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RUAEA Convention Sacramento, California Come find some Gold!!! May 27 – June 2, 2007



The city of Sacramento is the capital of CA & the county seat of Sacramento County. The city lies 90 miles north east of SFO with a four mile frontage on the Sacramento River. The Sacramento River is the principal river of CA. The head stream rises on Mount Shasta in the northern part of the State. The Sacramento River is navigable north to Red Bluff which is about 250 miles north of the city of Sacramento. The river receives numerous tributaries from the Sierra Nevada & the Coast range, on many which there has been a great deal of gold mining.

The State capitol, erected in 1869 at a cost of \$2,500,000.00 occupies the central part of the city; is surrounded by a large picturesque park. In 1839 Capt. John A. Sutter, having obtained from the Mexican government a grant of a large tract of land in this vicinity, built a fort which has been rebuilt & is preserved for its historic interest. This was the first point reached by miners coming from the East in 1848. In this year a village called Sacramento was laid out. It was incorporated as a town in 1849; became the State capital in 1854.

The venue for the 2007 RUAEA Convention in Sacramento will be the Hyatt Regency at Capitol Park. The hotel is a 15 story facility with over 500 rooms, a 24 hour Business Center, high speed internet access along with a fitness center, whirlpool also an outdoor swimming pool. The Hyatt is about 15 minutes from the Sacramento International Airport. Our convention rate is **\$99.00 plus tax for double occupancy**. The regular rate is \$259-\$284 plus tax.

Currently there are 161 daily flights in & out of Sacramento with the various airlines, United has 28. Don't forget there are other flying options as mentioned last month. We will continue to highlight those in future issues.

Artists & Crafters, the Arts & Crafts Raffle will again be part of the annual RUAEA convention. Please consider donating. Your piece will be seen by hundreds of retirees & their spouses. For information contact Francis or Veronica Domaratus, 1972 Somerdale Circle, Roseville, CA 95661 - (916) 789-0422 e-mail vandfgracious@surewest.net.

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GENERAL NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT 9/3/06

Last month I made a partial report on the eligibility of some of our recent retirees for cash payment arising from the sale of the convertible notes issued by the Company as part of the Plan of Reorganization to partially offset the retirement benefits that active employees lost when United's pension plans were terminated. To repeat, such sale has been approved by each union's leadership, & by United's senior leadership on behalf of Salaried & Management employees. The formula(s) by which the allocations will be accomplished were also determined by the unions & United's senior leadership, as appropriate. Eligible individuals were to be notified by the Company of the specifics applicable to their allocation. Following is the complete "official" listing of general eligibility rules for each employee group:

AFA – Eligible Flight Attendants include those who: (1) were hired after March 31, 1980; (2) have 10 or more years of service as of June 30, 2005 - the date on which the Flight Attendant Pension Plan was terminated; (3) were over age 40 as of the date of the plan was terminated; & (4) were not yet eligible for early retirement under the Pension Plan (i.e. meaning that they had not yet reached age 50 even though they satisfied the 10 years of service requirement) as of the date the plan was terminated.

ALPA - Eligible participants include those who were on the United Pilots' System Seniority list as of Jan. 1, 2005 (exceptions may apply).

AMFA - Eligible participants, as determined by AMFA's Airline Representatives, include those AMFA-represented employees on the system seniority list as of June 1, 2006.

IAM - Eligible participants include those who retired after May 1, 2003 & before Dec. 31, 2005. They also include current employees (as of Jan. 1, 2006) who are, or would become, retirement eligible during the term of the current collective bargaining agreements (CBAs). Specifically, this includes individuals who would be at least age 55 with at least 10 years of service with United by Dec. 31, 2009, the last day prior to the date the CBAs become amendable.

PAFCA - Eligible participants include active PAFCA members who were on the PAFCA seniority list as of Jan. 27, 2005 & are still on that list as of July 31, 2006.

SAM - Eligible participants include those who were active SAM employees as of Dec. 31, 2005 with at least 4 years of continuous service with United at that time. Specifically, this has been defined as employees who have a company seniority date of Dec. 31, 2001 or earlier.

TWU - Eligible participants include those who were active TWU members for at least 500 days between May 1, 2003 & Oct. 30, 2005.

Mort Wax
President

Medco's RationalMed® System Provides added Safety for PPO Members

Medco's RationalMed program is an innovative approach to patient safety, quality & cost reduction. The purpose is to assist physicians by informing them of potential medication risks for their patients. Employees often have multiple treatment regimens prescribed by multiple providers, & receive multiple prescriptions that are filled at multiple pharmacies - creating a risky situation for the member.

Physicians who care for patients identified receive an informational alert by mail that contains the potential health & safety issues also the patient's medical history, which assists the physician in

coordinating care. While communications sent to physicians are only of an advisory nature, many physicians do take action.

RationalMed also allows Medco to conduct electronic-based coordination of medical & pharmacy claim records for each patient. Monthly secure updates are passed to Medco's proprietary system, through which patients at increased near-term risk of a drug-related hospitalization are identified.

RationalMed will improve the safety of employees & their covered dependents. If you have any questions regarding RationalMed or your Medical PPO drug prescription program, please contact Medco Member Services toll-free at 1-800-864-1425.



STOUT AIR SERVICES



W.B. Stout and a Stout-built Pullman airplane: photo from "*So Away I Went*, W. B. Stout, Denver Public Library

Stout Air Lines, an often forgotten predecessor of United Airlines, was "the first regularly scheduled passenger airline in the United States".

In mid 1924, William Benton Stout persuaded Henry and Edsel Ford to finance an airport and a factory for the Stout Metal Airplane Company on Ford property at Dearborn. The factory was completed and operating on Oct. 15, 1924.

On July 31, 1925, Henry Ford purchased all the stock and assets of the factory, retaining Stout and the employees. Following the sale, Stout founded Stout Air Service, Inc. with Stanley Knauss as General Manager in charge of airline operations.

On July 31, 1926, Stout was awarded the CAM 14 route, Detroit to Grand Rapids, MI. Flights began two days later, first with single-engine Stout-built Pullmans and then Ford Tri-motors.

In Sept. 1927, after finding the passenger service profitable, Stout added twice-daily service from Dearborn to Cleveland and ended the Grand Rapids flights, surrendering the CAM 14 airmail contract.

Since Henry Ford did not allow Ford Field to be operated on Sundays, all Stout flights were advertised as "Daily Except Sundays".

By Marvin Berryman from: *So Away I Went*, W. B. Stout, Arno Press 1951 & *Architects of Aviation*, Maurice Holland, Den. Pub. Lib.; www.timetableimages.com; *Airlines of the United States Since 1914*, R.E. Davies, UAHF

WANTED: YOUR MEMORIES



United Airlines Flight Training began in 1929 with the founding of the Boeing School of Aeronautics in Oakland, CA.

In 1942, pilot training was moved to Cheyenne and in 1943 to Denver's Municipal Airport (renamed Stapleton Airfield on Aug. 25, 1944).

The current Denver Flight Training Center (DENTK) was opened in August 1968.

UAHF would appreciate hearing of your 1940s & 1950s Cheyenne & Denver memories as well as any floor-plans, maps, interior and exterior photographs of Hangars # 3 & # 5 (# 5 is shown above).

This article focuses on Flight Training, but we are interested in other personal United memories, events & happenings as well. There is no definite "plan-of-action" at this time, but if your information is not recorded now, it may be lost **forever**.

Please mail your tax-deductible contributions & donations of United memorabilia & artifacts to: UAHF, Tom Goodyear, 7401 Martin Luther King Blvd., Denver, CO 80207 - Phones: UAHF at DENTK 303 780-5537 - cell 720 696-1655, home 303 696-7001 - Website: www.uahf.org

KNOW YOUR UAHF EDITOR - MARVIN BERRYMAN



Noble & Dorothy (Selk) Berryman were living on a farm 8 miles north of Cozad, NE when Marvin was born in Nov. 1936. Typical of the time, their house did not have electricity or indoor plumbing.

Marv attended first & second grades in "one-room country schools" until the death of his father in Nov. 1943, then moved into Cozad. Following graduation with the CHS class of 1954, he was employed in agriculturally-related work and as a "pump-jockey" at the Mobil and Phillips 66 stations.

Marv attributes his entering the commercial-art field to an inability to predict the future. In 1959, he decided art could never be created on computers!

After attending Omaha Art School (Aug. 1958 to Feb. 1960) he was a "brush-lettering artist" at Alexander Film Co., Colo. Springs.; a "technical-illustrator" at Cahners Publishing Co., Englewood and a "paste-up artist" at two Denver advertising agencies.

In Aug. 1979 he landed in the DENTK A/V Dept. where his last title was Senior Graphics Designer. In March 2003 he was placed on "ANP - Authorized No Pay" and in May 2003 was "severed-into-retirement".

He has been a volunteer at UAHF-DENTK since retiring. His UAHF connection began when Bill Arnott asked him to design the logo & letterhead.

Marv has websites at pages.prodigy.net/berryman2 and at community.webshots.com/user/dawson30

The Webshots site has the United-related albums “Old Airplanes”, “United Graphics”, “Airplane Photos”, UAHF Displays” & “Stapleton 2006”.

His “Nebr Farm Life - Early 1940s” album has photos of his early years and his 1943 report card.

In Nov. 2005 he asked his first teacher, Lois Wells Anthony, “Why were my lowest grades in Art?”

TRAVEL TIPS BY BOB

This month I'll give more attention to SkyNet as there are new updated features that you may find helpful. To access these features, sign onto SkyNet at <https://united.intranet.ual.com>. Then from the Home Page click on the “Travel” icon.

Notice on the left hand side of the page is the enlarged “WebList” banner located between the Travel Tools & Travel Information boxes. WebList will get you to the Space Available Listing page and two other features I want to mention:

1. Deleting Companion Names. At the top of the page click on “Options” and then see WebList Options. Click on number “2” to delete companion names.
2. Find out how many companion coupons do you have left. At the top of the page click on “My Coupons”. The total remaining coupons will be posted next to the words “2006 Companion Program”.

Current Companion Travel Information can be obtained by clicking the “Travel” icon, located on the Home Page. On the right side of the page under Travel Benefits, click on “Companion Travel Information” icon. On this page you will notice the boxes for 2006 and 2005. There are two options listed for each year. Note: 2006 is the one we should be using now.

SkyNet is certainly a blessing for Retirees – we never had anything like this before, in our own home to see the flights, loads & Check-in before going to the airport also to print out schedules to take with you. If you have questions or comments concerning Travel Tips by Bob, please e-mail me at mrb50@qwest.net.

Happy Travels,

Bob Brumfield
Seattle Travel Desk

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP OFFICE

Hi folks, I just thought I'd put a few words in this month's issue to let you know we are still here to serve you. In doing this we need your help on several items. Let me take a minute to explain what they are & how it affects our secretaries.

First of all, if you have problems at the WEB site such as accessing or reading it, or password issues, we can serve you much faster & more accurately if you send your issues to our WEB Master. His address is support@ruaea.org. If you send it to any other address it will take much longer to take care of your problems.

While we are on that subject, let me help all of you with some information. This really applies to those of us who have internet access. If you receive the Newsletter via the Website you have access to the publication well before those who receive the paper copy. The reason for this is that as soon as the newsletter is ready for printing, the WEB Master places it on the website immediately. There are numerous processes that still have to be accomplished before we can do the mailing. Receiving your newsletter on the WEB is the fastest way to get all the latest news. So, if you aren't on our WEB list & would like to start the service, go to the support link at www.ruaea.org. You will be able to send an email from that site. Once that is accomplished wait a day, go back to the website, follow the direction

to access the newsletter. You need to have a password & an email address. If you elect to get the newsletter on the web, you will stop getting the paper version. There is one other misconception that is that the newsletter will be sent to your email address. That is incorrect. You will receive the newsletter by accessing it through the www.ruaea.org website. We will, however, notify you via your e-mail to let you know that the newsletter is now available to you.

When you correspond with the Membership Office please include your file number. This is imperative! Especially when sending in your yearly dues. Our primary way of locating your file is by using your file number.

If you need to change an address, request stoppage of the newsletter via the web, or add personal information we need to receive this in a **written format** (letter or email). When you call there is always the chance that your name, file number, or other information may be heard incorrectly, which will delay the process & possibly prevent us from being able to verify the information with you.

One last item, if you elect to stop receiving the newsletter via the web site, you need to do one thing: Send an email to support@ruaea.org (they are in another city, not in our office) - include the RUAEA office in on the email. Our address is ruaea@aol.com. (We can then expedite the change to a paper copy). Depending on what part of the month you give us this information decides when the change will take effect.

When you receive this it will be in the Oct. issue. We in the office want to wish all of you a Happy Halloween & a Happy Holiday Season!

Howard Tress
Membership & Support Manager

ORDCS MEETING & REUNION

ORDCS meets the 1st Tues. of every month at noon for lunch at TGI Fridays 1695 E Golf Road, Schaumburg, IL 60173 (847) 969-0126. EVERYONE is welcome. Contact Connie Russo if you have any questions (847) 956-0764 at home or (708) 822-0891 cell phone or e-mail mich4mitch@aol.com.

ORDCS & OPB is having an Old-timers Reunion on Sat. Oct 7 from 6:00 to 10:00 pm at Giuseppe's La Cantina Restaurant, 1062 Lee St., Des Plaines, IL 60016 (847) 824-4230.

