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Hopefully by now you have mailed in your registration and confirmed your hotel reservation. Our numbers are growing quickly and we want you to be part of that final tally. Currently, the Hyatt Regency is very low on rooms for October 1 -3. There are a number of other hotels in the area that might still have accommodations. Using one of the internet hotel sites might find a more reasonable rate than calling directly. Try www.kayak.com which will compare a number of hotel rates. We would also suggest The Americana Hotel at 1400 Jefferson Davis Highway a short distance from the Hyatt. Your best rates can be found online at www.americanahotel.com. This is a budget hotel, but they provide an airport and Metro shuttle. You might check the reviews on www.tripadvisor.com. Keep in mind they have a three day cancellation policy.

Have you packed yet? Go ahead and get that done. Saving the packing until the last minute could cause stress and this convention is a total-stress-free-zone. October in Washington, DC will be a very pleasant fall visit. The average temperature in this area for the month of October is a high of 68 degrees and a low of 51 degrees. Your visit will be early in the month so we should expect slightly higher temperatures. Be sure to pack a light jacket or a heavy sweater. Comfortable walking shoes are a must for the tours as well as for exploration on your own.

Another plan that should be made as soon as possible is for your method of travel. Your new vacation passes may be quite valuable for this very special event. If you make your plans in advance, you might also find some really good fares with United or another airline on a positive-space basis. (Wow! That's a thought to which we are not accustomed!). More food for thought: Union Station is a unique experience in its own right. Even if you do not consider this as an alternative means of travel, you should still put it on your "must see" list. Riding the train could be a new and interesting experience for you.

For those of you who have booked the Odyssey luncheon cruise there is a dress code; for women, dressy-casual attire such as pants, sundress, nice shorts or a nice outfit are recommended. For men, we suggest dressy casual attire such as nice pants or shorts and a collared shirt. Nice, designer jeans are acceptable. However, casual jeans, t-shirts, athletic shoes or flip flops are discouraged. We hope you are excited to be coming to our Nation's Capital in the fall. We sure are looking forward to seeing you.

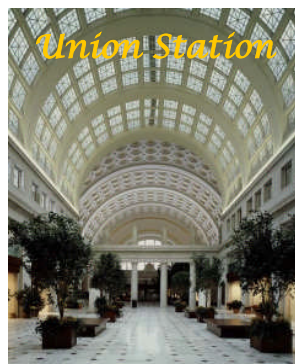
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Travel Policy Overview

*Many of us have been confused by the changes to United's travel policy. If we have computer access, the website flyingtogether.ual.com has helped. Often, we are left with questions unanswered. But one of our members has come forward to help. **Connie Glatthy**, RUAEA newsletter correspondent from the **MSP Northern Lites** has written a travel policy overview. She has combined multiple pages from United's policy as well as actual travel experiences of fellow retirees to write a concise overview for us. Connie wishes to acknowledge the assistance she received from **Jim Morehead** (RUPA), **Kirk Moore** (RAFA) and **Carol Schmus** (RUAEA). She thanks them for sharing their travel expertise to be included in this overview. As we all know, things are subject to change. But for now, we'll be able to travel easier thanks to the overview from Connie. Remember to check flyingtogether.ual.com for the future changes.*

Thank You Connie for your wonderful travel overview.

See pages 35-38 for the article.

GENERAL NEWS

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Letter From The President



Ron Bertacini

As we move into the sixth month of the new Pass Travel Policy, we will have a special section of this Newsletter dedicated to trying to explain all the things to do in order to use your passes on future flights.

Sadly, last month we reported the closure of the three Travel Desks on May 31st. These desks were staffed by volunteer

retirees to assist others without computers, or were en-route and needed assistance with making changes, etc. The first desk opened in Seattle in 1995, followed by one in Portland in 1997 and finally one in Chicago around 2006. RUAEA and RUPA have supported these Travel Desks by taking care of the phone bills. With change from Apollo to Shares in March, the company decided that they can no longer provide space, equipment, or the ability to access the system to these Travel Desks. RUAEA and RUPA were able to thank these volunteers with a letter of **Thanks** and a small monetary gift. **Phyllis Cleveland**, the President of RUPA and I would like to acknowledge these volunteers individually.

Seattle Desk – **Bob Brumfield** and **Kathie Torgison** co-coordinators, **Glen Ander**, **Vicki Anderson**, **Al Anthony**, **Bob Barrett**, **Karen Bixler**, **John Brice**, **Dennis Brown**, **Liz Cairns**, **Don Carlson**, **Erv Casanova**, **Carol Christensen**, **Howard Clark**, **Danny DelGrosso**, **Sarah Fields**, **Larry Fleming**, **Randy Greset**, **Jerry Gogulski**, **Vern Hellickson**, **Phil Hitchcock**, **Rich Holmquist**, **Don Hudson**, **Maryanne Kee**, **Jan Kintner**, **Stan Lightly**, **Carol Lindbloom**, **Gerry Martin**, **Patty McConnehey**, **Ray McGovern**, **Norma Miller**, **Junei Mitchell**, **Dee O'Donnell**, **Ted Parks**, **John Reed**, **Rita Reynolds**, **Sandy Roberts**, **Betty Schaetzke**, **Vern Seaburg**, **Billie Smart**, **Jim Sundmark**, **Jerry Sweeney**, **Cathy Thomas**, **Ken Wagner**, **Pearl Yamaoto**, **Don Zee**, **Hal Zerbock** and deceased volunteers **Sig Haussler**, **Ken Mayne**, **Ken Ruszinski** and **George Weseman**. There were also a few others that volunteered for a very short time.

Portland Desk – **Tina Lewis** coordinator, **Joan Anderson**, **Ann Atwood**, **Rosalie Betschart**, **Tom Beverly**, **Margaret Borbely**, **Steve Borbely**, **Frank Bullis**, **Susie Clack**, **Bruce DeFord**, **Tony Farley**,

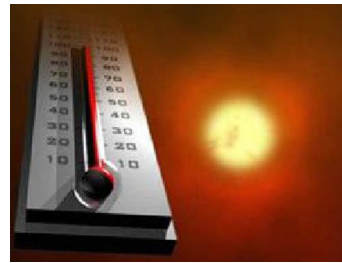
Anne Farmer, **Bill French**, **Joyce Garrett**, **Deanna Green**, **Henry Greene**, **Barbara Heidegger**, **JC Hinton**, **LaVaun Hinton**, **Nadine Holten**, **George Hooper**, **Nancy Hooper**, **Candice Kelly**, **Ruth Larson**, **Carole Luyten**, **Ed Nolan**, **Mary Nolan**, **Inge Pempeit**, **Dorothy Retzlaff**, **Jim Riddelle**, **Louise Robillard**, **Don Rodgers**, **Joan Strickfaden**, **Gaylean Swanson**, **Glen Swanson**, **George Thomas**, **Don Weindorf** and deceased volunteers **GINNY CONQUEST**, **Leo Correia**, **Jane Harvey**, **Tom Harvey**, **Duane Heidegger**, **Cherie Maltase** and **Jim Psinos**.

Chicago Desk – **Carol Faust** coordinator, **Linda Agana**, **Raj Ambegaoker**, **Bill Bergner**, **Marilyn Chaplin**, **Darlene Felske**, **Jan Gawenda**, **Mary Goggin**, **Virginia Golec**, **Linda Kirn**, **Joyce Krietsch**, **Clyde Randmark**, **Ellen Shofner**, **Bobby Singleton**, **Candice Stec** and deceased volunteer **Ron Madsen**.

Ron Bertacini

President – RUAEA

Heat alters operations, especially at high altitude



feet) to MEX (Mexico City, 7,316 feet).

High, hot air is thin air that reduces lift. To compensate, UAL often reduces takeoff weight, adds fuel stops or increases takeoff roll distance. In extreme cases, United may have to cancel flights. At DEN, a high of 100 degrees and an altimeter setting of 29.40 forced United to cancel a dozen ExpressJet flights affecting about 400 customers. Those 50-seaters face restrictions when the mercury rises to 95 or higher.

United makes progress on through flights

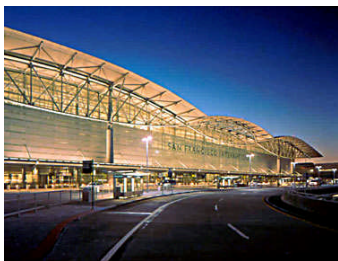


If you've checked availability or flight status lately, you may have noticed that United has a lot more flights that make stops than it used to. United's increased usage of these types of flights, otherwise known as "through flights," isn't because of a change in strategy but rather because the company does not have enough flight numbers to support its entire United/United Express operation.

Unfortunately, many of United's systems do not handle through flights well. Normal processes like upgrades, seat assignments, mileage credit and more don't work in the same way as they do for individual nonstop flights. Permanent improvements for handling through flights are in the works for next year, but in the meantime United has made some great progress toward reducing the symptoms. For one, the company is addressing the most critical issue, which is upgrades, by dividing through flights into individual flight segments for its Premier members before their upgrade window opens.

As a direct result, customers booked on through flights are now clearing upgrades more reliably. In addition, United is reducing the number of through flights. Starting August 28, United will no longer sell domestic to/from long-haul international through flights except for those markets in which they are mandated by regulatory reasons. United is also targeting similar efforts for the remainder of its network by year-end. This is a collaborative effort between the Network, Contact Center, IT and Customer Experience teams to improve the traveling experience for United's customers.

United's growth means more gates at SFO



As SFO operations grow, United is using additional gates for some domestic arrivals and departures. United is using gates in Terminal 1 to augment its operation in Terminal 3 and the International Terminal

and is providing frequent airside bus links.

UAL is using the new gates primarily for Southern California and LAS (Las Vegas, NV) traffic. The SFO website has detailed information on how the changes affect transit to, from and through the airport. United will use the gates until renovations of Terminal 3's Boarding Area E are complete in November 2013.

Get the latest interline travel updates



Airlines regularly change policies and procedures for interline travel. Visit the Travel tab to get the latest updates.

Austrian Airlines, Thai Airways and Adria Airways introduced new listing procedures for co-workers, retirees and eligible pass riders through the MyIDTravel website. Pass riders will continue to order tickets on these carriers through the ZED & ID Ticket Request Form. Please request interline tickets at least 24 hours in

advance of your travel date. Meanwhile, LOT Polish Airlines and Swiss no longer offer listing through flyzed.com. Going forward, eligible pass riders who wish to travel on Swiss will visit swiss.com/zed, while those who want to travel on LOT must contact the airline's call center at 48-22-577-95-72. See News & Bulletins on the Travel tab for details.

Turbulence injures five on IAH flight



Severe turbulence rocked a Boeing 737 that was en route from IAH to LGA (New York-LaGuardia), injuring three flight attendants and two customers. The turbulence struck

about a half-hour after takeoff. United diverted the flight to LCH (Lake Charles, LA) for several hours before the flight resumed to LGA.

Aviation Safety has launched a formal investigation and is working closely with both the NTSB and the FAA, which is routine in such cases. Inflight Services representatives went to LCH to support the injured co-workers.

Staying safe during turbulence remains a priority for United's flight crews year-round, but in North America the chances of choppy air typically increase from April through September. While dispatchers and flight crews can anticipate conditions that may create turbulence and plan accordingly, sudden shifts in air movement can happen without any warning. United's cross-divisional Turbulence Mitigation Team stresses improved awareness and communication among its crews as well as between pilots and the Network Operations Center, air traffic controllers and pilots of other flights.

Scanners speed entry to United Clubs



Checking in to the United Clubs is now smoother thanks to a solution that grew out of the PSS SWAT Team's work. Now, club members may present their boarding

passes rather than membership cards and ID to enter any of United's clubs. United deployed additional scanners to the clubs and modified the Automated Tracking System (ATS) software so that it can read boarding passes and quickly validate membership.

"Scanning boarding passes is more efficient and eliminates the need for a second form of identification," explained United Clubs & Global Services Operations Managing Director Russ Compa.

Jet fuel price now more closely tracks price of Brent oil



The price of jet fuel now more closely tracks the price of Brent crude oil rather than West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil, and that's a significant consideration for United in

running its business.

Since the mid-80s, WTI had been the U.S. benchmark for crude oil prices and a key barometer for crude oil prices globally. Starting in the fourth quarter of 2010, however, a mismatch between growing North American (Canadian and U.S.) oil production and physical infrastructure for transportation and refining of oil in the U.S. has led to a buildup of surplus oil inventories in North America. As a result, the price of WTI has been depressed relative to other benchmark global crude oil prices, sometimes up to \$25 or \$30 lower, and does not track changes in jet fuel prices well.

Until these physical infrastructure constraints are adequately addressed, experts expect WTI to be a "broken" benchmark for jet fuel and world oil prices. Over the same time period, the price of Brent, another key global oil benchmark, has tracked very well with jet fuel. In addition, Brent crude oil is used to set the price for nearly two thirds of the world's oil consumption. Many airlines have stopped using WTI in their financial planning and hedging activities, as the financial trading community moves to Brent as the benchmark for crude oil prices.

Variability in the price of jet fuel, which is refined from crude oil, is so important to United's business because jet fuel is close to 40 percent of its operating cost. It's not only the single largest cost, it's also the most volatile, and this year United saw swings of more than \$2 billion in the company's annual fuel bill in a single month (May).

Since airlines operate in a brutally competitive market with tight margins and sell tickets for a fixed price well in advance of the date of travel, United generally doesn't have the ability to react to volatility quickly. It takes time for United to adjust capacity and fares, and the price of oil (and jet fuel) moves rapidly.

Therefore, tracking against Brent allows United to more accurately plan for fuel costs and improves its ability to more effectively hedge fuel costs. For the near term, United will publish both WTI and Brent prices in United Daily so that co-workers can see the often significant volatility in this market.

United expects to publish only Brent (and jet fuel) prices soon, as Brent has become the relevant benchmark.

Flight 93 Memorial Chapel by Frank Egges



Bishop Mascherino asked me to thank the Retirees of United Air Lines and their associates on his behalf for your generous support over the years. You are always

in his prayers. Retirees have contributed to date over \$23,000 to the chapel.

Did you know that more than 35,000 tributes have been left at the Flight 93 National Memorial? These Tributes are part of the growing Archival Collection. To donate to the Flight 93 Memorial Chapel, make check to 93 Memorial Chapel and mail to: Frank J. Egges, 3405 West Chester Pike B307, Newtown Square, PA 19073-4252

Travel Tips from RUAEA Members



In this issue, we include a comprehensive Travel Policy Guide starting on page 35 as part of our effort to

provide members with as much information as we can in understanding the new pass travel rules. We would also like to publish tips sent to us from retirees who want to share their travel experiences with other RUAEA members. The following letters are from those retirees. **Editor's Note:** *The following members have offered suggestions to assist us with our travel needs. The RUAEA newsletter staff welcomes suggestions to share. However, we have not verified them and do not confirm their accuracy.*

From **Carrie Ettredge** (carelin606@gmail.com) ~ Seems like you need some kind of smart phone or PDA to travel standby. I looked at smart phones and decided, not for me! The Nook (sold at Barnes & Nobles bookstores) or the Amazon Kindle Fire (sold on internet) are useful alternatives, with no monthly fees like the smart phones. The Nook and Amazon Kindle Fire cost about \$200. You can get on the internet at any Wi-Fi place, which I understand, is almost anywhere nowadays. I didn't understand Wi-Fi but the Nook just goes to it automatically when in range. There are many other uses for it, reading books, magazines, email, games, etc. but I bought it to use on standby. This information may be useful for those retirees not online at all or like me, afraid to venture out on standby status without net access.

Remember to ask the sales person if the E-reader you choose has web browser capabilities. Not all E-readers do and you need it to access the internet.

From **Ed Martin** (edmartintx@gmail.com) ~ I just returned from a trip to Europe and discovered a new procedure in refunding an unused ZED ticket. So I thought I would pass this along to any retirees that may occasionally buy a ZED ticket backup for foreign travel. Previously, we could get ZED tickets refunded at the local ticket counter (depending on work load) or send then to WHQAK for processing. **No longer!** There is a new procedure now with a new form and address. Most important is the address that it is sent to: Houston, Not Chicago. The address shown on the form is: United Airlines Refunds Department, Attn: Refund Accounting, PO Box 4607, Dept. HQJRF, Houston, TX 77253.

From **Steve Peek** (scpeek@gmail.com) ~ I thought I needed to advise retirees about a problem I ran into when returning to DEN from FRA this week. I booked a flight for my wife, myself and enrolled friends. I received a record locator, so I thought I was booked. The next morning at FRA, I was told that no ticket numbers were attached to that booking. Because of this, we missed standing by for the ORD flight. I was told that the agent couldn't help me and that I had to rebook on a later flight via the internet.

The gist of the story is, when you book your flight, don't assume that you are set; just because you get a record locator, don't assume you are booked. Get ticket numbers and print them or write them down, otherwise you might get stuck like I was. Also, on the way to FRA, our flight from IAD to FRA was diverted to BOS. It then canceled about 0300 and we stayed overnight at a hotel. The flight, with a new flight number, left for FRA the next evening. This caused me to be charged with two more vacation passes than were actually used. What a great system! Retirees: beware.

