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There are many reasons to attend the annual RUAEA convention. Much has been written about the beautiful hotel, fun and interesting tours, hospitality get-togethers, the delicious banquet with entertainment to follow. These are good reasons but not the most important ones for most of the attendees. For those who spent years working for, and flying on, the friendly skies of United, the main reason is to renew and make new friendships. But, maybe you feel you don't know anyone attending this year. None of your friends are able to fit it in their busy schedule.

If you are hesitating to come to Denver this year, please read the following letter RUAEA received following last year's convention from **Ron Jersey**, RUPA Convention Committee Chairman, RUPA Past President. It is reprinted, in part with Ron's permission.

*This convention marked the end of **Ron Bertacini's** term as President. **Hank Gosselin** took over the night of the banquet. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ron and the executive board of RUAEA for making my wife and I feel right at home during the last three conventions. When I was president of RUPA, I was invited to attend their business meetings. As current convention committee chairman, I will continue to work with RUAEA in the quest for a combined convention, whether it be a land based or cruise based convention. In order for the future conventions to be economically viable, we need members of all segments of retirees, both UAL and COA to participate.*

As you read this, you are probably saying to yourself, "Why would I attend a convention where I do not know anyone?" I felt that way when I attended my first RUAEA convention in 2010. I was made to feel right at home by everyone I met. I even ran into people I knew. By the end of my third convention, Marie & I have a large circle of acquaintances that help to make the convention an enjoyable experience. Try it next year. You may find that you will have a great time. Spend your children's inheritance and buy a plane ticket. It is well worth the trip.

You don't know who will be at the convention until you attend yourself. So, take a risk, come and be surprised at the old friends who greet you and the new friends you meet.

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Come join us in Denver!

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GENERAL NEWS

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Letter From The President



Hank Gosselin

Hi Folks, I hope you are all enjoying your summer. We have just grand weather here in the Pacific Northwest, but I know it is sweltering in some areas.

I recently attended a picnic hosted by the Chicago Skyliners and I had a wonderful time. Nearly 200 attended the picnic. I really thank **Helen Cauwels** and

Bob Kalicki for inviting me and giving me time to speak to the group. Mainly, I pitched our RUAEA 2013 Convention in Denver and many in the group showed interest in coming. With that said, the hotel rooms are being steadily booked, so please book your hotel rooms soon. However, I know the registrations are lagging, so please register soon. It helps if we don't get all the registrations at once. Also, if you're interested in a tour, register now as they can sell out. Remember, our Convention is shorter so some tours can't be repeated. **Marilyn Marcy** and her team have finished planning the Convention. There are great things planned, with some new things for the hospitality nights, entertainment, tours, a great chance to visit the United Flight Training Center, a wonderful location for shopping and restaurants, a great hotel rate, free hotel parking, complimentary airport shuttle, free breakfast for two with the rooms, along with a wonderful chance to meet old friends and make new ones.

One other item I would like to cover with you is

Listing for a Flight. I have received many questions regarding this and there is a lot of confusion. Again, I know many of you are "BC" (before computers), so I suggest you enlist the aid of friends, relatives, or use the computers at a local Library where most have staff that will help you. If you are not sure of the process, then, I urge you to go to "Flying Together", click on the Travel Tab and go to WEBEX for an explanation or training on the process. If you have questions, use the following sequence:

1. Flying Together > Travel Tab
2. Ask Alex
3. Send email to ETC@united.com

Following these steps should answer all your questions.

Hope to see many of you at the Denver Convention. Enjoy your summer.

Hank Gosselin
President – RUAEA

Writers' Column - John Williams, retired United employee receives French Legion of Honor Medal.

Submitted by Ray Colavita



On Friday May 24, 2013 at the Colorado State Capitol, 1st Lt. **John Williams** U.S. Army Air Corps and Tech Sgt. Wilbur Brunger U. S. Army were presented with the

Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Legion d'Honneur in recognition of their distinguished service to France during WWII.

John Williams was born March 3, 1921 in Oconee, IL where he attended school through the 11th grade; he then graduated from high school at nearby Pana, IL.

He and his brother Walter enlisted in the U. S. Army in Sept. 1940. His brother was shipped to the Philippines where he was captured and endured the Bataan death march. Walter was killed when a Japanese ship moving the POWs was sunk by allied forces.

John transferred to the Army Air Corps and was commissioned a 2nd Lt. on March 20, 1943. Six months later he was flying B24s for the 714 Bomb Squadron, 488th Bombardment Group, and 8th Air Force in England. John and his crew - #48, flew their first combat mission to La Broye, France on Christmas Eve 1943. John completed his 30th and final mission June 2, 1944 to Beauvoir, France.

He was stationed at Seething, England when the D-Day invasion took place and returned to Langley Field, Virginia and then to Ft. Sheridan where he was discharged June 16, 1945.



His military awards include The WWII Victory Medal, European African Middle-East Theater Ribbon with Battle Star, an Air Medal with 3 clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Following his discharge, John with his wife, Irene and their first child moved to Chicago where he earned his 1st Class Radio and TV license.

He then joined United Air Lines as a Radio and Electronics Mechanic. The family moved to Colorado in 1953 and John retired from United after 34 years service. John was a long-time member of the DENTK Flight Simulator Maintenance & Engineering department.

John and his wife of 68 years have 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Veterans who fought on French soil qualified for the Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Legion d'Honneur (The French Legion of Honor) medal.

John Williams' military records were submitted to the French embassy for consideration. His and other nominated candidates' records were sent to the Legion of Honor Committee in Paris, which decided the recipients.

United Retiree Badges



On June 10th, United introduced a program for retirees to obtain Retiree Badges. Some history behind this program is that Continental retirees were given a pictured retirement badge upon their retirement. The new company began to work on a program to not only continue that process for retirees from the new company but also make such badges available to all United retirees. There have been a few glitches in the first few days which have been addressed. The information about the badges and the process for obtaining such a badge are covered below. If you should incur any problems in trying to order a badge please contact Badging@united.com via email. As you will see these badges are not mandatory but could be beneficial in obtaining discounts from certain vendors.

Ordering the New United Retiree Badge: Retirees who are interested in ordering a new United retiree badge may do so on-line through EmployeeRES. The

link can be found by selecting "Quick Links" then "Employee Profile" and finally "Click here to obtain your Retiree Badge". At this point the retiree will be provided with the opportunity to submit payment and are given the instructions for submitting their picture/information to the Badging Office. Once the payment/order has been received, the badging office will verify the information, create the badge and send it to the retiree via Federal Express (FedEx) or certified mail.

Retiree Organization's Literature/Brochures: We will be including the provided literature when we send the new United retiree badge.

Questions:

- ❖ ***How does one obtain a new United retiree badge?*** The new United retiree badge can be ordered online through EmployeeRES (Quick Links > Employee Profile). Once the ordering procedures are followed/completed, a badge will be created and sent to the retiree's address of record via express delivery by Federal Express (FedEx) or certified mail.
- ❖ ***Can someone obtain a badge without computer/internet access?*** No. At this time, the only way to order a new United retiree badge is on-line through EmployeeRES.
- ❖ ***Will the new United retiree badge include the retiree's picture?*** Yes, the new United retiree badge will include the retiree's picture. The retiree will need to provide a recent (within 5 years) photo for us to upload onto the badge.
- ❖ ***What is the expiration date of the new United retiree badge?*** The new United retiree badge will not include an expiration date.
- ❖ ***Will there be a cost associated with the new United retiree badge?*** Yes, there will be a fee of \$35 for the initial retiree badge. This fee covers the materials needed to create the badge, administration of the badge's creation and the cost of express delivery via Federal Express (FedEx) or certified mail. There will also be fees associated with replacing lost badges (a fee schedule will be included on a frequently asked questions (FAQ) document available throughout the ordering process). Replacement badges for lost, stolen or damaged badges can be ordered through the same tool.
- ❖ ***Is the new United retiree badge required for travel?*** No. This badge is not required to pass travel.
- ❖ ***What benefits/privileges are provided by the new United retiree badge?*** The new United retiree badge provides a tangible link to the Company and may assist in obtaining discounts for off-line travel, hotels, cruises and many of the other discounts found on the Employee Dis-

counts page (in Flying Together). Many of these discounts can also be obtained by printing a Verification Letter online through EmployeeRES (Quick Links > Employee Profile). There is no limit on the number of letters you can print, as well as no fee for printing.

- ❖ ***I already have a subsidiary United retiree travel card/subsidiary Continental retiree badge, do I need a new United retiree badge?*** The new United retiree badge is not a requirement. It does, however, have the approved new United branding and it never expires.
- ❖ ***How long after I order my new United retiree badge will it be before I receive the physical badge?*** At the moment, we expect everyone to receive their badge within 7-10 business days after completion of the ordering process.
- ❖ ***Are the Badging Offices contacting each retiree to advise them of how to order the new United retiree badge?*** No. After the tool is up-and-running, we will be working to spread the word through Flying Together, the Retiree Organizations and retirement packets.
- ❖ ***How will the Badging Offices disseminate our organizations' literature/brochures?*** Once the ordering procedures are followed/completed for a new United retiree badge, the provided brochures will be included with the badge and sent to the requesting retiree.
- ❖ ***Who is eligible for a new United retiree badge?*** Any former co-worker (regardless of subsidiary) who is on "retired" status.

Additional Information:

We know that it will take some time for communications to reach all of our interested retirees, but the gap in time will allow the badging team to become acclimated to this new process prior to the initial blitz of requests/orders once formal communications are delivered. Additionally, we would like to stay in contact with each retiree organization, so we can evolve this program/process to meet the needs of our retiree population, make applicable improvements and provide clarification/direction when necessary.

Again, we would like to thank each one of you for your patience and input as we have built this program/process and we look forward to continuing to work with you to make it even better.

Travel Pass Updates from RAFA - Boarding priority codes are listed



A Boarding Priority Chart has been published as a pdf on Flying Together >Travel >Travel Policies >Boarding Priority Chart. Look under Travel Policies in the LEFT

PANEL of the Travel page. The chart should answer many questions retiree pass riders have about the PS codes they see on the rider list. Codes for jumpseat travel will be added soon. If you see pass riders boarded in improper order send complete details as soon as possible to etc@united.com.

Don't use a computer?
Not comfortable with employeeRES?
Want to list for a flight?
Call the UPL: 866-359-3727.



Retirees are encouraged to use employeeRES or mobileRES to list; it's the best way to look at passenger boarding totals (PBTs), pass rider lists, etc. However, if using the computer is just too complicated, or you don't have access to one, call the "United Pass Line" to make travel listings. Note: The six-digit password is your birth date in the mmddyy format, for example 071755. **Keep in mind, there's a \$25 booking service fee per passenger** to make a new listing, change an existing listing to a different routing, switch pass types (personal pass to vacation pass or vice versa), or to change passengers. It's free if you want to simply change the date and or times using the same city pairs to an existing reservation. To save money when using the UPL, make round-trip reservations instead of two separate listings. If you make separate listings, you will be charged \$25 per person for the outbound (\$50 if two passengers are traveling) and another \$25 per person when you call to list for your return flight (another \$50 if two passengers are traveling), that's a total of \$100! By making a round trip listing, you will be charged the \$25 booking service fee per person for the entire trip, a total of just \$50. Better yet, learn to use employeeRES and/or mobileRES to list for free using a computer, Smartphone, or tablet. There are step-by-step tutorials (in either pdf format or as videos) in "WebEx Sessions & Reference Guides", located in the left panel under "Travel" on the Travel tab of Flying Together.

Update on Explorer Credit Card Rebate Information by John Haferbecker



I know of two ways to access this information. There are probably other ways as well. Here are my two:

1. On the FlyingTogether home page if you already have "Special Offers for United Employees" in your "My Favorites" section on the left-hand side, click on it. When the page comes up, it will have the Special Offers, etc. heading. You'll also see logos for QuickenLoans, DirecTV In Flight and Tumi.

Page down (they're in alphabetical order, by categories, not individual items) and watch for "Credit Cards" in the left column. At the end of the paragraph, click on "Learn More". At the bottom of the next page, click on "Frequently Asked Questions". Page down to the question that starts out "I am a United retiree. Am I eligible ...". This tells you which retirees are eligible to participate in the rebate program. Next, page down further to the question that starts out "If I don't see the \$80 credit reflected ...". This tells you to direct an email to MileagePlus-Visa@United.com with questions. Include the fact that you participated in the 2012 rebate program, that you still hold the card and include your United file number.

2. If your "My Favorites" section does not include a reference to the "Special Offers for United Employees", use the search box at the top right of the page that reads "Search people or content" with two blue icons to the right of it. Type in the words "employee discounts" and click on the second icon which is the magnifying glass. This should bring up a reference to "Special Offers for United Employees" which you can click on and it will take you to the page headed up "Special Offers for United Employees" and you'll see logos for QuickenLoans, DirecTV In Flight and Tumi. Then follow the steps outlined in 1. above. When finished, stay on this page, scroll way to the bottom and click on "Add to my Favorites". This way you'll add it to your My Favorites section so it will be easier to access next time.

