 Tots" and food items for a local food bank at both October and November meetings (we don't meet in December). Toys should be new, unwrapped, non-violent items suitable for children from birth to 12 years of age. Food donations should be non-perishable and unexpired. Cash donations also will be accepted and divided between the two organizations unless specified for one or the other. Ed & Gay Liesse will coordinate collection and delivery.

Congratulations to our steadfast **Dolores Steger**, who joined our growing circle of nonagenarians when she celebrated her 90th birthday September 15. Dolores dependably receives a terrifying number of telephone calls before each luncheon, as attendees report their chosen menu options. That information then is relayed to Assistant Treasurer **Noreen Krawczyk** and on to the restaurant.

Her daughter Bonnie has informed us that long-time member **Vivian Anderson** (SEAFR), another of our nonagenarians, has moved to the Village Green retirement community in Federal Way. The victim of well-known hazards of aging, Vivian finds herself having to

give up driving, at least temporarily, and dealing with balance issues, so she wisely sought assistance in living arrangements. Bonnie finds herself in the unenviable position of having to dispose of Vivian's extensive and beloved collection of dolls.

With all of United's family, we are saddened by the August death of Capt. **Al Haynes** in Seattle. He was famous for skillfully maneuvering his crippled DC-10, which had lost all of its hydraulic controls and crashed in an Iowa cornfield, to save the lives of 184 passengers and crew members, though 112, including one flight attendant, were lost. Flight 232 happened a little over 30 years ago and was commemorated this past summer. Capt. Haynes retired in 1991. We were privileged to meet him at one of our chapter luncheons, when Capt. Haynes was the guest of another local pilot, our member **Chuck Westphal**.

Our usual chapter meeting projects will continue. Books members have finished will be exchanged for something someone else has read after being displayed on the Book Table, with leftovers donated to the public library. Door prizes – a selection of wine provided by the chapter and gifts donated by members – will be distributed, the winning tickets having been drawn from those distributed to each attendee as s/he checked in. The first door prize will reimburse its winner for the cost of his or her lunch. The 50/50 cash reward goes to the holder of the winning raffle ticket peddled by **Richard Devereux** before lunch. Half the sale proceeds go to the winner, the other half to the chapter treasury.

A number of Seattle retirees plan to attend the RUAEA convention and look forward to greeting old friends and making new. Having hosted the convention ourselves just a few years ago, we especially appreciate the preparation involved and commend this year's committee and national officers involved. Thank you from all RUAEA members.

Be wary of Ghosts, Goblins, and Darth Vaders at the end of the month. Happy Halloween!

Calendar:

October 8 – Luncheon meeting at Angelo's

November 12 – Luncheon meeting at Angelo's, collection of charitable contributions at above meetings

January 14, 2020 – Luncheon meeting at Angelo's





LILAC CITY FLYERS

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The Lilac City Flyers in Spokane are no longer meeting on a regular basis. If you are a United or Continental retiree in the Spokane area or visiting in the area and want to meet other retirees, contact **Sharon Holmes** at the information above.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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There is no report this month from the Dulles Loungers chapter of RUAEA.

NATIONAL



CLIPPED WINGS

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Hello RUAEA,

First, I would like to start by sending good thoughts and speedy recovery to those that were affected by Hurricane Dorian. Clean up from these storms can be very long and difficult and I hope that help has been swift.

As the leaves start falling, NOOOO! Clipped Wings is starting its fiscal year. This is the time of year that we all pay our dues and bring in new members. I have been working with many of our Chapters to sign up some of the prospective members that have shown an interest by filling out the form on our website. Growth with Clipped Wings is always good. Flight Attendants that join our group find a bond like no other. We can be funny, helpful and serious when the time comes. Our meetings are more like a get together where we enjoy a lunch, a conversation and information on some of our Charities that we help support. Whether we meet at someone's home or at a restaurant or a historical site, we have a great time just being together.

IF, you know any former or current UAL/CAL Flight Attendants that would like more information about Clipped Wings, they can find us at www.unitedclippedwingsinc.org.

We are a fun group!