May be this will help someone avoid the problem I had.

Acknowledgement



Connie Glattly

RUAEA would like to thank **Connie Glattly** for compiling a comprehensive guide that covers all aspects of the new Travel Policy. Connie is the RUEA Newsletter Correspondent from the MSP Northern Lites chapter, she and her husband Rich occasionally host the Northwoods Loonies chapter's get-together.

Hopefully, these 4 pages will answer most if not all the questions that United/Continental retirees have in planning their pass travel. Thank you again, Connie!

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.

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Our Florida/Alabama Gulf Coast Chapter met Thursday, June 14, 2012, in the Cubi Bar Café in the Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola, FL. We had 15 members and 5 guests present. Our guests were **Park & Billie Learned's** son, **Monty**, and grandsons, **Moe** and **James Morgan** from Alaska. **Moe** has visited our group before and we were so glad that he brought his dad and brother with him this time. We look forward to them visiting again when they are here. Our two other visitors were **Jake** and **Eddie**, twin sons of **Steve & Annie Kirkpatrick Wilkey**. We are always so happy when they are out of school and can visit with us. We look forward to them being with us at next month's meeting also. Members in attendance were: **Conrad Hamilton, Bill Hayden, Rick & Carol Herrick, Doug & Edna Thompson Horne, Park & Billie Learned, Jeanne Reinoehl, Bob & Yvonne Schwartz, Barbara Serra, Harold Stofko** and **Steve & Annie Kirkpatrick Wilkey**. After lunch, **Bob Schwartz**, President, called our meeting to order at 12:45 PM. The Agenda, Minutes and Financial Report were emailed to everyone and they were approved as sent. Raffle tickets were sold by **Barbara Serra**, Treasurer, and **Bill Hayden**, Vice-President. The winners were **Doug & Edna Thompson Horne**. We started our meeting by watching the YouTube video "United Breaks Guitars". It is very funny and was well done by the group performing it.

Emails were read from 3 members who were unable to attend. **Jim & Penny Alston** are in Utah watching their daughter & son in law run a 200 mile relay race. Wow! **Bill & Ann Delavan** are in Maryland and will be there until November. They have just returned from a trip to Israel traveling stand-by with just a few problems. **Tommy & Sande Zander** are on a 14 day Norwegian Fjord cruise aboard the Queen Elizabeth. What a trip! We envy them.

Billie & Park Learned invited everyone to stop by their home and pick blueberries. They have several bushes that are really full. Billie said to just watch out for their grandson's horse, Sophie, which is staying in their backyard for now.

Annie Kirkpatrick Wilkey continued her great programs on all the new procedures since the merger. Everyone always has lots of questions. Annie has offered to do a program on how to do ZED fares and will also show us the new mobile phone app. We all are learning so much from this plus a couple of other members really know a lot about how to do all the various things also so our meetings are quite informative now.

We'd love for you to join us at one of our meetings if you are ever in our area. They are the third Thursday of each month and we always meet at the Cubi Bar Café in the National Naval Aviation Museum at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, FL.

Calendar

July 19 – 11:30 AM

August 16 - Our Second Anniversary Meeting!

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Our meeting for the month of June was held at the Irondale Café in Irondale, Alabama. As the meeting started, the Union Pacific RR was going down the tracks across from the cafe. Attending were **Joe & Marie Duncan, Joe Singleton, Herb & Carol Wilbanks, Bobby & Jean Cox, Donna & Jim Gooch, Beverly & Ken Yeager, Gay Fowler** and her friend **Pat Harman**, and **Bill Preston**. **Beverly Yeager** won the 50/50 drawing. After enjoying a wonderful lunch, Donna shared some hints about buying Standby tickets from Southwest. She & Jim recently went to Delaware. She recommended starting the process early to allow time for getting the tickets. She went through the United website and was able to go to the United Express counter in BHM to get the tickets. There was some earlier confusion at the ticket counter regarding whether Express could write the ticket.

Charlotte Gibson, our vice-president, is now in Hawaii visiting her son on Oahu. We know she is having fun and we will be interested in hearing how her trip to and from there worked out.

We have 2 anniversaries in June: **Joe & Marie Duncan** (57 years) and **Travis & Zoe Glass** (55 years). Congratulations to all of them.

Herb updated us on the Flight 93 memorial fund raising status. He suggested we make our next donation to the chapel fund since the memorial is getting closer to completion. All present agreed. He also shared a recent article from the Birmingham News about a former BHM United employee named **Michelle Williams** who won

an award for her many hours of hospice volunteering. She is not in our group but Herb would like to try to contact her and invite her to join us. Several folks remembered her.

Gay Fowler, our “social secretary”, announced a trip to Gadsden to Noccula Falls with time for lunch and antiquing in the area tomorrow. **Carol Wilbanks’** uncle, a mayor of Gadsden, helped develop the park at the falls. The covered bridge, built by her great grandfather, was moved there. It is called the Gilliland Bridge. Gay also told about the Blue Springs Manor Bed and Breakfast in Vincent as a nice place for brunch. She has a trip to Oneonta Palisades Park on September 4th. This park overlooks a very deep valley north of Birmingham. These trips are open to anyone interested. Contact Gay if you want more information.

A special thanks to **Carol Wilbanks** for taking notes for our secretary, **Judy Slover**. Judy was unable to attend because she was celebrating with her Mother who turned 92 on the day of the meeting.

Also, a special thanks to all of our “regular” retiree members, spouses and friends for continuing to make “Sweet Home Alabama” a great group of former colleagues and friends. If you live in Alabama, and you are not a part of our group, please consider joining us. Contact **Judy Slover** at (334) 322-1161 or judy-slover@mindspring.com.

Calendar:

August 13 - Meeting location TBA.

ARIZONA



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“We’re having a heat wave ... a tropical (?) heat wave” is the theme all around the country ... except, maybe, Florida. Chicago, on July 4, was actually warmer than some parts of Arizona, go figure! Well. It’s summer.

I’ve been travelling back and forth to Chicago, not fairing too badly with seat assignments, a couple of seats assigned way in the back. Vic said he didn’t think the plane went that far back since it’s been so long since we were assigned back in the rear. He was an aircraft mechanic, guess nothing “broke” in the back of the plane. But, I think, the agents are trying to assign seats individually instead of the computer doing the “dirty work”. All depends on who’s “working the flight” (UA or ex-CO) and, of course, if I still know the agents either

in PHX or at ORD. I suppose you can say we were “spoiled”, hey, but I liked it that way!

Marge & Gene Hinnners took their granddaughter to Washington, DC to celebrate her 10th birthday, which is a tradition in their family each time a grandchild turns 10, they get a trip with Grandma and Grandpa. Marge then flew with her back to California.

Vic Liltz is still having dizzy spells and lightheadedness, sometimes not so bad. We will see an ENT who specializes in “balance problems” on July 16. Hopefully, he’ll fix the problem because it really has been a problem. He can drive (yikes!) but not walk so well.

Olive Crowthers is healing from a fall she had a month ago when she fell at a tent sale in a parking lot and broke her nose and glasses.

Elyse Dykeman is walking with a cane since her break last year but she was still in attendance at Coco’s breakfast on July 3.

Also, in attendance at the “breakfast club” at Coco’s on July 3 besides Elyse were **Olive Crowthers**, **Enza Scarso**, **Jean Kerman**, **Susie Hughes**, **Tim Everhart**, and **Sherry Muoio**. Hey, Tim, pretty good odds; you were surrounded by “lovelies”! **Sally Illingworth** talked to Beardsley Park and arranged for our picnic on October 13, hope to see a lot in attendance. P.S. Mark your calendars, it’s always a fun event.

Calendar:

Coco’s breakfast meetings 8:00AM. Location – 98th and Bell roads. Call **Jim Bechtold** at (623) 465-5423 for reservations.

August 14 – Breakfasts

August 28 – Breakfast

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Hopefully, all of our members are staying cool and comfortable as much as possible, but “it’s a dry heat”, as they say. Our Chapter is still getting together this summer for breakfast, so why not join us. We start at 9:00 a.m. and in an air-conditioned restaurant! It’s a good time to go for breakfast. We meet on the fourth Friday each month. In August, it will be August 24th at Crackers & Company Cafe, 535 W. Iron Ave, in Mesa, off of Hwy 60 and Arizona Avenue. If you would like to go, please contact **Peg Snowdall**, our Vice President, at (480)396-3317, or by e-mail at phomfeldt@cox.net, by August 23. Guests are welcome to join us.

We had 17 members at our June Breakfast. **Rich Vehring** updated us on the annual Fantasy Flight, which

we are heavily involved with, and takes place November 30th this year, for under privileged young children. We have been doing this Fantasy Flight for many years, and this year will be our 17th time. What a record! We have some new sponsors that will help fund this event. Rich said that some of the children we have hosted are now employed at United. You never know what influence we have on these lives with the encouragement we give them during these events. It's so worthwhile! Remember to collect bears and other toys for the children, plus socks and mittens to fit Kindergarten to First graders over the summer for these children. Also, we're collecting books; both paperback and hard cover, for the book sale at the airport in October. Please call **Peg Snowdall** if you have any questions at (480) 396-3317.

At our breakfasts, as well as our luncheons, we have a 50/50 raffle. We're going to contact our members to see whether we should continue giving out three winning prizes, or limit it to just one winner each time.

One of our members, **Oscar Aguilar**, had knee replacement surgery the middle of June. We hope he continues to get better each day.

Have you made any decision yet whether you're going to attend the **RUAEA** Convention, which runs from October 3 – 7, in Washington DC? The Convention packet can be found in the June Newsletter, or you can find information on line at www.ruaea.org, on the home page. There's only one banquet, and that is Saturday evening, October 6th. You don't have to be a **RUAEA** member or a retiree to participate. It's open to other branches of the United Family, including retirees from Continental Airlines. The deadline for the hotel and the Convention is this month, Friday, August 31, 2012. Send your completed Registration Form and Check to: **2012 RUAEA Convention**, c/o Kerrie Schneider, 9085 Babser Drive, Manassas, VA 20112. Your check should be made out to **2012 RUAEA Convention**. The Hyatt Regency in Crystal City is the location for the Convention. Please refer to **RUAEA** when calling the Hyatt Central Reservation line at **1-888-421-1442**. A double room rate is \$112.00 plus tax. Don't put off making your plans now!

Did you notice the "Official Ballot" for the **RUAEA** National Election in last month's issue? **Mike Richards**, who was our Arizona Region Director, is now running for the Executive Vice-President position of **RUAEA**, and our own **Bob Hallden** wants to be the Arizona Region Director! Be sure and vote! Send the completed ballot to: **RUAEA Audit Committee**, 2702 Meadow Drive, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008-1717. It must be received by the Audit Committee by September 1, 2012.

We have the following August Birthdays: **Rose Mary Arquisch** (8/1), **Cecilia Nolasco** (8/10), **Tony Ribeiro** (8/16), **Shirley Claggett** (8/21), **Dorothy**

Pappas (8/22), **Marjorie Matteson** (8/26), **Rita Zarek** (8/23), **Dolores Nabors** (8/28), and **Ruth Willoughby** (8/31). Happy Birthday to all of you! The following Wedding Anniversaries in August are: **Joe & Sheila Ficek** (8/5/61), **Duri & Rose Mary Arquisch** (8/6/2008), **John & JoAnne Gaudio** (8/11/84), **Keith & Marilyn Morey** (8/18/51), and **Gary & Pam Gerstung** (8/25/73). Congratulations to all the couples!

Calendar:

August 24 – Breakfast at Crackers & Co. Cafe, 535 W Iron Ave. in Mesa, starting at 9:00 a.m. Contact **Peg Snowdall** at (480) 396-3317 by Aug. 22nd.

September 28 – Breakfast at Crackers.



TALL PINES

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Greetings to all from the Prescott Tall Pines Chapter! Our June meeting was a fantastic picnic held at beautiful Lynx Lake Eagle Ridge area. The event was hosted by **Chuck & Lynn McCoy**. Chuck & Lynn did a wonderful job setting it up for our group, with Chuck showing his expertise on the grill. Guests at our function from PHX were **Rich Vehring** and his wife **Janet**. Rich is instrumental in getting the Fantasy Flight in PHX off the ground, so to speak. He filled us in with the details of this year's event.

The Tall Pines members also support the Fantasy Flight program. Raffle tickets for this cause are available from **Jeannie Risdon** and are \$5.00 each. The grand prize is \$787.00 and assorted gift certificates are offered as alternate prizes.

There will be no meetings or newsletters for the months of July and August.

Calendar:

September 18 – 11:00AM Luncheon/Meeting at the Lone Spur Café in downtown Prescott

TUCSON ROADRUNNERS

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It's hard to believe that this year is half over with already. The hot summer temps have arrived and the A/C's are working overtime trying to keep everyone cool. Those of us who have chosen to stay here through the

summer have pretty much gotten use to the temps and go about our daily lives routinely.

The Brio Tuscan Grille was the site of our June 21st luncheon at the Tucson Mall. This event was hosted by **Pat & Rich Delallo**. There were 24 Roadrunners in attendance and all had good things to say about the restaurant. The 50/25/25 drawings were won by **Alice Belzer** and **Alice Lopez**. I'll bet that the winnings were probably spent at the Mall before leaving the area.

Ron Robertson gave a talk on the upcoming National Convention to be held in Washington D.C. during the first week in October. The site will be the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Crystal City, VA and the dates will be October 3rd thru the 7th.

The Thunder Canyon Brewery will be the site of our July luncheon on the 19th of the month. **Carolyn & Merritt McGlothlin** will be our hosts. This venue is always well attended and has become one of our favorites. It is located in the Foothills Mall which affords shopping before and after lunch. Starting time is 11:00 and the **McGlothlins** will need a head count by July 17th if you plan to attend. Phone # 527-7853.

August will be our Pinetop outing in the White Mountains on Thursday, August 16th where we will meet for dinner at the Pinetop Country Club followed by a luncheon on Friday the 17th. The luncheon site will be named at a later date. It always makes for a nice get-away for a couple of days from the heat in Tucson.

Calendar:

July 19 - Thunder Canyon Brewery

August 16 - Pinetop Country Club

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We had our meeting on June 20th at **Bob & Marcia Stanger's** house. There were 15 members attending. Our President **Esther Bartlett** opened the meeting. The subject of the pass system is still the center of our conversation as several of us are still confused on the listing procedure. **Mike & Bridgett Zoldak** flew to ORD, he went through how he listed himself and said it worked out very well. Several of our members needed additional help and Mike will be sending those with computers the procedure he used. It seems that **Joan & Peter Schaefer** will be joining the 21st Century and get a computer. They have been pressured enough by friends

and relatives to get one. They have held out long enough so now the fun for them begins.

We missed **John & Barbara Stilwell**. It seems they took a trip to Cuba. We should have some interesting stories from them at our next meeting.

The 50/50 drawing was won by our hostess **Marcia Stanger**. Bob did the cooking and furnished us with a delicious Ranch Style Barbeque. This included beef or chicken with chili beans, salads, and desserts. He makes a great chef.

Jack & Eleanor Cunningham made the long drive with a stop at the Chumash casino. I can't say how much Eleanor won, but the IRS was right there as she collected. If she keeps this up, the Indian Tribe might make her an honorary member or partner.

It was good to see **Ken Bake** and Stella attend our meeting. There was a lot of reminiscing about the good old days and some war stories.

Calendar:

August 15 – Meeting, hosted by **Al & Marilyn Rybar**.

BRAZEN RAISINS

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The Brazen Raisins had no scheduled host for its June 2012 meeting, but President **Elida Rivas** graciously volunteered to act as hostess. Elida called for a moment of silence in memory of **Curt Follansbee** who had passed away in May.

We were honored by a visit by RUAEA Director **Roger Casterline** and friend **Brandon Maus**. Roger asked how many Brazen Raisins planned to attend the upcoming RUAEA Convention in Washington, D.C. - the Rivas were a maybe. Roger also announced that future conventions would be held on the West Coast due to lack of interest in the last convention in Florida. Roger discussed hotels in Honolulu where flight crews stayed – they're now using the Waikiki resort at \$119 per night, about the lowest price retirees can get in Honolulu. Roger engaged in a long discussion on pass travel; retirees have a better chance of getting on a plane when they use the Vacation Pass.

Dick Shryock read a letter he had received from **Don Nessling**; he is living with his daughter and family and has joined the South Bay retirees group.

Dick Hayes read another one of his poems titled "The Meeting" and then reread his other poem titled "The Range". **Dick Van Patten's** daughter read three airline jokes.





DESERT SUNBIRDS

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The Desert Sunbirds' June Luncheon/Meeting was held at the Mountain View Country Club in La Quinta. **Jim & Liz Clapper** were our hosts this month. Thirty seven members and guests had their choice of sandwiches - House Smoked Pulled Pork, Turkey Club, and Grilled Reuben. New Rosters were passed out to the membership - in two forms; regular size (8½×11), and a compact version. Members were given their choice for future rosters, and the consensus was the regular size.