RSVP Connie Russo. EVERYONE is welcome. \$20 per person includes unlimited pizza, beer, wine & soda.

NEWSLETTER CORRESPONDENTS

Chapter reports for Nov. are due in DEN by Fri. Oct. 6, Dec. report by 11/6, Jan. report by 12/6. Reports may be sent by e-mail ruaea@aol.com or by FAX. FAX number is (303) 780-5667 – Attention – Jo Madden. Please list Chapter name at top of each page. If sent by U. S. Mail, address to Jo Madden, Newsletter Editor, 7401 E. MLK Blvd, Denver, CO 80207-2433. Allow for postal delay. We cannot extend deadline.

LOCAL NEWS

ARIZONA



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If you are attending the bi-weekly breakfast meetings please call Mary Toeppen before 4 PM the Mon. before the breakfast. Those of you that are on our regular's list (you know who you are) need to call when you won't be there. Any questions contact Mary at 623 214-1504 or Sherry.

Breakfast on Aug 15 had 20 attendees. It was good to see Cor Drop. Pete Clanton was back with us looking good (40 lbs lighter) but Pete, that was no way to lose that weight. Pete was unable to make the Aug 29 breakfast as he continues to have more tests, now recovering at home. We were happy to see that Kay Heinig was able to join us again. We lost Kay's husband Horst Heinig this past month. He was a dear friend & member of our chapter for many years. His laugh, humor, & many stories will be remembered, missed by all of us. Kay extends her thanks for the many wishes of sympathy in her loss. Kay's address is 17015 N. 123rd Dr. Sun City West, AZ 85375.

The officers are finalizing our monthly schedule of events for 2006-2007. One extra event will be the Arizona Broadway Dinner Theatre. The theatre is brand new; it has great food & no bad seats in the house. I have arranged to have a group of 30 attend for the Nov. 18 production of South Pacific. It will be for lunch & Show. Time, 12:00 noon. If you are interested in joining us please contact Sherry at (623) 572-4828 or e-mail me at phx22@cox.net. I already have 26 seats confirmed, so contact me ASAP. We will be going to the races at Turf Paradise in March, so start saving those pennies to play the ponies! We are back on for Luke AFB twice this coming season. We have lots of good times to look forward to. "Come on back" to all those snowbirds.

"Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting."

Calendar:

Coco's breakfast meetings 8:00am - Location - 98th and Bell road

Oct. 10 – Coco's

Fall/Winter Luncheons

Oct. 14 – Pizza Party at Ramada #7 Beardsley Park SCW

PHOENIX RE-UNITEDS

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Our Aug. 25 breakfast meeting at ~~Chickens~~ was attended by 20 Re-United members. Most of our membership are still in cooler climates, but will be returning soon.

Ed & Jo Eson have moved permanently to CO to be near their family. New address is: 4902 W. 29th St., Bldg 6D, Greeley, CO 80634, phone is (970) 339-5382.

Ed Eson reported that Ed Dawes has sold his house in HWI & is returning to Mesa.

Skip Ward is home recuperating after being hospitalized for bleeding ulcers. All reports say he is doing well.

Calendar:

Oct. Luncheon – TBA



TUCSON ROADRUNNERS

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Our annual trip to Pinetop drew 16 Roadrunners. The weather was generally beautiful - sunshine in the morning, monsoons in the afternoon & evening, including one deluge. But nothing deterred us from having fun. Thanks to the Morris's for inviting us for cocktails on Thurs. at their lovely home. Thanks to Howard Hunter for arranging our dinner at the Country Club on Thurs. evening, a fine French menu indeed. A big thanks to Dora & Gordon Starr for the beautiful, bountiful brunch on Fri. Lots of hard work produced lots of good food. We ate indoors at what Gordon called a "harvest meal" - two long tables that stretched from the kitchen through the living room so we could all sit down & "pig out" at the same time. Fri. night 12 of us met at the Chuck Wagon Steak House in Pinetop for ribs. All in all a delightful adventure in the White Mountains.

Alice Belzer reports that Jim Boyd passed away this past month. Jim & Dorothy Boyd, along with Art & Dorothy Hellund, and Hank & Alice Belzer were the "sparks" that ignited the start of the Tucson Roadrunners. Just a little of Alice's trivia, so be nice to Alice & Hank as they are only founders left.

By Sept. 21, we had our luncheon trip to the Desert Diamond Casino in Green Valley. It is likely that some of our members will have gambled a bit at the casino. We know, for instance, that one of our members once took a chance on an Indian blanket.

Calendar:

Oct. - No info

Nov. 27 - Trim the Christmas Tree at Reid Park - Tailgate coffee & donuts, entertainment by Alice Belzer & Ray Wood.

Dec. 7 - Christmas luncheon - Oro Valley Country Club.

Feb. 15 - Gaslight Theater.

Mar. 14 - All Arizona Luncheon at The Property - Casa Grande.

CALIFORNIA

CENTRAL COASTERS

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Our Chapter met at Mulligan's Restaurant on Aug. 16 with 19 members in attendance. We missed 2 of our regulars, Garver & Wilma Sandy and Jack & Eleanor Cunningham. Garver is still not comfortable driving but will look into hand controls for his car. The Cunninghams had a family function to attend & will return by way of LAS to visit their money. This was Jack's comment.

John Stilwell, VP, opened the meeting as Bob Stanger & Marcia were out of town. Bob had to have a pace-maker installed because he had a slight heart problem, the pace-maker seemed to correct that. The only problem was that he was unable to play golf for a month, so by the time you read this, he will be hitting them long and straight again.

Kathy Shurtleff brought her mother-in-law, Beth Shurtleff, as her guest; she is quite an active lady traveling most of the time, now looking forward to a trip to Alaska. John & Barbara Stilwell just returned from an Alaska trip - they really enjoyed it since they were able to board their ship locally & not have to fly to any port. Barbara loves flying!

Bob Wagner showed up with his left arm in a sling, he said his wife Pat did it to him, but it seems that he was playing golf & made a mess of his rotator-cup that needed surgery. He will be out of action playing golf for several months, but he is planning to go gambling, now is practicing to hold a glass of wine & pull the slot machine handles without spilling a drop. Good luck Bob!

Our guest speaker, Karl Heuser, gave us a talk about his WWII experience from the time he joined the Army Air Corps to the time he was shot down over Germany & being a prisoner of war for 19 months. His testimony was very heart warming, at times he related humorous situations that only a GI could come up with. He had some displays that showed where he was captured & a map showing the route he was forced to take through Germany. He only touched on some of the hardships that lasted months with over 500 miles of forced marches. I don't think there was a dry eye among us.

Bill & Dana Noyes are happily settled in their retirement home. This is their 3rd move & according to Bill, their last. They just moved from their last home after living there 24 years & before that they lived in that house over 25 years. They move around a lot.

Our next luncheon will be hosted by Kathy Shurtleff at the Chumash Casino on Oct. 25. Last year most of us left their money at the Casino, Jack & Eleanor Cunningham took it home with them.

This is an interesting bit of trivia: *What was the first professional sports team to travel by air to scheduled games?* Some of you may be surprised.

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DESERT SUNBIRDS

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Submitted by Elaine Aggson

The hotter than normal summer with temps as high as 120 degrees has sent many Sunbirds off to cooler places. Janis Ward, Louie Horvath & James Chavez are all enjoying cool OR. The Clappers are spending some time in Glenwood Springs, CO while Dede Utzinger chose the trade winds of Maui. Joan & Ron Tate are celebrating their 50th anniversary with a big party for family & friends in New Jersey. Several others have disappeared, we know not where, but I'm sure they will let us know when they return.

Despite the weather, 25 members attended our Aug. meeting at PF Changs, hosted by Bill & Donna Eads. All enjoyed a sumptuous meal which started with "build your own" lettuce wraps followed by platters of a variety of entrees & rice. Topping off the meal was multi-layered chocolate cake with strawberries. The final course consisted of many little white boxes for taking home the leftovers. Rose Rieke especially enjoyed the meal as she was the winner of the free birthday lunch! Main topics of conversation were the price of gasoline (\$3.00 plus a gallon), July electric bills (many over \$500) & the recent forest fire. The Lergs' home in Big Bear & the Davis' home in Yucca Valley were close to the fire but fortunately escaped unscathed. There are some drawbacks to living in the California Desert, but we don't need tire chains, boots, coats and snow shovels!

THE SACRAMENTO GOLD DIGGERS

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Our Aug. luncheon was held at The Trolley Junction Restaurant in Nevada City, CA, hosted by Marv & Jean Becker and Forester & Jean Sinclair. Attendance was 66 members & 5 guests. It was a beautiful day - the food was spectacular.

Co Pres. Colleen Esola started the meeting by introducing 2 new members, Bob & Peggy Schissel. Both retired from United.

VP Jean Sinclair, noted that the up-coming picnic to be hosted by Ken & Stephanie Norton was a freebie but that attendees should bring dessert or a salad.

Secy./Editor, Bob Fulkerson, (me) provided list of wedding anniversaries, including Len & Joyce Cech - 58 years and Ernest & Joyce Romero - 50 years.

Sunshine person, Francis Domaratus, announced that Bob Hallden had a pacemaker inserted but was doing well.

Our RUAEA Representative, Ron Bertacini stated he & Barbara, along with about 50 other Gold Diggers, had attended Sierra Roundups picnic at Sand Harbor, NV, everyone had a great time. Ron also made mention of United application for a route between IAD & PEK, (China). He also mentioned the "Friends Plus E Certificates United is issuing to employees for 10% discount on selected coach flights. Ron noted that the first official meeting for the 2007 RUAEA Convention in Sacramento had been held.

Calendar:

Oct. 25 - Sierra view Country Club, Roseville, CA



**Redwood
Empire
Retirees**

REDWOOD EMPIRE

RETIREEES

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The Redwood Empire Retirees annual picnic was held Aug. 10 at Anderson Grove in Guerneville. It is a beautiful setting among the Redwoods. A delicious lunch was ordered by the Host, Verda Burr. Assisting her were Charlie Anderson, Verda's son Bart & his daughter Sarah. Pres. Norm Burnett thanked all.

VP Patrick Cadden introduced our many guests. Welcome & please join us again.

Treas. Oscar Chambers reported on the chapter's finances.

Norm asked for anyone who was interested in being on the Nominating Committee to contact him.

Verda announced the birthdays & anniversaries for Aug. Joan Sheahan was the birthday lunch winner. Joanne & Ron Huhn are celebrating their 50th anniversary. They were presented with a bottle of wine. A card was sent to Diane Citara. She has been in & out of the hospital for the last several months. Andy Citara called - said they plan to see us soon. Verda also heard from Garver & Wilma Sandy. They are limited in the distance they can travel at this time.

Naomi Tolf's address given last month was incorrect. The correct address is **142 Sequoia Circle, Santa Rosa 95401**

The drawing was held with Norm & I handling the numbers; Charlie, Ted Bell & Matty Matschinegg handing out the prizes.

Though for the month: It doesn't take a very big person to carry a grudge! You cannot unsay a cruel word!

Calendar:

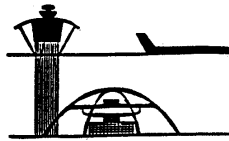
Oct. 12 - TBA - Patrick Cadden and Ron & Joanne Huhn

Nov. 9 - Josef's, Santa Rosa - Brandon & Pat Maus

Dec. 14 - Quail Inn, Oakmont - 2006 Officers

Re-LAX-ers

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Here I sit typing away on the deadline morning & received a nice friendly call from DEN -- "We're looking for your column". And I didn't even lie when I said I was typing!

Phyllis Easley, our commuter (from PIT) member, fell down her back steps, broke her leg in 2 places. Even had to have follow up surgery the day after. My reporter states she was "going too fast and in thongs". When we heard about Bob Griffin's death a bit ago, many of us were concerned for Shirley as her health had been fragile for some time. In mid Aug. I received word that **Shirley Griffin** has passed away. We didn't receive any details. **Ken Skare** lost his battle against cancer in July. No surviving family members. A memorial service was held in Hot Spring Village, AR, another at Katie & Cameron Larson's in Long Beach on Sep. 9. **Pam Meersand** simply went to sleep on Aug. 1. The cause of her death was not immediately known. Send condolences to The Meersand Family, 129 4th St., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. **Patty McGreal's** mom, Betty O'Neill died after a long illness. Drop a note to Patty at 9212 Creemore, La Crescenta CA 91214. Also losing a mom is **Mary** (O'Connor) **Hartley** whose mom, Evans O'Connor died at age 97 in June after a long illness. The address I have for Mary is 12630 Ramona Av., Hawthorne CA 90250. **Joel Sorkin** was in the hospital, passed away in his sleep. We have no details for him, either. For those families we are unable to contact, let us hope they are able to receive copies of the Newsletter, and receive our prayers for their loved ones. Condolences to all concerned with these fellow employees -- we shall miss them.

Donna Cicco, wife of Felix Cicco, passed away Aug. 18. Memorial to be held Sept. 20 at their community in LAS. Felix & Donna moved to LAS after his retirement from LAX. She will be sorely missed by her family & friends (she & Felix adopted 11 children who now have children & grandchildren). George Marinoff died on Aug. 30. He had been in failing health for some time. While in the hospital recovering from a broken hip, he succumbed to heart failure. You can reach Kay at 5027 Emerald St., Torrance CA 90503.