Invitation to ARECA/RUAEA Picnic



Come to the First Annual Denver's Association of Retired Employees Continental Air Lines (ARECA) and Retired United Airlines Employees Association (RUAEA) picnic at Wings over the Rockies Air and Space Museum, 7711 East Academy Blvd, Denver, CO 80230-6929. Date August 21, 2013, Time 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Picnic 12:00 to 2:00, Catering by Bennett's Bar-b-que. Menu BBQ Beef and Chicken, BBQ Beans with sauce, Cold Slaw, Potato Salad, French bread w/butter, iced tea and water, condiments, plates, utensils, napkins, etc., self guided tours of Museum. All this for \$19:00 per person. **Deadline for reservation is August 16, 2013.**

Make checks payable to: ARECA c/o Pat Fischahs (include names of members and guests), 6756 East Exposition Ave., Denver CO 80224.

Correction to Torgy's Travel Tips July 2013



The section on purchasing revenue confirmed tickets for system wide travel using myUADiscount should read as follows according to the Flying Together, Travel Programs, myUADiscount overview:

"United's discount leisure travel program, myUADiscount provides co-workers, retirees and their eligible pass riders the opportunity to purchase revenue-confirmed tickets for system-wide travel in any cabin on United and United Express with a 20% discount."

It is not limited to economy travel as stated in the original article. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

Birthdays and Dues Renewal



Birthdays are something that comes our way as long as we live. We may try to slow them down but in the end they win out. They are important to us and our family and many times are used as a common means to mark events.

RUAEA used to use "Birthdays" for a reminder that it was time to pay dues but not anymore. Birthdays for dues renewal hasn't been used for years but occasionally we still get queries concerning birthday and renewal.

Why did we change? Many people didn't want their birthday to be posted on the label or part of their membership record and it was a difficult system to keep track of.

How do we now keep track of membership? When the Denver Office processes your dues, the membership is then extended for one year (or how many years you pay for) from your expiration date.

When are my dues due? You can look at your mailing label and the date on the label is the expiration date. Two months prior to expiration date there is a notice printed in red letters stating: **"IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP."** And then, if your dues are not received, the next newsletter label will state (in red letters) **"YOUR MEMBERSHIP WILL EXPIRE UNLESS YOUR DUES ARE RECEIVED." PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR DUES PAYMENT AT THIS TIME.** Also notice the message: **"DISREGARD THIS MESSAGE IF YOUR DUES ARE ALREADY PAID."**

How are those that take the web notified? The same system of notification is used when you sign on the web to read the newsletter. If it is time to pay your dues the notification is in red letters.

Where is membership information posted in the newsletter? On the inside of the back cover all the information that is needed to pay dues, receive an application or contact RUAEA for information/questions is there.

We appreciate your continued membership and want to be of assistance in whatever way we can.

Virgil Gooselaw
Membership Manager

Expanded mobile app enables customers to manage travel during IRROPs



United announced refreshed applications for iPhone, Android and BlackBerry 10 that include streamlined user interfaces along with a new feature, also available on Windows

Phone 8, which will enable customers to manage their travel in real time during irregular flight operations.

With the new feature, mobile app users who experience flight delays or cancellations will have the option to keep their existing itinerary or change to a new itinerary where available. Customers whose flights are affected may use the mobile app to accept new flights that United has automatically confirmed or search for alternate routes, airports and dates of travel.

United also announced plans to make mobile boarding pass scanning available at all of the more than 220 domestic airports we serve by the fall of this year.

2014 MileagePlus program update



June 18th, United announced changes to the MileagePlus Premier program qualification requirements.

Starting in January 2014, U.S. members must meet a minimum

annual spending level to qualify for Premier status. United will track the dollars spent on most United tickets, including partner flights and Economy Plus purchases, as Premier qualifying dollars (PQD). To reach Premier Silver status, for example, a member must spend \$2,500 in PQD in addition to flying 25,000 Premier qualifying miles or 30 Premier qualifying segments. For 2014, however, they will waive the PQD requirement for Premier Silver, Premier Gold and Premier Platinum qualification if the member spends at least \$25,000 on a MileagePlus co-branded credit card. The changes apply to 2014 qualifying activity for status through 2015; they do not affect 2013 qualifying activity for 2014 status.

United converts A350-900 order to A350-1000 aircraft and adds 10 aircraft



United announced an order with Airbus for new A350-1000XWB aircraft. The agreement converts the existing order for 25 A350-900s into A350-1000s and adds 10 firm A350-1000s. United will take delivery of the A350-1000s starting in 2018. Converting the A350-900 order into A350-1000s allows United to replace older, less-efficient aircraft that are currently used on long-range, high-demand markets.

The A350-1000 is the largest member of the A350 family and uses advanced materials including composites, titanium and aluminum alloys combined with the latest engine technology to make the A350-1000 lighter and more fuel efficient. The aircraft will consume approximately 20 percent less fuel per seat than the large widebody aircraft it will replace. It is powered by new-generation Rolls-Royce Trent engines. The cabin will offer an improved customer experience with more headroom, wider panoramic windows and more overhead storage space.

Flight 93 Memorial Chapel by Frank Egges



As I mentioned last month, the USS Somerset will be commissioned in Pens Landing, Philadelphia in January, 2014. Thanks to Senators Edward Casey and Pat Toomey from PA,

who were instrumental in bringing the USS Somerset to Philadelphia from Baltimore, MD, which was the original proposal. The USS Somerset, as you are aware, was built from metals recovered from the crash site and in memory of the passengers and crew of flight 93.

Very unusual for a naval ship, the flooring is to be made out of wood! But, it happened. The wood came from many trees in the Shanksville area. 360 officers, enlisted personal and Marines will complement the USS Somerset.

Four turbo charged diesels will power the ship, with a speed of 22 knots. The ship has a flight deck capable of accommodating 46 Helicopters and a MV 22 Osprey.

The Chapel appreciates your support and needs your continued donations. To donate make check payable to: United Airlines Flt 93 Memorial Chapel and mail to Frank J. Egges, 3405 West Chester, Pike B307, Newtown Square, PA 19073-4252.

Rules For Submitting Articles To The Newsletter



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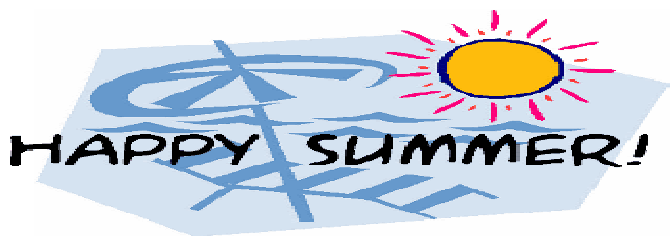
All articles submitted for publishing in the Newsletter are due in the Denver Office on **the 7th of each month**. This includes chapter reports, letters for the "Letters" Column, obituary listings (**Note**: Rules for submitting an obituary notice is listed in the *Obits* section of this Newsletter), 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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LOCAL NEWS

ALABAMA

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At the last minute, we had to change the location of our June 20th meeting. We had planned to meet in the home of **Park & Billie Learned** and have BBQ with everyone bringing a dish to share but they developed some serious problems with their home and had repairs going on. Instead, our Alabama/Florida RUAEA group met in our usual spot, the Cubi Bar Café at the Pensacola Naval Aviation Museum. We had 17 members and 1 guest in attendance. Members attending were: **Nancy Aldrich, George & Denny Atteberry, Conrad Hamilton, Bill Hayden, Bob & Bev Heinrich, Rick & Carol Herrick, Doug & Edna Horne, Ray & My Owens, Bob & Yvonne Schwartz, Barbara Serra, and Ed Southworth**. Our guest was **Debra Thomas**. She is a neighbor of **Doug & Edna Horne** and they were finally able to convince her to attend a meeting with them.

Bob Schwartz, President, called our meeting to order at 1:15 PM. Raffle tickets were sold by **Barbara Serra** and **Bill Hayden**. The winning ticket was drawn by our guest, **Debra Thomas**. Our winner this month was **Conrad Hamilton**. Congratulations, Conrad!

Bob asked our guest, **Debra Thomas**, to tell us something about herself. She lives in Santa Rosa Beach, FL next door to the **Hornes**. She is a former flight attendant and flew for National and Delta. We are so glad she came to visit and we invited her to become a member of our group.

The Agenda, Minutes and Financial Report continue to be emailed to everyone and they were approved as sent with no questions or corrections. We discussed the balance in our treasury and decided to donate \$100 to the Pensacola Naval Aviation Museum to help them continue their fantastic work and also to donate \$100 to Manna Food Bank since there is such a great need.

Raffle tickets were drawn for our extra Chocolate Chip cookies and they were won by **My Owens, Doug Horne, Conrad Hamilton, Ray Owens** and **George Atteberry**. We really enjoy the extra cookies our waiters brings to us each month. They are delicious!

Nancy Aldrich showed us a very unique pin that her uncle, **Sam Bell**, gave her. It was a DC-10 plane

with a DC-3 going through the #2 engine. She told us that her uncle was an engineer with McDonald Douglas and worked on the design of the tail section of the DC-10. They discovered that it really was possible for the fuselage of the DC-3 to go through the #2 engine with 8" to spare! Incredible!

Our July birthday person is **Richard Hurst** (3rd). Our August birthday persons are: **Yvonne Schwartz** (1st), **Jean Dobison** (3rd), **Diane Hutto** (3rd) and **George Dobison** (14th). Happy Birthday to all of you!

Bob read a letter from the Museum's Foundation Board telling about one of their special exhibits. **Lucky**, the war dog stands vigil over the Pacific Island exhibit and his name came from the fact that he survived the loss of an eye and they believed that a pat on his head brought good luck to airmen heading out on combat missions. There are hundreds of outstanding exhibits in this museum!

A discussion was held regarding flight passes with lots of questions and just a few answers!

As always, we invite you to attend our meeting if you are ever on the Gulf Coast on vacation. We have a great group of former pilots, flight attendants, mechanics, customer service reps and even one IT person, who is also our President! You won't believe how much fun we have. Our meetings are usually the third Thursday of each month and we almost always meet at the Cubi Bar Café in the National Naval Aviation Museum at NAS Pensacola, FL. If you live in our area (Panama Beach, FL-East to Mississippi border-West), please come join us. We always begin at 11:30 AM.

Calendar

July 18

August 15

SWEET HOME ALABAMA

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Submitted by Donna Gooch

Our June meeting was held at a special landmark in Birmingham, Alabama: The Club, Inc., a private dining club located atop Red Mountain with a panoramic view of the city.

Our meetings always begin with a Pledge of Allegiance, and we use one of the flags that flew over the memorial site for flight 93 at Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Members attending were **Bobby & Jean Cox**, **Gay Fowler**, **Charlotte Gibson**, **Travis & Zoe Glass**, **Donna & Jim Gooch**, **Joe & Jane Jones**, **Carol & Herb Wilbanks** and **Ken & Beverly Yeager**.

Gay Fowler is conducting mini sightseeing trips around Alabama which are usually day trips, and she is also planning a forthcoming trip to Nashville, Tennessee which will probably include an overnight stay. Gay can be contacted at ggf1948@gmail.com.

Gene Carpenter has had a setback in his health lately, and our group will certainly keep check on him and sending him well wishes. Also well wishes go out to **Bill Preston**. **Bobby & Jean Cox** just returned from Seascap, Florida and reported on the rough waters and undertow there this past week. Four people drowned within a period of 24 hours and surveillance has been greatly increased.

Due to summertime vacations, we will not meet during the month of July, and our next meeting will be August 12.

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Too hot ... too humid ... almost unbearable ... that's the story in the "west valley" of Phoenix, AZ. Just ask **Mike & Claudia Richards** who had their air conditioning go out on the hottest day of the year (118 degrees). After planning an overnight stay away from home with friends, the friends called and asked if the A/C repairman could give them a visit because they, also, had their A/C go out. Overnight temperature in the Richards' house was 94 degrees, but, by the next few days, all was "cool" again.

Frank Callahan is planning a trip to Maui for 10 days, otherwise, he says, "nothing's new". Lucky him, going to Maui!

News from **Cece Schlenker** ~ she and her husband have opened another Yogurtini store in Surprise, AZ on Reems and Bell Rd. If you're out and about, stop by and quench your thirst with a frozen yogurt treat. Everyone needs that with the AZ temperatures so high. This store is in addition to the Yogurtini they opened last year in Goodyear, AZ on Litchfield and Indian School Roads.

Vivian Klick is celebrating her 70th birthday (August 31) (No! We can't believe it, she looks more like 50) in Maui with her daughter and son-in-law and family. Aloha, Miss Vivian, have a wonderful time and congratulations! What a great birthday present, you never get better than Hawaii!!

A group of Azures attended a "Pebblecreek's Got Talent" (at Pebblecreek Golf Resort) dinner and enter-

tainment night. Attendees were: **Joe & Lisa Hopkins, Rose Barry, Marge Mullman, Vivian Klick, Dick & Joan Aaronson** and **Vic & Carol Liltz**. So much fun and a good chance to get out and "beat the heat". Joe is also planning a "mystery" lunch on July 13. I'll let you know next month what a good time we had.

The June newsletter stated that **Mel & Millie Hofer** were celebrating their anniversary on June 22, what I failed to tell you was that it was their 70th wedding anniversary (June 22, 1943), wow! They celebrated with their two children and spouses for a week in a beautiful house rental in Cave Creek, AZ and entertained 17 for dinner on their special day. Millie says the secret is never going to bed angry and the ingredients for a long and happy marriage are: love, trust and give & take. Apparently, Mel & Millie certainly have the correct recipe! Now they're trying to decide what to do for their 75th! Congratulations to you both!