Merv Myers, laid off for the summer (works at a local golf course), was in attendance, as was **Barb Harrison**, whom we haven't seen for quite a while. It's nice to see both of them. Also in attendance were the **Silvestris**, who missed last meeting with Neuropathy (**Ray**), and Pneumonia (**Flo**). Guests this month; **Sandy Sereno** brought her niece, **Tina Walters**; and I brought **Marji Gomez**, who is becoming almost a regular at these luncheons. **Brad Zittel**, not to be outdone by **Shirley Spitler**, started his own "bucket list" by going "skydiving" for the first time, on his 70th birthday.

Not good news concerning **Dee Wright**. **Hal Klobe** (ReLAXers) visited Dee on June 19th. Dee still shows no signs of recognition or awareness of his surroundings. And he is still on the breathing and feeding tubes. Dee will continue to be in our prayers. You may get later information in the ReLAXers column in this issue.

The Birthday Lunch was won by **Mark Kaplan**, and **Judy Ford** won \$50.00 in the 50/50 drawing. Our hosts, Jim & Liz, added a nice touch to the end of the luncheon. One person at each table won a fresh arrangement of gladiolas (in a vase). The winner was determined by a number pasted on the bottom of a plate at each position. Nice touch!

Calendar:

August 8 – TBA, hosted by **Melinda & Ron Lerg**

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SACRAMENTO



The Sacramento Gold Diggers met on June 27th at Beermann's Restaurant in Lincoln. This was hosted by

LaVerne & Len Haubl, **Pat Guinn** and **Tom Miehle**. We had 47 Gold Diggers attending and two guests: Guests of **Len & Verne** were **Inga & Kevin Blake**. Our Chapter President welcomed those attending. The members thanked the **Haubls**, **Pat** and **Tom** for hosting. **Terry** had **LeVerne Haubl** tell the history of the building we were having lunch in. This building was built in 1880 which was a dry-goods store downstairs and also a meeting room upstairs for the Odd Fellows and Masons. In 1925 it became a restaurant. They held high teas, plays and also dance bands. Then it closed down for a good number of years and just reopened in April of this year. There is a brewery and restaurant downstairs.

Officers' Reports:

President **Terry Greenacre** ~ There will be no "little known facts" today.

Vice President **Orville Harshbarger** ~ October is still available for hosting a luncheon.

Secretary **Colleen Esola** read the anniversaries for June. Those 50 years and over: **Hank & Rose Wikstad** (51 years); **Rolf & Margaret Kramer** (55 years). **Colleen** also read a thank you note from **Sonda Sandstedt & family**: "*To all our Gold Digger friends: You've been so supportive these past 2 years with your prayers and good wishes for Dick and I. We shared many happy times at luncheons and conventions. Thank you for being a happy part of our lives and for your donation to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in Dick's memory.*"

Treasurer, **Judie King** gave our Chapter's balance.

Sunshine **Angie Dellinger** sent sympathy cards to **Valli Kellan** on the death of her husband, **Roland Kellan**, and **Bob & Margaret Fulkerson** on the death of their son. She also sent a get well card to **Sherrie Wolfram** who is in the hospital with pneumonia and a blood infection.

Historian **Stephanie Norton** has albums with her today and she believes she has everyone's picture in it.

Roster Chairman **Jack Raynor** ~ let him know of any changes in the Roster.

RUAEA President, **Ron Bertacini** touched on a number of things. The August newsletter should have a recap of the new travel policy and special things to look out for. A special thanks to **Francis & Veronica** for all they do. Convention – the package was in the June newsletter and on our website. Bookings and registrations are ahead of schedule. He told a story about a passenger having to check in at SFO in Terminal 3 and then walk to International Gate 92 where he caught a bus over to Terminal 1 gate area which took a long time and was unpleasant. United will not have check-in facilities at Terminal 1. All United passengers **must** check in, check baggage and enter security at Terminal 3.

Trip to South Carolina and the new United ~ United has received bad press; pilots picketing; increase 2nd bag

fee to \$100.00; reaction to Houston's decision to open Hobby to international flights; crew announced that it was a Continental crew that operated the flight.

Calendar:

July 27 - Chang Brothers in Auburn

August 29 - Picnic at Penn Valley park

September 26 – China Buffet in Citrus Heights



HANGTOWN MINERS

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Good food, sunshine, open spaces, good friends - everything needed to create a perfect atmosphere for our June luncheon and meeting. **Ed & Lindalee Akin** invited us to their home once again. We all looked forward to this special place to meet and our heartfelt "Thank You" goes to them and to **Suzie Quinnell** who co-hosted with **Ed & Lindalee**.

There were 41 in attendance and once we visited and enjoyed our lunch, President **Jon Somplack** called the meeting to order. Jon welcomed 5 guests: **Rudy & Cindy Blazius** brought guests, **Bill & Linda Dinette**; **Tom & Andi Stuchell** brought guests, **Tot & Tom Nichols**; **Bill & Jane Gibson** brought guest, **Mike Ross**. Bill & Linda decided to join our group, we hope the same will happen with, Mike, Tom and Tot.

Old Business ~ We still had 3 months without hosts for the luncheon! It was decided to pass on July. September is still open - just let us know if you would be willing to host! **Tom & Suzie Kenny** offered to host the November meeting.

The ongoing discussion and concern over retiree flight privileges came up again. One caution that keeps coming up concerns return flights. Some have found that even though they schedule online their trip both directions, when they logon to confirm their return flight (s), they are finding that they were dropped from the listings! Be sure to always check your status. Also, if you get to the airport and when at the desk discover that things aren't in place, you would be wise to not bring it up with the CSR, they're getting a bit testy with all the problems created with this merger. Jon & Alice were in Las Vegas and ran into this problem! It all worked out in the end, but ... There was a question about whether a spouse could fly on the vacation pass without the retiree. The general answer was "yes", but **Alice McPeak** was told "no".

New Business ~ **Jack Raynor** had our rosters for 2012 printed. Everyone who was in attendance should have picked up their copy from Jack. Be sure to get

your copy, if you weren't at the June meeting, at the next luncheon. Jack has more and I do as well.

Our Vice President, **Rosemary Heier**, was not at the luncheon, so no report from her.

Jane Gibson, Secretary, asks that if you don't get the minutes and information on the next luncheon at least a couple weeks after the meeting, please let her know. Now, obviously, I am way late this month, and apologize for that! Treasurer, **Tom Kenny**, reports that our balance is \$975.27.

Jeanette D'Amico asks that we all keep **Paul & Bernice Ambrose** in our prayers and thoughts. Paul is residing at a memory care home in Green Valley. They are fine, but this is a trying time and a period of adjustment.

My goodness, June really is the wedding month! Here it goes! **Rudy & Cindy Blazius** (45 years), **Dan & Peggy Bonetti** (52 years), **Dick & Ann Czapkay** (50 years), **Frank & Angie Dellinger** (43 years), **Jack & Judy Fitzpatrick** (11 years), **Tom & Suzanne Kenny** (21 years) and **George & Carolyn Parkinson** (64 years). Congratulations to all of you and may you have many more to come.

We did not have a representative from RUAEA this month. We also did not hold the monthly raffle. If you brought something for it, please bring it to the August luncheon. Speaking of the August luncheon, be aware that we will be trying out a new restaurant, the Sierra Nevada House. I'm told this was a hotel and has interesting history. Now, be sure to note that the luncheon will be on Wednesday, August 8th, not our usual meeting day of the week. See you in August!

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Submitted by Mary Hill

We had our monthly luncheon on June 14th – Flag Day. Our hosts **Barney & Clare Hagen** had the room decorated with a lot of Red, White and Blue. There were pretty plants with flags on every table. It looked so festive. Barney called the meeting to order and commented how great it was to live in this pretty area called "The Valley of the Moon." Vice President **George Schwind** advised there were 28 members and guests attending. **Lee Trevelyn** and **Ed & Margaret Nelson** were guests of **Barney & Clare Hagen**.

George & Lois took a trip recently to Maui. It was a little difficult going, they had to push back a few days, but it was worth the First Class on the return flight.

There were no changes to the May minutes. Treasurer **Jan Blackburn** gave the "Money Report." Looks like we are doing well. Jan reminded us about our Charity Box.

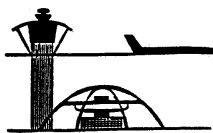
Much was said about our flying situation. Barney & Clare made a trip to Calgary and reminded us that check-in time for Domestic is 45 minutes and 60 minutes for International travel. **Roger Casterline** reminded us of the RUAEA Convention on October 3rd thru 7th. There are many interesting tours. We are all hoping for a good turnout.

Verda Burr, our Sunshine Lady, announced the birthdays for June: **Pat Beery**, **Howard Payne**, **Maria Southon**, **Joan Chambers**, **Doug Saunders** and **Judy DeFord**. Our Anniversaries were, **Charlie & Bernice Anderson** (40 yrs), **Barney & Clare Hagen** (47 yrs), **Lee & Pat Beery** (61 yrs). Congratulations to all. Verda called **Matty Matchinegg** to see how he was healing-up after his fall. Matty says he has many people looking after him, he is feeling better. Next month Verda will be off traveling to her 40th family reunion.

The raffle was lots of fun as usual. Wine, candy and posies were a big hit.

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At our June luncheon, we were happy to welcome new members **Bobbie & Jeananne Bunch** and **Frances Hennekam**. Frances was very lucky that day; winning the Fantasy Flight basket and a bottle of wine from the door prizes. Welcome all!

Gayle Bryan has moved back into the LA area, after having lived in the East for awhile. Her husband has passed away and now she is returning home. Her new address is 1153 Western Ave, Apt B, Glendale, CA 91201.

A note from **Georgia Johnson** advised that she has Parkinson's disease and has moved into an assisted living facility. Her new address is 18510 N. Parkview Pl., #338, Surprise AZ. 85374, (623) 975-4250. Our hearts are with you, Georgia.

Our friends, the **Crisciones**, have shared the sad news that Peter's cancer has returned with deadly force. He requires very strong medication to combat this horrible re-occurrence. Shirley is still on oxygen and heart medicine. We miss their company and send them our love and prayers, 431 W. El Norte Pkwy, #210, Escondido, CA 92026-1929.

Fran Joseph called in to chat and wish us good

luck in our future of flying. She's had a bad reaction to Vicodin prescribed for pain. However, she's doing better and we wish her a happy healthy 85th birthday, coming up soon. 213 S. Alexandria Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Jack Callahan passed away in February of heart problems. He had been in good health, playing golf 3 times a week when suddenly he was taken away. Our condolences to his family on the loss of this nice and well admired man, 1773 Oriole Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

Other calls came from far-away friends; **Eleanor Jones**, now in Texas and **Phyllis Easley**, now in Pennsylvania. They both miss their UAL friends and hope to see them at the RUAEA Convention in Washington D.C., October 3 thru October 7.

I could not finish this without wishing some very special ladies a very special birthday. **Barbara Smith** will be celebrating her 90th birthday on August 7th and **Olga Jean Barnes** will be celebrating her 85th birthday on August 21. Our best wishes to both of you!

Our dearest Supervisor and travel companion, **John Daley**, is having some more health issues. He has wonderful in-home care which helps a great deal; but he could sure use some cheering up! Big hugs and kisses and jokes are sure to put a smile on his face. Please send to his home; P.O. Box 4391, Palos Verdes Pen, CA 90274.

Calendar:

August 2 - Steak Fry - El Segundo Park

October 11 - Proud Bird Restaurant, * date change due to RUAEA convention

Re-Sans

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Breakfast went well, better than the Big Bay Fireworks show that fizzled and left thousands of people, who waited for hours, very disappointed. We had nineteen in attendance and **Carol & Bob Stoop** joined us once again. Everyone looks forward to their visits.

Barbara Tobin, her daughter Julie and two grandchildren stopped by for a quick visit and very sad news. Barbara told us that **Danny Armstrong** is in advanced stages of Alzheimer's and he and his wife **Mary** have lost their home. They are currently staying with Barbara and there is a benefit being held to help them financially. A night of entertainment, a tribute and benefit will be held at Hooley's Irish Pub at Grossmont Center on August 19th from 4PM to 9PM. For 25.00 per per-

son, a dinner buffet will be served with a night of musical entertainment with several musical artists performing. Anyone who wishes to make a contribution may do so by making checks payable to the Armstrong Fund, Mission Federal Credit Union, 250 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, Suite B, San Diego, CA 92117. For any additional information and tickets, contact **Brendan Quinn** (858) 268 9897. This is a great opportunity to help Danny & Mary during this difficult time.

Last month, we had a visit from our first CO retiree, **Donna Capps** who reports that she was made to feel welcome and had a very nice time. Hopefully, she will return to more of our breakfasts in the future.

Rosalie Tripicchio from Mainliner Club brought a selection of items for purchase. This is all the news for now. Enjoy your summer.

Calendar:

August 2 - Our monthly breakfast at the Pt. Loma Café, 4865 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA. 92106-2394. (619) 226 0255.



GOLDEN GATERS SFO - BAY AREA

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All over the Continental USA, Summer (?) has been surprising us weather-wise. The Bay Area is not alone. And **all of us** are sending our sincerest concerns and heartfelt prayers for the safety of our **Colorado** sisters and brothers and for those fighting to protect those in the paths of the cruel winds, incredible heat and horrendous fires. Their fight is not over but please God, instill them with the courage they will need to continue on for as long as it takes.

At our last meeting, we were very pleased to see the faces of guest **Melia Fau** and returning member, **Bob Miller**. Our door is always open, Dear Ones! Do return to make us smile again! Three couples happily celebrating their anniversaries were **Gloria & Emmett Landrum** with 57 years, **Mary & Don Hughes** with 59 years, and **Marilyn & Wayne Guenther** with a wonderful 64 years. These people always greet you with a smile ... now we know why!

On June 10th, this chapter lost one of our favorite members and aggressively hard working Union officers, (President) **John Kensinger**. You may send condolences to his wife, **Shirley Kensinger** at 1925 Sunnybrae Boulevard, San Mateo, CA 94402.

Barbara & Jerome Underhill are back from a well-deserved Hawaiian vacation. They flew "standby" both ways and had a great time with very helpful UA/

CO airport employees (coming and going). That is always good news to hear, yay!

Our Great Lady **Ginger Dahlberg** still has September 2012 openings for travel up the Sacramento Delta and also Spring 2013 openings on a Balkans cruise on the "MV Adriatic Pearl". Call her at (650) 224-1865 or email gingersfo@aol.com.

The 7th Annual "UAL Retiree and Employee Family Day" out at the SFOMB (Maintenance Base, San Bruno) is set for Sunday, 7 October. If you are not attending the RUAEA Convention in Washington D.C. this year October 3-7, (I am, it's such fun!), do plan on being one of the SFOMB retiree volunteers (2 hour shifts). Find a survey to fill out online at <http://bit.ly/SF-FamilyDay> or email SF-FamilyDay@united.com. Our newest local newspaper, the **Peninsula Progress** now serving Brisbane, South San Francisco, San Bruno and Millbrae, has given this event great exposure! They have also given our local SFO-Bay Area retiree chapter monthly meetings wonderful coverage of our invitation to newly retired UAL and Continental employees. God bless them and thank you!

If you have something which would be of interest and value to our local chapter and/or our members, please contact me at musicalcain@sbcglobal.net. With my appreciation, **Helen**.

Calendar:

Our **July, August, October** and **November** General Meetings will be held as usual, in the Foster City location where we have our monthly meetings. There will be **no** General Meeting for the month of **December**. Our **September** General Meeting will be replaced by our **Annual Picnic** held at our usual Foster City location. Otherwise, our meetings begin promptly at 11:30 a.m., 4th Monday of each month or if a 4th Monday falls on a major holiday. We'll see you at the William Walker Recreation Facility, 650 Shell Blvd. (Shell & East Hillsdale Blvd.), Foster City, CA 94404. Lost? Tel: (650) 286-3380. Mail should be sent to: UAL-SFO Bay Area Retirees, P.O. Box 4788, Foster City, CA 94404. Bring a UAL/Continental friend; you will both be most welcome!

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Our annual South Bay Picnic at Vasona Park was a big hit with retirees, guests and grandchildren of all ages. Hosted by **Sally & Tony Urso** with the capable help of **Jean & Jack Jenkins, Dave & Nancy Walb,**



Alex & Marge Klaus, Jean & Lou Marcolina, Ben & Cheri Scales and the Ursos' daughter **Lisa**. Lisa flew in from Denver to surprise her parents. We enjoyed a wonderful barbeque of delicious ribs and

chicken, plus great salads and desserts. Everyone had a great time playing BINGO with the grandchildren distributing the prizes to the winners. We want to thank Tony & Sally for hosting this event for the last ten years. They have done an outstanding job! Unfortunately, Tony has informed us that this will be his last picnic to host, so we hope someone will step up and take on this popular event for our group.

Garver Sandy celebrated his 90th birthday! Happy Birthday, Garver!

Ella & George Sousa visited family on the East Coast. **Dave & Joanne Saso** cruised with their family to Alaska. **Bill & Rosemarie Reichard** took their grandsons to watch the San Francisco Giants sweep the Los Angeles Dodgers. Seems it was a historical moment for them to witness.