Received a few travel tips for you all. Natalie Frayne sent a phone number for SAME DAY DISCOUNTED HOTEL RESERVATIONS for ATL, BAL, CHI, CVG, DAL, DEN, FLL, LAX MIA MKE, MSP, ORL, STL, SLC, SFO, TPA & WAS. Apparently she had a card or a flyer which says ".....There is no charge for this service." She gave 2 phone numbers: 800-308-1337 & 800 935-5995. Natalie says she has used it several times, received excellent (sometimes below \$50!) rates at good hotels.

Those of you with computers -- here's a fun travel web site: www.seatscorecard.com. It gives you seating diagrams for lots of carriers.

Speaking of travel -- we're still taking bookings for Palms Springs Follies, overnight in downtown PSP, & tour of the Living Desert Museum next day, plus more. Give me a call or email.

Calendar:

Oct 12 - Luncheon at the Proud Bird 11am.

Oct.31 - Nov.1 - Palm Springs tour.

Dec. 7 - Famous Christmas luncheon on the Queen Mary.



Re-Sans

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We received such enthusiastic feedback at our fall meeting at 94th Aero Squadron that our Oct. meeting will again be held at this lovely restaurant. Date for this event is Oct. 19, 11:30 a.m. Flyer will be mailed to each of you.

List of folks under the weather

Bob Owens is under the weather. Bob has been such a hard worker, assuming posts with RUAEA & other work for our retirees - always with a gracious manner.

Marion Owens still serves as Pres. of our ReSans group. Remember Bob in your prayers. Send cards & notes to Bob at 17680 Caminito Balata, San Diego CA 92128.

Peter Criscione is still receiving treatment. We are all cheering for you Pete. Cards/notes may be sent to 453 W El Norte Pkwy #212, Escondido, CA 92026.

Bill Lindsey is recovering at home from back surgery. Ouch, Bill! We wish you a speedy recovery.

We are deeply saddened to report that Shirley Griffin has passed away. Cards/notes may be sent to her daughter, Adele Griffin, 2710 La Golondrina St, Carlsbad CA 92009.

Calendar:

Oct. 19 -- 11:30 am -- 94th Aero Squadron Restaurant, 8885 Balboa Av, San Diego 92123.

Dec. 1 -- Christmas Party at Tom Hams Restaurant. Please bring a new child's toy and, if you wish, a white elephant gift to be placed on our giveaway table.

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I reported last month that we had 64 in attendance at our July meeting. That was an error on my part. Our count was 94 - still a low number - but we had 139 present at the Aug. meeting & potluck lunch. A big improvement.

Sept. was our annual picnic at Flood Park; always a fun time, we had a good turnout. It is all the good food, fun games & great company. After the picnic, tickets will be on sale for the Nov. 27 meeting, Deli Sandwich luncheon. Tickets are \$5, you have a choice of a Corn Beef or Turkey Sandwich. This is in place of our potluck. Email Jerry Milner-jamcoff3@yahoo.com to reserve your sandwich.

We are making some changes to our meeting times. In Oct. & Nov. the Board will meet on the same day as the General Meeting, instead of the Wed. before. If this works out, in 2007 the Board Meetings will be at 10 A.M. on the 4th Mon. of the month, followed by the General Meeting from 11:30 A.M. to 2 P.M. Gas prices are high, as you all know; this will allow the board members to make only 1 trip a month to the Foster City Rec. Center.

I'm sorry that I have to announce we lost Herbert Kirchner who passed away Aug. 12. Send condolences to his wife, Barbara, at 2023 Kings Lane, San Mateo, CA 94402. I heard that former Treas. Chet Collins, is doing better, we hope there will be continued improvement.

We had a speaker from "Active for Life" that is coordinated by the Health Education Unit of the San Mateo County Health Department. Their goal is to help adults 50 & over to plan also maintain their own exercise goals & activities. 78% of adults over 50 are in poor health due to lack of exercise. "Active for Life" does not provide an exercise program but

helps set up a personal plan that is safe & enjoyable. This could include walking, swimming, dancing & more. There will be phone calls by a Health Educator for 6 months to offer support & motivation. All free of charge.

Speaking of good exercise - after the potluck luncheon we were entertained by "The Rhythm Tappers" a 5-woman tap dance troupe whose ages range from 50's to 80. These ladies have a lot of stamina & look great. Shows what a little exercise can do.

Travel info.: Ginger Dahlberg's *Country Christmas*, Dec. 6-11, still has some spaces left. This includes a visit to the Biltmore Estate, holiday entertainment at the Tonite Theatre & the Louise Mandrel Theatre. You visit Dollywood in the Smokey Mountains where there are shows, crafts, food & fun. Ginger said there are a few slashed prices for inside spaces on the *Christmas - New Years Mexican Riviera Princess Cruise*, Dec. 23 - Jan.3, 2007. Email Ginger at gingersfo@aol.com or call at 650-224-1865.

Betty Garner's *West Coast Wine Cruise* on the Celebrity Cruise Line, April 27 - May 4, 2007, is accepting deposits. It sounds like a fun trip from SFO to Vancouver, British Colombia with stops in between. Betty also has a day trip, *Christmas in the City* on Dec. 10. It includes dinner & a tour of the San Francisco Christmas lights. Email Betty at garnerbee@yahoo.com or call at 650-355-4195 for a flyer.

Calendar:

Retirees General Meeting: 4th Mon. ea. mo., business meeting 11:30 am at the Wm. Walker Recreation Facility, 650 Shell Blvd. (Shell & East Hillsdale Blvd.), Foster City, CA. Mail should be sent to P.O. Box 4788, Foster City, CA 94404.



SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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A big wedding anniversary this month in our group, a 50th, for Helen & Tony Seidl! At the Aug. 18 meeting Garver Sandy, our Pres., on behalf of the chapter, presented them with an engraved paperweight honoring this special milestone.

This month a special award, an engraved paperweight, was also given to Geneva Schaller to honor her many years of service in maintaining the telephone tree. This was well-deserved, our thanks again to Geneva.

Guests this month were Gay Bacheller, daughter-in-law of Lewis & Nancy Bacheller; also Gary & Jeannie Fahl of Fallon, NV.

We welcomed a new member, Ken Denblewski, who joined after attending as guest for several meetings.

Zelma Rosenthal was back at our Aug. 4 meeting. Ella Sosa was back at the same meeting after having recovered from her leg problem.

Good news about Dwayne Howze - his most recent lung transplant is getting stronger, he no longer needs to wear oxygen.

Mark your calendars for the Ladies Christmas luncheon, hosted by Sally Urso, LaDonna Eggert, & Joan Dahl. It will be held Nov. 28 at the Blue Pheasant restaurant in Cupertino. Contact Sally at (408) 264-8580 for details.

Calendar:

Meeting every Fri. morning at Holders Country Inn, Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road (across from Home Depot). Breakfast starts at 7:00, meeting begins at 8:20. All UA retirees welcome. Call our Pres. Garver Sandy (408) 262-1548 for details.

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50 energetic members attended the Aug. meeting at the East Sonora Conference Center hosted by Larry & Lavina Brinsfield, assisted by Pat Johson & Helen Kohl.

After a few offering from our favorite jokesters we got down to the luncheon & other business.

Bobby Wood reported that his wife Charlene was recovering from a bout with illness, but a prescription change did the trick. They just returned from a cruise to Alaska.

Al Svare & his lady, Betty Sayers, traveled to Europe through Italy, Switzerland, Austria & Germany. They said it was "near perfect"!

It was nice to see our members Eugene & Pat Mincks since they have moved to Redding.

Many thanks to our hosts for the gifts & their hospitality. We are looking forward to our next meeting.



EAST BAY DIABLOS

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Our Aug. meeting was held on the 13th with 34 members attending.

We welcomed Ruth Kinkaid, wife of Louis & Judy Parent-Smith, wife of Jack, hope to see them often.

Treas. Tom Costa advised that we are solvent & in great shape (at least financially)!

I received a flyer from one of our retirees: <http://www.homeportcruises.com/>, who offer rates to Interline & Military. I also received a business card from another retiree, Karen Lundie, who sells real estate in Palm Desert: email: kad8@verizon.net.

We meet the 2nd Mon. of each month at Marie Callendar's restaurant in Concord. Social time from 11:15 to 12:00 noon. Lunch & business from 12:00 on. No reservations required.

Calendar:

Oct. 9

Nov. 13

Dec. 11 - (annual Christmas Party and Toys for Tots collection)

COLORADO

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Sept. 6 breakfast at United Air Lines Training Center had 53 in attendance. Myrt Ireson brought Mary Lou Dillinger; good to see Mary Lou back with the retirees. We had a father & son team attended, Curly & Gerry Baker, both retired Captains from United. Ken & Velma Larson traveled one hour from their new home in Elbert county to be with us. "Van" Van Fleet donated some artifacts for UAHF. Thanks Van.

1st Timers were: Cas Spokas & Mollie Cook. Good having you join us, come back next month.

The following retirees returned their 50/50 winnings to the Mile High Chapter: Curly Baker, Teena Davis, Virgil Gooselaw, Bob Hagedorn, & Ray Shoults. Thanks folks.

Tom Goodyear asked retirees to help with the mailing of the newsletter. The next mailing will be Oct. 28 at the Training Center cafeteria, 8:00 AM.

Please don't forget pop cans. We are one of the few chapters that does not have dues.

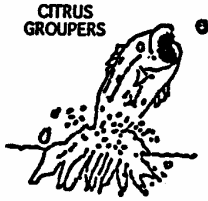
Judy & Pat Brankin, Adrienne Blue and Nancy & Joe Bain attended the Sept. mailing - first time in a long time - good to see you - come again soon.

Ethel Rardin's knee replacement operation was delayed, however, it has now been completed. She is recuperating at home. Address - 15461 E. 32nd Av., Aurora, CO 80011. Al Burns - DENRR Retiree is having Hospice coming to his home. Cheering up cards/notes to 6875 E. Floyd Av., Denver, CO 80224.

Calendar:

Breakfast 1st Wed each month, 8:00 AM, Denver Flight Training Center Cafeteria - DENTK. Call Tom Goodyear for information, directions, (303) 696-7001. Remember to bring your pop cans.

FLORIDA



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The Citrus Groupers met on Aug. 24 at The White Swan Cafe in Ocala with 19 members attending. Mary Wimmer graced us with her presence after back surgery. She is doing fine.

Ella Nardone went to Newfoundland with her son & daughter-in-law. They arrived there in the early morning hours after a 12 hour delay because of weather & other factors. The Nellons are back from a 2 week trip to Grand Rapids, MI. Jo Beck is back from Maryland & is leaving to attend a wedding in Idaho. The Woods did not attend our meeting because their grandson came visiting from Alaska.

The Sept. meeting took place on the 28th at 11.30 AM at Frankie's 1674 N. Florida Avenue. (Hwy. 41) in Inverness.

Calendar:

Oct. 26 - Meeting - 11.30 AM at the Katie Bell's Restaurant in the Villages.

THE ORLANDO

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Sept. 6 afternoon was our Chapter Luncheon Meeting at the Golden Corral with 32 present.

The Annual Fall Picnic will be on Nov. 1, details will be announced at our next Chapter Luncheon.

Mark your calendar for Nov. 10, there will be a Retirement Party for Customer Service Representatives Elaine Tillman & Pat Townsend, hosted by Tracie Ruffolo. Flyers will be distributed at our next Chapter Luncheon.

Get Well Wishes to JoAnn Hall & David Leighty. We hope you're both feeling better soon.

Calendar:

Nov. 18 - 6:30 p.m. - Starlight Theater presents Singin' In The Rain - Cost \$41.00

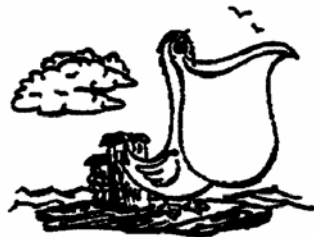
Dec. 6 - Christmas Party Luncheon - Conway United Methodist Church - 3401 S. Conway Rd. - Orlando

Dec. 9 - 6:30 p.m. - Starlight Theater presents A Starlight Holiday Spectacular - Cost \$36.00

Oct. 13 - 24, 2007 - Sail the Black Sea Discovery on the Avalon Waterways Poetry. For details on these trips please contact: Stan Halterman at (407) 852-6773.

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Our summer monthly breakfast get-togethers have come to an end. The Pelican Drop-Ins are looking forward to resuming our luncheon meetings in Oct. on the 1st Fri. of every month.

Our Speakers Bureau, headed by Jerry Pryde, is busy setting up an interesting schedule of speakers beginning with our 1st meeting. We hope to see as many as possible & many new members for our 1st meeting of the season.

Calendar:

1st Fri. of the Month

Luncheon meeting at: Sabal Springs Golf and Racquet Club (Oct.-April)

Breakfast meeting at Perkins Restaurant, North Fort Myers (May-Sept.)

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First I would like to mention that the Concord model in United colors shown in the Aug. Newsletter was donated by our Chapter founder Herm Kline.

Our informal summer lunches were a success with good attendance and fellowship.

Our “regular season” will start in Oct., as always on the second Thurs. of the month.

