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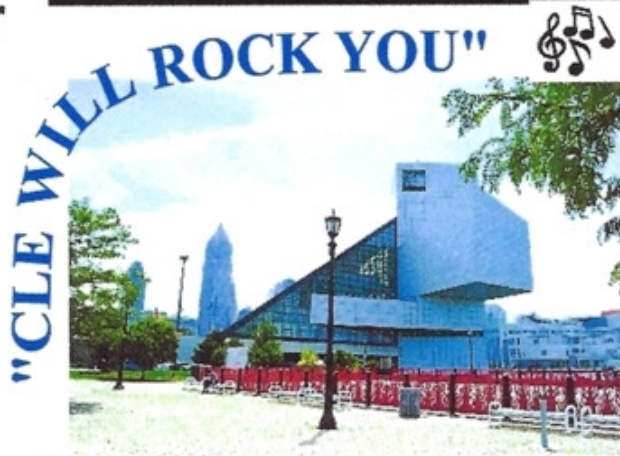
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GENERAL NEWS

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Letter From The President



Greetings from the Mile High City. Life is good and it appears as if spring has finally sprung, as we passed through a week without a snowstorm.

I continue to get calls from members asking where we stand with the meetings with the company, namely Oscar. At this point we haven't had a face to face meeting with any company representative since April 2017. We did have a phone conference in October 2017, during the LAS Vegas Convention, when we learned of the adjusted Enrolled Friends policy. We are thankful for the adjustment and hopeful that we'll have more contact with company representatives in the near future to discuss other items of retiree concern. I am hopeful that we will be able to extend the Enrolled Friend policy to add additional friends and allow more frequent switching.

A reminder, we do have access to people within United that can give us help with questions that we cannot find the answer through normal channels. We have two Liaisons you can contact, **Don Burbank**, email don8585@comcast.net and **Ed Tolle**, email hedwardtolle55@gmail.com; their full contact information is in the Newsletter. They have been very successful in getting answers in a short period of time from the company. The company likes this (one stop shop) method of handling questions through our Liaisons and it is available to all retirees.

The 2018 Convention Committee continues to plan and work with the hotel and various vendors in preparation for the upcoming Cleveland Convention. This Newsletter has the Convention information in it and we are encouraged to make plans early. Some of us fill out and send in our registration form early but wait a few weeks before making hotel reservations. It's best to make the hotel reservations at the same time you send in your registration form. This should take care of a shortage of rooms just before the convention.

Also, please notice **Hank Gosselin's** letter concerning the election. Hank and his team have worked very hard trying to get volunteers to serve. Hopefully some of you are giving consideration to getting more involved in RUAEA. It should be understood that things don't just happen or get done if someone doesn't step-up and volunteer. Volunteering for RUAEA is a rewarding endeavor, if you are interested and want to talk about it drop Hank an email at henrygosselin@comcast.net or a phone call at (253) 939-4362.

Till Next Time,

Virgil Gooselaw
RUAEA President

Letter From Past President, Hank Gosselin



Hi Folks, once again I am sorry to report there will be no RUAEA election this year. Most officers and directors have been willing to stay on and other members volunteered to take a position with no opposition.

As you can see, The Arizona Regional Director's position is open. If anyone is interested, please contact me. I repeat, RUAEA needs members and elected Board members to survive. Let people know this is a great organization offering, a great monthly Newsletter, a Liaison with the Company with many success stories, along with a yearly Convention enjoyed by many, keeping our goal of comradeship with those we know and have worked with in the past.

We in RUAEA have a lot to offer a retiree, their family and friends. Those who have worked for UAL, Continental, or one of their subsidiaries over the years, can join RUAEA. Please help with this, recruiting new members, officers, even if you can't serve.

The following is a list of our volunteers & incumbents, for 2019-2020.