Some of our members will head back to the RUAEA Convention in October. **Tony Seidl** is running for Treasurer and **Roger Casterline** for Western Regional Director. We are pleased to have them represent us in RUAEA.

We meet every Friday morning at 8 am at Holder's Country Inn on DeAnza Blvd. in Cupertino. Hope you'll join us if you are in the area.

Calendar

September 12 - Bus trip to the Monterey Aquarium

Fall Luncheon - TBD



SAN JOAQUINERS

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I'm very close to missing the deadline for submitting my newsletter so I will make this short. I have been out of town for a week and just recently got home. We are having extremely hot weather here and it's not fun! Hope everyone had a Happy 4th of July and enjoyed the fireworks, barbeques, family and friends.

Our last luncheon was held on June 14 at Las Casualas Mexican Restaurant in Manteca. We had a small group of 23 people but we all had a great time and the food was delicious. **Rudy & Elma Reyna** hosted the

luncheon and we thank you both for selecting a different restaurant location for our meeting. **Don Nesja** kept teasing the waiter asking about 1 or 2 scoops of ice cream for dessert and guess what, we all had 2 scoops of vanilla ice cream for dessert and it was creamy and yummy.

We were very happy to see **Pat Passarel** join us for lunch but we are sorry to say we have several people on our sick list who were not able to attend ~ **Fred Verbaere** and **Charlene Wood** were ill and not able to join us but hopefully they will be able to come next time.

Rudy & Elma held a raffle and there were many wonderful prizes and lucky winners. I think everyone won a prize and some even won 2 prizes. Thank you again to Rudy & Elma for hosting the luncheon and for the prizes as well as for selecting a new restaurant for our meeting. It is always fun to go to a new place.

The July luncheon will be held at Thomi's Restaurant in Jackson and will be hosted by **Joan & Fred Verbaere**. The food is delicious at Thomi's and we all get to take home the leftovers which is really great! We always meet on the second Thursday of the month and we hope you will come and join us. If you have any questions, please call **Don Nesja**, (209) 295-2104 or me **Rosie Walls**, (209) 984-5672.

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Our June meeting was held on the 11th at the beautiful home of **Hoagie Harguth** with 31 members in attendance. The weather was great.

Many thanks for all those who helped set up (**Rich & Georgia Bouska** and **Diane & Hoagie**) and a special thanks to **Arnold Hansen**, our regular volunteer in charge of liquid refreshments. Thank you also to those who brought appetizers and desserts. Our usual caterer, Kinders, did an outstanding job with the barbeque and delicious side salads and beans. We are pleased to announce a new member, SFOSW retiree, **Pat McEnaney** and thank you **Trudy Engeldinger** for bringing her. As always, there were a wide mix of United retirees, reservation agents, flight officers, flight attendants, administrative staff and customer service agents. This always makes for good conversation. It is amazing how the different paths have crossed through the years. It makes for great conversations.

Just a reminder to send your ballots in for the National Officers of RUAEA and, of course, attend the Convention in Washington, D.C. **Marilyn Marcy** has

once again done an outstanding job choosing a beautiful hotel and organizing great tours.

We meet the 2nd Monday of each month at the Sizzler Restaurant, 1353 Willow Pass Road, Concord, **except for July**. No need for reservations. Social time is from 1100-1200 then lunch and business matters. We encourage all former UA and CO employees to attend. We have many different departments represented.

Calendar:

August 13

September 10

October 8

November 12

December 10 – Toys for Tots and Christmas Party

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On July 7 we had 50 folks show up for the monthly breakfast at United's Flight Training Center. The weather was cool and nice; after having 10 days of 90 to 105 degrees. It was nice to have **Irma Atanasio** back and **Doris Hill** brought her grandson **Ian**. We always welcome visitors, so come on back! Doris also donated 3 handmade stuffed teddy bears for raffle. Aircraft Maintenance took center stage, **John Fultz**, **Virgil Gooselaw** and **Paul Miller**, all Maintenance retirees, won the bears.

The following retirees passed away, **Mel Conine** on June 9, **Lynes Allen** on June 30 and **Jim Hixson** on July 3. Our thoughts and prayers go to their families.

Harvey Collin is recovering from surgery and **Joe Bain** fell and broke his hip. Joe is home recovering.

Virgil Gooselaw reminded us that the August issue of the Newsletter will feature a Travel write-up by **Connie Glattly**. Connie is a retired passenger agent and has kept up with the changes. The wise thing to do is to keep this issue for reference. Also, there may be a column for travel tips from comments that retirees have about travel problems and the solution. It is not intended to be a complaint column with no solutions. The system is new to all of us and we can learn from each other.

Martha & Virgil Gooselaw celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 30 and their daughters **Dianne**, **Deniece** (Old mailing team participants) and families gave them a nice party. Congratulations and we hope you have many more!

The following folks returned their 50/50 winnings to the chapter, **John Fultz**, **Ralph Krieser**, **Paul Miller**, **Al Neilson** and **Jimmy Spate**. Thanks!

Don LaFurge again reminded us that, the Mile Higher Summer Picnic will be, for the first time, a picnic with United and Continental Retirees. The Picnic will be held at **Norm Meyer's** Ranch near Conifer on Saturday August 25, 2012 at 11am. The ranch is just outside of Conifer and located in a beautiful area. This picnic will take the place of RUAEA's usual indoor picnic. For the picnic please bring a dish to be shared by all, as well as plates, utensils, chairs, tables and sun-screen. Drinks will be provided. **For directions to get there:** Go west on Highway 285 (Hampden Ave.) past C-470 for approximately 13 miles. Then from Highway 285, to the right, you will see a two-story yellow house and a sign at the driveway entrance to the **Norm Meyer Ranch**. Then, follow the signs to a scenic picnic area in the valley. **Again, all retirees are welcome!**

Calendar:

The next RUAEA Breakfast will be on August 4th at 9am, at the United Flight Training Center (DENTK), the entrance is located on 35th Ave, just east of Quebec St.; if it is your first time, just let the guard know that you are here for the RUAEA Breakfast.

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We had a great meeting on June 25 at The Village Inn with 9 people in attendance. **Richard Franco**, **Warren & Noria Gerig**, **Don Moler**, **Paula Bayer**, **Stan Sedgwick**, **Sandy & Scott Ford** and **Chuck Stuller**. Several people had traveled to London, Costa Rica, Houston, LAX, PHX and China. Discussion was about listing procedures and personal travel experiences since the merger. We also decided that all airline personnel should be Trusted Travelers, but it seems to be more of a political program than one to solve the line problems.

The Waldo Canyon fire is contained but not without the loss of 346 homes. To my knowledge, no airline people lost their homes but the smoke has not yet cleared. We hope United Airlines and RUAEA will respond to the needs of employees affected by the fires in the west and understand that they may need extra time and money to recover from their losses.

I will continue to forward informational emails to all the Pikes Peak members as I get them from **Chuck Cole**. The Pikes Peak Chapter will become inactive as I

am moving to Anthem, AZ and joining the Phoenix Azures! All Colorado members are welcome to attend the Mile High Chapter in Denver.

As Porky Pig says, "Th-Th-Th-Th-Th... That's all, folks."

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We had a baker's dozen at our meeting today. Thirteen people showed up. Pres. **Dick Coughlin** opened the meeting. Our guests were **Sally & Ed Ballinger**, more about that later. **Bud Gammill** had a fall at their summer place in WI. He had all sorts of fractures, broken bones as well as blood on the brain. So far, we hear he's been patched up and is home on "house arrest" and depending on **Karen** to take good care of him. Prez Dick said it's easier to be the patient than the caregiver. He's tried both and says care giving is hard work. Other members were away, working or just busy. It was good to see **Juanita Ritt** after a long absence. Glad to have her back. **Penny Logan's** husband **Omar** is coming along slowly from his heart attack. He's still very weak, and is wearing some sort of heart monitoring device that's a challenge to do. Some days it's discouraging. Pray for Bud and Omar.

Our 50/50 winner was our guest Ed, and a second drawing was won by Prez. Dick, which was a jar of handmade Apple Butter, made & sold by members of a former church of the Logans. Our birthday celebrant was Prez Dick. We, of course, sang to him. He & Frieda are going to WI to have a big birthday celebration with their family. Our Anniversary celebrants were VP **Steve & Lillian Moddle**, 51 years, except Lil stayed home as the family was visiting and you know how that goes - grandchildren have preference over husbands! At joke time, there were a few funny ones, plus a cartoon that was passed around that made us chuckle. We found out that a few of our members are going to the convention, so we'll depend on them to give us a report.

A few of our pilots recognized our visitor **Ed Ballinger** as he worked in Dispatch. He gave us a little talk about his work and his life in retirement. He was working that fateful day of 9/11. He has been featured recently on CNN's show "Footnotes", telling about how airline people were affected on that terrible day. Ed gave us insight on what it was like to work in Dispatch all those years of his employment. He also told us how he and his wife have been sailing ever since he retired;

they have been to many interesting places. Usually, they have no set schedule or destination; just go to places that interest them. They are just enjoying the life of sailing.

Dick didn't have too much news about the company except for a few new routes and new planes coming in December. And so, we adjourned our meeting until next month.

Calendar:

August 2 - 1130 - Red Lobster

September 6 - 1130 - Red Lobster

October 4 - 11:30 - Red Lobster

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The Pledge of Allegiance was proudly said to the flag held by **Ernie Vosges** and then we began our meeting. President **Rich Llewellyn** welcomed quite a few new folks to our monthly luncheon. Among those were (drum roll) **Roger Syx** (3 days retired from MCOOO). Roger has been in "Zone" since the MCO expansion days in 1991, coming to us from ORD.

Welcome to some folks who have been retired awhile and made the trip to our gathering from afar: **John** (MCOCS) & **Mary Starzynski**, from New Smyrna Beach, **Nancy** (INDRR) & **Lowell Irminger**, from Mt. Dora, and **Bill** (MCOCG) & **Marianne Kovalewski** from Leesburg. Huge "welcome to our chapter"! Hope you enjoyed seeing everyone and catching up. Lots of laughs and warm smiles too!

Our Florida Rep **Paul Brown** joined us for lunch and reminded everyone that this is a voting year at the RUAEA Convention also, so check those candidates and vote. Hint: Paul is running again for our region! You can vote online at www.ruaea.org.

We discussed moving our October Picnic to November, due to the RUAEA Convention dates. This change was agreed to by all present. Later, we realized that that was Election Day, so the officers moved it to the next Tuesday, November 13th. Elaine passed out a "cheat sheet" to help everyone with navigating the new Flying Together aka Skynet, and that was good. However, the computer with its own mobile WiFi connection proved to be, ah, possessed? Best laid plans, still hoping that the info was a help to everyone.

Stan Halterman is offering a 7 night cruise aboard the Celebrity Summit out of SJU for February 2013. Details next month.

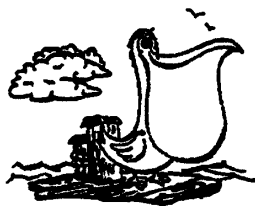
Continued prayers for strength and God's healing for our members..

Calendar:

Luncheon - First Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm.
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August 7

September 4



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The Pelican Drop-Ins always have a fun breakfast at Perkins Restaurant during the summer months. The food is good and we have a great time laughing and enjoying each others company on the first Friday of the summer months.

We were all so delighted to welcome two new members to our breakfast group. **Dennis & Suzanne Aguilera** joined us for the first time because of our write up in the RUAEA Newsletter last month. Dennis retired after 36 years at ramp service for United Airlines in Sacramento, CA. They have lived in Cape Coral, FL for six years. They came to the west coast of Florida for its fabulous sailing opportunities. They both learned to sail by charting in the Virgin Islands. They have a 32 ft Catalina sailboat and have cruised the Florida west coast waters extensively.

Ed & Judy Clark will again be traveling to Indianapolis for their grandson's 4th birthday and to also be there for their daughter's new baby. **Bee McCarthy** and **Joan Gilkison** were talking about their up coming cruise to Alaska. **Nancy Kopp** and **Wanda Schmoyer**, the hibiscus growers, went to New Orleans for a Hibiscus Convention. They had a great time with all the activities in New Orleans. **Mel & Linda Volz** are planning a vacation to Michigan later this month. **John Dainus** was in Michigan for two weeks last month settling some of his late wife's affairs.

Tom & Marilyn McNabb had a 3 week vacation visiting family in Wisconsin last month. Shortly after returning, their son, daughter in law, granddaughter & her husband and Marilyn & Toms' two great grandchildren came for a week's vacation. They all had a grand time doing all the fun things Florida has to offer. For those of you who do not know, **Tom McNabb** started the Pelican Drop-Ins Chapter of RUAEA. This Chapter

includes Fort Myers and the surrounding areas. Tom & Marilyn did all the planning and work involved in starting a new chapter. We are all very thankful to Tom & Marilyn.

Calendar:

1st Friday of the month:

Luncheon meeting at Sabal Springs Golf and Racquet Club (**October-May**)

Breakfast meeting at Perkins Restaurant, North Ft. Myers (**June-September**)

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Since we are still on vacation until September, we want to wish all a safe and happy summer. Along with those wishes, we must rejoice in our freedom and hope all enjoyed their July 4 celebration with family and friends. A Happy Birthday to **Glenda Boisseau** (7/18), **Anne Kenda** (7/27), **Al Popek** (8/1), and Happy Anniversary Wishes to **Ron & Diane Brodis** (7/15).

Join us if you in the area and you won't be sorry, the food, service and members are the best. Whether you are UAL or CO retirees, all are welcome.

Remember to Live, Laugh and Love.

Calendar:

August - Still on vacation

September 4 - 1230PM Luncheon/Meeting – Mulligan's, Jensen Beach, Voting Announcement

October 2 - 1230PM Luncheon/Meeting – Mulligan's, Jensen Beach

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On June 12th, our Gems group gathered at IHOP, and once again we enjoyed a special time together. Sev-

eral of our members retired from SFO maintenance base, and then moved to Boise.

The business part of the meeting was light, as contrasted with our social time! Items covered were traveling issues, which we found answers to, as well as our annual picnic/memorial service to be held September 4 at Cassia Park from noon till 4:00.

Marilyn Taylor came with her daughter **Sharon**, visiting for a week from PDX. **Palmer & Bob Sarnoff** had cousins who visited from NY, enjoying a trip north to McCall, later in June a grade school reunion in STL is on the calendar. **Marlene Croghan** spent time in Jonesborough, TN, to visit family and to see her granddaughter graduate from high school. **Kathy Hihn** flew to SEA on AS, using new request for pass online. **Eve Estensen** and daughter **Mary Norris** plan to vacation in Sedona, AZ. **Bill Estensen** will be joining them in July, as he was requested by a Canadian company to instruct on DC10 maintenance.

Shirley Dempsey enjoyed spending Mother's Day with her daughter **Shannon**. **Rick Dempsey** was in California for Father's Day. **Shirley** is again enjoying golfing. Both she and **Rick** are busy in the garden, as well as spending much time with their Golden Boys (2 Golden Retrievers)! **Charlie Perkins** told us that his wife **Shirley** has gone to Canada for 2-3 weeks. She is having a good time with her sister, in spite of rainy weather. **David & Carol Adams** drove to Scappoose, OR, early in June for the HS graduation of their oldest granddaughter.

Also attending were **Ileen Bunce**, **Louise Duvall**, **Roni Adams**, and **Denny Snyder**.

Calendar:

August 14 - Meridian IHOP

September 4 - Annual Picnic

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Welcome back, wild month for weather, drought, fire or flooding. It was cooler in the West than the East and Midwest. Hope all are well and have survived. Our breakfasts are a wealth of information and good conversation. Overheard were three people comparing their favorite medications. Ah, the Rusty Years!

From our Northside Breakfast, we learned that **Ed & Bonnie Meyer** celebrated 47 years of wedded bliss.

They have five children, and eight ½ grandchildren. They were just told they'll be expecting another one in the Fall.

Bob & Pat Kalicki's great granddaughter, Scarlett, was baptized June 2. Their daughter is a "Gone with the Wind" fan. Her first dog's name was Rhett. They know life is good.

Tina Acoba helped her brother celebrate his 80th birthday in February. She visited her granddaughter in PDX this past April.

Barb Wesermann traveled to COS for her great nephew's birthday. From there, she went to her sister's in Red Bluff, CA. They drove to Roseburg, OR to visit friends they met on their China Tour in 2007. Then they took a bus tour to Yosemite. Barb made all of her flights, except her flight to Chico was canceled and re-routed to Redding, CA.

At the Southside Breakfast, we had 21 attendees. Among them were new members, **Terry Pearson**, who retired in April, after 47 years with UA. Also in attendance were **Bob Franson**, **Juanita Schrecongost** and **Jan Gawenda**. The raffle winners were **Ed Ward**, **Bob Pearson**, **Carlyle Brandt** and **Terry Pearson**. **Sylvester Gant** brought his grandson, **Kwame Watts**, who is a student at Bradley University. **Agnes & Bob Pearson** do a great job keeping this group together. **Carlyle** takes care of the raffle.