Calendar:

Oct. 12 - Anna Maria Oyster Bar Landside, 6906 14th St. W., Bradenton, FL

Nov. 9 - The Beachhouse, 200 Gulf Dr. Bradenton Beach, FL

Dec. 14 - Twin Dolphin Marina Grill, Memorial Pier, 1200 1st Ave. West, Bradenton

If you are in the area and would like to join us, please call to make sure there have been no changes.



TAMPA BAY

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Mike Rice opened our Sept. meeting.

TRAVEL - Jon Wilkinson reported on a wonderful trip he had to Vancouver & through the Rockies. Mike Marvett reported on his trip to and from CLE.

PICNIC - Beverly Alderdice reported on the Oct. 2 picnic & reminded everyone to please sign up. If bringing a guest, please indicate as such. Unfortunately due to scheduling conflicts we will be unable to take the boat ride, also Debbie that does our desserts, her son was just sent to Iraq so she asked the members for prayers for his safety.

WEST COAST LUNCHEON - Mike Marvett reported on the West Coast Luncheon which will be held Feb. 12, 2007. After discussion & a vote it was decided to hold the luncheon at the Seven Springs Country Club in Pasco County. Those interested in playing golf after lunch could bring their clubs as the course is open to the public.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - Terri Breslin reported on the Christmas Luncheon, flyers are in the mail. The price is \$14.50 including tax & gratuity. The donation this year will go to Juvenile Diabetes. Entertainment will be The Hudson Middle School Jazz Group. Flo Reveillac asked if we could take some extra money out of our Treasury to give to the charity as a match for what we raise.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE - Terri Breslin advised she sent a card to Bill Linehan who is recuperating at home.

Calendar:

Nov. 6 - Regular meeting at Buddy Freddy's 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 4 - Christmas Lunch at Spartan Manor - New Port Richey 11:30 a.m.

Jan. 8 - Regular meeting at Buddy Freddy's 10:00 a.m.

Feb. 12 - West Coast Lunch (details to follow)

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We are back after our summer vacations. We hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. Our first meeting of the new season was Sept. 5 at Johnny's Restaurant. We started off with a small crowd as all of our snowbirds are not back from their summer homes.

Brought back by popular request, in lieu of our Oct. 3 meeting at Johnny's, we will meet on the Palm Beach Princess for a fun day of gambling & activities. An invitation will be mailed to each member with times & information.

On a sad note, once again we have lost one of our members. Gus Dodenhoff passed away on Aug. 14, at Martin Memorial Medical Center in Stuart, FL. Gus retired from JFK Cargo. He will be sorely missed. Condolences can be sent to his wife, Barbara at, 791 Pine Tree Lane, Palm City, FL 34990.

Calendar:

Oct. 3 - In lieu of the meeting at Johnny's, Palm Beach Princess Gambling/Buffer.

Nov. 7 - Meeting at Johnny's Restaurant at 11:30. 7180 US 1 (Federal Highway), Port St. Lucie, FL - (772) 878-2686

Dec. 5 - Holiday Party at Johnny's at 6:00 pm, in lieu of 11:30 meeting. Additional info to follow.

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37 attended the lunch at The Fire Mountain Restaurant in Newnan, GA on Sept. 6. We had so many this month we had to have more tables brought in for the people that attended. The buffet was the popular choice & was, as usual, very good. We had some members in attendance that had not been there in quite a while. We were glad to see Frank Phillips, Ken Rakestraw, Gary Tuttle, Wormie Bowling, back from being on the sick list, along with Ron & Marge Heider. Pres. Sandy Lis held a short business meeting & discussed our picnic next month at Sweetwater Creek State Park in Lithia Springs, GA. Our Chef Extraordinaire, Ray Owen, volunteered to be the cook once again. Hamburgers, Hot dogs, &, of course, his famous Red Hots. All the food & drinks will be provided by the Flyers Chapter. Games will be a part of the day. Many thanks to Barbara Russey & Sandy for their hard work and planning that went into this picnic.

Sandy is still in negotiations with some restaurants near the airport for a permanent meeting place. Some of the guidelines were mentioned for those who would be traveling by air, as to what was allowed in carry-on bags in this present environment of Orange Alert. Elmer Koldoff let every one know about the Georgia Air Show that will be at Falcon Field in Peachtree City, GA on Oct. 14 & 15 for those interested in attending.

Calendar :

Nov. - Meeting location has not been decided upon as yet.

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BOISE GEMS

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We had a good turnout for our Labor Day lunch, in place of our usual first-Mon. meeting. The Casa Mexico people served up some excellent authentic Mexican meals, & 25 GEMS won't be hungry again for a while. **Bob (Robert E.) Smith** arrived with his daughter, **Sandi Hawk**, & was met with a round of applause. His cancer is in remission, he is getting stronger by the day. He's a survivor, it was great to have him with us again, after too long an absence. **Louise Haugen**, a fighter also, was with us, after more back surgery & 6 days in the hospital. She was released wearing a full "clam-shell" brace in late July. She told us that her husband (**Ossie**) & her daughters (**Verla, Tracie & Julie**) have been taking good care of her. They are all looking forward to the day when the doctor will remove the brace.

Other GEMS have been busy living, traveling, entertaining, & enjoying their retirement, except for **Joe & Joan Varady**, who are at home in Garden Valley, protecting their property from the wildfires threatening the area. **Louise Duvall**, on the other hand, had "a vacation of a lifetime", spending a week on a houseboat on Lake Powell, with her son, daughter-in-law, granddaughter, & a number of his friends. **Ned Yundt** was kept busy in Aug., being organist for two weddings, one of which was for her granddaughter. **Shirley Law**'s family visited for a week, celebrating birthdays – hers & her granddaughter's. **Dave Adams** has had a busy summer driving his company's tour busses. **Bud & Pat Peters** are back from their Montana vacation. Pat was thrilled to catch a 14" trout.

Pete & Dorothy Trock have returned from a cruise through the Scandinavian countries. Dorothy reported that the cruise was wonderful, but getting home was very trying. It took them 3 days to get out of Amsterdam. When they arrived ORD, flights were delayed & canceled due to weather in the east. Once home, they received the good news that their son **Tony Trock** had graduated from the police academy & is now a full-fledged CA police officer.

Marlene Croghan visited friends & family in KS & TN, & attended a 50th wedding anniversary. Planes full both coming & going. **Gloria Trotter** will celebrate her 75th birthday by attending the interline airline party in LAS in Dec. **Rick & Shirley Dempsey** entertained **Bob & Karen Devlin** on their first trip to BOI. Rick & Bob worked together in SFO in the good-old days. The Demseys had a BBQ party for them, also attended by **Joe & Joan Vardy**, & **Denny Snyder**. The Demseys also entertained Shirley's cousin & his wife, who are from Petaluma, CA. It was their first trip to BOI.

Sharon Kolins announced that we have a date for our Christmas party. She called on **Shirley Dempsey**, who is chairing the event. She provided us with the general details, & promised to give us the specifics in a mailer to members shortly. Mark your calendars. It will be at the Owyhee Plaza Hotel in downtown Boise, Tue., **Dec. 5**.

Calendar:

Oct. 2 - 9 a.m. breakfast at JB's in Meridian

Nov. 6 - 9 a.m. breakfast at JB's in Meridian

Dec. 5 - Christmas party

ILLINOIS

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In a response to a letter from Linda Fredrick of Westminster, CO, that was published in the Aug. issue of the RUAEA Newsletter concerning her cause to raise donations to purchase teddy bears for Victim's Advocates around the country, it was decided to take up a collection at the Northsiders breakfast to send to Linda toward the purchase of some of the teddy bears. Northsiders generously donated to this cause & money was sent to Linda. Our gracious hostess & employees at Artemis Restaurant also made generous donations. Thanks to Marlene Anderson, Jim Sommerfield & Jo Ann Giannini for their assistance in setting up this collection on the spur of the moment. Linda has responded to thank us for our kind gift as follows:

"Dear Mr. Surma & the Chicago Skyliners,

Thank you for the kind & generous gift toward my teddy bear project. I am overwhelmed by the kindness & goodness of so many people in helping fund this drive. I appreciate your gift deeply.

My daughter would be so thrilled by this. She loved other people & was such a gentle spirit. It brings all of us great comfort to help others at the time of immense suffering and pain. The work of the Victim's Advocates is so vital in helping people to ground for a bit during immense confusion & anguish.

I will be sending as much money as I can get to help buy these bears for them; sending a cover letter about how the "Teddy bear Tea" began, about Tracey, also why I believe the most significant thing a person can do, is to give life to their memory. It helps the wound to heal, they do not feel alone or outside of life's mainstream. Most importantly, they begin to see they are not insignificant.

I will always be a mother of a murdered child, but my child's memory will always be; I will use her life & her death to help others who have lost someone. I encourage you to write me if you would like to remember someone significant in your life, whom you may have lost as well. You should let me know who they are, what role they played in your life, what their dreams & aspirations were. Your memory note will be included with my daughter's cover letter to a victim family, to let them know that they are not forgotten or alone. Others have passed through this journey as well, that love & kindness can heal the wounds.

Again I thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Linda Fredrick

DENCS – Retired

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It is with sorrow that we learned of the death of Lynn Kmiecek on Aug. 24. Lynn had been hospitalized for 4 months & passed away from complications following open heart surgery. Sympathy cards for Lynn's mother, Georgya Schneider & Lynn's sons, John, Jeffery & Steve Collins, can be sent to 2803 Campbell Street, Rolling Meadows, IL. 60008. Georgya is also a United retiree. Lynn worked in WHQKF as a baggage service agent at United.

The usual big crowd attended breakfast at Artemis in Aug. The group welcomed Jean Mueller as the newest person joining the group. Jean retired in Dec. 1987, was a mechanic & is currently a member of RUAEA.

NOTE: Schedule Change - The bus departure of the Chicago Food Depository Volunteer Group that left on the 1st Mon. of each month from the United Training Center now has been changed to leave on the **FIRST WED.** of each month at 9 a.m. This group of volunteers begin their trip from World Headquarters & joins with volunteers from the Southside group to sort & package donated foods such as sausages, vegetables, pastas & any imaginable food that is served in restaurants for Pantry distribution stations for the needy. This is a day that is really enjoyed by all. Snacks & drinks are provided also you are encouraged to bring a light lunch. The group returns to World Headquarters around 3 p.m. Ron Pryor always welcomes new volunteers, now that the Fall months are with us, why not give this kind of volunteering a try? Give Ron a call at (847) 541-5729, he will give you more information.

Phyllis Capuzelo, for the 2nd time, donated tickets for a play at Drury Lane Theatre. The play was Ten Little Indians. Happy recipients of the tickets were Ed & Bonnie Meyer.

Many retirees have asked about the well being of Ron Madsen. Cards can be sent to Ron at 8040 Cardinal Lane, Waconia, Minnesota 55387.

My partner-in-crime for the morning greeting at Artemis Restaurant, JoAnn Giannini, was not with us in Sept. due to a double whammy – surgery on both feet. JoAnn say “ouch” and she hopes to see everyone in Oct.

Our Fall Skyliners gathering will be a luncheon held at the Meridian Banquet Hall on Oct. 9, in Rolling Meadows, beginning with cocktails at 11:30. Flyers will be in the mail giving directions & menu selections. We hope everyone can make this luncheon. It is always an enjoyable event to mingle with people you remember or meet new retiree friends. On Wed. continue your socializing at the morning breakfast at Artemis.

27 attended the Southsiders breakfast in Aug. There were 4 new visiting retirees: Frank Mancini & Dennis Zachara from Air Freight, Juanita Sokol from International Reservations & Marlene Lees from Customer Service. Other visitors were Midwest Director, Carol Faust & her husband Bob. Agnes & Bob Pearson are planning a trip to Iceland, promised everyone to give their report at the next gathering.

Calendar:

Oct. 4 – Chicago Food Depository – New bus departure date-leaving United Training Center at 9:00 a.m.

Oct. 9 – **Skyliners Fall Luncheon** – Meridian- Rolling Meadows 11:30 a.m. Flyers will be in the mail

Oct. 11 – **Northside Breakfast** – Artemis Restaurant at 9:00 a.m. Golf & Busse Hwy., Mt. Prospect, IL.

Oct. 31 – **Southside Brunch** – at Grandma Sally's Pancake House, 8500 South Harlem Ave., Bridgeview, IL. at 10:00 a.m.

Dec. 12 – Annual Skyliners Christmas luncheon with entertainment. Avalon Banquets - flyers will be mailed in Nov.

INDIANA

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During the past month, Ron & I have entertained our 2 grandchildren who came from Okla. City to visit us for 2 weeks. As much as we love them, it wasn't so hard to drive them back to Okla. Once there, we visited with our youngest son for a week then headed south to Houston to visit our other son for a week. Have to always keep the visit time equal to prevent sibling rivalry ... still!

Ron & I have missed the past 2 meetings & to be totally honest, I haven't the foggiest idea of what has been going on. I've had no time to find out because we no more than arrived home from our so-called "vacation" & we are heading to CHI to celebrate Ron's mother's 84th birthday. This thing called "retirement" sure is exhausting!