Wishing you all blue skies!■

NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME TO RUAEA! We hope you will enjoy the activities and camaraderie. The organization would appreciate hearing from you on your renewal date

The following new members joined RUAEA during the month of **August 2019**:

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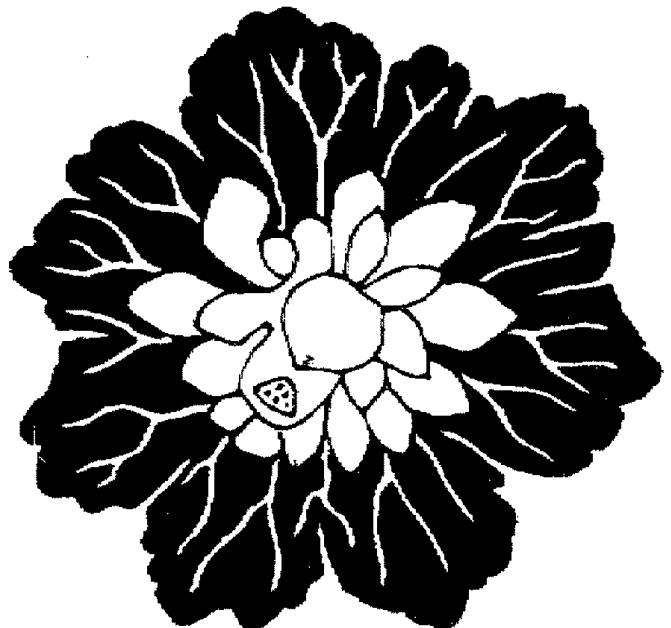
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- Retiree – **Cushing, Jr., Donald** – on 8/28/2019, PHXOZ, husband of Karla T. Cushing, PHXOZ, 3235 N. 156 Drive, Goodyear, AZ 85395
- Retiree – **Gleichman, Kathryn K.**, on 8/14/2019, DENRR, wife of Theodore K. Gleichman (Deceased), 2897 W. Riverwalk Cir., Unit 205, Littleton, CO 80123
- Retiree – **Haynes, Alfred C.**, on 8/25/2019, SEAFO, husband of Darlene Haynes (Deceased), 4410 S. 182nd, Seattle, WA 98188
- Retiree – **Kelley, Louis C.**, on 10/30/2018, OMACG, father of Dan Kelley, 2543 5th Ave. Council Bluffs, IA 51501
- Retiree – **Koller, Susan J.**, on 8/21/2019, WHQPR, wife of Frank Koller, WHQKF (Deceased), 5200 Carriageway Dr., Apt. 110, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
- Retiree – **Murphy, Constance G.**, on 7/31/2019, LAXRR, sister of Mary Beth DeLuca, 282 Thimbleberry Rd., Malta, NY 12020
- Retiree – **Olson, Jr., Frank L.**, on 8/21/2019, EXOSA, father of Karyn Alyce Olson, Stephen Butler Olson and Shelley Marie Olson, 172 West Alta View Way, Sandy, UT 84070
- Retiree – **Olsson, Joan E.**, on 6/11/2019, SFORR, wife of Charles F Olsson (Deceased), friend of Jack Donahue, 45 Monterey Ave., San Anselmo, CA 94960
- Retiree – **Orchard, John W.**, on 7/5/2019, OMATJ, husband of Carolyn L. Orchard (Deceased), father of Marcia Hammond, Cynthia Lisa and Kristi Hill, 2917 S. 113 St., Omaha, NE 68144
- Retiree – **Underhill, Jerome L.**, on 4/17/2019, SFOJJ, husband of Barbara J. Underhill SFOJJ, 106 Carrillo Way, San Bruno, CA 94066 ■



Letters & Notes



Hi members,
I'm the person who edits the letters and notes you send for the Newsletter. Your letters and notes are of interest to retirees and especially those with whom you once worked, they are greatly appreciated. When you send them, you can make my job easier by making them as legible as possible.

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WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS FROM:

(Although we welcome the statements expressed in the many letters submitted, the comments & opinions expressed are not necessarily the convictions of the organization.)