LaVerne Lundquist had quite an experience recently. She flew from ORD to OMA, and ended up in the hospital with a blood clot in her lung. The doctors think it was caused by the change in air pressure on the airplane. **LaVerne** had to have a pacemaker put in and will now be on Coumadin to dissolve the blood clot. She has been so lucky with her health, this has been hard to handle. But, she's such a trooper, she intends to deal with it, and I might add, she looked wonderful.

On June 25, we had our Skyliner picnic at Chandler's Restaurant, in Schaumburg. About 200 people enjoyed the lovely buffet that was served. **Marj Nelson**, **Phyllis Kordecki**, **John Koehl**, and **Gerry Vann** were the planners of the event. **Mary Szabo** stole the show modeling the Hawaiian dresses worn by the flight attendants from the 50's until today. **Mary** is the only one that could fit in the size zero dresses. **Virginia Monaco** took photographs of everyone. They will be in the Skyliners website. Former flight attendants and members from the United Airlines Historical Foundation were there. They brought many posters, pictures and other memorabilia from the "Old Days", when we first started flying to Hawaii in the 50's. They also brought gifts that were given in our raffle. Thank you to all the volunteers, workers, and cart drivers that made the picnic the success that it was. A big thank you to **Phyllis'** friends from Kentucky, **Rose & Greg** who helped volunteer.

Our Fall Luncheon is September 17, at the Diplomat West, in Elmhurst. Anyone who attended the last time we were there, remember that the Diplomat is the home of the super-duper pork chop. It's bigger than the plate! There are other entrees, and the invitations will be going out this month.

We'd like to keep in mind our fellow retirees who are not well, who we don't see very often. Also, we keep in our heart, our troops all around the world keeping us safe and free!

Remember, if you have any news you'd like to share, my address and phone are above.

Calendar:

Southside Brunch - Jedi's Restaurant, 9:30 A.M., 9266 S. Cicero, Oak Lawn (**July 24** and **August 28**).

Northsiders Breakfast - Ritzy's Café & Backereaia, 9:00 A.M., 2765 Algonquin Rd., Rolling Meadows (**August 8** and **September 12**).

Food Depository - First Tuesday, every month

September 17 - Fall Luncheon, Diplomat West Banquets, Elmhurst, IL

Christmas Luncheon - Tuesday, **December 11**, Avalon, Elk Grove, IL

RUAEA Convention - **October 3-7**, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Arlington, VA



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I usually attend the annual UAL Stockholders meeting which has been held in Chicago most of the time. I was surprised to learn that the June 12th meeting would instead be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Broadway in NYC. An unusual place since NYC is not home to either UAL or CO. In addition, this would cost more than holding the meeting in a UAL owned building in their home town. So much for keeping expenses in check and I did not attend the Stockholders meeting.

There was no Loop Group Luncheon in June. However, the Chicago Skyliners had their annual summer luncheon at Chandlers Schaumburg Golf Club which I attended along with 200 other retirees.

There was a Hawaiian theme with a display of UAL memorabilia celebrating UAL's 65th year of flying to Hawaii. It was a pleasure to have **Carole Tye**, **Barb Hanson**, **Carol Gurdak** and **Linda Davis** who are retired Flight Attendants wearing Hawaiian Muumuus and representing the UAL Historical Foundation.

The star of the afternoon was **Mary Szabo** who



modeled seven different Muumuus outfits that were worn on Hawaiian flights. **Mary** had also modeled several UAL uniforms at the December luncheon.

A nice surprise was to see **Tony & Helen Stefanos**

who had come from the Moorings via Mediacar transportation. Tony was in a wheelchair and looking good and still has his great sense of humor. He expects to be at the Moorings through July.

Calendar:

August - No luncheon scheduled

September 18 - Luncheon at Renaissance Chicago Hotel

October - No luncheon scheduled

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Twenty-Two Indy Racers enjoyed a summer luau at the Twin Bridges Lodge near Danville, IN on June 9th. In addition to the pulled pork and chicken that the chapter provided, members prepared an array of salads, vegetables, casseroles and desserts. **Rita Prins** and **Ralph Barnett** prepared to cut the "United Airlines" sheet cake, as **Linda Harris** made a final pass through the buffet line. (see Picture attached).



Front Row: (L-R) Nancy Gibson, Ray & Hannelore Brabo, Dennis Hall. 2nd Row: (L-R) Elinor & Ralph Barnett, Carol & Jack Conway, Linda

Harris, Deanna Boeke, Gail Allen, Melanie Hall. 3rd Row: (L-R) Chris & Shary Johnston, Frank & Rita Prins, Ken Boeke, Warren Allen. Back Row: (L-R) Jim Gibson, Charles Theiss.

On July 10th, RUAEA Midwest Director **Helen Cauwels** attended the Indy Racers meeting at Emmy's Original House of Pancakes to answer members' questions about "life after the merger." The group has moved its monthly meetings to Emmy's which is located at 7508 Beachwood Center in Avon, IN.

Many of our members are visiting friends and relatives this summer. **Wanda Bryce** recently travelled to Florida, and **Jim & Nancy Gibson** will be heading to the Boston area soon to see their new grandson Matthew Christopher Gibson who was born May 9th, he weighed 6 lb. 11 oz., was 19" long and was greeted by his older brother William who is 3 years old. His parents are Jill & Christopher Gibson. Next month, **Ken & Deanna Boeke** are planning a trip to Williamsburg, VA as well as the Washington, DC area. And speaking of DC, several of our members are considering a trip to Washington for the RUAEA National Convention.

We send Happy Birthday wishes to the following Indy Racer members: **Mario Bregante** (8/6), **Linda Harris** (8/16) and **Warren Allen** (8/18).

Calendar:

August 14 - Emmy's Original Pancake House and Grill, 7508 Beachwood Center, Suite 300, Avon, IN 46123. Lunch available from 1:30 pm, meeting begins at 3 pm.

September 11 - Emmy's Original Pancake House and Grill, 7508 Beachwood Center, Suite 300, Avon, IN 46123. Lunch available from 1:30 pm, meeting begins at 3 pm.

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Our June luncheon brought out 37 Nor'Easters. We tried a new restaurant, good inexpensive food, but overpriced drinks. Looks like our two newest members, **Bart Casey** and **Loretta Coyle** have joined our group of regulars, not missing a meeting since joining. Our own **Bill Shailor** and **Peter Fusco**, both being 90 years young, were given the present of free membership for 2013. Nice! The **Depippos**, **DeSteffinos** and **Bettters** will have cruised to Bermuda in July aboard the Norwegian Dawn. I'm sure we'll get the scoop for next month's installment.

Bill Shailor has a granddaughter who's into horse back riding competition. She is only 7 years old. **Andy Montalto**, life long East Boston resident, said a 15 min-

ute wind storm last week knocked down a tree across from his house. His neighbor's car was ruined, but his new Acura was just missed. **Jimmy Yip's** son in TYO called reservations with questions about a pass and had to pay \$30.00 in advance to get answers. Soon, there may be a charge for breathing air on airplanes! **Bob & Geri Keefe** (formerly BOSCS, up from FL) were our luncheon guests. Always good to see Bob! He travels north frequently and is looking forward to attend another luncheon with us. I usually ask all luncheon members for Newsletter info. **George Mavreles** offered "*Still alive and kicking*".

The 50/50's were won by **Helmut Umbley** and one of our regular winners, **Elaine Vanderwal**. Free lunches were won by **Fred Parks** and **George Mavreles'** guest, **Gregoria**. At this meeting, we instituted a progressive drawing, as other chapters have done. We started out with a \$20.00 pot. The name called was **Mercedes Hersom**, who wasn't present. At our next meeting, the pot will be \$30.00. If you want to win, you must be present!

On July 1, I attended my Aunt Ann's 100th birthday celebration. She looks good, has all her faculties and was surrounded by 150 family members and friends. Way to go Auntie Ann!

Paul Newcomb is home from the hospital. **Norman Hudon** had rotator cuff surgery and is now home also. **Jayne & John Regan** couldn't attend our planned Luncheon. John had a foot problem requiring emergency care. **Peter Fusco's** daughter, at 64 years old passed away from cancer in May

August birthdays: **Bart Casey**, **George Mavreles**, **Ray Ouellette**, **John Parks**, **Michael Provenzano**, **Bill Rodenhizer**, **Horace Smith** and **Bill Vanderwal**.

August anniversaries: **Bob & Judy Austin** (53 years), **Tom & Dolores Blackwood** (29 years), **Gary & Anna Bosworth** (43 years), **Fred & Rita Casey** (56 years), **Bruce & Priscilla Casassa** (56 years), **Lee & Sid Lyon** (63 years), **Michael & Paulette Provenzano** (47 years) and **Dick & Dayle Vee** (31 years).

Calendar:

August - Kings Chinese Buffet, Manchester, NH



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Since our Escapees July meet was postponed until the 14th due to the Holiday, not too much to report, but next month, we will have July & August Reports, a two for one. However, just want to advise that **Marlene Heaney's** twin grandbabies are finally home from the hospital. Marlene, grandpa; Brendan, along with mom; Shannon and daddy; Todd thank all for their prayers and believe that this miraculous happy ending could not have happened without all your prayers.

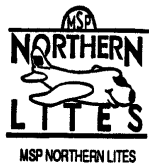
I also heard from **R. P. Debelak**, (nick name **Deb**), who was a mechanic for UA. He is hoping to get back in touch with co-workers in Michigan and elsewhere. His computer crashed a while ago, and he lost "all" his contact information. If anyone knows Deb, please contact him @ 2313 Providence Lane NW, Cleveland, TN 37312. He can also be reached @ kernal-deb@charter.net. He worked @ Willow Run Airport from about 1957 till UA merged with Capital. Then UA moved to "Detroit Metro", he was there to about 1971, then the "gas" problem hit and was sent to Chicago. In 1972, he returned to Metro till 1974/75, then something else came up and he was sent to California and stayed there till retirement in 1997. He then moved to PHX but for now, he is living in Tennessee. He would love to hear from anyone who remembers him.

Calendar:

First Thursday of month, location varies, please call or e-mail.

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The June news was provided by co-secretary **Mary Brennan** (again) while your usual correspondent was gone fishin' to Lake of the Woods which straddles the border of Minnesota & Canada. **Nel Brawner**, **Rich Glattly** & Rich's cousin, John were my boat-mates and we had a wonderful time. I don't care if I get a letter in my file for being absent.

The assembly was happy to see some faces that hadn't been there in a while; **Steve & Ida Mayo** and **Rick Jones** all made it to lunch. **Joe & Arlene Kelley** brought their grandson, **Jason**, to join the 30 regulars attending. One of the faces expected to be seen at the meeting but wasn't, was that of **David Brink**, current station manager at MSP for the combined UAL. He was formerly at CO and in January, had been invited by our chapter's president, **Lee Storlie**, to join us and get acquainted with some of the Legacy United retirees. Although he had agreed to and confirmed the visit, everyone was greatly disappointed that he failed to show up.

One of the reasons (aside from apathy) that **Lee** continues to be reelected President of our chapter is that he stays in touch with some of our far-flung colleagues who live in other states. He recently had phone visits with **Jack Doke** in Florida and **Vern Palmer** in Illinois. **Jack** is recuperating from more treatment for cancer and is feeling better; he hopes to make it up for a summer visit with friends & family. **Vern** filled him in on what's been happening in his life. Our condolences to him & his wife on the loss of their daughter.

Well, **Lyle & Sonja Gunderson** agreed to host the annual picnic on Wednesday, August 8 at their Balsam Lake summer home. You may remember that in last month's newsletter, Mary reported that **Lyle's** brother **Al** volunteered them as hosts while they were off on a bus trip. Maps & a sign-up sheet were circulated at the July meeting, so if you need info about what to bring & how to get there, give **Lyle** or **Sonja** a call at (715) 684-3930 or (715) 977-0713.

Speaking of the **Gundersons'** bus trip(s), they've been all over the Midwest this spring! They visited some really interesting places including the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, the Henry Ford museum in Detroit and a Mustard Museum in Middleton, WI. One of the big disappointments, though, was that the Tulip Festival in Holland, MI turned out to be a "Stem Festival" due to the early spring everywhere. Mother Nature wins again!

We were saddened to learn of the death of one of our MSP crew commuters based at ORD. **Arlene Franzmeier** took her last flight in May. After her retirement, she operated a therapeutic horseback riding facility "Agape Acres", aimed at helping children with disabilities.

Our regional RUAEA representative, **Helen Cawels**, will try to make it up from her home near Chicago for a visit next month. Hopefully, by then the load factors will have dropped a bit so she has half a chance of being boarded! As we're all aware, with the new travel policies, in order to make their regional chapter visits our representatives are faced with the choice of using an unlimited Leisure Pass and being boarded at the end of the line or sacrificing two of their Vacation Passes, or driving.

Lunch the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 11:15am at The Old Country Buffet, just north of Hwy. 110 and Robert Street in West St. Paul. Annual picnic Wednesday, August 8.

NEBRASKA

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There were 40 who enjoyed the outing at Cooper Farm. Our thanks to **Cary & Toddy Manson** for hosting. Those in attendance were **Helen Taylor's** daughter, **Marcia** from Aurora, NE; **Ralph Westadt** from Colorado and **Jim & Elaine Schreiber**. My thanks to **Marilyn Weak** for taking notes. I was stranded in Albuquerque on Monday and, since the luncheon was Tuesday, didn't get back home in time. I love going to Cooper Farm. **Tony** advised that **Andra**, Station Manager for UAL here in Omaha, will be leaving for Sioux Falls, SD. She is happy as her daughter is a student at a college in that area. **Tony** also spoke of the deaths of **Boyd Hayden** and **Frank Thomas**.

The 50/50 drawing was awarded to two winners, **Sharon Farrell** and **Linda Chapman**, each banking \$21.00. Congratulations!

Birthdays for the month of July, enjoy your special day: **Harry Hansen** (July 11), **Jan Cornish** (July 15), **Tom Langan** (July 15), **Elaine Schreiber** (July 19).

I talked to **Sue Manhart** and **Vince** had fallen at the Assisted Living facility. She said they had a hard time getting him up and sent him to the hospital. They did several tests and found nothing to indicate why he has lost the use of his legs. They could no longer take care of him where he was so the family hurriedly found another place for him. Sue felt bad as she loved where he was. She said they are now using a lift to get him out of bed. **Sue & Vince** have been married 59 years.

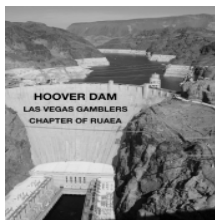
Omaha is enjoying the College World Series which we have had for over 50 years. From the time the CWS came to Omaha, on Sunday, June 17, we had the 8 millionth attendee go through the gates. It is always such a delight to get the top 8 teams in the U.S. here and, after double elimination; they are on their way back home. The final two are South Carolina and Arizona and one team needs to win 2 out of 3 games for the championship which was held June 24, 25 and 26. At pretty much the same time the CWS is here, we will have the try-outs for the Olympic Swimming Competition with, of course, Mike Phelps being one of the best. Those who qualify will be on their way to London this year where the Olympics will be held.

Calendar:

August 7 - Fernando's, Blair – Hosted by **Patty Shook**
September 4 - Fish & Game, Lake Manawa, Hosted by **Larry & Sharon Farrell**
October 2 - Sons of Italy, Hosted by **Gary Procopio & Linda**

NEVADA

LAS VEGAS "SILVER LINERS"



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Submitted by Eleanor Vasko ~ The Las Vegas Chapter of RUAEA celebrated 30 years since its origin. We had a special absolutely delicious cake as well as a special guest speaker Chuck, and his Lovely wife, Sharon, our RUAEA Mountain Region Director. Good food and a good time was had by all.

Current goings on - **Winnie Stone** had eye surgery in June. We lost one of our long time members, **Dick Georgia**, who passed away May 6th. He worked for Capital & United for 41 years. He was a lot of fun and especially liked wearing crazy hats.

Our name "Gamblers" will be no longer. Our chapter name is changed to "**Las Vegas Silver Liners**". Look for our new name in the RUAEA newsletter. Our meeting is held at Arizona Charlie's Decatur Casino & Hotel, 740 S. Decatur Blvd. Las Vegas, Nevada. Phone # (702) 258-5200. The August 14th meeting will have a Metro Officer as a special guest speaker. Menu for August: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, corn and strawberry shortcake.

Calendar:

August 14 – Meeting
October 14 – Meeting
December 11 - Meeting

RENO SIERRA ROUNDUP

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There were 19 people at our June meeting at Jack's. The date for our annual picnic has changed to Monday, August 20, 2012. Flyers will be sent out in early July by Picnic Chairwoman **Barbara Leusing**.

The cost remains at \$5 per person plus side dish for 15 – 20. Once again, thanks to our friends at Clipped Wings for providing the dessert. Please be advised that parking along the road is no longer being allowed due to car/pedestrian collisions that have occurred in the past. Be early, once the lot is full, no one will be allowed in. Shuttle Buses will run from Incline Village. We are searching for a new location for our Christmas luncheon. Please submit any suggestions to John or Pat. The 50/50 was won by **Mary Withers**.

June birthdays were celebrated by **Adia Keller**, **Larry Reid**, **Ann Batty** and **Ed Williams**.