Vic and I are going back to Illinois to cool off for awhile and will enjoy our Illinois friends for lunches and dinners and, of course, visits with the family. Our grandsons' birthdays are in July, so a big celebration is in the plans.

Joan Aaronson wanted the Azures to know that the volunteers are looking for donations for The Fantasy Flight on December 6, 2013, i.e. small shampoos, soaps, toiletries; cute cuddly stuffed animals; socks; and blankets for young children. These items can be brought to Joan at our Beardsley Park picnic in October or earlier, if possible.

Joan & Dick Aaronson's daughter, Karen and grandson, Sam participated in a "Run for the Cure" (for juvenile diabetes). Sam was diagnosed with this ailment when he was 1½ yrs. old and his father, Joe, also, had Type 1 diabetes when he died from a heart attack while swimming in this triathlon (swim/bike/run) seven years ago. Karen and Sam did the run this year in Sandy/Cohasset Beach, MA. The Children's Hospital in Boston, MA is researching and coming close to a pancreas machine to cure or improve the health of young diabetes patients. Sam, also, wears a pump to control his levels. Please keep Karen and Sam along with Joan and Dick in your prayers. For more information, call Joan at (623) 935-2818.

August birthdays ~ **Bob Maloney** (8/3); **Olive Crowthers** (8/27); **Don Sellon** (8/29); and **Vivian Klick** (8/31).

Calendar:

Breakfasts at Coco's, 98th and Bell Road, Sun City West, AZ will be held at 0800.

Call **Jim Bechtold** (623) 465-5423 and let him know you'll be attending.

August 13

August 27

PHOENIX RE-UNITED

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Hope you are staying cool with the high temperatures we've been experiencing here in Arizona. Hopefully, it will cool off real soon. We're still continuing with our monthly breakfasts each month on the fourth Friday at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert, starting at 9:15 a.m. We hope you'll be able to join us whenever it works out for you. Our Vice President, **Peg Snowdall**, is staying around most of the summer, so let her know if you're coming to a breakfast by the Wednesday before the breakfast, so she can let the restaurant know how many to plan for that morning. If you have any questions regarding the breakfast or need directions, please contact her at (480) 396-3317, or by email at phomfeldt@cox.net. We would love seeing you.

We only had 11 members at our June breakfast, but we always enjoy being together to discuss various subjects related to United Airlines and anything else that might come up.

The subject of the new United Retiree Badges came up as several members have already purchased theirs. Please see the article in the General News section. The June issue of the Retired United Airlines Employees Association Newsletter has information regarding the RUAEA Convention, starting October 9th – October 13th at the DoubleTree by Hilton Denver, 4040 Quebec Street, in Denver, CO. Room rates start at \$99 plus tax for single and double occupancy. The deadline for registering for the hotel and the Convention is September 6. That's about one month from now. So, make your plans now; it should be a great Convention! More information about the Convention and forms can also be found on the web at: www.ruaea.org. Hope to see many of our members there!

We have quite a few Birthdays among our members this month. They are: **RoseMary Arquisch** (8/1), **Ame Esan** (8/7), **Richard Vehring** (8/7), **Pat Nicholaisen** (8/11), **Tony Ribeiro** (8/16), **Shirley Claggett** (8/21), **Rita Zarek** (8/23), **Marjorie Matteson** (8/26), and **Ruth Willoughby** (8/31). Happy Birthday to all of you! The following couples have Wedding Anniversaries this month: **Joe & Sheila Ficek** (8/5/61), **Duri & RoseMary Arquisch** (8/6/2008), **John & JoAnne Gaudioso** (8/11/84), **Keith & Marilyn Morey** (8/18/51), **Gary & Pam Gerstung** (8/25/73), and **Richard & Janet Vehring** (8/28/76). Congratulations to all the couples!

One of our Re-United's members, **Buzz Nicholaisen**, who is a member of the Sun Lakes

Knights of Columbus Council 9678, was recently initiated into the Fourth Degree, at ceremonies held on June 8th, at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel in Phoenix. His wife, **Pat Nicholaisen** accompanied him to this special event. Congratulations, Buzz!

Don't forget to collect items for the children involved in the Fantasy Flight. The children are in Kindergarten or first graders. We need cuddly-stuffed animals, socks, mittens, plus any small soaps, shampoos, and lotions. You can give your items to **Peg Snowdall**, who will be collecting all of our items to be included with the children's bags.

Calendar:

August 23 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner, 1809 East Baseline Rd. in Gilbert, starting at 9:15 a.m. Contact **Peg Snowdall** by August 21 with your reservation at (480) 396-3317, or by e-mail at phomfeldt@cox.net.

September 27 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert

October 9 – 13 – RUAEA Convention in Denver, CO

October 25 - Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner



TUCSON ROADRUNNERS

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Our June Roadrunners luncheon was held at the Tucson Canyon Brewery. Twenty-five people attended including a returning member, **Don Jorgensen**, who hasn't been able to join us for a very long time. It was good to see **Don** and we are hoping to see more of him in the coming months. June's 50/25/25 winners were **Loretta Norman** and **Bill Royle**, congratulations to both of them. We would also like to thank **Pat & Rich DiLallo** for organizing the event. The food is always good at Tucson Canyon Brewery as was the company.

July's luncheon will be held at the Metropolitan Grill on the 18th. The restaurant is located at 7892 N. Oracle Rd. which is on the corner of Magee and Oracle. The **McGlothlins** are hosting so please contact **Carolyn** or **Merritt** at (520) 572-7853 or e-mail them at merrittm@nationwide.net by July 16.

Unfortunately, a number of people are not able to attend the Pinetop get together this year so our trip is cancelled. Instead we will have our August luncheon as usual. **John Bennatts** will be our host. Lunch will be held at Chopstix on August 15. Chopstix is located at 8225 N. Courtney Page Way, Tucson, AZ 85743, (520) 579-8889. We will be ordering from the menu. Please contact **John** at (425) 503-6714 or send an e-mail to

sugarue@wa-net.com by August 12. Gluten free meals are available. Chopstix is located just off of I-10 at Exit 246 Cortaro Rd. From I-10 proceed west on Cortaro Rd., turning right onto N. Arizona Pavilion Dr. Take the 1st left on N. Courtney Page Way. The restaurant will be on the right.

In the travel corner, the **Robertsons** just returned from Arizona wine country, Sonoita and Elgin. This area being one of Arizona's best kept secrets, they are the Sonoma and Napa Valley of Arizona. Ten wineries were visited along with a stay at a wonderful B&B in Patagonia. This is a trip that is highly recommended. If you want to miss the crowds, avoid the weekend.

Lastly we wish **Merritt McGlothlin** a speedy recovery as he hasn't been feeling very well lately.

Calendar:

July 18 – Metropolitan Grill hosted by **Carolyn & Merritt McGlothlin**

August 15 - Chopstix hosted by **John Bennatts**

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Our meeting was held on June 19th at **Bob & Marcia Stanger's** home. As usual, Bob did all the cooking and this included a delicious dessert. We usually sit out on their patio, but the wind caused us to eat indoors even though the temperature outside was very comfortable.

There were 16 of us attending. **Mike Zoldak's** wife was unable to attend, but we hope to see her at our next meeting. **Bob Wagner** brought his son, Bob and wife Sue, as his guest. It was very nice meeting them and knowing they are living very close to the Wagners. **Jack & Eleanor Cunningham** made the longest trip and for a change, Jack did not have anything humorous to tell us. **Peter Schaefer** will be going in for back surgery and our prayers are with him and his wife **Joan** for a successful operation.

Mike Zoldak, our president, opened the meeting. He brought pictures of the Flight 93 memorial that he and his wife, **Bridget**, visited. There are some very impressive pictures he had taken and there was one that showed the area of the crash that is now sacred. It can only be viewed from a distance. Mike brought us up to date on the ID badges with photo for a price of \$35 that would be good for discounts at stores and not air fares.

Another fact was the credit cards used in Europe must have a special chip, all others will not work. He suggested contacting your credit card company to see if yours has one. He said that confirmed 1st class can now use the terminal lounges but not stand bys. Mike wanted the following notice to be included in the Newsletter: *"The Central Coasters cordially invite all UAL and Continental retirees living on The Central Coast, between Paso Robles and Santa Barbara, regardless of job classification, to join us for the latest pass and travel information plus a great luncheon with a friendly group."*

Just an update on the luncheon hosted by Bob & Marcia: A great luncheon and a productive business meeting. Among the items discussed was Southwest, they have gone to ZED fares and verification letter of employment is no longer required. Verification letter of employment for employee discounts, i.e., FedEx, Kelly Moore, hotels, car rental, etc., can be obtained online from Flying Together. FedEx discount is now OK for retirees. The main interest seemed to be "retiree badges". Government issued ID for travel. Company retiree ID picture is mainly for employee discounts. (COSTCO travel has the best deal I have found for car rentals).

Questions, suggestions, tips, etc., etc., please don't hesitate to call or ask. Mike, (805) 473-2908, email zoldak1@msn.com

Calendar:

August 21 - Meeting hosted by **Al & Marilyn Rybar**.



DESERT SUNBIRDS

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We begin our column this month on a very sad note. **Ron Aggson**, husband of **Elaine** (founder and President - until 4 months ago) of the Sunbirds, and a good friend to all of us, went home to his maker on June 22nd. Ron had attended the last two luncheons, and we all hoped this was a sign that Ron was improving, but it was not to be. Condolences may be sent to **Elaine Aggson**, 317 Durango, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

Scoobie Wolfe was recently rushed to the hospital with an irregular heartbeat. She had surgery to repair a leaky valve; was sent home, but readmitted the same day for ... a leaky valve. She is at home now, and doing much better. I saw her at **Ron Aggson's** Wake, and again at **Dee Whately's** 4th of July party (a great party, incidentally; Dee is a terrific hostess).

Our luncheon in June was held at the Mountain View Country Club in La Quinta, hosted by **Jim & Liz Clapper**. Thirty one members and guests enjoyed selections from the menu, including Cobb Salad (my choice), Pulled Pork Sandwich, and Turkey Pastrami Sandwich. Guests this month: **Pat Wieclawski** was again the guest of **Vern Behnke**; and I brought **Marji Gomez**, either a 1/8 member, or an honorary member. Don't ask! I can't keep up.

Merv Myers attended, taking a break during the summer from his golf course duties. Also, **Al & Jenny Pennington** made a rare appearance. Our resident wanderlust, **Dede Utzinger**, graced our luncheon with her appearance. Then, off to Anchorage for 2 weeks; Maui (to warm up), then back to our desert for the August and September Luncheons (she says!) We were also very pleased to see **Flo Silvestri**, who made her first appearance since **Ray** passed away in December.

We received a nice "Thank You" note from Cello's, our luncheon choice in May. I have a feeling we'll be back there again next year, and probably many times in the future.

Congratulations to all of our Anniversary Celebrants this month: **Dave & Kathy Wilson** (19 years on 7/30); **Werner & Brigitte Brunken** (31 years on 7/29); **Fred & Jan Kellerhals** (39 years on 7/20); **John & Maureen Schultz** (48 years on 7/3); **Ron & Melinda Lerg** (52 years on 7/29); and lastly, **Ron & Elaine Aggson**, who would have celebrated their sixty first on July 19th.

As usual, at the end of our meeting/luncheon, we held our 50-50 drawing. **Carole Paquin** took home \$43.00. The Birthday Lunch was won by **Dave Wilson**. And ... a nice final touch; one person at each table took home the center piece, a long-stemmed flower (no, I don't know what kind of flower) in a beautiful vase.

Calendar:

August 14 – Hosted by **Marge Lenz** and **Ken Hawley**

September 11 – Hosted by **Chuck Lamas**

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SACRAMENTO



The Sacramento Gold Diggers met on June 26 at The Ridge Golf Club in Auburn. This was hosted by **Bob & Margaret Fulkerson**. We had 45 Gold Diggers attending and 2 guests. Our guests were **Jim & Carla Moss**. Our Chapter President, **Hank Wikstad**, welcomed those attending. The members thanked the Fulkersons for hosting.

Officers Reports:

President ~ **Hank Wikstad** asked each officer for their report.

Vice President ~ **Orville Harshbarger** said all luncheons have hosts now through the end of the year.

Secretary ~ **Colleen Esola** read the anniversaries for June. Those 50 years and over: **Rolf & Margaret Kramer** – 56 years; and **Hank & Rose Wikstad** – 52 years. **Harold Esola** led the anniversary song

Treasurer ~ **Judie King** was not at the meeting.

Sunshine ~ **Alice McPeak** was not at the meeting.

Historian ~ **Stephanie Norton** talked about taking the train to Denver for convention. She gave us prices, Roseville to Denver \$216.00 round trip. This price does not include a bed, just a seat that reclines.

Roster Chairman ~ **Jack Raynor** has a few rosters left. Also, a reminder that the get-together in Minden, NV will be August 19th – 22nd. The BBQ is on the 21st.