Hank Gosselin, Past President/ Nominating committee

RUAEA Board Members (Elected) 2019 - 2020

- ❖ President – Don Burbank
- ❖ Vice-President – Tom Cunningham
- ❖ Secretary – Mary Jane Stewart
- ❖ VP Conventions – Bill Corbett
- ❖ Treasurer – Pam Ziebarth
- ❖ Past President – Virgil Gooselaw

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- Arizona – Open
- S. CA. – Rosalie Tripicchio
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- Southeast – Linda Scriven
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- Western – Roger Casterline
- Northwest – Chuck Cole
- Midwest – Jackie Monilaw

Pass Travel Update from Kirk Moore



How to change your personal information: As retirees, we are not able to access the features of “MY INFO” on Flying Together. However, we can change our personal information online here:

1. Log into [FT.ual.com](http://ft.ual.com)
 2. Click on “Employee Services”
 3. Click on the link to “Health and Insurance, Your Benefits Resources (YBR)”
 4. Once redirected, click on “Your Profile” in the top banner to the right of your name.
 5. Click on “Personal Information” and make the necessary changes.
- Or call the Benefits Service Center: 800-651-1007.

New destinations on United this summer: Check out new UA flights to Reykjavik, Edinburgh, Zurich and Porto plus 25 other seasonal locations this summer. Return to Mexico and the Caribbean as flights resume to hurricane-impacted airports and, in late October, United will fly non-stop to Tahiti!

For more info and a chart read United’s Newsroom article on 4/26/2018:

<http://newsroom.united.com/2018-04-26-Pack-Your-Bags-for-Summer-Sun-Fun-and-Adventure-Uniteds-2018-Summer-Schedule-Offers-Customers-More-Destinations-Than-Ever-Before>.

The New Flying Together (ft.ual.com): On May 9, 2018, the new Flying Together (ft.ual.com) is scheduled to become the one and only Flying Together.

When that happens, the old Flying Together will no longer be available, and everyone will start using the new version of the site including the Travel tab. You’ll see the new home page whenever you go to Flying Together – even on your mobile device, as the new site is mobile friendly.

The new Flying Together is user friendly, but as with any change it may take a little bit of getting used to. It has a different look and feel, different navigation and some new features.

Please note that the URLs and navigation on the new site are also different, so if you have any bookmarked pages or pdfs, updates with new URLs will be needed.

For example, the link to the Retiree page on the legacy Travel tab is

<https://flyingtogether.ual.com/web/content.jsp?SID=Travel&path=/Pages/TravelPrograms/retireePassTravel.jsp>.

The link to the Retiree page on the new Travel tab is

<https://ft.ual.com/travel/passriderslandingpage/retireepasstravel>.

After the official switch, any links pointing to legacy Travel tab site and/or pages will not work.

You Are Invited

You are invited!

UAL BBQ Get-together at the Carson Valley Inn (about 30 miles South of Reno):
1627 Hwy 395 N., Minden, NV 89423, (775) 782-9711, reservations 800 321-6983.
We have a block of RV, trailer spaces, and hotel rooms in the hotel (and the

connecting motel, slightly cheaper) set aside. Be sure to mention you are with the UAL reunion group (858) for the discount. Reservations must be made by May 29, 2018.

The dates are June 19 - 22. The BBQ is on June 20th around noon. We usually ask for a token donation of \$5 P/P. If you want to prepare a side dish, thank you.

This get-together started about 12, 13 years ago and has grown to about 100 plus attendees. If you ever worked at SFO in any position, you may see some faces you know, but all UALers are welcome.

If you plan on attending, contact **Darlene Odell** at imthemama57@msn.com and let her know how many attending so you can be added to the head count.

United Airlines Takes Delivery of the Fuel Efficient 737 MAX 9



United Airlines announced that it has taken delivery of its first 737 MAX 9 aircraft from the Boeing Delivery Center in Seattle, WA. The new aircraft, which arrived right after Earth Day, reduces fuel use and CO₂ emissions significantly compared with older generation aircraft. In honor of this more eco-friendly aircraft, United has given the MAX a new livery, similar to its fuel-efficient Boeing Dreamliner aircraft, so that employees and customers can easily recognize the plane and its superior fuel efficiency.