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WE HAVE RECEIVED GREETINGS & THANKS FOR THE NEWSLETTER FROM THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Nancy Adams, Jacqueline Ahern, John & Wendy Aivalotis, Cornelio Alos, Eleazar Alarcon, Masako Belinger, Theodore Beth, Judy Bird, Sandra Brownlee, Joyce Calderone, Barbara Cook, Barry Davidson, David Detwiler, Margareta Eastman, Carol Estus, Duane Gentner, Leo Grish, Lynn Hagele, Barbara Hill, Ester Horompoly, Al Morales, William Morrison, Elizabeth Ann Pepper, Francis Russey, Barbara Sakely, Dennis Saxon, Sue Spicker, Marie Stewart, Gary Tatum, Sharon Wagner, Eleanor Walsh, Jerry Waid, Anna Wozniak, Michael Zoldak.



United needs a formal museum. Delta has one, American has a (little) one. Aviation Museums inspire a number of things:

- ❖ The miracle of flight
- ❖ Pride in the company
- ❖ A historical chronology of the company
- ❖ Retiree recognition showing their contributions to the success of the company
- ❖ A place where employees/retirees/family/friends can come together to share their pride
- ❖ An educational institution to inform students and others of the industry
- ❖ A recruiting tool to inspire people to join the aviation industry
- ❖ A location for UA meetings and outside users to meet, hold events, etc.

There are several aviation museums in the United States, but most promote military aviation, or a mix of military and commercial aviation. Some of these are the Museum of Flight in Seattle, the Smithsonian exhibits in Washington and IAD, Pima Museum in Tucson, etc.

The only formal commercial aviation museum is the Delta Airlines Museum in Atlanta. This exhibit, supported by the airline and continued by a 501(c)(3) organization showcases the history and pride of the airline and is visited by thousands of people annually.

One of the showcase exhibits is a Delta 767, which employees purchased to give to the airline. Talk about pride! The other display piece is a Delta 747-400, first off the assembly line, which offers wonderful displays of that incredible aircraft. You can even walk out on the wing.

Thanks to social networking and blogs, the industry always seems to see negative stories about single incidents without any publicity about how all airlines perform incredible customer service daily in carrying millions of passengers safely and on-time. A museum would counter many of these negative one-off stories. UA contributions in facilities/aircraft could be tax deductible to the 501(c)(3).

United needs a formal museum. The question is where, and how? Much can be learned from the Delta experience. UA needs to make a commitment to make it work, like Delta did. There are iconic aircraft recently retired or about to be retired (747/777, etc.) that would be the cornerstone of a display. There are others out there, like the DC-3 in United colors in a hangar in Van Nuys, a UA DC-8 in L.A. etc.

The ideal location would be in a fair weather, low humidity area to allow outside displays year-round.

With all the outsourcing, there could be a hangar(s) somewhere to make this idea work.

There is a treasure trove of UA/CO memorabilia in Chicago, Denver and SF sitting in storage—these items would be ideal for display. UA vendors and partners, like GE, Boeing and Airbus could be contributors to a display.

Please see the website unitedmuseum.org for some background, ideas and suggestions. Check out the DL Animated video showing their museum. Why can't United do this?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t5s56laWbSg>

Muriel Bergsma, 2809 N Dutch Circle, McHenry, IL 60051

Enclosed you will find my check to cover renewal for 2 years. Obviously, the “old” girl is not as swift as she used to be. I guess it goes the adage of “don't put off till tomorrow, what you can do today”. In my case it is what **you should do** today!

As we are aging, my husband Ken, and I find ourselves having more demands and a very hectic schedule. This past year we have experienced many issues taking up more of our so called free time with family issues and troubling issues. We find these situations to take their emotional tolls and our not shrugging them off as we used to.

The “repair shop” called Ken, for 2 total hip replacements within the past year. In October of 2018 he had 1 hip replaced here in the Chicago land area. While snow birding in Green Valley, AZ this winter, he had his other hip done in Tucson with a MAKO robotic which gives more accuracy in placing the new prosthesis. It is amazing how modern medicine can have you up and running in short order. He is now going back to the repair shop for a steroid injection to relieve his constant pain/discomfort coming from the sacroiliac joint.