RUAEA Director of Northern California & Nevada ~ **John Zoboli** said that the long awaited retiree I.D. Badge is now available. It has to be ordered on the UAL computer site. It requires a “passport type photo” and the charge of \$35.00 can only be paid using PAY-PAL which is accessible thru the UAL sign up form. The entire request is done online. If you use the United intranet, be sure to keep your logon current. If you let it lapse now, you have to start from scratch to establish a sign in and password. If you subscribe to the RUAEA Newsletter and used the 3 year subscription offer, you need to check the address label for renewal information. The only option currently available is 1 year subscriptions. The RUAEA Convention package is available online at www.ruaea.org or the June 2013 Newsletter. The tours have been arranged and there should be something for everyone. The convention will be Oct. 9 thru 13. Southwest Air seems to be having sales to Denver. UA from SMF has 5 nonstop and 8 with 1 stop thru SFO and 3 with stop in LA. The picnic signup sheets are available for the Reno Chapter picnic at the Nevada Sand Harbor State park at Lake Tahoe on August 19th. The sheet has all the information. The new uniforms for UAL made their debut yesterday.

Calendar:

July 31 – Sizzler in Auburn hosted by **Orville & Carolyn Harshbarger**

August 28 – Fia's Bistro in Grass Valley hosted by **Ronnie & Judie King**



HANGTOWN MINERS

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Ah, June! Such a beautiful month that creates a great setting for our annual luncheon at the Akin Ranch. **Ed & Lindalee** are always ready for the Hangtown Miners to descend upon them. I think most of you have been to their ranch, so you know about the herd of small horses that Lindalee has and the “herd” of “cats” that Ed has collected! **Suzie Quinnell** co-hosts on this event each year and helps to make sure we all have a great time. The delicious food was catered by Cork & Fork. Ribs, Tri-tip, salad, bread - all prepared perfectly. Amazingly, there was some left, so those who wanted to, could take home some goodies. Many thanks to Ed, Lindalee and Suzie for putting together such a delightful luncheon!

After everyone settled down to digest their meal, **Rudy Blazius** began our meeting. Checking around to see who has a birthday this month, **Joe D'Amico** spoke up to claim his day. Now, anniversaries in June are aplenty! **Rudy & Cindy Blazius** (46 years); **Dan & Peggy Bonetti** (53 years); **Dick & Ann Czapkay** (51 years); **Frank & Angie Dellinger** (45 years); **Jack & Judy Fitzpatrick** (12 years); **Tom & Suzanne Kenny** (22 years); and **George & Carolyn Parkinson** grab the highest number with (as George put it) - 65 years, 8 days and 2 hours! Congratulations to you all!

We welcome a new member; **David Leippe** came looking for his friend, **Leon Scarborough** who was to be a guest. Leon didn't make it, but David did, brought a bottle of wine for the DOO and decided to join! Welcome, David. (Please add David's info to your roster information: **David L. Leippe**, spouse **Deb Cashatt**, 4061 Flying C Road, Cameron Park, CA 95682. Home Phone (530) 677-2386, Cell (530) 558-5055, email dave@leippe.com, Anniversary date December 30, 1989. Oh, and I see that David has a birthday in June - Happy Birthday, David!)

Reports:

President, Old Business, New Business, RUAEA ~ I tend to “group” these categories as Rudy is so good about researching and reporting on subjects for us. So, this month we touched on these topics.

Those badges we keep hearing about - well, the same update – they're coming!

Rudy & Cindy learned that when a retiree flies on a “regular” ticket, your baggage does NOT go free! At least that is what the agents at SFO told them - and then gave them the cost. So, when they were coming home, they expected the same problem in Pittsburgh. How-

ever, the agent they dealt with there, said something about the intelligence of the SFO CRSs, then worked her magic and their baggage went free. It doesn't hurt to ask! Also a reminder to check out this website, farecast.com, if you plan to purchase tickets. They give you several options with all the info, side by side, for easy viewing and you can get your seating assignment.

This next item is not a surprise but it is sad for all of you who started with United Airlines so many years ago and were active in developing it into the #1 airline for many years ~ Continental finally got what they wanted - and what was United's dirty plan all along. Legacy United is no longer. This filing was made public and you may have already seen it. The essence is that our United dies - Continental survives, and merely changes their name to United. Effective March 31, 2013, pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of March 28, 2013 between United and Continental, United merged with and into Continental (the "Merger"), with Continental continuing as the surviving corporation of the Merger and changing its name to "United Airlines, Inc." (the "Survivor").

Vice President ~ Bill Dinette is on vacation.

Secretary ~ Jane Gibson did not have a report.

Treasurer ~ Tom Kenny is also on a vacation. However, he did send a report via **Jane Gibson**. After today's Drawing Of Opportunity, and the dues for **David Leippe**, our checking account shows a balance of \$1,361.61.

Sunshine ~ Jeanette D'Amico reports that **JR Heier** had another procedure to get his pacemaker adjusted. He is doing well. She also sent a condolence card to **Bill Gibson**. Bill's mother passed away May 22nd.

Historian ~ Lynda Lima was not in attendance this month.

Our Drawing Of Opportunity is usually skipped in June, but it was decided to go ahead and hold it. Donations for the drawing came from: **Blazius** - serving bowl; **Suzie Quinnell** - wine; **Kenney** - paper holder, house candle holder; **Czapkay** - candy; **D'Amico** - cookies; **Parkinson** - Tennessee sticks; **Gibson** - 2 insulated totes; **Leippe** - wine. Thank you all for your generosity. **Jeanette D'Amico** was the contributor ticket winner.

Are you ready for some tasty Mexican food? Well, don't miss out on the July luncheon hosted by **Rosemary** and **JR Heier**. We will get together at Casa Ramos in Placerville.



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Our June luncheon was held on the 13th at The Quail Inn in Oakmont. The weather was absolutely beautiful and the flowers on the deck and the golf course looked wonderful. Our hosts, **Mary & Larry Wilson** and **Joanne & Ron Huhn** hosted 33 members and 2 guests to a delicious buffet lunch. President **George Schwind** welcomed everyone and thanked our Hostesses. VP **Brandon Maus** introduced our guests ~ **Jennifer Ragle** was the guest of **Ruth Loy**, **Jack Donahoe** was the guest of **Joan Olsson** and **Bill Cavalli** who is a local resident of Santa Rosa also joined us. George thanked Joanne for doing the minutes for the last meeting and also for always buying the raffle candy and wrapping it so beautifully. Jan reported as of May 13, we had a total of \$737.90. \$403.69 is in the General Account and \$334.21 in the Charity Account.

Roger Casterline, RUAEA Western Region Director, reported on the new ID cards for retirees. Please read the article in General News about the new ID cards.

Zelma Kibler gave a very interesting self bio about her years working at United. She held numerous positions and worked for some of the top management men at United. She was obviously very highly thought of and in demand for many support positions.

Sunshine Lady, **Verda Burr**, was away this month so Valerie tried to fill her shoes (which really isn't possible). Five members have birthdays in June ~ **Pat Berry**, **Doug Sanders**, **Maria Southon**, **Joan Chambers** and **Judy DeFord**. Joan was the only Birthday Person present so she won a free lunch. Neither of our Anniversary couples were present but we all wished **Barney & Clare Hagen** (48 years) and **Lee & Pat Berry** (62 years) well. Valerie also read an email from **Richard & Maria Southon**. They are now at their new home in Deerfield IL. We will miss them but I am sure they will keep in touch. Everyone enjoyed the raffle as lots of wine, candy and table centerpieces (plants) were given away.

Please wear your name badges at our luncheons – it's really a big help to everyone! If you need a badge, please contact **Oscar Chambers**.

Calendar

Luncheon on the 2nd Thursday of the Month

August 8 - Armstrong Woods, hosted by **Verda Burr**

September 12 - La Gare, hosted by **Jan Blackburn & Valerie Hulsey**

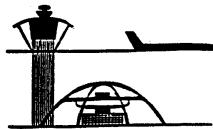
October 10 - Quail Inn, hosted by **George & Lois Schwind**

November 14 - Fountain Grove Inn, hosted by **Pat & Brandon Maus**

December 12 - Quail Inn, hosted by the Officers

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Welcome to summer! Along the West Coast, that means foggy mornings, heavier traffic and fewer seats for stand-by. But we welcome the sun with suntan lotion and big hats.

Ever since he became a Re-LAX-er, we find **Charles Onesko** arrives early at our luncheons to help **Judi Dunworth**, our Treasurer, set up the registration desk. We really should give him a job title, because he's always there, always early and now he has taken on the additional job of handling the 50/50 raffle. We haven't given him a job title yet; but we sure do love this guy!

A good update for you on **Howard Lackey** ~ The shingles are gone, the right eye is open and the pain is gone! Surgery on his heart has removed the A-fibrillation for the current time! Next step is to investigate why his speech has not returned. But good news is good news and we send our love and good cheer. We are grateful for the weekly update from Luann, his sister and Bill, his brother-in-law.

Congratulations to **Steve & Valera Braun**, who celebrated their 63rd Wedding Anniversary in June! What a milestone!

Ray Ginocchio attended our last luncheon and this is his 12th year as Pres. of the IAM Retiree Group. It's sinking in that many of these positions have a "forever clause" that we didn't read!

We thank many of our members for their really long drives to attend our luncheons. **Pat & Rowe Prideaux** drive the busy "Pacific Coast Highway" all the way from Palos Verdes and very kindly pick-up **Barbara Smith** on this route as well. **John Daley** drives this route as well with his care-taker.

Joan Hoffmann acts as a "Half-way house" for **Nancy Bessenbacher** from West Hills and **Fran Elsner** from Newhall. They drive together from No. Hollywood.

Dick Pendleton and **Flor** regularly drive in from West Covina via the "Dreadful 10 Fwy." **Barbara Whelpton** and **Pat Mosk** are the early birds that help **Charles Onesko** set up on Steak Fry Day. They drive

all the way from Irvine to assist Charles in covering our picnic tables with table cloths. What a great trio!

Judi Dunworth's hubby, **Roger**, drives from their home in Lakewood, down to Seal Beach to pick up our dear friend, Barbara Smith.

Writing about all these commuters reminds me of our RUEA Convention in Hollywood in 2005. These lovely people really packed on the miles with our monthly meetings held at the convention hotel.

Our very close friend, **Phyllis Easley**, packed on the miles with United by flying out from Pennsylvania. Remember the Oscar statuettes on Banquet night? She ordered them from a factory in PA and when they were done, she packed them in a huge suitcase and followed them all the way to LA. What can I say? If you love what you're doing; you look at it as fun.

Calendar:

August 1 - Steak fry - El Segundo Park - 11:00AM

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Our breakfast for July has been set back to the second Thursday of the month, July 11, due to the Fourth of July Holiday. I will fill you in on what everybody did for the long weekend in the August issue.

Betty Tomaino is off on another cruise to the Caribbean. I am sure she will have good stories on her return. **Barbara Tobin** is preparing to go in for her last chemo treatment and we pray she will be cancer free and good to go. She has been very brave and strong during this very difficult time and we admire her for her strength and upbeat attitude.

I have been spending more time at my volunteer job and Mission Trails Park. The summer brings in a large number of tourists and they are all interested in the many trail walks the Park offers. The Visitor Center is a beautiful structure where one can come in to cool off and enjoy the displays, watch a nature video and see the monthly Art shows that feature many views from around the Park and painted by our local artists.

Remember, if you are planning a trip to sunny San Diego we would love to have you join us for breakfast!

Calendar:

August 1 - Monthly breakfast at the Pt. Loma Café, 4865 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92106 -2394. Phone (619) 226-0255.





GOLDEN GATERS

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Our meeting was held on June 24th. We acknowledged three "over 50" wedding anniversaries: **Jim & Helen Goodwine** (54 years), **Emmett & Gloria Landrum** (58 years), and **Homer & Gloria Hudelson** (52 years). Congratulations!

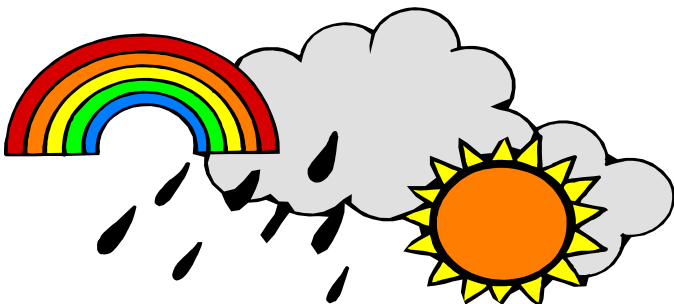
Vice President and Mainliner Liaison **Jerome Underhill** reported the Mainliner Club annual picnic will take place August 10th at Great America. There will also be a Reno bus trip August 16-18. Flyers available for both. Travel Coordinator **Ginger Dahlberg** reported on the wonderful Croatia trip attended by many members. Welcome home! Two Mystery day trips coming up on July 27 and September 5, space available on both. They are always lots of fun! **Ginger Dahlberg** is also looking into two France boat trips. Please sign up to express your possible interest and choice.

President **Ralph Trullinger** reviewed the new retiree badge information. The badge is helpful to obtain discounts as well as utilizing employee security check-in lines at most airports. Request the badge online with your photo. **Ralph Trullinger** also brought to our attention a news article regarding charitable organizations. Red Cross, the United Way and many more are paying large salaries to their executives leaving a small percentage to the needy. However, Salvation Army is praised for a whopping 96% of funds going to the cause!