United expects to take delivery of two more 737 MAX 9 aircraft this month, and will have 10 737 MAX 9 aircraft by the end of 2018. As previously announced, the aircraft will enter United's schedule June 7 with service between the airline's hub at Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport and five cities – Anchorage, Alaska; Austin, Texas; Fort Lauderdale, FL; Orlando, FL. and San Diego. The aircraft will operate on additional routes from Houston and Los Angeles International Airport starting June 29.

Josh Earnest named Chief Communications Officer



United announced Josh Earnest as senior vice president and chief communications officer, reporting to EVP, Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel Brett Hart. Josh brings to the company more than two decades of strategic communications expertise from the highest levels of politics and government, including serving as President Barack Obama's White House press secretary. He will join the United team on May 21.

"Josh is a proven leader and world-class communications strategist who has thrived when the stakes are the highest and the margin for error is the smallest. He'll play a crucial role on our leadership team as we position our brand and this company for success. I am looking forward to working closely with him to continue to expand United's global leadership," said Oscar.

Josh served for eight years in the Obama White House, first as deputy press secretary before being promoted to White House press secretary in 2014. In 2015, Josh was voted the "best White House press secretary I've worked with" by White House correspondents surveyed by Politico. In addition to serving as the president's spokesperson, Josh also played a leading role behind the cameras to develop and implement an innovative communications strategy that was paired with a fully integrated digital media presence to drive the Administration's agenda.

"United Airlines is an iconic, global brand with a long history—but it's United's bright future that makes me enthusiastic about joining the team. Cutting through the noise of the modern media environment is a challenge, especially in the highly competitive airline industry. United's advantage will continue to be its customer-focused core values, dedicated employees and visionary leadership team. That's the story that I am excited to tell," said Josh.

United's latest aircraft delivery celebrates its familia Latina



"It was a lot of fun and was the first time I saw a brand new aircraft in my 26 years with United," said GRU (São Paulo) Customer Service Supervisor Maggie Faustino. Maggie was one of the 155 Latin American employees who celebrated the delivery of United's latest Boeing 777-300ER in the Seattle area this week.

In addition to celebrating the delivery of the new aircraft, the event also commemorated four important milestones in Latin America as United reached 50 years of operations in Mexico, and 25 in Ecuador, GRU, GIG (Rio de Janeiro) and EZE (Buenos Aires, Argentina). Employees from all four countries were invited to travel to Seattle, Washington, to be a part of the delivery celebration as recognition for their hard work and commitment to go above and beyond for United's customers.

The festivities began when employees were treated to a VIP tour of Boeing's Everett Factory; they were then invited to enjoy a delightful dinner at the Future of Flight Aviation Center.

"It's a privilege to be here. How many people can really take a trip like this? Get into the factory, see how they built the airplane and then fly on it? It's a privilege," said BJX (Leon, Guanajuato) Airport Supervisor Edith Miranda, who has worked at United for 22 years.

Oscar joined in celebrating our employees. *"Este es un momento muy especial. All of our deliveries are special, but this is particularly heartfelt to me, because it's our Latin countries, and it's my heritage. And it's just so special for these folks who rarely get a chance to come out here,"* said Oscar.

During the dinner celebration, Oscar also recognized EWR 777 Captain Jose Pascual, who recently celebrated 30 years with United and had the honor of flying the brand new aircraft for the first time. *"It's my pleasure and honor to be part of this delivery ceremony. The 777-300 is an aircraft that's designed to carry about 360 passengers over 7,000 nautical miles, and this particular model has the largest, most powerful engines in the airline industry,"* said Jose.

The aircraft delivery event culminated after employees participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony before boarding the new aircraft for the flight to IAH.

United hosts 31st NAM/EUR meeting in Chicago



United hosted the North American/European Air Traffic Management Task Force (NAM/EUR) at Willis Tower in Chicago for its 31st biannual meeting, where participants shared their experiences and exchanged ideas to improve air traffic flow management.

NAM/EUR focuses on optimizing the way in which flights enter and leave the domestic interfaces of North Atlantic airspace. The organization brings together experts from air traffic control, airline operation staff and pilots, flight plan service providers, military representatives, meteorological experts and industry partners from both sides of the North Atlantic.