Back in 2006, he had major back surgery, but now other problems are raising their ugly heads. Each day is a challenge.

Currently, family members are being treated for cancer, with its ups and downs. Obviously, this year has been faced with challenges.

This past weekend, we had the great pleasure of attending a former, deceased UAL employee, Walt Benin's grandson Danny's wedding. It was a beautiful event at a very lovely location. Walt's widow, Donna, told me it has been 30 years since Walt's passing. Back in the 80's, he was my boss at ORDFO and a wonderful boss. His widow and I developed a bond of friendship at the onset of his illness.

Life had been good to Ken and me, aside from the “character” building events along the way. Hopefully, this next year will have less challenges to confront us.

I thank you all for providing the Newsletter as a means to keep in touch with what is happening on both a personal basis and corporate-wise.

P. S. Hawes, 1009 Dwight Ave., Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

Another year has rolled by! Thank you for your continued time and effort in producing the Newsletter. I look forward to reading it each month.

I have been retired for 24 years now. I am in good health and all is well.

Keep up the good work.

Charles O'Brien, 36500 Wild Rose Circle, Shelbyville, DE 19975

Thanks for the reminder. I have been retired for almost 20 years now, after 35 years of service at BWI-IAD RES sales.

RUAEA is the only contact with United that I have and I look forward each month for my newsletter.

Thank you for what you do and God Bless.

Lynn Pettrow, 24215 Trujillo Creek Ranch Rd., Aguilar, CO 81020

Just a quick note to notify our friends who may think we have dropped off the ends of the earth or were kidnapped by Aliens. **It did not happen.**

Lynn's sister, Kathe and her husband, Joe Rivera and I have moved to Southern Colorado, about 30 miles from the New Mexico border. We are now living on 45 acres of Mountain property with a gorgeous view of the Spanish Peaks and the San Juan Mountain range. We **love** it! No more rat race for anything!

Lost in the woods and loving it.



Joyce Pfeiffer, 53 Dorothy Ave., Edison, NJ 08837

I look forward to receiving the newsletter every month. It is interesting and informative. I recognize some of the names of people that my husband used to work with at Newark Liberty Airport.

Please say thank you to the staff at Denver for a job well done.

Notes

Bill Bishop

I retired from Heartland Hospice as a medical social worker after 16.5 years. I really enjoy the newsletter each month. Thanks for all you do.

Florence Book

Thank you for all you do to keep us informed!

Patricia A. Laria

Thank you to everyone at RUAEA for all your hard work keeping us informed.

Linda Kelly

Love my retired UAL newsletter. Always looking forward to reviewing it.

Jacob E. Martin, B-767 Captain, Retired LAXFO

Hard to believe but in March 2020, it will 15 years since I retired from United Airlines. And I still have the Lancair Legacy that I built in 2005-2006. I am still flying the plane, N767EM.

Anita L Pawlack

I read RUAEA religiously and enjoy all the articles.

I also still make use of my passes and seeing the UA world.

Joe Pero

I always look forward to the monthly news from RUAEA. It is great to stay informed on current events involving UAL.

Thanks for the renewal reminder. I have been recovering from total right knee replacement surgery and so far so good.

Cathy J. Gilbert-Silva

Thank you for your tireless efforts on behalf of our retirees and the wealth of information you provide. In the Dulles Lounger Newsletter, I encourage RUAEA membership and include a direct link to the RUAEA. I also extend an invitation to join fellow retirees on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Golden Corral in

Manassas, VA from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Become a member of the Dulles Loungers for \$15 a year and receive local news in our newsletter. I'm happy to add a donation to offset costs. Thank you again!

Arlene A. Taylor

My husband, Earl, and I are enjoying the good life in beautiful Arizona. We love hearing from our United friends and keeping up with company news. Thanks RUAEA - keep up the good work!

James Weeks

Sorry to be late, I have had medical problems. I am better now, thank the Good Lord. ■




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