We are sorry to report on the unexpected loss of **Inez Compton**.

NEW JERSEY

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Our meeting at Snuffy's started with a flag salute by President **Dick Confer**. He also reported on his recent trip to Vegas and the ease he had with the new pass system. He did advise to be there 1½ hours before boarding time because of high traffic volume.

We were also advised of the Convention in Washington, DC and told to get reservations in as quickly as possible, for those who are going.

The subject of parking at Newark for \$6.00 a day came up. The lot is located off Haines Ave., close to where the old Lumis Bldg. was. When Dick gives me a diagram as to the specifics, I will pass it on.

There was a moment of silence for **Francis La Tournas** of EWRMM and Load Planning, who passed away on June 2, 2012. Both **Dan O'Leary** and **Bill Manion** are on the "sick list" and we are hoping for a fast recovery.

John Murphy gave his finance report and we are still solvent. Our 50/50 was won by **Elsa Mirano**, and **Joe Donnerly** won the door prize.

Calendar:

July 25 – Meeting at Snuffy's

August 29 – Annual Picnic, details to follow.



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BUFFALO CHIPS

June 6th, sixteen Chips met at the Buffalo Brew Pub for a great meeting of fun and friendship. It seems graduation celebrations of grand children had an impact on the attendance. Everyone enjoyed the choice on the menu and expressed a desire to return to the Brew Pub in the future.

Rocky & Joan Janoski were back from their winter home in Florida where Rocky had a hip replacement earlier this year. He was moving around very well and had his usual "old" stories to tell.

It was good to see **Doug & Gale Dannebrock**, Floridians spending the summer in the cooler climes of Western New York. Doug has a part time job (joke) working a Buffalo Marina on the Niagara River.

Mike Keller returned early from his home away from home in Corpus Christi moving into a senior living facility in Rochester. Saying the regimen made him feel like he was back in the army he quickly talked son Paul in to moving him to his home on the shores of Lake Ontario for an early start on summer.

The next meeting will be August 8th, 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Joseph's Country Grove, 275 Columbia Ave., Depew, NY. Contact **Rosemary Michalek**, 57 Meadow Lea Dr., Lancaster, NY 14086, (716) 684-0159. Everyone is welcome.

NORTHWOODS

NORTHWOODS LOONIES

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Greetings from the Upper Midwest, where the Loonies hang out! There's good news and bad news this time; we'll give you the bad news first, then the good news, then a bit more bad news.

At the spring fling in Petoskey, MI we announced that the next meeting of the Loonies would be in Duluth, MN, date to be determined. However, due to extensive damage to the city's infrastructure (roads & storm sewers) caused by the June 19-20 storms and subsequent flooding, it will be a challenge to get around the City for months to come. Consequently, we decided to seek an-

other venue for the next meeting and save Duluth's attractions for another time.

We're pleased to tell you that the event will be held in beautiful northwest Wisconsin at the charming town of Siren. The other bad news is that our choice of dates was limited and the meeting will be held the week following the national convention. This will cause hardship for those who wish to attend both events and we apologize for that, but it couldn't be helped.

Information will soon be coming to those who are already members. Anyone who has never attended a Loonies meeting is most welcome and cordially invited to contact me for all the particulars. Remember, if you retired from United Airlines, you qualify to be a Loonie!

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Linda Althouse hosted the July 6 luncheon at River's Edge Restaurant in Grants Pass. We had a relaxing afternoon with 26 enjoying good food and good company on the deck overlooking the Rogue River. We all were so happy to have **Neal & Sonnia Appleton** attend and see Neal making progress in his recovery from the rigors of an esophageal resection. **Peggy Wilson Wright** was also there with new husband **Bob Wright**. Congratulations to the newlywed kids who recently up and ran off to California to get married. Peggy also had surgery to eradicate melanoma and is now up and about and improving steadily.

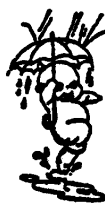
Gidget Walcha and **Jackie Mark** have a pact to wear hats to every OUR Club luncheon. Seeing how Gidget and Jackie will be decked out gives all of us even more to look forward to the first Friday of each month. One of our members showed up in his pristine 1967 Corvette and was the center of the parking lot attention. There was no 50/50 this month since Treasurer **Alberta Randall** was unable to attend. We were all relieved to hear, however, that the end result of **Russ Randall's** recent hospitalization is that he is back on track and feeling as well as ever.

Calendar:

August 3 – **Marge Calkins** – Taqueria Mexico, Grants Pass

September 7 – **Steve & Cyndi Austin** – Annual Picnic at their home in Rogue River

October 5 - **Jim & Elaine Ellis** - TBA



OREGON DEW-ER'S

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Attendance at our June meeting was 80. We had a guest speaker from Guide Dogs for the Blind, Candice Tuomikoski, who brought her well behaved guide dog in training Malloy. Candice explained the process in training a dog, how long they stay with the recipient of the dog and what happens to them when they are no longer able to stay with their owner. It was heartwarming to hear about this wonderful organization.

A part of our meeting was devoted to recognizing members of our chapter who worked at the travel desk from the time it opened in 1999 until its closing on May 31, 2012. Cards of recognition were given to those who had worked sometime during the time the office opened; however those who were still working at the travel desk when it closed received a framed certificate and free lunch. They were as follows: **Tina Lewis, Jim Riddelle, Ruth Larson, Louise Robillard, Nadine Holten, Rosalie Betschart, Bill French, LaVaun & JC Hinton, Joyce Garrett, Frank Bullis, Candice Kelly, Inge Pempeit, Susie Clack, Joan Strickfaden and George Thomas.** **Tina Lewis**, who managed the travel desk, also received a \$25 gift certificate.

A thank you went to **Ashley Hall** for being the "Lunch Princess", handling lunch reservations by email for the past several years. She decided to give it up last December. She was given a \$25 gift certificate and free lunch for all she has done for the chapter.

The winners for our monthly drawings were as follows: Door prize ~ **Jane Futrell**, Men's birthday ~ **Frank Bullis**, Women's birthday ~ **Emily Newberry**, no anniversaries, 50/50 ~ **George Thomas**.

Our August meeting will be a social; in September, a speaker from NOAA (National Weather Service) will be with us and in October, an ice cream social and election of officers. Please contact **John Donaldson** (503) 524-1959 if you have someone you would like to nominate for one of the offices.

I am happy to report all is well with the Dew-er's as no one has come forth with any serious illnesses.

Calendar:

Meetings at Refectory Restaurant 1618 NE 122nd Ave., Portland OR 11AM Social Hour, Lunch 12:00 PM

August 8 - Social

September 12 - Speaker

October 10 - Election of Officers



PENNSYLVANIA

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June 11th, 12:30 pm was our last meeting till September. Twenty four of us enjoyed a "picnic" at the Ramada Inn, Essington. We missed **Kathy Edwards** and **Tom Lyons** due to illness. They are very loyal officers of our Independents.

Virgie Piccinotti won the free lunch and **Bob Fox** the 50-50. We all played bingo and the winners were **Gail Bradley, Rosey Frey** and **Shirley Pilgrim**.

Thank you all for your support and friendship. As the song goes, "See you in September!"



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Is it hot enough for ya? It's too hot to move, too hot to think, and certainly too hot to write. The heat that has gripped much of the country since the middle of June isn't relenting any time soon. My poor flowers are droopy and my grass is like hay.

I'm not complaining when I see what has happened in Colorado Springs. Let's pray for, the people in COS who have lost their homes, the policemen, and firemen. Also, let's pray for rain.

Twenty seven members attended our June luncheon at J. W. Halls. It was nice to see **Dick Brenza** and **Dee & Carl Chiocchi**. **Betty Tinny** was missed. **Barb Guida** won the 50/50 raffle. Door prizes were won by **Mac Crampton, Bob Wagner, Karen Moliterno** and **Dick Brenza**. After his hospital stay, **Ken Wolfe** looked a little pale. He is still having GI problems. Please keep **Ken** in your prayers. **Bill Redfern** took the food brought in by members to the West Hills Food Bank. The board needs suggestions where to have our October and Christmas luncheon. Speak up members, we need your ideas. I'm sure you have a favorite place that you frequent. Please let the board members know what your suggestions are. Our board members are **Jeri, Dave, Olga, Lorraine** and **Phyllis**.

Mary Jane Stewart is off to Italy with her son **Brian** and family. I think she is trying to compete with **Else Schillar**. I doubt if she will ever catch up to **Else**.

I will be heading to Chicago to visit my friend **Sheila Arison** and family for 5 days. I hope the weather will be much better there. I enjoy visiting **Sheila** especially with her two darling grandchildren, **Jake**, 4 years and **Grace** 2 years. They are a delight to be with.

I spoke with **Else Schillar** about her trip to Jordan. Unfortunately, her cousin she was traveling with, fell and broke her leg before the trip. They are now planning to go in October. **Else** has been very busy displaying all of her treasures she collected from her exotic trips at her local library. She has always collected elephants since she was a child. They were on display for the month of June. Her international glass artistry will be on display in July. **Elsa** has always purchased mementos from each country around the world. They will on display in September. Her collections are very exquisite. The library is very appreciative to **Else** for sharing her treasures.

The following members will be celebrating their birthdays in August: **David Beatty** (8/1), **Pat Wagner** (8/8), **Sandy Burns** (8/15), **Ken Wolfe** (8/21), and **Lillian Lapceovich** (8/22). Happy Birthday and best wishes to all. **Steve & Karen Moliterno** will celebrate their 31st anniversary on 8/31. A special wish to both of you!

Mary Salamon had knee surgery a few weeks ago; she is now in rehab and will be home in a few days to continue with her therapy. I'm sure **Mary** would like to hear from her friends. Her address is 109 Rosemont Drive, Coraopolis, PA 15108.

We have lost another family member, Mr. **Jim Doolan**. **Jim** retired from PITCG after many years. He always had a smile for everyone and was a joy to talk with. **Jim** greatest love (other than his wife **Lois**) was house sitting in Hawaii. He loved the Islands and spent many weeks there after his retirement. At our September picnic he will be missed because he was a faithful attendee. Our condolences to his wife **Lois** and children. You may send your sympathy to Mrs. **Lois Doolan**, 129 Greenlee Dr., Coraopolis, PA 15108.

Olga Karmazyn is taking a cruise in September. All she knows about the cruise is, it's a big ship with 7 floors. Once she finds out where and when she is going she will let us know.

It's voting time. I'm sure by now you all received your July newsletter with the ballot. All the candidates that are running for various offices and the regional directors begin on page 33. There is only one office that has an opponent and that is the position of VP of Convention. **Marilyn Marcy** served the last two years in this capacity and has done an efficient job. If you haven't sent in your vote, please do so. Your ballot must be received by September 1.

In your June issue you will find the convention package. Please, time is running short for making your

room reservations. Once you get that done look over the tours, fill out the form, select your entrée and get it in the mail. Transportation to and from the DC area is not a problem. You can drive; United and US Airways have plenty of flights. I'm sure at that time of the year getting a flight will not be a problem.

Things to remember: "Vote", make your hotel reservations, fill out the convention form and mail it in.

How about those Pirates? Let's go Bucs!

Calendar:

July 20 - Luncheon J. W. Halls

September 14 - Picnic at Hopewell Park

October 3-7 - RUAEA convention in D.C.

TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE ROCKY TOPS

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Our June breakfast was held at Shoney's Restaurant (our usual location). A small group of us enjoyed the buffet breakfast and lots of general chit-chat. It was good to see **Jack Ball** and **Gerry Schaad**. It's been a while since they've been out to visit with our group.

In a conversation with **Barb & Mike Chapin**, we realized that there were several free concerts during the week in Knoxville. Barb was also involved with the Seniors for Creative Learning at the John T. O'Connor Center in Knoxville. They have a great lecture series in the Spring and in the Fall which we thought our group would be interested in. All of this information was forwarded out along with the news on our Wednesday July 18th meeting at the Tanasi Clubhouse Restaurant down in Tellico Village.

Betty Shipe was at breakfast and is doing well after her knee surgery. No other illnesses or surgeries to report! (That's a good thing!) We neglected to thank **Al Barkmann** for the last two years of being President of the Rocky Tops. It was greatly appreciated. We hope the rest of the country is staying cooler than we are. We've been breaking all kinds of heat records. It also is extremely dry due to these unusually hot days. Enjoy summer - it seems to get shorter and shorter each year!

Calendar:

July 18 - Lunch and meeting at the Tanasi Clubhouse Restaurant in Tellico Village. Hosted by **Noreene Koan** (865) 458-8668 and **Ginny Bartnicki** (865) 657-3094, 12:30 PM Eastern Time

August 16 - Breakfast at Shoney's on Lovell Rd. in

Knoxville at 9:30 AM

September 19 - Lunch and Meeting to be hosted by **Jack & Sue Ferrell**

UTAH



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It is always enjoyable to meet together for lunch, and we had a good turnout for our lunch in June with 26 of us meeting at the Joy Luck Chinese Restaurant in Bountiful. With our lunches at different locations throughout our Salt Lake Valley, we are able to see a few new faces each time. **Monte & Frank Giles** attended as well as **Keith & Nancy Tronier** and **Brent Anderson**, who all live at this north end of town. With our chapter president **Rich Papworth**, as well as our vice president **Loralynn Brady** both asking to be excused, **Bob & Judy Turgeon** and **Laraine & Dave Darby** (Treasurer and Secretary) were there to greet our members. Others attending were: **Mike Brown**, **Paul & Shirley Scoville**, **Bill Berg**, **Art Scott** and **Carol Finney**, **George Dalton**, **Kip & George Lufkin**, **Clair & Judy Anderson**, **Grant Beutler**, **Frank & Susan G. Christenson**, **Pete & Jackie Loyola**, and **Ron Jensen** (we missed **Shirley Jensen** this time).

Laraine presented **Clair & Judy Anderson** a card to congratulate them on their upcoming 50th wedding anniversary. What a wonderful milestone that is. We have 25 plus members now in their 80's and 90's, and we try to celebrate each of them on their birthdays. Please advise Laraine on any momentous occasions that she may not know about. We love and care about each of our members and want them to feel important. She also encourages everyone to join RUAEA so we can each share in the proud heritage of our careers with UAL and to be a proactive voice of former UAL employee's interest, issues and causes. It is also where you can read the newsletters locally and nationally to keep up on friends and events.

Bob announced our summer picnic coming up in August. It is always a big event at Sugarhouse Park. He asked for any suggestions for that, and everyone seemed to agree with the idea of having it catered as we have in the past. He mentioned that we will hold a raffle for some nice gifts that are being donated. A mail out to everyone about that event is soon to follow.

Mike Brown told us of the death of a former UAL fellow-worker, **Al Burkheart**, who had worked in Air Freight and later transferred to BOI. It was good to see

both **Frank A. Christenson** and **Dave Darby** at the luncheon after both had gone through triple bypass surgeries in recent months. Our prayers are with **Judy Turgeon** also who continues to battle her cancer and always keeps a smile on her face.

We miss seeing two of our favorite people, **Frank** and **Brigitte Murdock**. Brigitte assures me that they are in good health but need to stay close to home these days now that Frank is slowing down at age 93. I was able to encourage them to submit his UAL history which is an important part of history for so many of us. It is as follows:

Frank N. Murdock – UAL Bio – 1943 – 1980 ~ In 1939, when 20 years old, and prior to his airline employment, Frank worked as a truck driver and became a member of the Internat'l Brotherhood of Teamsters. Because of the worsening world situation, he decided to be part of the war effort by becoming an aircraft dispatcher at Hill AFB. These duties were similar to those in the airline industry. While Frank was in training at the Base, the U.S. gov't established the U.S. Air Transport Command, which, in Sept. 1947, was renamed USAF. He first worked for Continental Air Lines until their gov't mail contract expired. He then sought employment with UAL in SLC and was hired the next day, to be assigned again to Hill AFB in the capacity of UAL's Air Cargo Representative. By 1944, UAL's gov't mail contract had also expired and Frank was transferred from SLC to PDT where he was drafted into military service. His tour of duty included stays in Illinois, Texas, and Missouri before being sent to Natal/Brazil as U.S. Air Corps Control Tower operator, with obligatory knowledge of Morse Code, to ferry in home-bound U.S. military aircraft as they came in over safer South Atlantic routes before flying north to MIA and points beyond. He left the Service in 1946 after being hospitalized at SFO's Letterman Gen'l Hospital for three months for a service-related lung infection. He rejoined UAL in SLC and, in 1949, was transferred to Moline as Sr. Agent. Then, it was off to PVD as Station Mgr. He left R. I. for MDW as CSM/Asst. to Regional Mgr. and soon moved to LGA as Sta. Mgr.

In 1961 he transferred to PIT as Sta. Mgr. In 1963, it was back to NYC's JFK as Sta. Mgr. From 1967 until 1969, he was ORD CSM, when he was asked to work at EXO as Dir. of Ramp & Customer Service. By 1973, a SFO CSM position opened and he requested to be transferred out of EXO in order to rejoin "The Field." He always wanted to retire at age 60 and, in early 1980 he actively worked on a move to SLC, his career's starting point. There, his official title was City Sales & Service Mgr. until his retirement in Sept. 1980.