Our June meeting was well attended. We enjoyed a Hot Dog lunch with all the fixings. 2nd Vice President **Kathy Hutt** introduced the afternoon entertainment - Keolaulani Hawaiian Dance Group. It was a very festive day!

Calendar:

July 22 - We meet on the 4th Monday of the month, 11am - 2pm at William Walker Recreation Facility, 650 Shell Blvd. (Shell Blvd and East Hillsdale Blvd.), Foster City, CA 94404. Mail should be sent to UAL-SFO Bay Area Retirees, P.O. Box 4788, Foster City, CA 94404



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Summer is here and the South Bay RUAEA enjoyed a well attended annual picnic at Vasona Park in Los Gatos. We had over 100 in attendance, plus many grandchildren who enjoyed being the runners for our BINGO prizes. A delicious barbecue was served by GD Catering and snacks and desserts were brought by our own members. Everyone had a great time. Those who contributed to making this such an outstanding event were **Nancy & Dave Walb, Ben & Cheri Scales, Jean & Jack Jenkins, Tony & Sally Urso, Vern & Maureen Synder, Alex & Margie Klaus, George & Ella Sousa** and **Bill & Rosemarie Reichard**.

Some of our members visited the Military Vehicle Technology Museum and ate a no host lunch at the Alpine Inn in Portola Valley. **Chester Thuener** coordinated this interesting event.

Our weekly meetings include the birthdays and deaths of the famous and not so famous on this day in history. We of course celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our members too. Those who celebrate in August are: **Billie & Sam Cramb**, married for 55 years on August 23rd, **Kal & Mary Kalpin**, married for 56 years on the 24th and **Gary & Jeanie Fahl**, married 55 years on the 30th. Congratulations to all of you!

A few of our members have been under the weather. **Vi Mattscheck** and **Mary Lou Rogers** have been keeping the hospital beds warm; we hope they will be feeling better soon and be back in our midst. We're keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Calendar:

We meet every Friday morning at 8 AM for breakfast and a short meeting at Holder's Country Inn on De Anza Blvd. across from the Home Depot, in San Jose. Please join us.

Fall luncheon - TBD

December 3 - Christmas Holiday Luncheon





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Our June meeting was again held at Thomi's in Jackson. We honored the Nation with the Pledge of Allegiance (a large flag having found its way to a corner in the room). **Don & Joan Verbaere**, our hosts, offered a great buffet with more than enough food for the group (as usual), and many took doggie bags home with them. **John Zoboli**, our RUAEA Director, was the only guest.

President **Jack Walls** told us **Bobby Brooks** was home nursing sore ribs and knee (he and **Sandy** were pulling trees down, chopping them up, then piling them in order to haul them to the house for future firewood).

Our "joke session" included jokes from **Don Nesja** and **George Gembrling** and we all had a loud and gusty laugh.

Nancy Buddington was celebrating her birthday and **Don & Joyce Temple** celebrated 55 years together.

John Zoboli took the floor and discussed the process for obtaining the long-awaited retirees ID badge. The whole process is done online, so be prepared. If you use the internet, be sure you keep your logon current. If you let it lapse (must change every 90 days), you have to start from scratch to establish a sign in and password. John suggested marking your calendar so that you change it within the time period. Those who subscribed to the national RUAEA newsletter for three years, your time is up and you will have to renew your subscription.

RUAEA convention (Denver, October 9 -13, 2013) is available at www.ruaea.org or the June Newsletter. John noted that some people are planning on taking the train (an overnight trip); others have found Southwest Air having sales to Denver. If you are planning on purchasing a ticket, go directly to the airline website, and Tuesday mornings are when the best rates are up.

Rudy Reyna gave the Treasurer's report, leaving us a balance \$706.84 on May 30. Multiple raffle gifts finished off our meeting, with **Max Fountain** and **Don Temple** splitting the \$24.00 door prize.

Gifts of wine went to **Sandy Brooks**, **Rosie Walls**, **Rudy Reyna**, **Regina Weber**, **Nancy Buddington**, **Carole Valdez**, **Gloria Gemberling** and **Ken Wesela**.

Calendar:

July 11 - Pot-luck at **Nancy Buddington's** in Columbia. Our meetings are open, and we welcome guests. Please contact **Jack Walls** (209) 984-5672 or **Nancy Buddington** (209) 588-1073 for reservations and directions.

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Our June meeting was held on the 10th with 34 members and guests. It was held in the garden and yard of **Diane & Manny** as it was our annual picnic. Weather cooperated beautifully. It was catered by Back Forty and ended with cake and ice cream.

We do not meet in July. Our next meeting will be August 12th at the Sizzler Restaurant, 1353 Willow Pass Road, Concord. In December, we will meet again at the Back Forty restaurant in Pleasant Hill. Social time is from 1100-1200, then lunch and business matters. We encourage all former UA and CO employees to attend. We have many departments represented. Something new ... we encourage current active employees to come.

We have an ongoing book and magazine exchange. The leftover books are donated to either hospice or libraries and the magazines are donated to various hospitals. In addition, we accept new and used greeting cards. **Emma Lou Olson** sends them on to her charity.

Calendar:

August 12

September 9

October 14

November 11

December 9 - Annual Toys for Tots and Christmas Party



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I know everyone was grievously disappointed that I didn't send in a report for the July issue of the RUAEA Newsletter but if you give me a few minutes I'm sure I'll be able to remember why I failed to do so.

I received a phone call yesterday afternoon (Friday, June 28) that we all dread getting. **John Robinson's** wife **Dorothy** informed me that John passed away at 2:15 yesterday. John and his wife were charter members of our fledgling chapter and he retired from UAL after ten years of employment. Before United, he worked at the Bank of America and at CSA. He leaves behind five children, 12 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren and Dorothy, his wife of 60 years. John will be

missed by everyone who knew him.

At the May meeting, which I neglected to report, **John Francis** won the 50/50 drawing and **Rudy Arsaga** was the winner at our June meet-up which was at Raul's Restaurant in Fairfield, CA.

Because of the funeral service for **John Robinson**, which will be held on July 10, is the same day as our planned meeting, our president, **Al Pochop** has postponed that meeting so that those who knew John can attend his service. The meeting is now scheduled for Wednesday, July 24 at Denny's Restaurant in Vacaville. See you all next month unless my mind betrays me again.

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We had a good turnout for the Mile Highers monthly breakfast with 50 in attendance. We met on July 6 at the United Airline Training Center as usual. Things were a little different this time as there was no hot food served. The company has elected not to staff the cafeteria on the weekends, so we took a vote to see if folks wanted to go elsewhere and the unanimous consensus was to stay at the Training Center. They will have some items that can be easily served cold or heated in a microwave.

Our RUAEA Regional Director **Chuck Cole** and his wife **Sharon** were with us. **Chuck & Sharon** live in Arizona and serve the Mountain Region. We appreciate their willingness to come to our breakfast.

Joyce Harrison came down from Wyoming, this was her first time. It was good to see **Olen Trenary**, his wife **Nancy** and son **Jerry** from Arizona. Come back every time you get a chance!

It was reported that **Marjorie (Marge) Barland** passed away on March 3, she worked in DENJL and **Larry Alexander** passed away on July 3, he worked on DENCg.

Marvin Olson was kind enough to tell us about his recent trip to Washington, DC with other veterans who served our country in past wars. To all who served and are serving "Thanks for your service!"

Tom Goodyear also told us that **Nancy** was OK after a serious fall.

Correction to the July, 2013 Newsletter: Regarding the Continental and United catered Barbeque Picnic at Wings Over The Rockies Museum on August 21, 2013, 11:00AM to 3:00PM, check payments for reservations

(\$19.00 P/P) should be made payable to **ARECA c/o Pat Fischahs** and mailed to the following **CORRECTED** address prior to August 16, 2013: **ARECA, c/o Pat Fischahs, 6756 East Exposition Ave., Denver, CO 80224.**

Don't forget to get your registration in for the RUAEA Convention in Denver.

Calendar:

The next RUAEA Breakfast will be on August 3rd 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. Don't forget your aluminum cans.

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Our meeting group was smaller today with just 28 members and guests. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Pres Rich began by welcoming newly retired MCOCG **Tom Deckrow & Holly**, who were quickly coerced into joining our crazy group of retirees! Tom is already lamenting his FT employee vs. retiree boarding status. But, I have to say that retirement looks "good" on both of them! Welcome!

It was good to see **Barb & Joe Fitak** and **Marilyn Ulmer** back lunching with us! **Bob & Mary McNeill** brought her sis-in-law, **Terry**, who, by the way, won our 50/50 drawing ... Wow, after picking her own number! Would you buy a couple lottery tickets in the name of the Real McCoys? Please?

Elaine plugged the RUAEA Convention being held in DEN the weekend of October 9th to 13th ... again. It would be so easy to just go and she'd stop bugging everyone! Ho! You won't regret it! Promise!

July was a little light on the birthdays with just three celebrating! Big wishes to **Mary McNeill** on the 17th, **Ted LeGrand** on the 20th, and **Julia Montalvo** on the 25th!

Please continue to pray for all our "United family and friends" as more and more of us face some serious health issues.

Calendar:

First Tuesday of every month, Luncheon/Meeting at 1:30pm, Golden Corral on So Semoran Blvd.

August 6
September 3
October 1

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We normally do not have Meetings and Luncheons for the months of July & August but this year, we decided to have meetings the whole year. This is the first time since 1990 when the Chapter began and we celebrated this with 19 members in attendance. We passed a milestone and we are proud of our Chapter and its Members.

Our very own **Chris Taylor** who is in her 90's has decided to not come to meetings anymore since she gets tired but has thoroughly enjoyed her years of attendance and all the friends she has made during these years. Stay well Chris, we will keep in touch with you always.

We covered lots of topics like Medicare, Express Scripts, and other topics of interest including the RUAEA convention in Denver. It seems that a few more members from this Chapter will be attending.

The 50/50 was won by **Bob Langevin** and the progressive was won by **Ron Brodis**. Since Ron wasn't in attendance, it goes back to next month's drawing. **Al & Janice Popek** brought in some candy and sparkling table decorations for the Fourth of July. After the 50/50, the table decorations were raffled off and the winners were the **Laksos, Anne Kenda, J. Zadar, Janice Popek** and **Bob Langevin**, Bob gave his decoration to **Sharon Kirk**, what a guy!

The Birthdays for July are **Glenda Boisseau** (7/18) and **Anne Kenda** (7/27). Happy Birthday! Anniversary for the month of July is **Ron & Diane Brodis** on 7/15. Happy Anniversary!

We have a great Chapter and are very proud of all our Members. If you would like to join us, please come any time; we would love to have you in our chapter and you won't be sorry you joined.

Remember Love, Live and Laugh the clock is ticking. Everyday is a present even though it is not tied with a bow.

Calendar:

August 6 - Luncheon/Meeting at Wahoo's, 12:30PM, Stuart, FL
September 3 - Luncheon/Meeting at Wahoo's, 12:30PM, Stuart, FL
October 1 - Luncheon/Meeting at Wahoo's, 12:30PM.

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Our Dixie Flyers met for luncheon on Wednesday July 3rd at Broadway Diner in Fayetteville GA at 2PM. During April thru November, we have a private well decorated room with 2 waitresses to handle our 25 members.

Blessings of the meal was said by **Zot Shelley**, and Our Pledge of our Allegiance to our flag was led by **Fred Cron**, who later conducted the 50/50 raffle along with **Bogie Wallace**. **Marge Shelley** won the 50/50 prize which was \$29.00.

Bill Elk had some new United happenings about the Dreamliner B787; Boeing is getting the new airplane bugs worked out and United is reported to be buying 5 new 737's, what numbers I didn't get. The 50 seat commuter planes are going up to 70-seaters.

Frank Russy spent 3 days trying to get home from EWR and finally got the last 2 seats to DIA and last two seats back to ATL.

Fred Cron celebrated his birthday on July 12th. **Tony & Kathy Carringer** celebrate their 51st anniversary on August 25th. **Mary Shelley** celebrates her birthday on August 9th as well as the anniversary to the Zot.

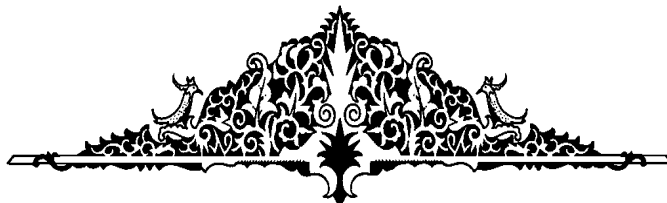
We are sad to report that **Mary Lou Sullivan**, wife of **Sully Sullivan**, took her last flight to the friendly skies on 6/22/2013. Sully's daughter **Lori** and husband **Charles Brockett** from Texas attended this meeting as Sully's guests.

Also, **Sarah Fortee**, guest of **Fred Cron**, and **Ron Heider**'s two daughters, were his guests ~ **Deborah Heider**, who just moved back to Atlanta, and **Janice Carter**, AKA the newsletter writer!

We missed our regulars: the **Tuttles, Mary Broderson, Roy Cross, Bob & Diane Balas**, the **Ryabiks, Sandy Lis**, the **Maces**, the **Cebulas** and the **Foles**. Also **Wormy Bowling** who just returned from Spain and then flew off to Virginia.