The only news I can pass on to you is the dates & times of our next meetings. Those dates to remember are listed in the Calendar section

Calendar:

The Indy Racers meet the 2nd Monday of each month at the Golden Corral, 2224 E. Hadley Rd. in Plainfield. Meetings begin at 3:00 but access to our own room is open at 2:00 so you can enjoy lunch before the meeting. We welcome all new members also those just passing through. Hope to see you there!

Oct. 9 – Meeting

Nov. 13 – Meeting

Dec. 11 – Meeting

Dec. 16 – Annual Christmas Party

MASSACHUSETTS

NOR'EASTERS

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The Nor' Easters annual summer picnic was attended by 34 members & guests. Again, a perfect weather day, lounging atop a hill overlooking Salem harbor. One couldn't ask for anything better. To look out and see all those wonderful sailboats, just sitting there while their owners are out working to pay for them. Isn't retirement wonderful? We were happy to see Don Simard return to a meeting after medical treatments. Don also serves as our very capable auctioneer for the white elephant items. There seemed like a lot of happy winners at the auction. The 50/50 was won by Bruce Eddy & Elaine Vanderwal. Yours truly won the free luncheon. This was the 4th picnic for 12 year old Amy, Ed & Marge LeClair's grand daughter, who feels this picnic is arranged for her benefit.

Speaking of grandchildren, Don & Joan Simard now have a great-grand daughter, Jasmine. Ron & Joyce Heisler now have 2 great-grand children.

Helmut Umbley attended the 40th reunion of the crew of the USS Hancock, on which he last served in 1966, on a Vietnam cruise. This was his first reunion attendance. They held a memorial service/luncheon on the USS Yorktown, itself a museum, toured Ft. Sumpter & Charleston SC. The affair was elegant with 277 crew members. Most noted was 97 year old John Finn, Medal of Honor winner from Pearl Harbor who served on the Hancock until 1945.

Bob & Judy Austin have spent most of the summer at their Lake Bunganut cottage, in Lyman ME. Paul & Mary Ward will be flying to Italy to pick up a Medaterranean cruise, after that, on to FL as snow birds. Bruce & Carleen Eddy are heading to Cabo San Lucas. Neither couple is even considering a pass. They have confirmed reservations off-line. Bob & Susan DiPippo have 3 cruises planned for the winter months, 2 to the Caribbean, then around the Hawaiian Islands.

Talked with George Mavreles, who hasn't attended several meeting, unusual for him. He advised he's been in and out of a hospital, but plans on attending the Oct. meeting.

Our sad news is the death of Jerry Dacey on Aug. 8, husband of Mary Clifford Dacey. Our condolences Mary.

Calendar:

Oct. - Luncheon meeting in Plymouth MA, date to be announced

Dec. 13 - Christmas Party, Angelica's, Middleton MA

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Not much to report this month. Our Sept. meeting is yet to be, however ... we do have a new escapee, namely Judith Krantz (Barnes). Judith retired from DTWRR, March 2004. Welcome to the **Chapter** Judith. (*Jo, are you proud of me, I remembered we are a chapter?*)

Continue to keep in your prayers Joanne Maass, who feels with our prayers they will soon find a cure for whatever is causing her exhaustion. As of now it seems like transfusions are what keeps her going. Also John Schick who has shed his cast, however, his foot still has not mended - he may have to have an operation in the future. Plus, Uncle Arthur is still tormenting him. Love & prayers to Joanne @ P.O. Box 1274, Orting, WA 98360-1274 & to John @ 22621 E. 12 Mile Rd., St. Clair Shores, MI 48081-2505.

Calendar:

1st Thurs. of month, location varies, please call or e-mail.

MINNESOTA

NORTHERN LITES

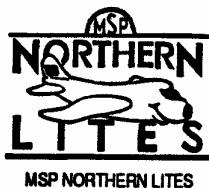
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We had our Aug. get-together on a glorious, beautiful day at Lyle & Sonja Gunderson's farm near Baldwin, WI. (How come the weather's always beautiful when THEY host it & always rains when the Glattlys host it?) We had a good turnout, everyone seemed to enjoy the venue, the food, the weather & each other's company. We were surprised & happy to see Marie Huemoeller, used-to-be-Minnesotan & retiree from the SFO area, Donna Gray's Mom, Bea, & still-active UA employees Mark & Pat Juberien & their girls.

Some of us were making bets as to whether Larry & Eleanor Mousel would join us, since they only live about 5 miles from the Gundersons. They did! We sure enjoyed visiting with them again. Another couple of faces we hadn't seen in awhile were the Mortons, & "Mort" looked better than we could have expected, given the ordeal he & Glenda been through. Make that "ordeals" (plural). They're tough, though, & keep bouncing right back.

OK, everyone, time to get the prayer chains going again. Clyde & Marion Anderson are both ailing. Jan Hannah's Mom is going through a very rough patch right now, so, of course, are Jan & Bob.

For those who haven't received their 2006 updated regional alumni list, several copies will be available at the monthly lunches, or contact Connie for a copy.

Calendar:

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.

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What a great time at the Fish & Game Club. I think the extremely hot weather kept a number of people from coming, but it was very nice with a cool breeze coming in off the lake. Thanks to Larry & Sharon Farrell, Keith Cornish & Tony Sortino for doing all the cooking – it was a great treat. There were 35 who certainly enjoyed it.

We were happy to see Mike & Marianne Blasco from Mandan, ND. In fact, they joined our retiree group so please add them to your roster. Their address is 2209 Westview Place, S.E., Mandan, ND 58554, phone (701) 667-9990, e-mail address is mike2marianne@aol.com

We had to say goodbye to Ken & Sandy Bender. They will be leaving for their new home in Hemet, CA in two weeks. Through information from our chapter in the RUAEA Newsletter, they have already received an invitation to join the chapter out there. We wish them the best of luck in their new adventure.

Calendar:

Oct. 3 - D&K Gretna Café, Hosted by Tony & Jackie Sortino

Nov. 7 - Piccolo Pete's

Dec. 5 - Christmas Party at Anthony's

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Aug. 8 luncheon/meeting at Ellis Island was attended by 30 members, this included our regular guest, Olive Cox.

After a nice lunch, items of discussion at the meeting were mainly on if we are going to survive as a Chapter, we have a volunteer for treasurer; we need one to volunteer for Pres. This is an opportunity to have your say at the RUAEA Presidents' meeting or even to be elected president of the RUAEA System!

Our sad news is: Donna Cicco lost her battle, passed away on Aug. 18. Send condolences to Felix Cicco at 4997 Mascaro Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89122.

On a happier note, Lois Fox had hip surgery, feels a lot better than she has felt for quite a while.

Oct. meeting at the Ellis Island will be our last meeting at that location. Michael Vasko is looking at a new location with meeting possibilities.

The Christmas Party will be held at South Coast Hotel & Casino on Dec. 12, 11:30 a.m. details later. Note: Since the contract of our Christmas luncheon, the South Coast Casino switched ownership & is no longer of the Coast Casino group. They will call it "South Point Casino".

We canceled the meeting set for Sept. 12, & had one on Aug. 8, & will have one Oct. 10, we apologize for this confusion but we wanted to continue with our regularly scheduled agenda.

Calendar:

Oct. 10 - The Ellis Island Village Pub, 4178 Koval Ln., Las Vegas, NV 89109 - (702) 733-8901

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There were 55 attendees at our Aug. picnic at Sand Harbor, including about 8 or so from the Sacramento Gold Diggers. Our current Division Rep. Ron Bertacini & his wife Barbara also our past Rep. Bob Cuff & his wife were in attendance. Unfortunately, the Kellers were unable to attend - Aidia had a bad ear infection. Hope to see them soon.

The weather was beautiful, company was great. Thank you to everyone for bringing such delicious food to share - everything was wonderful.

Thanks to our chefs - Duncan Scaife & Joe Robinson plus their assistant Nancy Scaife. Regretfully, Joe suffered some heat burns from the cooking. I am happy to say that it is not life threatening. Just call him "Flashburn" Joe. Next year we will invest in some heavy cooking aprons for our chefs.

Thanks also to Mary Withers for gathering most of our supplies together.

A very sincere thank you goes to our early set up crew: Kathy Robinson, Nancy Scaife, Jim & Roberta Wagoner.

RUAEA: The dates for the 2007 convention are slightly adjusted - May 27 to June 2 & will be in Sacramento.

THANK YOU TO JOHN BROWN FOR PRODUCING THE SIERRA ROUNDUP NEWSLETTER FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS.

John & I will be producing & distributing the newsletters until someone else is elected or volunteers.

The winner of the 50/50 was Ethan Gillooly. Wine was won by: John Brown, Katherine Maria, Duncan Scaife & Elizabeth Haws. Aug. birthdays were celebrated by: Barry Starkey, June Hudgens & Pat Zoboli.

New Address: Gladys Lange, 221 S. High Point Rd. #216, Madison, WI 53717 & Duncan Thompson, 1915 Bechtol Ridge Circle, Reno, NV 89523, 775-746-4873..

Calendar:

Dec 11- CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON. Cocktails at noon, with luncheon at 12:30.

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The Gardenstaters Chapter met on Aug. 30 for their annual picnic at Merrill Park, in Colonia, NJ. The weather was not favorable but the rain held off, 47 people attended. Everyone enjoyed the food, had fun playing games & winning prizes. President Confer mentioned that Larry Clark from Red Bank passed away & Mario Bummara is in the Hospital. Al Evaskitis was named Volunteer of the year for the Middlesex County Fair.

Several people went on Sept. 11 to the dedication of the memorial for United Flight 93 in Shanksville, PA. The monument is just about completed, with pictures of the crew engraved on the monument.

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Our chapter Pres., Jim Richardson, led the membership in a moment of silence for the passing of Gus Dodenhoff. Gus retired from United JFKFF & moved to FL where the fishing & boating are year round. The N.Y. Metros send their prayers & sympathy to Barbara & the Dodenhoff family.

Fred Jones sent a thank you note for the basket of fruit he received after his stay in the hospital for knee surgery. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. We expect to see Fred at the Christmas Party in Dec.

Once again the grape vine is sending us messages, Dan Duran has turned in his drivers' license to the MVB. If any one lives in the Astoria area, perhaps you can share a ride with Dan.

Mike Maddi is adjusting to Southern Comfort. He still hasn't hooked up to the internet again.

Lou Ricci has his arm in a sling. He must be looking for I TIME.

Cassie Manelski's nephew Joe Tereshinski is quarterback for the Georgia "Bulldogs". Cassie has a very large family with relatives all over the country. Joe has his own cheering section at each away from home game.

Next month the Metros will be looking for nominations for the Arthur Shepherd President's award. We'll also need names for the office of VP and Treas.

The only couple traveling is Anthony & Eleanor Locastro. They love the SFO area.

12 members had birthdays in Sept. On the top of the list is Dan Mahon he'll be 81 on the 18th, Elizabeth Smith will be 81 on the 25th, Charlie Kaczinski will be 82 on the 23rd, Diana Arena will have the BIG 86 on the 20th.

Jim Richardson had a little trouble with his elementary arithmetic, he had the following couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries two years later than the actual dates. "So sorry" said Jim: MaryAnn & Frank Ferrara married 50 years on Sept. 30, Laura & John Muller 51 years of wedded bliss on Sept. 3, Ruth & Elliott Olenick broke the glass on 9/25/48, 58 years ago.

Calendar:

Oct. 4 - 12 noon Asian Buffet, Hicksville, N.Y.

Nov. 1 - 12 noon Asian Buffet, Hicksville, N.

Dec. 6 - Christmas Party \$25.00 PP, 12 noon Millerridge Inn, Jericho, N.Y.

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This is a final reminder that the Loonies Fall meeting will be held in Door County, WI Oct. 17-20.

The block of rooms which had been reserved for us has been fully booked, so we are assured a wonderful turnout. (Once again, isn't it great!). If those of you who will be attending have not yet received it, a packet is in the mail for you with maps, directions, etc. If there are any last minute decisions to attend, please phone me now, I'll do everything I can to find some accommodations for you. Our hotel had only a few rooms left at the end of Aug., so you will most likely be at a different location, just so you are aware.

Finally, I have not heard from anyone requesting an alternative meal for the Fish Boil, so we are signed up 100% for fish unless I hear from you right away. So drive safely, remember a warm sweater or jacket; we'll see everyone very soon.

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The Annual brunch at Sweetwater Landing in the Metro Parks was held on Sept. 6. Three ladies, Pat Hendy, Anne Fiedler & Reta Hammer have been hosting this annual brunch for some time. Thanks ladies for your sincere dedication in hosting this event.

On Sept. 5, Carol & Bob Faust arrived in CLE. Pres. Carol Hacker & her husband Ray played host. On Sept. 6 Carol & Bob attended the brunch at Sweetwater Landing. Carol is the Midwest Regional Director for RUAEA. She discussed the Annual Convention. There was a question & answer period regarding whatever health insurance questions members have.

I can't believe its time to make plans for 2007. As of right now the month of April is still open. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact one of the officers. We thank all of the people that volunteered to host a month next year.

Calendar:

Nov.1 - Maya Mexican Restaurant (formerly La Hacienda) 368 West Bagley Rd., Berea. Pre-paid.

Dec. 6 - Christmas Party, Copper Top at Cherokee Hills, Valley City. Dinner served in the Panoramic Banquet Room Upstairs. There is an elevator available. Pre-paid.