The group developed tactics to work more efficiently during irregular operations, shared updates to 2018 operations, discussed overall industry-wide cooperative solutions and much more.

Since its inception in 2002, the group has grown year over year. There were 59 attendees at the meeting in Chicago, including representatives from 13 airlines, 10 ATC facilities, and five flight planning service providers, the U.S. Air Force, EuroControl and the UK Met Office.

The meeting is held twice a year, alternating on opposite sides of the Atlantic, and always concludes with a concrete action list. In fact, an initiative from one of last year's meetings has been incorporated into the FAA Playbook for the Washington, D.C., area. United played a big role in the implementation, as Operations Manager Jeffrey DeVore developed a route for airlines departing IAD en-route to the Atlantic by flying an "escape route" to the north and west to avoid delays in New York airspace.

As for tackling an action item that came out of last week's meeting, International ATC Operations Regional Manager Mark Hurston said the group is looking for ways to develop and introduce a new tool to predict where the most fuel-efficient westbound oceanic routes lie, which will increase fuel efficiency and decrease a dispatcher's workload.

The 32nd NAM/EUR meeting is scheduled for October 22-24, hosted by Lufthansa Airlines and Lufthansa Flight Planning Systems in Frankfurt.

PetSafe review continues with new American Humane collaboration for safe animal travel



United and American Humane announced a collaboration on May 1 to improve the well-being of all pets that travel on United. American Humane has been working to improve the safety, welfare and well-being of

the world's animals for more than 140 years.

United will resume PetSafe operations later this summer. United plans to allow reservations beginning June 18, 2018 for pets traveling on the same flight as their pet parent or guardian beginning July 9, 2018, and to allow reservations beginning July 16, 2018 for pets traveling alone for travel beginning July 30, 2018.

United continues to review all in-cargo and -cabin pet handling processes and policies; is identifying new policies, updated training and customer requirements; and will implement these changes to improve the safety of the pet travel experience. For the most up-to-date information and important tips to further ensure the comfort of their animals during travel, please visit www.united.com/petsafe.

"American Humane has long been known and respected for setting the gold standard of animal welfare," said Cargo VP Jan Krems. "We look forward to a long-term collaboration and expertise in helping us further improve our service on an ongoing and continual basis. As we continue our review process to ensure that we are always doing what's right, we are committed to making significant improvements in our program and adhering to the best practices of animal comfort, well-being and travel on behalf of our customers and their pets."

"Transporting pets introduces a variety of risks and when United approached us, we knew we had to take on the challenge of helping improve and ensure the health, safety and comfort of so many animals," said Dr. Robin Ganzert, president and Chief Executive Officer of American Humane. "United serves thousands of customers and their pets each day, and we saw it as our duty to come in as an independent, third party to help evaluate and further improve their PetSafe program and the in-cabin experience to ensure it offers one of the best in the industry."

Founded in 1877, American Humane sets the gold standard as the most visionary and effective animal welfare organization in the United States through its innovative leadership initiatives – from its "No Animals Were Harmed®" program in Hollywood to broad-based farm and conservation animal welfare certifications, to rapid response rescue and care across the country. For more information, please visit www.americanhumane.org.

Sundaes on a Monday – Celebrating a new partnership with ice cream



United announced some exciting menu changes, including the addition of Ghirardelli's sundae toppings on its premium transcontinental service. To celebrate, United teamed up with the famous chocolate company to hand out 500 ice cream sundaes at the Original Ghirardelli Ice Cream & Chocolate Shop at Ghirardelli Square in San Francisco.

The mid-day treats featured the new toppings, which are available on premium transcontinental flights starting May 1. Locals and tourists alike filled in the square to enjoy a sundae and even snag photos with United flight

attendants.

"Working with Ghirardelli is really about celebrating a partnership where we can offer customers a sweet treat that is from one of United's major hubs," said Planning Optimization and Product Support Senior Analyst Nicolette Howard. "We are excited about the opportunity to continue offering customers a high quality selection of desserts for them to enjoy during their onboard experience."