Calendar:

August 3 - Broadway Diner, 2 PM



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Aloha! The Honolulu Menehunes is an active chapter. Our next regularly planned luncheon will be on Thursday, September 19th. We will have all the details by the middle of August and can email them to you. Just let us know your email address at HNLRTUA@gmail.com. All retirees are welcome to join us. It's a perfect way to end the busy summer travel season. We look forward to seeing you in Our Little Corner of the World.

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As always, we Gems enjoyed each other's company at our June lunch meeting. Former president **Rick Dempsey's** wife **Shirley** was golfing. They will leave for a Europe and North Pole cruise on July 3rd, followed by a visit in California, with plans to see many of you in Denver in October. **Charles & Shirley Perkins** had returned from a short trip to Jackpot in Nevada, a not-so-profitable trip! **Marlene Croghan** enjoyed having former Boise UAL employee **Paul Wassmuth** and his wife **Anita** from Sun City, AZ at her home recently. They were here for the graduation of two granddaughters. Others who gathered for good food and friendship were **Denny Snyder**, **Verla & Louise Haugen**, **Marilyn Taylor**, **Annie Rose**, **Bob & Palmer Sarnoff**, **Gloria Hubbert**, **Ileen Bunce**, **Steve Hill**, and **David & Carol Adams**.

Our Boise Gems founder, **Ned Yundt**, has moved from her daughter's home to a senior living home here in town. How we do miss her presence!

We discussed where we would like to meet for this year's Christmas party.

Calendar:

August 13 – Jerry's State Court Café, 6767 W. Fairview, Boise

September 10 - Annual Memorial Picnic at Cassia Park on Camas St.

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Welcome to August! This is, Admit You're Happy Month, Romance Awareness Month, and National Picnic Month. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren will be going back to school. August 12 is Senior Citizen's Day. How nice, a day just for **us**! Live it up! This month was named after Augustus Caesar, grand-nephew of Julius Caesar, who was assassinated. Augustus brought peace and prosperity to Rome.

Our Northsider's breakfast had about two dozen attendees. **Dale Richman** retired in May from EXOKF after 36 years with United. Now he and his wife, **Karen**, will both enjoy sleeping late. **Rita LaRoche**, Al's daughter-in-law, joined us. **Ginny Vlach's** niece was on the Dean's List at Marquette University. **Bill Bergner** and his wife visited their son in Hawaii. **Bob & Pat Kalicki**, held a 50th birthday party for their son, **Casey**. His daughter, **Samantha**, flew in from Seattle and surprised him. **Bob** said that this is the first time he's seen his son speechless.

The Southsider's breakfast had 15 people break bread together. There were two new retirees. **Bill Corbett**, ORDFE Supervisor with 35 years; also **Perry Pahl**, ORDFE Agent, with 32 years. Welcome and return often! The raffle was won by **Bill Corbett**, (beginner's luck), **Gwen Brookins**, **Bob Pearson**, and **John Pasakarnis**.

On June 24th, 180 people came to our Skyliner's Indoor Picnic at Chandler's. We had the pleasure of having **Hank Gosselin** and **Carol Lucarelli** in from SEA. **Hank** is the RUAEA President. He talked about the company, our passes, the new ID badges, and the DEN Convention on October 9-13. He also told some funny jokes that kept the audience laughing. Many first timers and active employees were there also. Hope they enjoyed themselves and return in September for our Fall Luncheon (and the giant pork chop).

Helen Cauwels still has Cub's tickets available for the Cubs/Pirates game on August 14. Her phone number is (847) 358-8634, if you'd like to check the availability with her.

For the sad news, we had a couple of deaths in our UA Chicago family. **Jim Sawyer**, ORDOZ, passed away from cancer. **Carolyn Tipperreiter**, wife of **Jerry**, passed in May. **John Isenberg**, ORDMM lead

mechanic, and **Ramune Chisolm**, CHIRR, from cancer, in June. Condolences can be sent to: **Jerry Tipperreiter**, 644 Foster Ave., Roselle, IL 60172; **Barbara Sawyer**, 1960 Mary Rose Ln, Lincoln, CA. 95648; **Esther Isenberg**, 17244 Oconto Ave., Tinley Park, IL 60477; **Ramune's** address is 721 W. Brompton, Apt 1E, Chicago, IL 60657. Her son's name is **Colin**.

It's not always possible to be aware of all the deaths from our retirees. It would be appreciated if you could let me know. Yes, it is sad news, but our readers like to know, to send a card or call the spouse and/or children. These people were a part of our lives for a long time. We all sort of "grew up" together. Thank you. We are all stars, and deserve to sparkle.

Calendar:

Northside Breakfast - Ritzy's Café, 8:30 A.M. 2765 Algonquin Rd., Rolling Meadows. (**August 14**) Second Wednesday of the month. Reminder, the breakfast is moving to Elly's Restaurant, on Golf Road in Arlington Heights, starting September 11.

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

September 17 - Fall Luncheon, Diplomat West Banquet Hall, North Ave., Elmhurst 11:00.

December 10 - Christmas Luncheon, Avalon, Higgins and Rt. 83, 11:00

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I usually attend the annual UAL Stockholders meeting which has been held in Chicago most of the time. For the second year, the June 12th meeting was held out of town at the Doubletree in Crystal City in Arlington, VA. I find this unusual since Virginia is not home to either UAL or CO and holding the meeting in a UAL owned building would cost less and help keep expenses in check. I did not attend the Stockholder's 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 with about 200 other retirees. Food was tasty, money raffle was held and the Pineapple centerpiece on each table went to one lucky member at that table.

Calendar:

August – no luncheon scheduled

Sept. 18 – Luncheon at Renaissance Chicago Hotel

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Chris Johnston and Hannalore Brabo get ready to cut the "Our Little Corner of the World" cake at the Picnic on June 22nd.

The Indy Racer group is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year. In 2003, **Hannalore**, her husband **Ray Brabo**, and **Ellenlee Russell** worked long hours to contact hundreds of retirees in the Central Indiana area to get the group organized through RUAEA. **Chris**

was elected the first President, **Ray** was elected the first Vice President and **Hannalore** was elected the first Secretary. She remains Secretary for the organization, and this year **Chris** was elected President again after being off the board for several years. Celebrating the group's 10th anniversary at a picnic in Danville, IN were Indy Racers: **Ken & Deanna Boeke**, **Ray & Hannalore Brabo**, **Mario & Margaret Bregante**, **Wanda Bryce**, **Bob & Myrtle Duty**, **Ron & Cheri Innis**, **Chris & Shary Johnston**, **Tom & Jane Lane**, **Frank & Rita Prins**, **Dimple Rihel**, **Charles Theiss**, and **Tony & Barb Urbanovic**. Previously scheduled travel plans kept **Lew Presly**, **Linda Harris**, and **Bud & Elly Barnett** from attending the picnic.

Travel was also on the minds of some of our members at the picnic. Treasurer **Dimple Rihel** was heading to West Virginia for a family wedding, **Tom & Jane Lane** were heading North for a train trip through Canada, and **Shary & Chris Johnston** and his mother, **Margaret**, will be taking Amtrak from Chicago to San Francisco in August to celebrate their granddaughter's first birthday.

Indy Racers celebrating August birthdays are **Mario Bregante** (8/6) and **Linda Harris** (8/16). Congratulations to **Tom & Jane Lane** who will celebrate their wedding anniversary (8/18).

Calendar:

August 13 - Emmy's Pancake House & Grill 7508 Beechwood Center, Suite 300, Avon, IN 46123. Lunch is available from 1:30 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 2:30 p.m.

September 10 - Emmy's Pancake House & Grill.

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At the June meeting, your correspondent was off hunting for the wily walleyes in Lake of the Woods, Canada and **Mary Brennan**, chapter secretary, had a brand new great-grandbaby to check out in PDX. Thankfully, our First Lady, **Diane Storlie**, was gracious enough to take notes. Thanks!

There was a very small group attending that day ~ only 15. Between the inclement weather (foggy & rainy) and the mad dash to cram as much into our brief summers as possible, the attendance was severely curtailed. However, one of the snowbirds made it and everyone assembled was happy to see **Jack Spalding**. It was nice to see **Steve & Ida Mayo** had made the trek from southern MN, especially since **Ida** had had double knee replacement surgery in April. No one would have had a clue because she wasn't even using a cane!

We were stunned to hear of the death of our MSP colleague, **Era Hoffmeyer** on May 11. Her sister had advised us that she'd had 2 major surgeries, one of them for her heart, but complications afterward caused her death. Condolences to her husband **Bill** and family may be sent to 57808 720th St., Jackson, MN 56143-3246.

News of a few of our pals ~ **Rick Jones** fell and banged himself up but is healing from that and **Alice Hendrix** is recovering from surgery. Good to hear from **Dave Wiley** that **Fred Stang** is recuperating well. We're all rooting for an uptick in **George "Doc" Anderson's** condition. He's trying to recover from a bile duct obstruction plus dubious diagnoses along the way from our vaunted health care system. He's been a tough ol' bird over the years, dealing with several scary illnesses & surgeries. So even at 90, we think he's got a better than even chance of coming out of this well!

Our honorary Lite, **Tom Cafilisch**, accidentally lost a pouch containing checks and cash belonging to the American Legion recently. When someone found it and turned it in intact, he was so grateful that he wrote a letter to the St. Paul paper thanking that anonymous honest person.

The group voted again to donate \$100 to the Military Service Center at MSP. We know that the money given to them goes to benefits for our service men and women while they're travelling.

There was discussion about the annual summer picnic but no firm decisions. It was tabled until the July meeting. Hopefully, by the time you read this we'll

have something planned. Since there's quite a time-lag between our meetings and when the newsletter is published, news of whatever is planned will have to come through email. If you're just dying to join us all for a visit and you don't have email, give me a call and I'll pass on whatever news I know.

The novel "Felony at 40,000 Feet" written by a United retiree is available for loan from the **Storlies**, as are several other books in our diminutive library. Anyone interested in reading it or any of the other books, speak up.

Lyle & Sonja Gunderson were among the missing this time, so **Jo Ayres** took the seat where **Sonja** usually sits, thinking that maybe, *just maybe*, if she sat in that lucky chair during the 50/50 raffle ... Sure enough! The magic worked again and just like **Sonja** does, **Jo** took a little bow when her number was called.

Shoot! I shoulda kept my mouth shut. Now I suppose **Sonja** will want to charge rent on that chair.

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? Hmmm! Call me.

NEBRASKA



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We had 37 at Cooper Farm. Thanks to **Toddy & Cary Manson** for hosting. It was good to see **Colleen Hardick** and **Elaine Carlson**. **Helen Taylor** and **Sharon Farrell** were the winners of the 25/25/50 drawing, receiving \$14.00 each.

Vince Manhart, age 78, passed away on May 19. He and **Sue** had been living in Aurora, CO for many years, transferring there from Omaha. Vince had been in ill health suffering from Alzheimer's for several months. In talking with **Sue**, she said that their Omaha friends always meant so much to them. Our sincere sympathy to **Sue** and her family.

Trudy Tighe now resides at the Parsons House on Eagle Run, 14325 Eagle Run Drive, Omaha, NE 68164. Even though **Trudy** may or may not remember you, her friend, **George**, is quite sure she would be very happy getting mail.

Marva Dickinson received word that **Jimmy Legg** passed away on May 20. His wife, **Sue**, said he had been under hospice care for about six weeks suffering from leukemia. Services were held June 8 at the Prescott Elks Lodge. **Sue's** address is 4415 N. Calle Santa Cruz, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314. **Dick Weak** said

Jimmy and his brother, **Charlie**, were two of the finest aircraft mechanics United ever employed and that it was a pleasure to work with them.

Birthdays for July ~ **Harry Hansen** (7/11); **Jan Cornish** (7/15); **Tom Langan** (7/25); **Elaine Schreiber** (7/19).

Andy Vassios and members of a chorus of 90-100 people from the Immanuel Communities were invited to sing at the Embassy Suites LaVista Conference Center. These are Assisted Living Communities numbering 4 in Omaha and 1 in Lincoln. They sang two songs which were "What a Wonderful World" and "For Good" from the Broadway show Wicked. **Andy** is the director of the one at Lakeside (where he and **Jackie** live). Their guest was Astronaut Jim Lovell who was invited to speak to approximately 300 people and sponsors. Congratulations and continue your good work.

Calendar:

August 6 - Back Forty, Macedonia, IA, hosted by **Jim & Dorothy Braden**

September 3 - Lake Manawa, hosted by **Larry & Sharon Farrell**

October 1 - Sons of Italy, hosted by **Gary Procopio & Linda**

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Our meeting of June 11th was started with the Pledge of Allegiance and called to order by our President; **Rosemarie Restivo**. We had 30 persons in attendance with two visitors; **Jim Popp**, son of **Shirley Popp** and **Mary Chandler** (ORDOZ) who became a new member. Welcome!

Mary T. Ptacek gave us a speech about "Tater Tours", a walking tour program, very interesting and informative about locations where we start the walking tour, here in the Las Vegas area or in the whole USA. To contact them here is the website, <http://www.tatertours.com>. Our contact for local tours is: Las Vegas High Rollers & Strollers – www.lvhrs.org, email address mtptacek@men.com.