Frank served as RUAEA's president from 2000 to 2002, with an additional two years as "past president." To this day, Frank (93) recalls the fun he had while

working in UAL's field operations; of being part of the travel scene; and of participating in the PR end of it. He liked his coworkers who labored with him for the benefit of 'their company' - and he never forgot his early beginnings in a business that brought him great rewards for work well done, along with meeting so many dedicated coworkers. He & his family took ample opportunity of the travel around the nation & throughout the world. SLC/UT - June 30, 2012.

In closing we wish all of you good health and safety for the rest of the summer months. Here in the western states it has been so dry and so many are combating fires, including those of us here in Utah. Our prayers and love go out to those who have lost their homes and loved ones along the way. We'll talk to you again in September. Just so you know, today we are "dancing in the rain!"

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EMERALD CITY SLICKERS



Note: Your Seattle correspondent has no connection with United Airlines and is unable to answer questions concerning company policy, retiree benefits, or travel passes. Please contact the appropriate resource listed under "Important Phone Numbers" inside this newsletter. If your question concerns the local Seattle chapter of RUAEA, she may be able to direct your query to the proper source.

The Emerald City Slickers do not meet over the summer, and we have no meeting news to report. The former August picnic has been abandoned, so the next meeting will be on the regular second Tuesday, September 11, at Fairwood Golf and Country Club in Renton, WA.

The Emerald City Slickers chapter newsletter, *Contrails*, features news about the local chapter, company information that has been shared, and – most important – gives information about each upcoming luncheon meeting with a copy of the menu and information on making your reservation. Reservations are required so that the club staff can be prepared with the meals of choice. Those who make a reservation for the lunch but do not show up are obligated to pay for their meal. **Vicki Shumaker** is the efficient editor of *Contrails* and will be sure the September issue covers all the pertinent summer happenings as well as information on upcoming events. You are reading this **national** newsletter, be-

cause you are a member of RUAEA. To receive a copy of *Contrails* in addition, simply join our local Seattle chapter. You do not have to join the national chapter to belong to the Seattle chapter, but both organizations are beneficial for United Airlines retirees.

Local Seattle area members celebrating August birthdays include **Phil Andersen** (SEACG), **Erma Lucas**, **Louise Story**, **Ken Walters** (SEAMM), and **Bob Whitworth** (SEAPV). We hope each of them has a special day.

August anniversaries will be observed by **Richard** (SEAFF) & **Helen Clement**, **Ed** (SFOED) & **Gay Liesse**, **Ron** (SEACG) & **Erma Lucas**, **Syd** & **Rita** (SEAOZ) **Reynolds**, and **Theo** (SEAHH) & **Marry Sluys**. Happy Anniversary to these happy couples!

If you don't see yourself being recognized for an anniversary or a birthday, it's probably because **Phyllis Bowman** and **Gay Liesse** don't have your information. Feel free to submit your dates and/or corrections to **Gay**, preferably via e-mail (telephone messages often are missed or garbled).

Thirty-seven golfers participated in the annual retirees' golf tournament, held June 20 at Riverbend Golf Complex in Kent, WA, under sunny skies and perfect golf weather. Using a Calloway scoring system, prizes were awarded to the first four low gross teams. First place went to the lead-off team of **Steve Dragos**, **Cliff Gray**, **Bob Howard** (SEAHH), and **Joe Schneider**.

Second place finishers were **Tom Babcock**, **Danny Del Grosso** (SEACS), **Bruce Edgmon**, and **Ben Watson**. Finishing in third place was the team of **Julie Beffa**, **Della Contini**, and **Sandi Kussman** with **Joe Barry**, **Paul Coonradt**, **John Hering**, and **Brad McElroy** fourth place.

Closest to the pin awards were earned by **Geri Babcock**, **Steve Dragos**, and **Ron Locken**, **Rory Anderson** and **Karen Del Grosso** came in with the longest drives.

Other members of the Seattle RUAEA chapter who participated were **Ed Liesse** (SFOED) and **Chuck Logan** (SEACG). **Bob Reid**, retired pilot, is the friendly, experienced "starter" who sends each team on its way about the golf course each year, though he doesn't play himself.

A big thank you to **Bob Howard** for once again organizing this annual event – and to all the retirees and guests who rounded out the teams. Each participant took home a door prize or at least a sleeve of golf balls.

We regret to announce the deaths of two Seattle area retirees. **Floyd McCroskey** had lived in Sandpoint, Idaho, when he died on May 21, 2012, at the age of 95. He had been the Manager of Personnel in Seattle for many years. Perhaps some of you Old Timers remember him.

Hank Dyson's obituary reads like a novel with his many achievements and interests. **Hank** passed away at

the age of 85 on May 30, 2012. After flying over 100 missions in the Korean Conflict, **Hank** enjoyed a 32-year career flying for United Airlines. We share our condolences with the families of both these gentlemen.

Calendar:

No meeting in August

September 11 - Lunch at Fairwood Golf and Country Club, Renton, WA



LILAC CITY FLYERS

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The Lilac City Flyers had our meeting in a brewery that had a restaurant named "Northern Star". We had 14 people and all had a good time. We may have a BBQ in August. We are finally having a hot summer days. It's about time as we had our share of rain.

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Greetings from the Nation's Capital!

After an unusually warm Spring, we are now in the 90's every day, which is our normal summertime temperature. We look forward to mild days and pleasant evenings in October, when we host RUAEA Convention, October 3-7 in Washington DC.

Many interesting and beautiful items are arriving at **Linda Scriven's** home on a daily basis. These items will be offered in the special raffle that is a favorite feature of the Convention. Please send your well packed items, with a description, to **Linda Scriven**, 20946 Tobacco Square, Ashburn, VA 20147.

I would like to introduce you to our valued member of the Dulles Loungers ~ (After President **Linda Scriven**) and that is **Marilyn Marcy** (IADCS). This is a lady who has devoted all her energy to making the Washington Convention an event to remember! Marilyn was elected to Vice President - Conventions in 2010 for a two year term and she has worked tirelessly ever since.

After joining United in 1962 (CLERR), **Marilyn** and her husband **Tom Marcy** (IADRR) transferred to PITCS and then back to CLE after the Pittsburgh office

closed. Then the CLE office closed in 1990, so the Marcys chose Washington, DC and that's where Marilyn stayed until November 2001 when she retired from Dulles as Supervisor of Customer Service Training. Tom stayed on as IADRR Supervisor until the office closed in 2006. The Marcys have one daughter who is a well traveled young lady!

We have a dedicated team of local retirees and we look forward to meeting many of you in October at RUAEA Convention 2012.

Calendar:

August 8 - 1130am, Golden Corral Restaurant, 10801 Bulloch Dr., Manassas, VA

October 8 - Luncheon 1130am at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 10801 Bulloch Dr., Manassas, VA.

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Just two more months till we gather in Seattle for our Convention, "The Best of the Northwest". Plans are in the final stages and we are all looking forward to visiting with all our dear friends in Clipped Wings®. The National Convention will be held in Seattle, September 19-22, 2012.

Our National Philanthropy is Special Olympics – as you may remember me saying, the next International Special Olympics (World Games) will be held in South Korea, January 26 to February 6, 2013.

The Parents Grants, that Clipped Wings has started (actually the MAL Chapter) and sole supports, will amount to \$20,000.00, this is to be divided by about 15 sets of parents of USA athletes who are participating in the Special Olympics. The money will go to help defray the cost of parents traveling to see their athlete in their events. How far we have come in these 43 years that the Special Olympics have been in existence. The first Games were held in Chicago, IL at Soldiers Field, again "How Far We Have Come."

We would love to have you join us ~ If you have been a Stewardess/Stewart or Flight Attendant for United, Capital or soon Continental Airlines, please consider joining our great group, we would love to have you. Clipped Wings® is a National organization composed of 32 chapters across the country. One of these chapters is the Members at Large Chapter (MAL). This is for those members who do not live close to a

Chapter, but would still like to be part of Clipped Wings. Please contact us at the website: www.clippedwings.com for information about our history, conventions and chapter meetings. You can also contact the Clipped Wings® National Vice President, Christel ILG, omachristl@aol.com for more information.

If you would like to have one of our (Clipped Wings) scarves, or the Airplane Tie, we still have some available for purchase, please contact **Cheryl Mullins Jensen** (SMF), rjensen148@aol.com. Each scarf is still only \$20.00, and the ties are \$25.00 plus 2.00 for shipping. The proceeds from the profit of the scarves will support Special Olympics.

We will also be selling the scarves and ties at the RUAEA Convention. See you there!



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

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cerning the deceased must include:

- 1) Deceased's First and Last Name & Date of Death
- 2) File Number (if the deceased was an employee)
- 3) Last Station worked
- 4) Surviving Spouse or Next of Kin (if applicable)
- 5) Address

In addition, contact information must be included
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sent by email (preferred) at ruaea@qwestoffice.net, fax
or US Mail. Sorry, the information will not be accepted
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***Please note that the above policy only applies to
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of the RUAEA Newsletter.***

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Apt. 317, Aurora, CO 80247

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Ted Higley, PO Box 2120, Chelan WA 98816

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6/25/12, SFOSH, husband of Beatrice (Bea)
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94402

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159th Street, Gardena, CA 90247

Retiree – **Ortega, Salvador Jr.**, on – 6/22/2012,
SFOOV, husband of Patricia D., 1654 Gover
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Williamsport, MD 21795

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Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

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Retiree – **Thompson, Emory L.**, on 6/15/12, DCAGQ, husband of Julia Thompson
 Retiree – **Warren, Samuel G.**, on 5/12/12, LAXGQ, husband of Barbara Warren, 701 E. Juniper St., Payson, AZ 85541
 Retiree – **Wilson, Theodore H. (Ted)** - 6/4/2011, SFOIP, husband of Collene T., 1984 Olivewood Ct., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362
 Retiree – **Wood, Frank H.**, on 6/7/12, ORDMM, husband of Lucille Wood, 8765 SW 115th Street, Ocala, FL 34481

In Memoriam

LETTERS



Martha Gooselaw

Hi members,
 I'm the person who edits the letters you send for the Newsletter. Your letters 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 GREETINGS & THANKS FOR THE NEWSLETTER FROM THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

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WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS FROM:

(Although we welcome the statements expressed in the many letters submitted, the comments & opinions ex-

pressed are not necessarily the convictions of the or-ganization.)

Richard Bresett, 1375 Vintage Way, Auburn, CA 95603

I really appreciate the RUAEA publication. It is the only lifeline I have to United as I do not have a com-puter.

I hope we will always be able to receive the paper edition of the newsletter. I do not know if I can go the rest of my life without a computer, but I hope so. I do not have cable for my TV, so I don't watch anything but DVD's and VHS tapes. I guess I am kind of a Luddite.

I joined the Goldiggers and look forward to meet-ing other retirees.

Thanks for all you do for us.

Marilyn Chaplin, 114 E Pine Ave., Bensenville, IL 60106-2560

Keep up the good work gang! I have been a volun-teer on the Chicago's Retirees Travel desk since its in-ception, and I have loved every minute of it. I help our fellow retirees to list for flight, checking load factors, etc. I am so sad to see the 3 Travel desks closed at the end of May. We provided a valuable service to many appreciative folks. I will miss that.

Don Collins, 319 Tower Hill Dr., St Charles, IL 60175

Thank you for the work you do with the RUAEA Newsletter. I am doing fine. My wife Beverly, since October 16, 1950 passed away on August 30, 2008 after 12 years of Alzheimer's. I am living alone at the same place in St Charles, IL.

I enjoy flying a Citabria airplane that I own with my son who is a pilot for AA based in ORD. My daughter, who lives nearby, is a Flight Attendant for UA.

I would like to hear from friends, email me at don-collins@ameritech.net.

Colin Cooke, 12823 Anderson Hill Rd., Clermont, FL 34701

I made another trip to NYC and the son's family going via ORD and returning via IAD. On the return trip, my "listing" had mysteriously disappeared which wasn't surprising. The changing from terminal B to C at ORD, under the tarmac in a roundabout way, is now by train as in IAD and other stations. As fewer people use luggage carts due to suitcase wheels, the cost of a cart at LGA is now \$5. Does that make sense? I've wondered for a long time why we could go to the moon before we put wheels on suitcases. In Bronxville, we saw the Woody Allen movie, "Midnight in Paris", and later "Salmon Fishing in Yemen". They were different but enjoyable. Movie seats are now \$13, up \$2; renting

a DVD is cheaper. In NYC if you want suede leather patches sewn onto jacket collars, elbows or cuffs, its \$12 plus tax.

While sitting in a bank parking lot, I watched an elderly lady try her car keys in three different gray cars. The last one was hers; sorry ladies, it wasn't an "old man". I saw another aging lady hobble out of a store with the aid of a White Cane (legally blind), get into a car and drive off.

This bumper sticker caught my eye in NYC, "*Talent is Universal but Opportunity is Not!*" How true this is. I saw another strange bumper sticker there, "*I support Irish baseball*".

I spoke with an aging female neighbor who despite Dialysis three times a week, 3 hours at a time, is frail but very cheerful. I once wrote an article about a guy at SFOMB that went for Dialysis once a week and was depressed. He later took his own life in Mills hospital. I asked the frail cheerful lady how she endured it three times a week for three hours, at a time, "*it keeps me alive, and I watch TV for three hours*". On DVD, I watched numerous episodes of "Mad Men". If you like to watch the emotions of the advertising business in the 1960's, this has them all.

I think the NY Times is the best newspaper in the country but it has too much good info to absorb every day. Recently I heard this question, "*Where have all the neurotics gone?*" The answer given was, "They're still here; now they're Tweeting."

Occasional sight in NYC is a white bicycle chained to a post and decorated with flowers for a dead cyclist. Here's an NYC area special that I hope does NOT spread. A sign read, free parking at a supermarket but only for 90 minutes, if you spend at least \$25. If not parking is \$3. The average apartment in NYC of 1500 sq. ft. is \$3,500 per month which amounts to \$42,000 per year. This does not include the costs of food, gas, electricity, water or taxes.

Bill French, 35S19 NE 137th Ave, La Center, WA 98629, nls8015@gmail.com

My wife and I recently returned from a Western Mediterranean cruise. We used Oceania Cruise Line. The ship was the Marina. The Marina was just launched in very early 2011. Her sister ship, The Riviera, has just completed her maiden voyage in the past few days. Many of our fellow retirees have traveled on cruises in the past. Sam and I have heard (as well as experienced) the long line waits to get on/off the ship and complaints how one is charged for just about everything on board.

I would like to recommend these two particular ships because of their "mid-size" ship status. The ship holds 1,250 passengers. It is perfect for all of us who don't care to start out for dinner 30 minutes before our reservation time. The crew to passenger ratio is about

1.75:1. The cabins are beautifully appointed, the crew very friendly and accommodating. In many cases, for those of you who choose not to fly on our wonderful passes, air may be included as well as one night hotels stay in a four star hotel may be included. Also, there is no charge for the four specialty restaurants onboard. There are also smaller ships that hold as few as 674 passengers. Anyone interested should explore Oceania Cruise Line for a wonderful cruise experience. I would be happy to chat with anyone who would like more information.

Dick Hayes, 4746 E. Harvard Ave., Fresno, CA 93703

Your newsletter is splendid! It is a great tool to keep us "old guys and gals" informed.

I spent 32 years with United. I started the day after I was discharged from the Navy in 1962 and I retired in 1994. It was a great career with stints in MIADD, DCADD, DCARR, DSMOZ, TPAOZ, DENTR, FA-TOZ, and finally ending up in Orange County CA (SNAOZ) and retired from there.

I also worked in Visalia, CA. We had 2 jets a day but no control tower. We had to take a radio up a ladder to the top of the terminal. We would radio the plane coming in, "*No aircraft in sight, runway clear of rabbits, come on down*". Boy was that a fun place to work. Unfortunately, deregulation closed it down.

My wife and I had 3 children born in Key West, FL, Alexandria, VA, and Des Moines, IA. They grew up on airplanes. We made a lot of moves but they turned out okay. During those years I wore a lot of different uniforms. I worked every shift and holiday in the book.

I am 72 years young right now and still moving. After retirement from UAL, I was fortunate to get a job right away with DHL airways and was there 10 years. Then I worked about 8 years doing maintenance and mowing at our local church. I have cut down a lot but still manage to work about 20 hr. a month.

My next gig is to publish my humorous book called, "M 727's got a Hole in it". Look for it soon.

It was a great ride with UAL and it went so fast I can hardly believe it!

Anyone that remembers me please drop a line and I will answer.

By the way, my wife, Hazel, stuck by me all those years and she deserves a medal!

John Kensinger, 925 Sunnybrae Blvd., San Mateo, CA 99402

I treasure your monthly newsletter because it's the only information that I get about what's going on at what was once a great place to work. United for a time had a magazine that they sent to retirees as well as current employees but they stopped that a long time ago.

With the merger with Continental, it is apparent that retirees are just something that they don't want to deal with. Listing for flights via the internet is just an example. Many of the older retirees are just not into computers and will just give up on trying to get on a flight, if they can't list by phone.