So Simple From Sheryl



Let's try a simple, delicious recipe that you can make for one or eight people. This recipe freezes well so I put two enchiladas per pan and I have four meals. You can make the recipe ahead of time and will have dinner ready for yourself or guests. The recipe works well for a larger group.

Chicken Enchiladas

- 4 Chicken breasts, boiled and cut into small cubes
- 8 Large flour tortillas
- 2 cans cream of chicken soup
- 1 can green chili (I prefer mild)
- Shredded Mexican cheese
- Red or green enchilada sauce

Mix chicken breasts, soup and green chili in a bowl. Lay 8 tortillas on your counter and spread the mix

down the center of each tortilla. Fold like a burrito and place in greased pan fold side down. Cover top of each with enchilada sauce and sprinkle with cheese. Cover with foil and bake 30 minutes at 350.

Serve with salsa and/or sour cream.

I serve with a salad and refried beans.

What a simple recipe! Enjoy!

Rules For Submitting Articles To The Newsletter



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

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

Please note that all submitted articles are subject to editing and approval by the Newsletter Manager. Once they are published in the RUAEA Newsletter, they become the property of RUAEA. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me. My contact information is listed in the Newsletter.

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LOCAL NEWS

ALABAMA



SWEET HOME ALABAMA

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Our Birmingham chapter met Monday, April 9th at the Fish Market in downtown Birmingham. Attending were **Jim & Donna Gooch, Bobby & Jean Cox, Carol & Herb Wilbanks, and Ken & Beverly Yeager.**

Our winner for the 50/50 drawing was **Bobby Cox.**

Birthday wishes are **Gay Fowler** (3/24), **Zoe Glass** (3/13), **Carol Wilbanks** (4/29), and **Keith Gibson** (4/22). Wedding anniversaries were **Keith & Charlotte Gibson** (3/12) and **Ken & Beverly Yeager** (4/20).

We were sad to hear that **Joe Duncan** is now on hospice care. We wish all the best to Joe and Marie and all the family.

We meet the second Monday of every even numbered month at 11:30 at various Birmingham restaurants and welcome all retired United Airlines friends and families to join us. Our next meeting will be April 9th but to confirm, please call **Beverly Yeager** at (256) 775-1711.

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“June is busting out all over”, that’s a familiar title for the song we used to sing. It’s really a special month when flowers and trees are blooming, and it’s the month for graduations and Father’s Day.

Our Re-United’s Chapter continues to meet for Breakfast each month all year round on the fourth Friday, starting at 9:15 a.m. at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert. We always have a good turn-out all year round. Hope you can join us. Bring a guest, if you wish. Just let our Vice President **Peg Snowdall** know a couple of days prior to the Breakfast if you plan on coming, so she can notify the staff at the restaurant how many will be attending.

We had 25 people attend the Breakfast on April 27. Shirley and Ron have gone back to the Seattle area for the summer and getting involved with various activities there. The Memorial Service for **Roger Veillette** was attended by **Cindy Hilsabeck**, **Peg Snowdall**, and **Kathy & Jim Brigante**. They presented a donation from our chapter to the Music Department of the Catholic Church where Bonnie is very involved. We heard the news about **Judie Preston** recently having cancer surgery and the report being she had good news following the surgery. We miss seeing Judie at our functions, as she always contributes a lot by being there. She’s planning on selling her present home and moving to a 55+ community to see if she likes it or not.

There is a new Flying Together website, which was tentatively scheduled to change on May 9. After the cut-over, only the new version will be available. Check it out at <https://ft.ual.com>. If you are having trouble on line, call the Website Help phone number, 800-255-5801.

Look for all the information about the RUAEA Convention at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel in this month’s Newsletter. There you will find information about the hotel and the number to call before the deadline of August 27, registering for the Convention and all the tours available. The Convention dates are September 18 – 22. The Marriott Hotel is offering the convention rate of \$109 two days prior to and one day post-convention based on availability. Hope to see many of our Re-United’s Chapter there!