On a sad note, a former member of our chapter, **Al Dimeo**, passed away on June 12th.

Medically, **Michael Vasko** is scheduled for knee surgery on July 29th.

Our luncheon menu for August is; pork roast, also roasted sweet potatoes, snap peas plus cherry tomatoes, and peach schnapps cobbler. Meeting will be held at Arizona Charlie's Decatur Casino & Hotel, 740 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada. Phone # (702) 258-5200

Calendar:

August 13 - 11:30 am

October 8 – 11:30 am

December 9 – 11:30 am (Christmas Party)



RENO SIERRA

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There were 18 members at our June meeting at Jack's. We have made the selection for our Christmas luncheon at the Tamarack Junction in one of their banquet rooms. It will be a plated sit down lunch with a choice of Chicken Marsala with wild rice pilaf -or- baked salmon line beurre blanc with wild rice pilaf -or- prime sandwich with roasted red potatoes served open face, all entrées include salad, bread, butter, chocolate cake and coffee or tea. The cost is to be determined. More information will be forthcoming, with flyers being sent out in October/November.

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

The 50/50 winner was **Larry Reid**, nice birthday present!

Please remember that 2013 dues are to be sent to **Kathy Robinson** at 3477 E. Hidden Valley Dr., Reno, NV 89502. There has been no price change from 2012 - \$5.00 per person. The dues help fund the monthly newsletter, our summer picnic and Christmas lunch.

The Sierra Roundup is hosting a picnic on Monday, August 19, at Sand Harbor Beach, NV. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Contact our group for details.



NEW JERSEY

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Our meeting opened with a flag salute led by **Dick Confer**, and for once, there were no reported deaths, always a good sign.

We received an acknowledgment from the **DiSilva** family for remembering the passing of **Maria**.

George Whitman reported on the difficulty in trying to get the new ID badges from United. Some of us got letters from Blue Cross, advising additional benefits for mental conditions. Trouble is no one could understand the contents of the letter! Can't anyone write with comprehension anymore?

Frank Worzocha, a devotee of United memorabilia brought in, of all things, an escape window from one of our old DC-8s. It was #8008 and delivered to United by Douglas on June 27, 1959. It was subsequently scrapped at Kingman, Arizona in August 1988. Frank bought this on eBay. When he sets it up in the living room, it should bring back some fond memories, that is once he gets used to looking at it! None the less, it was great he brought it in for a look at the past.

Our picnic is slated for August 28 at Merril Park, with instructions to follow. **John Murphy** states that our finances are still okay and **Richie Fedorco** won the 50/50. See you all at the picnic.

"A handshake is a contract that should not be broken"

NEW YORK

BUFFALO CHIPS

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BUFFALO CHIPS

Luncheon on June 5th at the Fireside Inn, Lancaster, NY brought 19 Chips together for bit of friendship and camaraderie.

We were joined by the first time since last summer by **Rocky & Joan Janoski** after their usual winter in Florida. **Jim & Corrine Golombek** returned although their reason for missing a number of meetings was not quite as exotic, Jim has been working. Now that they

are joining the rest of us as full time retirees, they expect to be regulars again.

May Wedding anniversaries were celebrated by the **Aquinos, Golombeks, Stevens and Butchers**. **Clyde & Dot Butcher** lead the group by celebrating their 65th anniversary.

Nancy Haas announced that she and long time friend Sam are getting married in Las Vegas in August. Congratulations and Best Wishes.

Business consisted of clarification of a few questions on medical plans and the rest was just the usual renewing travels and adventures.

Calendar:

September 5- Annual picnic, **Rosie Michalek** will have the notices out in mid-July.

NEW YORK METROS

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In spite of weather reports of popup thunderstorms and rain showers, we lucked out with our day in the park with 49 Metros in attendance. Without a microphone, it was hard to make any announcements so no birthdays or anniversaries were mentioned.

On a sad note is the death of **Don Allen** (JFKPV), who died in June at the age of 88. Let's keep him and his family in our prayers.

While **Ronald Weick** and **Carol Maley-Davis** had been absent from our meetings recently, it was with good reasons. It seems Carol was having a regular checkup at her doctor, which ended with a direct trip to the hospital for open heart surgery. We are happy to report that she is doing well and she and Ron showed up for our picnic, all smiles. Good going, Carol!

Everyone went home with something from our "freebies table". Winners of the drawing were: 1st prize – **Rudy Wolf**, 2nd prize – **Leeann Lack**, 3rd prize – **Frank Thomson** and 4th prize went to yours truly, moi!

Back with us were **Bob & May Lee**, after a bit of an absence. Guests were Joe, **Carol Cenkus'** friend; **Kitty McSweeney** and **Barbara Shatner**.

Calendar:

August 7 – Wantagh State Park



NORTHWOOD

NORTHWOODS LOONIES

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Greetings again from the Upper Midwest, where the Loonies hang out! We're preparing another fun-filled and enjoyable couple of days in Duluth, MN on the shores of the greatest of the Great Lakes, Lake Superior.

Join us September 24-27 and experience the annual migration of the "big" birds ~ the raptors ~ eagles, hawks, ospreys, as they avoid crossing that huge expanse of water by streaming down the northwest shoreline and right over Duluth. Learn about the amazing amount of international shipping which uses the ports of Duluth & Superior, WI and Two Harbors, MN, exchanging coal, grain, iron ore and manufactured goods with the world. The Great Lakes area was THE source of timber & stone which built the cities of Milwaukee & Chicago and spawned many logging and railroad barons along the way. We'll visit the home of one of them, built on the shore of Lake Superior from materials brought from around the world.

And of course, we'll eat and visit and have an adult beverage or two and eat some more. And visit some more. The best part is reuniting with old friends and meeting new people who have United as a common bond. Remember, if you retired from United Airlines, you qualify to be a Loonie!

Information has been sent to those who are already members. Anyone who has yet to attend a Loonies' meeting is most welcome and cordially invited to contact us for all the particulars.

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Hello everyone! Hope all of you were able to enjoy the Fourth of July celebrations. This is a great country, even though we have so many problems. God Bless The USA! Our meeting this month will not happen until the 10th of July. As many of you know, our regularly scheduled date is the 1st Wed. of the month, but this year has turned us upside down with so many holidays hap-

pening in that first week, so when that happens, we change our date to the next available Wed. It does make it a little hard to get a good newsletter out, we try to get information organized so I can "stay in the loop".

On July 10th, 80 of our members will gather at a great restaurant near Cleveland Hopkins Airport. We are looking forward to our meal at the 100 Bomber Squadron Restaurant. For those of you who are familiar with the Airport here, there is a great view of the planes taking off and coming in. If any of you were at one time CLE employees or come into town for other reasons, you are more than "welcome" to contact us and come to one of our meetings to see some old friends. It is always a good time! **Dave & Marie Placko** arranged this month's meeting for us and it nicely coincides with the Holiday this month. We double that "thank you" because Dave & Marie also handle our 50/50 all year. Of course, we all wait for our number to be called and have a lot of fun! We want to give them a Big Thank You for also arranging this month's luncheon. The dates for the next two luncheons are always at the end of the report and the cost is reasonable! We are expecting some guests this week and they are **Ben & Marilyn Bogucki** visiting from Florida, and **Elda Jeskey** invited her sisters **Donna McDonald, Gail Wright, and Lois Walter**.

Our prayers go out to those in our group who are having health problems. **Norma Malena's** treatments are working and her numbers are coming down. Her doctor is planning to put her on a more intense schedule.

Birthdays for this month are: **Reta Hammer, Sandee LeMasters, Shirley McCarthy, Ellen Skinner, Barb Vauls, and Betty Warner**. Wishing all of you a very Happy Birthday! For those of you not with us today, our best wishes go out to all of you! Sending Congratulations and happy Anniversary to all of our members who are celebrating this month. In attendance will be **George & Mary Lou Kuretz (52), Jeff & Judy Spooner (48), Betty Warner & Chuck Tenwick (1)**.

Our Annual Picnic at the "Chalet" in the Metroparks in Strongsville will be held August 7th. **Helen Cauwels** is planning on attending. Chicken and Coffee provided by the Chapter. Bring something to share (your choice) salads, desserts, chips, meat, etc., the choice is yours.

Each month, I give the address of our website and I would like to invite those of you who like to do these things, to go visit our "improved" website. We would also be interested in your opinion. We are always open to feedback, as it lets us know if we are on the right track.

** The only persons you should want to get even with are those who have helped you.*

Calendar:

August 7 - Picnic @ The Chalet / Metropark in Strongsville, hosted by **John & Dolly Taucher**

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The decorations for June luncheon meeting honored fathers with mugs filled with peanuts and helium filled balloons decorated with Happy Father's Day. The room at Colwood is bright and cheerful and the windows look down on a putting green. Almost makes me want to go down and swing a golf club again. For those who like to know how many attend our meetings, there were 64 of us this month.

Winners this month of free lunches were as follows: Door Prize ~ **Rosalie Betschart**, Woman's Birthday ~ **Emily Pittman-Newberry**, Men's Birthday ~ **Frank Bullis** and 50/50 ~ **Sarah Blare**. June is supposed to be a month for weddings but no one came forward celebrating an anniversary.

Joe Alff was hospitalized in June with blood clots in the lung but is doing fine now with medication. **John Van Reenen's** wife **Alice** is not doing well and it would be nice to send her a card letting her know we are thinking of her. Their address is listed in our chapter directory.

Summer is in full swing so there isn't much to report. Everyone is enjoying the mountains or beaches, picnics, baseball and of course our Timber Soccer team. Enjoy!

Calendar:

All meeting will be at Colwood Golf Club, 7313 NE Columbia Blvd. in Portland unless notified otherwise.

August 14

September 11

October 9

PENNSYLVANIA

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Our attendance increased in June with 40 persons! We were pleased to welcome **Sandy Sprigmanas**, a first timer. **Barbara Fanto** won the 50/50. All atten-

dees had a treat in June; the luncheon was free as thanks to all for their support.

Timothy Sechrist has been selected to receive our oversea parcel as a defender of our country. \$100 has been donated to City Team in Chester and is a worthwhile charity.

We have received the sad news that **Jim Vogel** has died. Our members send the family our sympathy.

We have reserved tickets at the American Music Theatre in Lancaster for the Christmas show on November 7 at 3pm. We will meet for lunch first at the Cracker Barrel across the Street. Join us for the fun and friendship.

We will serve dinner at the Ronald McDonald House in Wilmington again on October 28. All hands on deck needed.

Don't forget the convention in Denver from October 9 to 13.

Calendar:

September 9 - Luncheon at the Clarion in Essington at 12:30. The price remains \$12.00. See you there!

PITTSBURGH PIT-STOPPERS

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August! How did it arrive so quickly? Get that list of things you have to do before winter sets in because it will be here before you know it. I got my garden looking so beautiful. Now it's full of weeds. I'm not able to get out and pull them. I pulled my hamstring while working in the garden. Now I'm going for therapy 2 days a week, in a lot of pain and not able to do anything. What a bummer.

Marlene Mootsy had a slight stroke in June. She is home and doing very well. **Jeri** and **Bernie Juth's** twin nephews, **Brock** and **Brandon Pompeani** graduated from Robert Morris University Cum Laude.

I had 2 surprise visitors in June. **Alice** and **Lisa VanVital**, my nieces from Philadelphia. I haven't seen them since they moved from Aliquippa as teenagers. Now they are adults and both are Grandmas. We got caught up with our families; saw many pictures of their children and grandchildren. Before we knew it, it was time for the girls to get on the turnpike and head back home. It was such a pleasure spending time with these two beautiful girls.

Jane Stewart, her son, his wife, grandson and friend **Wilda Squires** are in Rome for a holiday. They are visiting several interesting cities and then on to Tus-

cany. They will be participating in a cooking class. I cannot wait for **Jane** to come home and cook me a gourmet meal.

I'm sure you all remember **Tami & Bob Yeager**, **Bob** was a ramp service man retiring from PITCS. They moved to Camp Hill, PA to be near their children. **Tami** works for Keller Williams Realty. She publishes their monthly newsletter. There are some interesting articles, to name a few, financial services, the dangers of identity theft and checking on neighborhoods. **Tami** has a wealth of knowledge and expertise about buying and selling real estate. We really miss the two of them as they were active in the Pit Stoppers and did a great job in helping plan our convention. Anyone in the area of Camp Hill or Harrisburg may contact **Tami** at (412) 580-3476.

Don "Sully" Sullivan's wife **Mary Lou**, 88 years old, passed away Saturday June 22. Sacred Journey Hospice, 138 Pear Drive, McDonough, GA 30252, took care of **Mary Lou** and the entire family in Mary Lou's final days. **Sully** was very pleased with the care that they received. **Sully** worked in PITCS then transferred to ALTCS as the ticket counter and ticket office manager. Sympathy cards or notes may be sent to **Sully** at 609 Turner Road, McDonough, GA 30252.

Rita Ulicny's, PITTR, husband **Joe**, 86 years old passed away June 11. Sympathy cards and notes may be sent to Rita at 142 Lakeview Dr., McKees Rocks, PA 15136. In the July newsletter, I reported the passing of **George Vernau**, I now have an address to send sympathy cards or notes to his son, **George** 3610 Millbridge Dr., Houston, TX 77059.