I've spouted enough and should close by saying that you folks are doing a great job. Please keep it up.

Jack Livesay, 8629 Swarthmore Dr., Raleigh, NC 27615-3891

I look forward to each new copy of the newsletter. It is where you can find out what is really going on with the company. Keep up the hard work to keep us informed.

Well! It looks like after March 3, Continental has finished the takeover of our beloved old United. The reservation system is hardly as user friendly as was United's. The PSS is a joke compared to SkyNet. The paint scheme compared to the new United blue is drab. I guess it is really CO with the UA name; and we have a diminished pass policy. When the merger was announced, they said that the best of both airlines would be adopted and used. They were wrong on a lot of things including our pass policy especially for retirees. My friends from other airlines said they thought United had the best pass policy in the industry. Not now. I also find it hard to communicate with the company, either they never answer or it takes weeks for a reply, since everything has to be done on the computer. I hope things can improve with time for the retirees.

Norma Miller 17522 156th Place N.E. Woodinville, Washington 98072

It is with a heavy heart that I bid a fond farewell to our Retiree Travel Desks as they close at the end of May.

I have volunteered at the Seattle Retiree Travel Desk on and off for nearly 17 years. I know and understand first hand just how much the services of the Travel Desks are needed and appreciated. I have heard sincere, heartfelt words of appreciation every day I've worked. Many retirees have also expressed their frustrations, fears and anxieties when trying to make their travel plans. When they call the Retiree Travel Desk they are pleased to have the opportunity to actually TALK to someone and ask all the questions they need answered. They comment on how nice it is to have a real person to talk to versus some impersonal automated system that can't possibly handle all inquiries. Some retirees are intimidated by all the changes and need a friendly voice to reassure them that many of these changes will actually be helpful and make travel easier.

Retirees are a diverse group of individuals with a wide range of ages, physical and mental abilities, varied

incomes and different work backgrounds. Since we are all so different, it is easy to understand that not every retiree has computer access or the ability to use it.

SkyNet is a wonderful resource enabling the employee/retiree to keep updated on company news and policies and to take care of all of their travel needs. SkyNet is a lifeline for those who are fortunate enough to be able to use it. Retirees who have no computer access feel isolated, out of the loop and are excluded from the ability to readily and easily stay informed and use their travel benefits. Many retirees view United as their family. They were proud to work for United and were fiercely loyal. As the years go by it remains important to continue to be a part of the United family. The Travel Desks have helped to keep the most vulnerable of the retirees connected as well as to give aid to others who do have computers and use SkyNet but have a question.

There will always be those among the retiree group that need and deserve extra help. That being stated, let's hope the "new United" will recognize this need and will respect those workers who made United their family and kept United flying by providing the resources needed so that all retirees are able to use and enjoy their travel benefits. They should not be at a disadvantage simply because they are unable to use SkyNet.

The loss is great not only to those who use the Travel Desks but also to those who work the desks. I can't speak for all of the volunteers, of course, but in my case, it has been a pleasure and honor to be able to assist my fellow retirees. Knowing there was a need and knowing I made a difference was very rewarding.

This is a good time to thank **Rita Reynolds** as she recognized the need for a Travel Desk and made her vision come true with the help of local management in Seattle in 1995. **Bob Brumfield** contributed his technical skills and the desk was born. Thanks to everyone who helped make the Travel Desks very successful for all these many years.

Virginia Swenson, 26088 145th St., New Richland, MN 56072

Life is passing at full tilt. I have made double the amount of jams and jellies, thinking I would have spare time to do some yard work. We are blessed to be doing eight market days in Bloomington, MN in June and July and maybe more. All of this is thanks to **Jan Meyer** who suggested the market several years ago.

We have two projects this year, "Bridges for Peace and Bible League", both which have supported for quite a few years. Perhaps we will have a double portion. Anyway, I will be jamming all summer.

Does anyone know or have neat ideas about what to do with an old barn?

Have a great summer!

Donald Bergstrom 20003 N. 124th Drive, Sun City West, Az. 85375

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of my fellow RUAEA members who were so kind in sending me your "get well wishes" in cards and emails while I have been recuperating.

It has been a very difficult 3 months but I feel that with all the loving thoughts and prayers coming my way, I will eventually get back to normal. A sudden and unexpected illness is quite an "eye opener" and makes one appreciate the "good life" that we have been enjoying these years since my retirement in 1995.

Joseph Coco, 257 Antofagasta St., Punta Gorda, FL 33983

Let me add my vote to **Marge Segal's** letter in our latest RUAEA Newsletter. I too have no computer, nor skills to use other computers and strongly urge you to do whatever is necessary to keep our newsletter alive and well.

I started with UAL in BOSRR in 1956 and transferred to EZOXD (Advertising) in the early 60's. I worked in this department for 25 years working on the format, design, printing and distribution of all our newly invented city timetables and our system timetable. Computers were completely alien to me, but I was able to eventually take over responsibility for the production of most all of the companies' black and white and full color printing.

When I was forced into early retirement, we moved to Florida. Now my only living relative lives in Kentucky. She is my access to computers and anything I get pertaining to UAL is forwarded to her. I have a system called Web TV which allows me to receive most emails. For file maintenance, she copies them and mails them back to me periodically.

The newsletter is the only way for me to receive information on procedure changes and other UAL news. Whatever has to be done should be done to continue the printing of a great newsletter.

By the way, who was the surviving carrier in this last merger? After 33 years of service and almost 25 years of retirement, I have heard rumors it was United. But it seems like I'm being proven wrong every day.

If there is something I can do to assure the continuation of the printed version of our newsletter, I would be happy to do so. But I'm 82 and not sure how long this offer is valid.



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For Traditional Medical, HMO or Insurance questions; report death of retiree or spouse; change of address & other forms.

United Employee Service Center

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esc@united.com (email)

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1-888-874-1581

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1-800-633-4227

TRAVEL POLICY OVERVIEW

As of August, 2012

<i>Travel Programs</i>	<i>Descriptions</i>
Leisure passes	Unlimited for travel on United and United Express. Most service charges waived for travel systemwide. Two checked bags allowed per ticket.
Vacation passes	8 one-way per year. Highest boarding priority . All eligible pass-riders traveling together on at least one leg of the journey will use only one Vacation Pass. Most service charges & taxes waived, depending on years of service. Two checked bags allowed per ticket.
myUAdiscount	20% discount on revenue tickets systemwide. Two checked bags allowed per ticket. Enrolled Friends are also eligible.
Enrolled Friends	Up to 2 friends or family members may be designated annually. They are not eligible for travel on any other carriers, including Express/regional carriers except Hawaiian Airlines.
Interline Travel	Interline discounts and ZED (Zonal Employee Discount) fares for all employees, retirees & eligible pass riders except Enrolled Friends. There are a few Star Alliance carriers who offer Companion discounts. Check flyingtogether.ual.com >Travel>Other Airline Travel for information. Loads may be checked on www.flyzed.com , user ID is UAL, password is 016.
Buddy Passes	Retirees NOT eligible.
Emergency Travel	Retiree or spouse/domestic partner are eligible for emergency, positive space, fee-waived travel if either becomes ill <u>while traveling</u> . Should either die <u>while traveling</u> , the other is eligible for positive space, fee-waived travel to accompany the human remains. Dependents are not eligible.

<i>Eligibility</i>	
Retiree & eligible passriders	Unlimited Leisure Passes. 8 one-way Vacation Passes annually in January, valid for 5 years.
Surviving spouse or domestic partner	Lifetime eligibility for Leisure Passes and 20% discount tickets if person does not remarry or does not enter into another domestic partnership. NOT eligible for Vacation Passes. NO Enrolled Friends. NOT eligible for travel on other airlines, including code-share partners (Express carriers). Not eligible for emergency travel benefit.
Enrolled Friends	May travel unaccompanied, but Boarding Priority is low. Eligible for 20% discount travel, but NOT eligible for travel on other airlines, including Express carriers except Hawaiian Airlines.

<i>Boarding Seniority</i>	
“Board Year”	Temporary “time with the Company” boarding seniority. Years of service calculated by subtracting -ONLY- the years worked from current calendar year. Example: time worked = 37 yrs, 4 months, 25 days. Board year = 1975 (current year 2012 minus 37). Earliest check-in time determines boarding when more than one standby has the same “Board Year”. Years/months/days boarding date will hopefully be available later in 2012. Note: Boarding priority is good for one leg of the journey ONLY, even on through flights, all pass riders must deplane & compete again for seating.

Boarding Priorities for Travel on United

SA0V	<u>Vacation Passes</u> ~ Retiree, employees and accompanied eligibles. Unaccompanied spouse/domestic partner travelling with other eligibles.
SA1P	<u>Leisure Passes</u> ~ employees & accompanied eligibles, employee's unaccompanied spouse or domestic partner traveling alone or with other eligibles.
SA2R	<u>Leisure Passes</u> ~ retirees and accompanied eligibles. Unaccompanied retiree's spouse or domestic partner traveling alone or with other eligibles.
SA3V	<u>Vacation Pass</u> ~ Any employee/retiree's unaccompanied eligibles (children/parents/Enrolled Friends), other than spouse/domestic partner.
SA4P	<u>Leisure Pass</u> ~ Any employee/retiree's unaccompanied eligibles (children/parents/Enrolled Friends) other than spouse or domestic partner.
SA4S	Temporary employees and their eligibles.
SA5X	All regional carriers' pass riders and their eligibles when travelling on United .
SA5A	Star Alliance carriers' pass riders using ZED tickets on United .
SA6F	Unaccompanied extended family Buddy Pass travelers.
SA8Z	Other carrier's (non-Star Alliance) pass riders using ZED tickets on United .
SA9W	Service-charge waived tickets.

Boarding Priorities for Travel on United Express

SAOX	United Express employees & accompanied eligibles on their own planes .
SA2X	Express carrier employees & accompanied eligibles when travelling on another Express carrier .
SA3X	All Express carrier retirees & accompanied eligibles when travelling on any Express carrier.
SA4X	Express carrier's employee's unaccompanied eligibles when travelling on their own planes
SA5X	All Express carrier's unaccompanied eligibles when travelling on another Express carrier .

Service Charges	Coach: all retirees, employees & eligible pass riders, charges waived for both domestic and international travel except for departure taxes/regulatory fees. First & Business, Domestic: 25+ years, charges waived (with above exceptions), 0-24 years, 90% discount off ZED fare. First & Business, Int'l: 25+ years, charges waived (with above exceptions), 0-24 years, 50% discount of ZED fare. (See Flyingtogether.ual.com > "Travel" > "Travel Policies").
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Imputed Income Tax	Some travel is taxed as imputed income to the employee/retiree. Examples: Domestic partners', enrolled friends', non-dependent children between 18-26 yrs, dependent children in the military between 21-26 yrs and myUAdiscount tickets. (See Flyingtogether.ual.com > "Travel" > "Travel Policies"). You'll receive a W-2 for all travel exceeding \$600 value.
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How To	
Authorize pass riders	Log in to flyingtogether.ual.com and click on “All About Me” in the upper-left corner. On that page in the upper-left corner are the links to healthcare and travel authorizations. Click on the appropriate link and follow the instructions.
Check your pass balance	Log in to flyingtogether.ual.com and click on “employeeRES” located in the Travel box, upper-right corner. On left side banner, click on “My ePass Balances”.
List for travel	Log in to flyingtogether.ual.com and click on “employeeRES” located in the Travel box, upper-right corner. On left side banner, click on “Flight Search”. <i>Very Important:</i> if your plans are for round-trip travel, list <i>each way separately</i> and make a note of the record locator/confirmation number of each . If you want to be boarded regardless of class, list for FC. If you’re boarded in another class, keep your boarding card and apply for a refund (see below).
Special note about listing!	At the time of this printing , the airport check-in system will board you only in the class for which you are listed. It boards by class of service listed and “Board Year”, in that order. Example: you are the 3rd standby and you listed FC. The first person listed FC which filled the cabin. The 2nd person listed Coach and was accommodated. The system will bypass you and board all the rest on the list who listed for Coach even though your boarding priority is higher. After everyone who listed in Coach is accommodated, then you will be, too if seats remain.
Pre-pay charges	At time of listing, you will be required to enter a credit card number. WRITE DOWN THE AMOUNT shown for your travel <i>before</i> clicking on “Book Itinerary”. Any applicable charges for listed travel will be immediately charged to your account. If your plans change, BE SURE TO CANCEL!
Service charge calculator	Log on to flyingtogether.ual.com and click on “employeeRES” located in the Travel box, upper-right corner. On left side banner, click on “Quick Links” and then “Pass Calculator”. It will show not only the charges for your travel, but also the imputed income taxes.
Other airlines (ZED fare travel)	Log in to flyingtogether.ual.com and click on “Travel”, then “Travel Policies”, then “Other Airline/Interline Travel”. Be sure to check the travel agreement that UAL has with your desired carrier. The “ZED & Industry Travel Discount Form” will provide a fill-in format for your desired travel. It’s personalized, since you’ve already logged on to the Company website. You’ll receive an email within 5-20 hours with your confirmation number. Take that to a United ticket counter to have the ticket/s written. In a few cases, payment & listing may be available online. There is also a link to Refund request, should that be necessary.
Applying for a refund of United charges	If this is necessary, go to “ united.com ”, click on “reservations”, then “refund policy”.
Checking in from home	May be done 24 hours in advance. Go to “ flyingtogether.ual.com ” > “employeeRES” > “MyTravelPlans” or “ united.com ” and get ‘er done. All you need is your record locator/confirmation number. You can print your boarding pass from your personal printer.

<i>What Happens If</i>	
I change my mind?	Any applicable fees were charged to your credit card at time of listing. You MUST cancel the listing to credit your account or you'll have to suffer through the refund process.
I listed FC but rode Coach?	See “Applying for a Refund” above, if necessary. Remember, much of the travel is service charge waived!
I wasn’t accommodated on the flight?	The CSR <i>should</i> automatically roll the standby list over to the next flight that day for the city pairs for which you are listed.
Some of my party rode a different flight than I?	If your party was split up to accommodate you all, the original listing (PNR) will determine the charges for everyone.
I couldn’t get out and had to spend the night?	It will be necessary to make a new listing for the next day. The airport standby lists do not roll over from one day to the next. Best to call the ePass Line at (866) 359-3727 before you leave for a hotel, beg & plead one of the CSR's to do it for you or open up your laptop & re-do it yourself.

<i>Helpful Numbers & Other Stuff</i>	
1 (877) 324-5555	Employee Travel Center ~ email etc@united.com ~ general questions.
1 (866) 359-3727	United ePass Line (your password is your birth date MMDDYY). If you use this number to create a new listing, there will be a charge of \$25 <i>per ticket</i> . This line may be used without charge if you are travelling and wish to change your listing (be sure to have confirmation/record locator number of your current listing!) or to change the type of pass you're using (Leisure to Vacation or vice versa). Pass type changes may only be done up to two hours before departure.
epc@united.com	Employee Payment Center ~ <u>email</u> address. Handles all money-related issues.
1 (800) 651-1007	Confirm dependents , healthcare recipients, eligible pass riders.
1 (800) 255-5801	Website help ~ establish or reset access code & password to FlyingTogether.ual.com
www.flyzed.com	Check loads on other airlines. See above “Interline Travel”. Schedules are haphazard; may have to check each segment independently on your desired routing.

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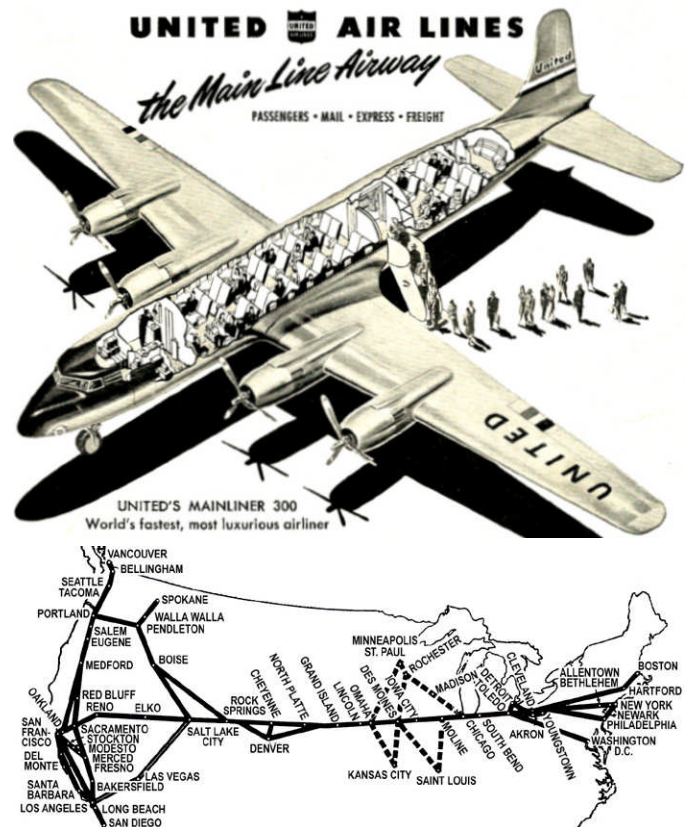
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