We have the following birthdays in June: **Jay Hartough** (6/5), **John McFarland** (6/16), **Valerie Fosberg** (6/19), **Natasha Schmidt** (6/20), **Liz Tollefsen** (6/26), and **Joel Matteson** (6/29). Happy Birthday to each of you! The following couples have Wedding Anniversaries in June: **Pat & Buss Nicholaisen** (6/6/53), that’s 65 years for them!, **Barb & Paul Paymaster** (6/6/89) and **Molly & Bill Norwood** (6/18/60). Congratulations to all the couples!

Calendar:

June 22 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner, 1809 E. Baseline Rd. in Gilbert, starting at 9:15 a.m. Please let our Vice President, Peg Snowdall, know if you will be attending at phomfeldt@cox.net, or by phone at (480) 396-3317, by June 20.

July 27 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert

Aug 24 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert

Sept 18-22 – RUAEA Convention at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio



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

If you would like to attend our luncheons, you can e-mail **Pat Sommer Di Lallo** at rpddgarlic41@comcast.net or call either **Pat Di Lallo** (520) 825-7370 or **Sandy Lawyer** (847) 826-2640 for information.

We look forward to seeing you

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Our April meeting on the 18th was at the Rooster Creek Tavern in Arroyo Grande. When we walked up from the parking lot, there were about 4 or 5 roosters roaming around the back of the restaurant. Apparently they like it there.

There were 12 of us attending, and it was good to see **Nina Powers** get a ride, so she could be with us. Also **John Wessel** drives the furthest and it was good to see him since he was in-between traveling. **Mike & Bridget Zoldak** brought their friend **Cha-Cha Doughley**. Mike opened up our meeting minus his hearing aid and 50/50 drawing tickets.

As Secretary, I didn't have anything new to contribute. Treasurer, **Marcia Stanger** said we had \$235 in our treasury.

Esther & Bob Bartlett recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. **Al & Marilyn Rybar** welcomed twin boy great-grandsons in March which brings our total of great-grand kids to 8. Since they all live quite a way from us, the E-mail keeps us informed.

Bob & Marcia hosted our luncheon with very nice treats. Marcia passed around the 2018 membership roster.

We missed not having **Jack Cunningham** with us. He does live farther away and needs transportation but his health, sometimes, keeps him from traveling.

Mike sent me an e-mail regarding commercial pilots carrying firearms on the planes that all began during the beginning of flying the mail. If a plane was forced down, the pilots had only their weapon to protect their shipment.

Our next meeting will be on June 21st, hosted by **Bob & Marcia Stanger** again. They will advise us of the location at a later time.



DESERT SUNBIRDS

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On a beautiful, warm - not hot (that starts next month) Wednesday, the Desert Sunbirds met at the Broken Yolk in Indio for our April Meeting. Twenty nine Sunbirds and two guests; **Jan Miller** and **Brenda Denino** (**Maureen Williams'** daughters) were present. **Elaine Aggson** was our Hostess, ably assisted by **Fred Kellerhals** and his new bride, **Jo Ann**.

Three of our couples celebrated Anniversaries in April: **Ben & Shirley Schiewe** (36 years on 4/3); **Norman & Judy Burnett** (3 years on 4/17); and **Glen & Jan Voirol** (50 years on 4/27). Congratulations to all of you!

Patti Sica was the "Birthday" Lunch winner, as she is the only Sunbird with a birthday in April. **Bill Schultz** won \$35.00 in the 50/50 drawing, while **Mark Kaplan** and **Brenda Denino** each took home a bottle of wine.

Patti Sica was also busy reminding members to pay their dues – "*Last chance to get your name on the 2018 Roster*".

Jan Keck - our featured Sunbird of the month: Jan grew up in Waterloo, Iowa. During her grade school years, she hurried home after school to watch the Mickey Mouse Club. One week, there was a special on Stewardesses. Their beautiful uniforms and travels to exotic places on beautiful airplanes reeled her in!