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There were 86 at our Aug. meeting & too many no shows. Please, if you unable to attend let either Dave Smith or the Lunch Princess know so that an accurate meal count can be given to the restaurant.

It was nice to see Janice Ward, 1993 PDXCS retiree & Chris Czaplewski, Pres. of the LAS Gamblers at the meeting. Janice was a guest of Louise Robillard, Chris came with Linda Tracy.

It seems to have worked. After much pleading & begging there is a long list of illnesses & surgeries this month. Connie Bauer (Bob) has shingles, Ken Anderson (Joan) surgery, Eric Brotherton (Joan) had a pacemaker installed, Anita Donaldson (John) surgery, Beverly Markland surgery & Marilyn Woods (Bob) heart surgery at UCLA Medical Center. I hope by the time this article is read all of you will have fully recovered.

Remember the Oct. meeting is election of Officers & Ice Cream Social. Our Nov. meeting will be the annual Thanksgiving luncheon with members bringing their delicious desserts. It was decided by a majority vote to have a Dec. Christmas Dinner. There will be more information on the dinner in my column next month.

The travel desk at PDX is open 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Mon/Wed/Fri (503) 249-4142 and (503) 249-4143 for the PDX area. Calls from outside our (503) area code please use 1-888-278-7038. They can assist you with listing and load information.

Calendar:

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

Oct. 11 - Election of Officers & Ice Cream Social

Nov. 8 - Thanksgiving Luncheon

Dec. - Christmas Dinner

OUR CLUB

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All 21 OUR Club members who gathered at Si Casa Flores Restaurant in Grants Pass on Aug. 4 were expressing relief that the record heat wave had passed - along with the entire rest of the nation. Lon & Yvonne Vigil were our gracious hosts for the Aug. meeting, special thanks to them for arranging the luncheon after having been out of state for an extended period. One of our members, who had recently returned from a summer of traveling, talked about the wonderful experience of attending the RUAEA convention in Washington, DC.

Robert & Judy Machado were hosts for the annual OUR Club picnic at Tom Pearce Park on Sept. 8. We were particularly pleased to welcome Jack & Nancy Hooper and Tom & Pat Harvey as our special guests. Jack is the newly elected Northwest Region Director, Tom is a past Northwest Region Director. They came down from the Vancouver, WA/Portland, OR area to join us.

Calendar:

Oct. 6 - TBA hosted by Marge Calkins

Nov. 3 - TBA hosted by Doe Pope

Dec. 1 -- TBA

PENNSYLVANIA



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Happy Halloween - Tempus fugit. Soon we will all be sled riding again - Brrr!

Our Fall luncheon will have been held on Oct. 6 & will be covered next month.

Pittsburgh suffered a great loss last month in the passing of our mayor Bob O'Conner. Bob was not only the Mayor of Pittsburgh, but of western PA. A tragic loss to all who knew him. We held a special kinship with him as Muff Deaver former PITRR was his uncle. We offer our prayers & condolences to the family.

PITCG lost our "BIG BIRD" - John Paul Giacomelli passed away in VA last month. Condolences can be sent to wife Judy at 1301 Bockinham Station Dr. Apt #30, Midlothian, VA 23113. John was known for his yellow rain gear on the ramp - thus Big Bird.

Best wishes to Ted Polinsky who had recent back surgery. I am sure Mary is taking good care of him. Ted's address is 107 Silver Maples Ave., Houston, PA 15342.

Diane Weber - wife of Jim is also recuperating from back surgery, Jim is such a great nurse. I am sure Diane would love to hear from her friends at 2137 Forest Grove Rd., Coraopolis, PA 15108.

Last but not least - Smiling Jim Doolan is recuperating in Allegheny General Hospital. Jim had heart valve surgery - 129 Greenlea Dr., Coraopolis, PA 15108

As to my update - I have graduated to a cane & can drive once again - much to Bernie's delight.

Calendar:

Dec. 8 - Christmas Luncheon - Marriott

TENNESSEE

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Aug. 17 was our recent breakfast at Shoney's Restaurant in West Knoxville. Members who have flown since the arrests in Great Britain report that check-in went smoothly & there were few delays. It's hard to believe summer is almost over. Most of us have either had family for visits or have visited family in other parts of the U.S.

Nancy Krop is out of the hospital and doing ok.

Calendar:

Oct. 19 - 9:30 EST, breakfast at Shoney's Restaurant on Lovell Rd. in West Knoxville. Take Exit 374 off I40-75 south toward Kingston Pike for one block.

Nov. 16 - 12:30 EST. Hosts and location to be announced.

Dec. 21 - 9:30 EST, breakfast at Shoney's Restaurant on Lovell Rd.

UTAH



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On Aug. 16, 27 chapter members met for the annual Sugar House Park potluck picnic & everyone enjoyed the good weather, company, & conversation.

George Dalton, next to supplying the soda drinks, also brought many dozens of Krispy Kream donuts that were divided up at the end of the summer feast.

Chapter Pres. Doug Peterson put to the vote of all present revelers that, in one of the next local quarterlies, Editor Art Scott publish a list of chapter members so that other members might be able to contact their former coworkers, many of whom are not in the best of health & cannot often come to the meetings. The motion was seconded by all present.

Another suggestion was put forward: As we are all getting up in age (and younger UAL retirees are not swarming to join the chapter), it may be easier for us to meet more often at the Murray Heritage Center, with an occasional restaurant visit. More info will emerge after the next meeting with additional discussions about next year's meeting schedule.

We welcomed some of our regulars who, of late, had not been very "regular" due to ill health: Dorothy Brown; Lila Maughan; Darlene Cantonwine; chapterVP Betty Davis. We were also glad to see Eldon/Doris Rasband, as well as Art's friend, Carol. However, we missed Jerry Hugentobler & wife Barbara who had spoken with Doug Peterson & thought they might come & join us. Hopefully, Jerry is coming along nicely with additional therapy.

Ernie & Marjorie Rowbotham's family had thoughtfully put a public "greeting card" in the local newspaper to tell friends that he was celebrating his 80th birthday. Congratulations, Ernie!

In last month's report it was indicated that Lila Maughan's caregiver, her daughter Janalee, was in town to help her mother during the surgery recuperation period. In the national newsletter Janalee was promoted to "Dr." Janalee and, it is believed, she was rather pleasantly surprised at this change from "daughter" to "doctor." Maybe this accounts for her mother's excellent recovery!

Detected in town from Scottsdale, AZ, were former chapter Pres. Roger Veillette & wife Bonnie, to whom was extended an invitation to join us at the park picnic; however, they declined the offer because there were too many remodeling projects they were helping their son & family to accomplish in the short time they were visiting SLC.

Your chapter secy. is not going to attend next month's SLC meeting, as she will be on her way to join the *Clipped Wings'* DEN convention of former & current F/As (9/20-23, 2006).

Calendar:

Oct. 18 - Lunch, 2pm, Golden Corral, 7200 S. 700 E., SLC.

Nov. 15 - Coffee - 10am, Murray Heritage Ctr.

WASHINGTON

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EMERALD CITY SLICKERS



This summer has been warm, the hottest SEA has recorded June through Aug., less than 1/3 inch of rain. The picnic in Aug. was a huge success with beautiful catering & plenty of good food.

Just learned that our Pres. George Weseman took a very bad fall from a ladder at home & was taken to Harbor View Hospital to the ICU. A telephone chain is asking people to send cards to his home: 3542 Hampton Way, Kent, WA 98032-9171. His wife Mary & son Alec will keep us posted.

Another member, Dick Kurtz spent 3 weeks at Virginia Mason hospital with pneumonia. Just as he was ready to leave, they discovered cancer, decided on chemo & radiation. His wife, Anne, wrote saying he would love to get cards & phone calls - 37625 37th Ave., Auburn, WA 98001-8739. Phone: (253) 874-8223.

Others still mending & healing are Pat Wagner, Vi Gray & Dick Waterous.

Ken Rudzinski has 3 full days of tours Sept. 8-10 set up for about 150 WWII pilots that trained in Texas in 1950-1951.

A reunion for any SEARR agents has been scheduled for Sat. Oct. 21 at the Kona Kitchen. No host. Sue Crane has arranged this.

The SEA Travel desk enjoys your call. Local (206) 433-4218, Mon/Tu/Wed/Thur/ 10 AM – 2 PM. Out of area – 1-888-826-3375.

Calendar:

Oct. 10 – Fairwood Golf & Country Club

Nov. 14 – Fairwood Golf & Country Club

Dec. - No activity

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The annual summer picnic was hosted at the home of Bob & Edie Clark which is located on the beautiful Pend O'Reille River. It was co-hosted by their next door neighbors & UAL retirees Tom & Mary Sullivan. The weather was perfect for a picnic, not too hot, just right! The food was excellent however, the company was even better. It was the first get-together for us since the Christmas Party. Bob's gorgeous 90 year young mom was there, to look & feel as good as she does makes all of us envious.

Pauline Miller, one of the attendees offered to host Sept. It was held at the Northtown Mustard Seed on Sept. 10. Can't remember having a function there. They have a great menu. Lance & I are sorry we were not able to attend. We are taking our summer vacation to St. George, UT & Depot Bay, OR. I'm sure everyone had a good time at the Mustard Seed.

We almost lost Lee Anders to heart problems a couple of weeks ago. Lee retired from UA in PHX as did his wife Chris. They were able to do one more stent. Believe it or not he is feeling better than he has in a long time. He drove himself to Prescott hospital, they airlifted him by helicopter to Cottonwood. He has great things to say about the hospital in Cottonwood, they saved his life.

Fran & Warren Smith had company from Alaska (their kids). They missed the picnic & we missed them. Oh the sacrifices we make for our children! No calendar of events available.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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The summer has been hot & muggy in DC. We are hoping that the resumption of our meetings, renewals of our friendships & cooler weather will go hand in hand.

Summer travel was difficult because of heavy loads & increased security. Many Loungers waited to take their vacations until the weather was better & the loads a bit more conducive to a smooth plan of travel. The Washington Post wrote an article about increased flights out of Dulles that I thought might be of interest:

United to Increase Its Service at Dulles - Routes Join New JetBlue, Southwest Offerings By Del Quentin Wilber - Washington Post Staff Writer - Aug. 18, 2006

"United Airlines announced it was adding 22 flights at Dulles International Airport this fall, widening its operations at a travel hub in the fast-growing Northern Virginia suburbs.

The announcement came on the same day that low-cost rival JetBlue Airways began shuttle service from Dulles to New York.

The New Flights

United Airlines:

In Oct.: Three flights a week to Kuwait City; daily service to Narita, Japan; daily service to Fort Myers, FL & Tucson.

Also: Frequencies of flights to some destinations already served such as Albany, N.Y.; Hartford, Conn.; New York's LaGuardia airport & Syracuse, N.Y. will increase.

In Dec.: Daily service to West Palm Beach, FL.

JetBlue:

Started yesterday : Six daily nonstop flights to New York's JFK airport.

In Oct.: Daily service to West Palm Beach.

The airlines are aiming not only to tap the robust travel market in Northern VA but also fill a gap created by the demise in Jan. of low-cost carrier Independence Air.

The new flights follow other recent expansions of service at Dulles, which is in the center of some of the fastest-growing suburbs in the country. Southwest Airlines is scheduled to begin service out of Dulles to 4 cities in Oct.

Among United's new routes, which are scheduled to start in Oct.: 3 flights a week to Kuwait & daily service to Narita, Japan. The airline also will add service in Oct. to Tucson & Fort Myers, FL. In Dec., it plans to add a flight to West Palm Beach, FL. United will also increase flights in Nov. to some cities it already serves."

JetBlue began 6 daily nonstops to NY Kennedy International Airport, its largest hub. Airline officials said they were eager to tap the Northern VA market, giving local customers more travel options.

Dulles air traffic has grown since Independence folded - climbing from 1.5 million passengers in Feb. to more than 2 million in June, the last month airport statistics were available.

Last year, more than 27 million passengers passed through Dulles, up from 18 million in 2001.