Our deepest sympathy to all who lost their loved ones!

Our Leo and Virgo birthdays: **Dave Beatty** (1), **Pat Wagner** (8), **Sandy Burns** (15), **Bronko Lapceovich** (19), **Ken Wolfe** (26). Happy Birthday to all! Our anniversaries are **Steve & Karen Moliterno** (28), **Mitch & Doris Abbas** (31).

I missed **Bill Redfern's** birthday last month on July 25. **Bill** is one of our faithful members and I'm sorry I missed his big day. Belated Happy Birthday, **Bill**.

A group of our members and friends spent the day at the Rivers Casino July 17. In the next issue I will list all the winners! I hope you are all going over the convention information in the June newsletter and making your reservations for the hotel, tours and dinner. It is going to be a wonderful convention.

How about our Pirates? Let's go Bucs!

Calendar:

September 11 – Pit Stoppers picnic at Hopewell Park

October 9-13 - RUAEA Convention in Denver



TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE ROCKY TOPS



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Eleven members and guests met for breakfast at Mimi's Restaurant in the Turkey Creek Shopping Center. **Joann Swallom** brought her sister with her and **Jack & Sue Ferrell's** daughter **Mary** met us at the restaurant. Herman and I enjoyed visiting with everyone as it had been a couple of months since we've been to a meeting. The restaurant has changed their menu and it was nice to see some smaller meals for those who can't eat large portions. The only downside to the menu - they now list the calories for each meal! **Sue Ferrell** informed us that the July 18th luncheon at the Olive Garden in Turkey Creek will be at 12:30 eastern time.

Barb & Mike Chapin will be in London next month and we are looking forward to hearing about their trip.

Calendar:

August 15 - 9:30 AM Breakfast at Mimi's Restaurant in the Turkey Creek Shopping Center.

September 19 - Luncheon to be hosted by **Noreen Koan** and **Ray Perry**. Time and Place to be announced.

WASHINGTON

EMERALD CITY SLICKERS

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The Emerald City Slickers, comprised of retirees living in the Greater Puget Sound/Seattle Area, do not meet between May and September, so we have no door prize winners, no 50/50 celebrants, no chapter business – and very little to report during July and August!

Not all our members retired from United Airlines installations around Seattle, so many of us enjoy checking up on other RUAEA chapters across the country, looking for familiar names and old friends.

Linda Shirley (SEASW), RUAEA member living in Oak Harbor, inquired about Slickers' meetings, but feels she's too far away to attend local meetings on a regular basis but may try to join us when feasible. If Clipped Wings or others live near her, you might include Linda in your plans.

Members observing August birthdays include **Phil Anderson** (SEACG), **Armand Johnson**, **Erma Lucas**, **Katherine McKinnon** (SEARR), **Fred Patterson** (SEAOO), **Louise Story**, **Ken Walters** (SEAMM) and **Bob Whitworth** (SEAPV). We hope the Perfect Party is planned for every one of them.

We are pleased to offer special wedding anniversary greetings to the following: **Richard** (SEAFF) & **Helen Clement** – 57, **Ed** (SFOED) & **Gay Liesse** – 56, **Tom** (SEACG) & **Erma Lucas** – 57, **Sidney** & **Rita** (SEAOZ) **Reynolds** – 57, **Theo** (SEAHH) & **Marry Sluys** – 59, and **Robert** (SEAFF) & **Dolores Woods** – 66.

We regret to announce the passing of chapter member **Paul Hernandez**. Services were held in July. Condolences to his widow, Anita.

The death of SEAMM retiree **Eben Johnson** was noted in the July issue of this national newsletter.

Enjoy the summer hiatus – and make your reservations for the Denver convention. We're signed up and are looking forward to seeing many of you, as well as visiting with relatives and friends in the Denver area. It's always beneficial to hear the experts expound on changes and updates in benefits.

Calendar:

No regular meetings until **September 10**

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Greetings from the Nation's Capital!

The Dulles Loungers met on June 12th for the 2nd Annual Picnic in beautiful Ashburn, Virginia. The event was attended by about 60 members and guests and a beautiful day had been ordered! The guests enjoyed a wonderful Barbeque catered by Dave's Famous Ribs, and the usual treats of Ribs, Chicken, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Mixed Salad, Desserts and beverages galore! Many thanks to **Linda Scriven** and her team for a wonderful event!

There are no meetings planned for July and August, but you are welcome to stop by The Golden Corral on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1130am and you will find some Dulles Loungers enjoying a tasty lunch!

Calendar:

September 11 – 1130 AM, Golden Corral Restaurant, 10801 Bulloch Dr., Manassas, VA

NATIONAL

CLIPPED WINGS

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The summer is going by too quickly for most of us who enjoy the outdoors. The beauty we are used to in the Southwest Region of the United States has been threatened once again with more wildfires, loss of homes and necessary evacuations of many families. We are in fire ban and water restrictions in many areas. We will welcome Monsoon Season.

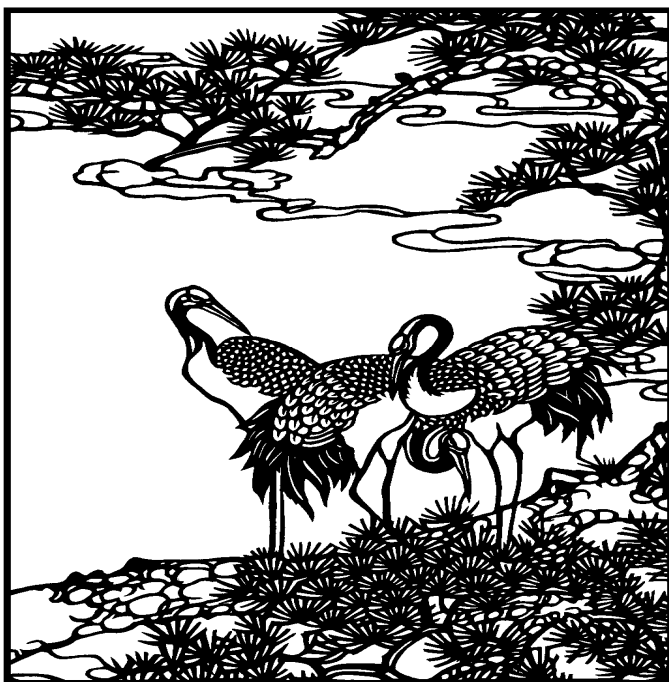
Clipped Wings sponsored events also slow in the summer months; however, I am happy to report that new membership applications numbered twelve (12) in the month of June.

Have you checked out the new website:
www.unitedclippedwings-inc.org?

Updates:

- ❖ The CLE Chapter has a new Special Olympics fundraising item for sale: Ballpoint pens with built-in LED flashlight and stylus for your iPad or iPhone. Contact **Mary Londahl** at (440) 471-4254 or email: bjlondahl@aol.com. (Ink refills are free at www.freerefill.com RFORBK)
- ❖ We are continuing to receive the welcomed Parent Grant dollars for Special Olympics 2014 from Clipped Wings chapters and individuals.

May the month of July bring some much-needed rain to our earth!



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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OBITUARIES

Obit Notice Policy: Death notices sent to the Denver Office for publication in the Newsletter Obituary Column will be accepted only from a family member or personal representative in **writing**. The notice sent concerning 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 for one sending the information. If the obituary is received hand written and it is not legible, it will not be published until a clear and readable document is received in the Denver Office. The information may be sent by email (preferred) at ruaea@qwestoffice.net, fax or US Mail. Sorry, the information will not be accepted over the phone.

Please note that the above policy only applies to death notices submitted to be published in this section of the RUAEA Newsletter.

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- Spouse – **Aggson, Ronald B.**, on 6/22/2013, husband of Elaine E. Aggson, LAXCS, 317 Durango, Palm Desert, CA 92260
- Retiree – **De Guc, Henry T.**, on 3/20/2013, SFOEG, husband of Helen L. De Guc (deceased), 453 West Latimer Ave., Campbell, CA 95008
- Retiree – **Fischer, Dorothy Lee.**, on 6/5/2013, WHQSS, sister of Jean Fischer, 200 N. Eastwood, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
- Retiree – **Hoffmeyer, Era Ann**, on 5/11/2013, MSPCS, wife of William (Bill) E. Hoffmeyer, 57808 720th St., Jackson, MN 56143
- Retiree – **Gburek, Sandra I.**, on 5/24/2013, SEARR, wife of Alfred J. Gburek, SEACG, 2319 Willies Dr., Arbor Vitae, WI 54568
- Spouse – **Graham, Maria**, on 4/2/2012, wife of Robert (Bob) Graham, DENMM, P.O. Box 862, Elizabeth, CO 80107
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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 expressed are not necessarily the convictions of the organization.)

Robert & Rita Burna, 7979 S. Buchanan Way, Aurora, CO 80016

Rita and I are both doing well. I am getting over a knee replacement surgery. I am still nursing my lung condition but am able to get around okay.

We are both staying busy with travels to see our son in Kauai, HI and our daughter in New Hampshire.

We are helping a young fellow with triplets whose wife passed away a couple of years ago from cancer. We older people just have a hard time staying up with 2½ year olds.

Thanks for all of the efforts taken to put together the newsletter. It is nice to see what is going on with others.

Robert England, 2758 Bowmont Dr., Eugene, OR 97405

All is well in the beautiful Northwest!

If you are looking for a beneficial new adventure try this: My son and daughter have just returned from Kauai where they not only had a pleasant vacation but also gave passage to two dogs from the local humane society via Alaska Airlines. As it happens, there is a huge surplus of attractive dogs in Hawaii and a demand in Oakland, CA and Portland, OR for these valuable animals. Alaska Airlines has a pact with the S.P.C.A. that allows reduced fares for these animals if accompanied by a passenger. The shipping charge is absorbed by the S.P.C.A. and all paperwork is taken care of by them as well. You are met by a representative at both ends and transported to the facility on Kauai.

The whole venture was very well coordinated and was a win, win for all concerned.

For more information contact kauaihumane.org.

Bruce Hanson, 629 W Tyler Island Bridge Rd., Isleton, CA 95641

I can't seem to remember, and now for some reason I don't get notice until June. My birthday is actually 4/18/1930.

I enjoy the newsletter very much, thank you! At my age, it is getting harder to recognize names any more. There is a commercial on TV and it asks who is the oldest person you know? To which I raise my hand.

Note: Birthdays are no longer used for renewal dates. The year's subscription begins on the day that the dues are received in the Denver office and are posted.

Gene Menten, 631 S. Palo Verde Way, Mesa, AZ 85208

Thanks to the wonderful volunteer staff who put together the Newsletter to keep us informed. I have not traveled since the merger with Continental, so I can't comment on the service. I enjoyed my working years with the old United and retired to Mesa, AZ. At the age of 92, my health is "so-so" but I still drive my car and play golf with a ladies league.

Dominick Rizzo, 1843 Hunt, Ave., Bronx, NY 10462

I am looking forward to another 12 issues of light but delightful RUAEA newsletter reading. While I am taking life nice and easy, it is nice to know what other retirees are doing. I am still in good health, getting older but enjoying my lifestyle and being entertained by our seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

No matter how much the world changes, life still goes on. We send our regards to all.



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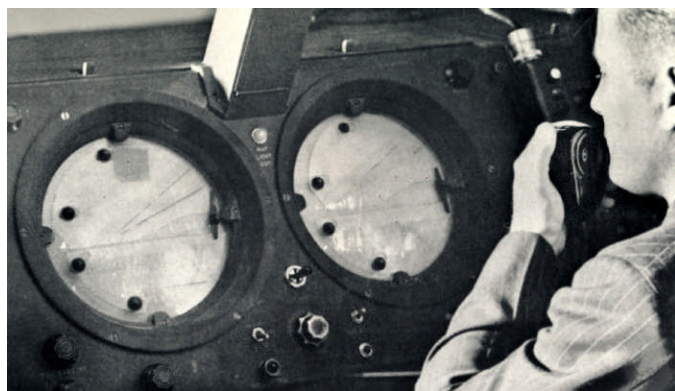
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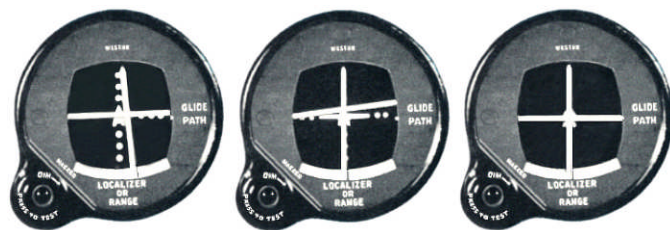
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(Left) In the cockpit, the

airport's "**Localizer Beam**" activates the "**Localizer or Range**" needles when the ILS radio beam was entered approximately eight miles from the airport. The (vertical) needle indicates the plane's position as slightly to the left of the runway centerline.

(Middle) The "**Glide Slope Beam**" (horizontal) needle indicates the plane is slightly below center of the Glide Path.

(Right) "**On the Beam**". The pilot maintains these two needle positions while on the Instrument Landing descent.



4.5 miles from the touchdown point, the plane passes over an "Outer Marker" radio beacon which transmits a signal activating the blue "Outer" light on the cockpit "Marker Beacon" panel.

Marvin Berryman - from the "Mainliner Flight Plan".

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