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OBITUARIES

Retiree- **BARTLETT, Royal**, WHQ, on 12/5/05, husband of Avis, 3455 S. Corona Apt. #431, Englewood, CO 80110-2896

Retiree- **BOYD, James L.**, SFO, on 7/26/06

Retiree- **BROPHY, Ann**, NYC, on 6/20/06, mother of Michael, 13 Somerville St., Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Retiree- **CAMACHO, George**, ORD, on 7/26/06

Retiree- **CATES, Clyde M.**, SFO, on 7/31/06

Retiree- **GIAMBATTISTA, Thom B.**, LAX, on 7/30/06, husband of Susan I., 37 Punta Linda, Sandia Park, NM 87047

Retiree- **HARDEN, David L.**, EWR, on 8/18/06, husband of Janie V., 66 Essex Ln., Hiram, GA 30141

Retiree- **HUBER, Gordon E.**, DEN, on 8/15/06, husband of Mirble C., 16090 E. 13th Ave., Aurora, CO 80011

Retiree- **JEREMIAH, Earl L.**, SFO, on 6/24/06, husband of Anita F., 1622 Dolan, San Mateo, CA 94401

Retiree- **KANEMURA, Francis K.**, LAX, on 6/15/06, husband of June K., 736 W. 173rd St., Gardena, CA 90247

Retiree- **KELLY, Peter M.**, SFO, on 8/5/06, husband of Carol F., 1400 Bronco Dr., Melbourne, FL 32940

Retiree- **MARTINEZ, Eduardo H.**, SFO, on 7/21/05, husband of Eva F., 309 Laurel St., San Carlos, CA 94070
Retiree- **MC FARLAND, Neale**, SFO, on 1/1/06, husband of Ruth W., 728 Elm St. #308, San Carlos, CA 94070
Retiree- **PRINCE, Edward J.**, SFO, on 8/14/06, husband of Elsie L., 3299-0 Via Carrizo, Laguna Hills, CA 92653
Spouse- **RICHARDS, Mary R.**, on 7/15/06, wife of Wilmer R., SFO, 1421 Canberley Court, Trinity, FL 34655
Spouse- **SAMIEC, Richard M.**, on 7/1/06
Retiree- **SHIRAMIZU, Tad T.**, SFO, on 8/2/06, husband of Judy K., 286 E. Hemlock Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086
Spouse- **SMITH, Elizabeth L.**, on 7/10/06, wife of Edward E., JFK, 159 East Drive, N. Massapequa, NY 11758
Spouse- **TURNER, Rosemary**, on 11/12/05, wife of James, EXO, 282 Diamond Head Dr., Des Plaines, IL 60018
Retiree- **VERCAUTEREN, Edward R.**, DEN, on 7/23/06, husband of Judith W., 7764 S. AddisonWay, Aurora, CO 80016
Spouse- **WILCOX, Mary E.**, SFO, on 7/20/06

LETTERS

We have received Greetings & Thanks for the Newsletter from the following members:

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

Al V. Cox, 3883 N Tumbleweed Pl., Boise ID 83713-3693

Thank you Jo Madden & associates for a great Newsletter.

The Life Care Center where my wife is has so many folks in their high 90's – some 100 or more. Yet we know there is no cure for old age, though it would seem there is where Jodie resides.

George A. Sainer, 6712 Del Prado Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76133-5314

Cataract surgery this year made my world a brighter place, still stuck with glaucoma – take eye drops for that.

Entering 20th year of retirement. Some things I find are very different – one never gets a day off, never gets to pick a vacation & paydays are only once a month – gosh!

Once again am a teen – just 16 years to make a hundred. What a grand time it is?

H. R. Kline, 6440 Ravenglass Way, Sarasota, FL 34241-5429

Getting the RUAEA Newsletter is always a pleasure. Lois had her left knee replaced on 7/26/06, doing fine with rehab. We will celebrate our 55th wedding anniversary Aug. 11, 2006. We celebrated

by seeing the doctor who will be removing the staples from the surgery. July 30 I started my 20th year of retirement & my 62nd year as an employee.

It was nice to see a profit for United. Check the Aug issue of the RUAEA Newsletter under the UAL Historical Foundation. The Concord was given to me in 1968 as a gift from the Manufacture when I worked at JFK. I was very proud to make this donation to the Historical Foundation. May you all enjoy good health & happiness.

Irvin Wolfram, 4780 Volcanoville Rd., Georgetown, CA 95634-9502

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you.

When I got the mail today, I had a light go off in my head.... You forgot to send in your dues last month!

We did enjoy the Washington DC Convention very much; are looking forward to next year in Sacramento. Hope it will be as enjoyable.

Jim Simon, 2450 10 1/16th Ave., Chetek, WI 54728

Well here it is, that time of year for my annual renewal & another year of retirement. I can't express to all of you how much I enjoy receiving the monthly Newsletter & reading it from cover to cover with great interest on various chapters newsletter contributions & keeping in touch with former employees as well as being saddened by some of those acquaintances that have passed on. The service you and your staff provide to all us is simply immeasurable, I certainly appreciate all the work & effort that you all do in keeping us so informed.

I am starting my 9th year of retirement at the end of the month. Have certainly enjoyed my past eight years living here in the great North Woods of WI. My plans to head back West have changed for the time being but I will eventually downsize & return to watch the setting suns close to the Pacific when the long winters become unfavorable. Until then, I remain busy – enjoy the good life that retirement has to offer.

Once again, thanks to all of you for bringing sunshine & enjoyment monthly to me & all of us so deep in gratitude for the fine work you do.

Ron Nichols, 5712 S. Amberwood Dr., Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

Thanks to all the staff for the wonderful newsletter. I just started to get it on line after receiving in the mail since I retired in 2000. I enjoy seeing the names of the people I knew during my 33 years in SFOJJ.

I am happy to see that United made a profit & is on the road to recovery. I don't travel much these days. When you live in paradise, there's not much reason to go anywhere else. Thanks again. My email address is ronbarbnichols@netscape.com.

Edward E. Liese, 104 S. 296th Pl., Federal Way, WA 98003

I think maybe I'm ahead of time this year with my dues payment, but I'm not sure when your label get printed. I guess I'll find out when the Sept. issue gets here.

As everyone else says, thanks for the great job all of you do to keep us retirees informed about each other & happenings with the company. It's always good to read about the people you worked with over the years also to hear what they're doing today.

Andy & Mary Rusinko, 2604 Moores Corner Rd., Volant, PA 16156

We really enjoy the newsletter even though we don't get to go to the conventions. It's still nice reading about them also some facts about United. Keep up the good work.

Robert K. Woodger, 439 Keoniana St. #704, Honolulu, HI 96815-2077

It's that "Red Stamp" time of the year again! It's been 4 years since I retired. Got a letter from PBGC advising me of yet another cut this past July 2, 2006. I now have cut my travel & only fly Y class.

Sure could be nice if the corporate folks would give us 25+ yrs retirees the service - waived pass charges like we once had!

Any suggestions from fellow RUAEA members how this can be accomplished? Let's be "United" on this once! Mahalo for your hard work!

Diana Oxenford, 43290 Shoshoni Loop, Fall River Mills, CA 96028

Today on what would have been my husband's 62nd birthday, I would like to extend a very special & grateful thank you to all the UAL people who donated so generously to Jack's memorial fund. I oversaw how the money was spent. It went to purchase radios so our EMT's would have contact with the hospital when away from their vehicles. While these radios would not have enabled the EMT's to save Jack, they might help to save someone else.

I have decided it's time for me to move closer to one of our daughters. I'll be looking for a new house in the next few months, hopefully will be moved by spring.

Before Jack passed away, he had ordered a custom-built black power rifle for me. It was ready for me to pick up on my birthday. It is so beautiful with silver wire inlays & carvings that it was featured in this month's issue of Muzzle Blast magazine. I am continuing to attend the rendezvous that we enjoyed so much together.

Don Hayden, 5700 Hayden Drive, East Jordan, MI 49727

Suffering from a severe case of chronic procrastination, I let the dreaded red stamp slide by plus a couple of months besides. Please reinstate me & forgive me for my transgressions.

I still see some names I recognize in the newsletter. Unfortunately, most of them are in the obituary column. For instance Gene Sickert & Bob Griffin. I worked with Gene in the LAX Communications office for several years; with Bob while he was in the Training Dept. Howie Raasch sent me an article about macular deterioration that I found helpful. I would still like to hear from Buzz Penner via email before I turn in my computer equipment when I retire.

It will be 19 years since I left - I don't regret a minute of it. Moved into a new modular last year, have spent most of the time making lawn also setting up my garage & office.

Charles & Ardyce Paff, 3914 Parkview Dr., Cheyenne, WY 82001

Please mail the monthly newsletter to the above address.

We are moving back to Cheyenne after 58 years in CA so we will be closer to our children.

We don't want to miss the news you put out each month - you do an excellent job, we thank you.

Jean R. Landrieu, PO Box 329, Ridgefield Pk., NJ 07660

I am enclosing this year's dues & something for the postage.

Opening the August newsletter I found our friend Dolores Taylor's name in the obituaries, which was very upsetting, but as I went further into the edition, I found the names - Linda Westbrook, Charlotte Flaggs, Cecilia Paule, Carmine Ianiski, Jim Ferrance, Harold Klobe & Nancy Ferruti - all people we had worked with & remember - all thriving & living in all parts of the country. Hope springs eternal. Thanks for a great newsletter.

Duane L. Gentner, 10643 Clarkeville Way, Parker, CO 80134-9189

It's time to re-up for another year. Enjoy receiving the Newsletter via the internet. Thanks for the email reminder when each new issue is available.

I have been "officially" retired now for a bit over 10½ years. Left on 12/31/95. Returned for 5 years of consulting, left for the second (and last) time on 12/31/00.

Carole & I have confined most of our recent air travel to DEN-DTW-DEN to visit my 101 year old mother. Have made the trip 19 times in the last 30 months. We know the way. With heavy passenger loads, it's getting tougher all the time to use those BP-6's.

Keep up the good work at the office. We all appreciate what you folks do.

Cathy Gilbert-Silva, PO Box 77, Delaplane, VA 20144-0077

I actually remember dues in July. Then between family emergencies & work, the thought of dues went deep into the grey matter only to be brought to front by your kind reminder. Thank you.

I retired in 2003 with the wave of folks with UA promises never kept. Though I had 34 years of dedicated service to UA, I wasn't really ready to retire. Considering all, it seemed the best option & I don't regret the decision. Though I had 34 years & was a high time flyer most of my career, a FA's retirement isn't something one can live on. Since I'm not yet eligible for SS or IRA's, work is a must. When I read the adventures of other retirees, I am so happy for those who are able to relax, travel & enjoy their retirement. One day I may join those ranks. With a couple of job positions that didn't fulfill my personal needs, I have found enjoyment doing eldercare. One of my charges will soon be 102. Madelyn has her faculties but is unable to walk or care for herself. Her family says I spoil her. My other patient, George, is 83 with Parkinson's & Alzheimer's. His family says that I am his grounding force. I worked 12 to 14 hour days & so many of them that I am unable to attend our local chapter (Dulles Loungers) meetings. I am happy, however, to be giving something back to these folks. I'll likely continue until my back no longer allows it. And, being a baby boomer with 2 aging parents in Spokane who often need help, my life is full.

My sweetheart & I take advantage of an occasional day off to do things together besides the restoration of our 200 plus year old public house in the Blue Ridge. Though our travel is limited (we don't get paid when we're not working) we cleared time for a 25th anniversary trip to Holland & Belgium. Can you imagine he only got a passport 2 weeks before I retired! Our son, Trevor, however, took advantage of his mom's benefits & went with or without me any chance he could. He recently moved to Nashville to pursue a life of music.

So ... a hey & hi there to those I haven't seen in forever. If you wish to say hi back, my email is tlc003@erols.com. Thank you RUAEA staff for your hard work & dedication for all of us. You are terrific!

Ben F. Reed, 773 Oakmeade Dr., Vacaville, CA 95687

Well another year, number 16 - still going. Work at the museum 3 days a week, try not to think what has happened to UAL, it will never return, I don't think it is capable of even staying. Looks just like Pan Am, sell off the company to keep their lifestyle.

Better get off that, and tell you guys you do a very nice job.

Suzanne Barros, 4501 Southfield Ave., Orlando, FL 32812

Thank you for providing a way to keep up with the pertinent information. As a bonus, I have been able to keep in touch with several former work associates.

Carl Hanson, 6210 Sun Blvd., Apt. 606, St. Petersburg, FL 33715

My wife works in Tampa now so we are down there most of the year. Thanks for all your hard work with RUAEA. Recognizing more & more names every issue.

Note the address change above. Email: bzyglfn@aol.com.

Stan Halterman, 5344 Chiswick Cir., Orlando, FL 32812

My wife Barbara & I are really enjoying our retirement. We keep busy with our church also travel often. We put day & multi-day trips together for the seniors around Orlando - would welcome anyone who would like to go with us. I list everything we do in the Orlando Real McCoy's news. We both enjoy the RUAEA newsletter & look forward to it each month. Keep up the good work.

Kay & Augie Weber, PO Box 1376, Pine, AZ 85544

Thank you for doing such a good job keeping all of us informed. Aug & I both are still loving AZ. We are thankful to be in the cool pines of AZ & not in the hot desert. I am working full time at the Mazatzal Casino in Payson, AZ about 15 miles from where we live in Pine, AZ. Going back to work was not in my retirement plans, but after our losses from UAL retirement & stock, I had no choice.

We would love to hear from any of our friends or co-workers if you are in this area. One thing UAL cannot take away from us is our great memories & friendships we made during those good years.

Mary Semon, PSC 32 P.O. Box 30, APO AE 09709, mjsemon@sbcglobal.net

Hello from the Netherlands. We are currently still in Rotterdam after a fast 2 years. My dues & letter way overdue. I don't receive the newsletter so no red stamp. It was due in June but here it is now Aug. So I send the dues plus.

Life has been interesting for Louis & me. Living in Europe has been a great experience. Almost every weekend we venture somewhere. It could be Germany, Belgium or just exploring Holland. I've also become familiar with a Flemish tenor named Helmut Lotti. What a wonderful voice. We've been able to see many of his concerts now in Rotterdam, Belgium & most recently the taping of a TV special & DVD in Hamburg. It covers some Crooner songs plus some of his self written songs. It will come out in a double CD in Sept., the DVD in Nov. It was extremely hot with no air conditioning & formal attire. Needless to say it was a lot of fun. I do hope they will make this CD & DVD available to fans in the USA. I know others are difficult to get. Helmut himself is a very personable man, always meets his fans after a concert.

This month we are planning a holiday (vacation) to Cappadoccia, Turkey. Been there several times but never had time for Cappadoccia. We will also go to a seacoast resort village called Antayla. Really looking forward to this. I have also had some trips home to CA & NY, not to mention the LGACS reunion in Oct. 2005. How great to see friends from the past also renew some friendships.

Did I hear someone ask if I'm enjoying retirement? Need I answer that? Also to the staff for making this newsletter possible a big thank you. Regards to all.

Bob Marty, 728 Bradford Way, Pacifica, CA 94044-2904

Here's some money for dues & a bit for the postage fund in exchange for sending me the newsletter each month.

I don't own a computer (& never will). I still think airplanes should have piston engines and propellers.

Marie Krakowski, 268 Terrace Dr., Clarendon Hills, IL 60514-1431

Thanks for the reminder ... am sending check for dues & postages.

Missed the convention due to a 50th wedding anniversary of a dear friend in Danzig, Poland. Listed me as an honored guest. It was indeed an unusual celebration - glad that I went.

We were assigned a cottage in the woods near the sea. The celebrants cousin has Mass in the open air accompanied by a violinist & vocalist. Dinner at the Lodge with gypsy music also a program prepared by the celebrant's daughter that lasted till midnight. Spent a week in that port city -then drove to Posen (Poznan) meeting up with another UALer Christine & John Zielinski. We did get to see an excellent production of "Footloose" & an operetta "Countess Marisa"! Another week with relatives -spent a week with daughter-in-law visiting her sisters in the Quad Cities then Indianapolis. Thus far it's been a good year, let's hope it continues.

Kudos to you Jo & your staff -great job!

Roger M. Dunworth, 3117 Silva St., Lakewood, CA 90712-3011

Another year older but young at heart! Have had a great summer kayaking, jet skiing & water skiing.

Thanks for a great job at keeping us informed.

Nancy Gruber, 13607 Hawkeye Dr., Orlando, FL 32837

Made it without getting the infamous red stamp! I am amazed how quickly the year has gone. I haven't been able to do much traveling -first, the flights are so full, second, just too busy to move around much.

I'd keep my passport up-to-date, though, just in case. I do try to get to Pittsburgh as often as possible to visit family including my great grandson.

George Marshino, 3738 Sunglow Dr., Redding, CA 96001

Well, Jo Madden, (our little joke) the kid in the OPBGS group back in the 1950's in DEN has turned 80! I may look like 80 but just check the pension role I have been on the UA dole for 21 years! The first 15 years Kay & I were in SAN playing tennis & golf. We moved to Redding in 2000 to see if we could be "Grand Parents" ... we made it!

We miss seeing the familiar names in the RUAEA newsletter. Of course there are still a lot of "old timers" out there that don't write ... like me ... every 10 years or so.

John Van Reenen, 2803 SE Balboa Dr., Vancouver, WA 98683

Thanks again for your dedication & effort to put the newsletter together for us every month. I truly want to express my appreciation to you for all the fine work you are doing.

The past year has gone by with pretty good health for both of us, for which we are very thankful. I am retired now for 23 years, enjoy it very much. Due to circumstances, the RV-ing is in the past - I'm sorry about that.

Robert Byrd, 318 Louisburg St., San Francisco, CA 94112-3108

Hit 85 this year -still going strong although without my dear wife, Ruth, who passed away in Oct./01 after 51 years of a great marriage.

You people do a great job with the newsletter, I know it is well appreciated.

John Champion, 169-1 Penny Lane, Naples, FL

Betty & I have been retired for over 26 years -still think of United Airlines as our home base. Travel on the airline is not as easy as it was when I first retired, especially on United Express with computer seniority. Last year we took the cruise from Vancouver on inland waterway to Alaska. It was outstanding. A few trips to visit family but otherwise we stay in Naples, FL & love it. Thanks to the staff of RUAEA News.

Michael Blasco, 2209 Westview Pl. SE, Mandan, ND 58554-5089

The August newsletter comes not only as a reminder of being another year older, to pay my membership dues, but mainly a time to thank all the staff for the work associated in putting the RUAEA newsletter together to bring us news topics, updates & information about the company, member benefits, fellow workers also important news.

I thank the RUAEA offices for the role they have assumed with their relationship with UAL's CEO & corporate relations in communicating, negotiating, relating information in the interest of and concerns for both the company & the retirees.

A great big thank you for the convention staff of the "DC Capital Event" of 2006. All was well organized & a time of great camaraderie.

Thanks to the photographer. He did a great job. The photos printed in the Aug. newsletter provide an opportunity for those unable to attend to see some of their friends. The only disappointment was not seeing more of my comrades & fellow workers that I had come to know during my 40 years with UAL. I wish them good health & hope to see them in 2007 in Sacramento,

Another thank you goes to the OMA Cornhuskers. I had the opportunity to visit them for their Aug. meeting -really enjoyed the warm welcome, visiting & camaraderie as we recalled our days of working together.

L. R. (Chris) Christlieb, 301 7th St, Mead, CO 80542-4574

This small town where Bea (my wife) & I reside, has the distinction of being a place that many of UAL old timers would like to forget, approx. ¾ mile south of Exit 245 East of I-25 that a man, name of "Graham", decided to do away with his mother, so he stowed away a bomb on board that DC-6

airplane, just a very short distance off the freeway, the major part of the destruction was covering ½ mile in all directions. That was in the 2nd part of 1955.

I went to work for United the April before. I visited with a native of Mead, he said it was something you'll remember seeing for the rest of your life but he was a very interesting person to talk to. I was in DEN visiting a few days after the disaster as I was employed at the Maint. Base at SFO.

I really love it here. This is about 30 miles north of DEN. We moved here a few days before our 50th wedding anniversary (4/3/56); nice ranch 3-BR home, unfinished basement, (3-car garage, only have one car) but I've been doctoring for about a year now with lung cancer, not in remission as yet, hoping soon will be.

I always enjoy the newsletter every month, all you people keep up the good work.

Marylyn Camphouse, 1653 Hollingsworth Dr., Mountain View, CA 94040

I have enjoyed reading the newsletter, although most names are unfamiliar to me, my husband joined United Air Lines in 1940, passed away in 2004. He was with the company for 43½ years.

You folks are doing well in helping to keep United's family united. Keep up the good work.

Andy Overbay, 640 Grove Ave. SW #324, Cleveland, TN 37311-5759

So now I know what the red stamp looks like! As of Oct. 05 I live full time in an RV, traveling around the country. I have a 40 ft fifth wheel & pull it with a Ford F-350 super diesel power stroke V-8. It is a dream retirement for me! Finding a place to winter is first priority. Right now I'm leaning toward Summerdale, AL. I truly would like to winter in Bay St. Louis, MS, however, all the RV parks in that area are full of FEMA trailers. Amazingly the area is barely touched by rebuilding efforts! So much damage. So much red tape! After choosing an area, I stay for a month & learn all I can about that section of the country. It is an ideal lifestyle, even for a woman on her own. I get funny looks on the road, truckers toot & wave to me, young kids laugh at me. I can see other woman saying to their man "I'd never do that!" If anyone would like to ride along for a bit, let me know. The sense of FREEDOM is overwhelming!

Note the new address (andy_onwheels@aol.com). It will be more convenient to use the internet version of the Newsletter so please stop the printed version. Keep up the good work!

P.S. I'm coming up on 5 years free of breast cancer! Thank God! Thanks to all those who've prayed & held good thoughts for me!

Robert W. Moir, 35 Rosemont Ave. #102B, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010-2717

My compliments on an outstanding newsletter.

My friend Denny O'Niell surprised me with subscription, as a gift. I was so kind of him, I thoroughly enjoyed reading the current company news, also about former co-workers. Naturally, I was saddened to learn about several deaths.

Denny invited me to a wonderful evening at the Camden Yards Ball Park. An announcement was made that they were looking for the owner of a specific car. They gave the license number. That car had been chosen as the dirtiest car in the parking lot, & the owner would be given a free car wash!

"Hello" to all of the workers I knew during 40 years. I certainly would enjoy hearing from you.

I am in a nursing home, continue to have strong interest in baseball, history & old movies. I have an extensive post card collection & would welcome any additions.

I swell with pride when I reflect on my work years with United.

Von E. Gemeny, 805A Coventry Ln., Sterling, IL 61081

I look forward to receiving the newsletter every month - really appreciate all the work you put into it.

I have been retired since 1989 - still thinking of all my co-workers & friends at UAL fondly. Keep up the good work.

Dorothy Taylor Stroud, 11524 Mikado Ct., Auburn, CA 95602

I retired from SFOCS (Customer Service Clerk) in 1989. This is the first time I've written for the newsletter but have enjoyed seeing notes & names from working days for 16 years. My husband & I attended our first convention in PHX, have only missed one since. I would urge anyone to attend these wonderful events. Besides meeting new faces, it has been especially nice to see Dorothy Retzloff again, my trainer from PDXRS-1951/53, in SEA, & Treatie Karwoski last year. Sure hope to see them both in SMF.

Our chapter is working hard & have some really good things planned for 2007, so everyone please come. You never know who you might meet!

Thanks so much to Jo & crew for doing such a great job to keep us retirees connected.

Robert (Bob) Brumfield, 1107 First Ave. #1506, Seattle, WA 98101, mrb50@qwest.net

Thanks to your team that works so hard putting out a monthly publication for all retirees. Your efforts to make the newsletter more attractive & with more news items is most appreciated. Here is an article that came across my internet:

Humor- Especially the last one about Customer Service Agents,

***Flight Schedule** - An entertaining work of paperback fiction.*

***On Time** - An obscure term, meaning unknown.*

***Fog** - A natural weather phenomenon which usually occurs around an airport while the surrounding areas are clear. Fog is controlled by the airlines & is used to delay flights.*

***Air Traffic Control** - A game played by airline pilots & air traffic controllers. The game has no rules; neither side knows how it is played, but the goal is to prevent flights from arriving in time for passengers to make connecting flights.*

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I am coming up on my 81st birthday on Sept. 1. It has been another hectic year! You may remember my trouble with a mouse or a squirrel loading up the tail pipe of my Focus ZX3 & spreading kibbles all over the road. About a month later, Gloria, stated she still smelled dog food on her side of the car. I could only find one or two pieces of food on the engine but when cleaning the windshield, I looked down into the cavity under the wipers & saw some food. By taking off all the grill leading into the air ducts I found half a box of worth of food by slowly scooping it all out & the rest with a vacuum. Something was saving it up for the winter, I guess!

But that was only the start of my bad luck period. Gloria & I drove to Northern CA to attend a funeral of a close friend on Dec.1. Spent one night with friends in Anderson, next evening went to Dunsmuir & a motel for the night as the funeral was the next day. It had snowed before we got there. It rained the night while at the motel. So, had to de-ice the Porsche door handle before we could go to breakfast. On stepping out of the car to get Gloria to go to eat, I stepped on some black ice & fell on my right hip. I ended up in the hospital at Mt. Shasta City instead of at the funeral at 10 am. I fractured my right femur & have 3 steel pins holding me together now.

My friends from Anderson came up, took Gloria, me & the Porsche home the next day. Boy, you don't stay in the hospital very long. Then they also drove us & the Porsche to San Bruno. Talk about GOOD friends! They used to live a couple of doors from us at one time.

It's now 2006 & have missed all the Christmas & New Years parties.

I was walking with a walker, the rains came & the roof leaked over our kitchen table. A much younger neighbor offered to put a tarp on the roof using some of my round stepping stones stacked on

the patio. That worked fine until the roofers could get a day not raining to re-do the roof. It now should last my lifetime! It cost over 2 times the last re-roofing, but had to be done.

I am now using a cane to get around, driving & I got a crack in the Porsche windshield. Only a Porsche dealer can get a Porsche windshield from Germany, so you can guess what that cost! I had the car home for a week after the replacement before I drove it above 35 mph. Then on the freeway at 70 mph, the windshield came loose on both sides & top. Back to Porsche dealer. Guess what? Wrong windshield & seal. Another week to get the proper one from Germany installed. At least it was under warranty.

So cane & all, Gloria & I flew to Hartford. She stayed at my son's place in Middletown, CT while son Jeff, & his grandson, Josh, & I moved on to the USS Slater at the Albany dock to work. They stayed 2 days while I stayed the week on the ship like I have done for 6 years the first week of May. My surgeon did not think much about my doing it, but it was great therapy as I did not use the cane the whole week & have not used it since. Had no trouble climbing the ladders at all.

Am helping a friend build two 1930 planes. Took apart 2 wrecked fuselages that had crashed in Alaska in the 50's for the good parts. The new fuselages were built in Montana, we have them in Marin County at the airport along with 1 of the wrecked ones, which I am still taking parts off. One of the new planes will go to Alaska for a museum, the other stays in Marin & will be flown. They are American Pilgrims - ours flew in Antarctica with Adm. Byrd.

My friend bought a 1953 Aeronca Sedan to fly. I have flown it once; am replacing a cylinder on it & will get more flying time. Some day maybe, I get to really RETIRE! Until then, I'll try to keep HAPPY.

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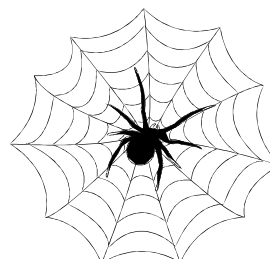
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