Jan graduated High School in 1965. She worked as an Architectural Secretary and Bookkeeper for a couple of years. Then, in 1967, United hired Jan as a Stewardess. She was based at JFK 1967-68; SFO 1968-73, and LAX 1973-2012.

Jan flew Hawaii trips out of SFO and LAX until United acquired International Routes. She felt this was a great opportunity for her - flying to and from Europe, South America, Asia, and the South Pacific.

In 1990 and '91, Jan flew Desert Storm and Iraqi Freedom Flights, carrying our troops from the battlefields to R & R, and back. She felt this was a great honor and a wonderful memory.

In 2007, Jan was chosen by her peers in LAX to work on the reconfiguration of the 747. The assignment was to work on Gallery packing, redoing the services, food, dishes, etc.

When the first reconfigured 747 came back to SFO, it had to be recertified by the FAA, because 50 seats had been added. Jan was again chosen to help with the recertification.

Jan says that it was quite an experience doing the "Evacuation", held in a hanger, as it felt very real. She adds that, in her 45 year career, this was the only evacuation she ever experienced.

In her 45 years with United, Jan had a number of celebrities on her flights: George W. Bush, Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell, Olivia Newton John, Danny Kaye, Victor Borge, Bette Midler, and Robert Wagner.

Jan says, *"The best part of flying was the camaraderie with other Flight Attendants, Pilots, Customer Service Reps., and Mechanics. It's such teamwork with everyone. Then we had the real work - how much fun could we squeeze in on layovers"*.

GOLD DIGGERS

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SACRAMENTO



The Sacramento Gold Diggers held their April luncheon, hosted by **Terry & Penny Greenacre** at The Old Spaghetti Factory, in Roseville, CA. We want to thank them for hosting this month's luncheon.

President **Frank Dellinger** announced that we have 31 members present and 2 guests. Frank introduced guests **Tom Miehle**, guest of **Pat Quinn**, and **Roger Burgess**, guest of **Ed & Rose Rheam**.

Vice President **Penny Greenacre** announced that our May luncheon will be held at China Buffet in Citrus Heights and will be hosted by **Ed & Shirley Vanderzyl**. The July luncheon will be hosted by **Trudy & Lance Engeldinger**. We are still in need of volunteers to host subsequent luncheons.

Secretary **Marji Gabert-Milam** acknowledged the April Anniversaries: **Ray & Lorna Andrejewski** (21 years), **Lee & Shirley Francis** (45 years), **Len & Laverne Hauble** (60 years), and **Dale & Dorothy Volker** (62 years).

Treasurer **Judie King** gave the financial report for April.

Angie Dellinger gave the Sunshine report – She had several sympathy cards for our members to sign and mail out to our ill members. Sonda provided the cards and Angie went around the room so everyone could sign. Requests came forward for information on addresses and visiting of ill members.

Historian **Stephanie Norton** reported on the progress of the memorability photo album. She made a request for members to update their information.

RUAEA Regional Director **Sonda Sandstedt** provided information on the new "Flying Together" website. She explained that there will be tutorials issued in stages. Updates are in the Travel Section.

Ron Bertacini reported on the upcoming 2018 convention to be held in Cleveland on September 18-22. Cleveland Airport Marriott – rates are \$109.00 and include 2 breakfasts each day. The newsletter is 99% complete and information on packages is in this month's newsletter. There are several tours available to attendees: Cemetery and museum tours, cruises around Lake Erie, Hard Rock Casino, The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Tours to the Amish country, Space Center and Cleveland City tours, Pro Football Hall of Fame. All are reasonably priced and transportation can also be utilized on their light rail system.

Friday night – Cleveland Rocks with appetizers and tickets for beer and wine.

Saturday night – Banquet with 3-course dinner with cocktails and guest speakers as well.

The Airport Marriott provides courtesy shuttle between the airport and the hotel.

The package will be online soon.

He encouraged all that will attend the convention in CLE to reserve their hotel space as quickly as possible to get the best rates.

Jim Simon reported there will be an open house at Beale AFB this coming Saturday and encouraged our members to go for a fun time. He also reported that the RUAEA DEN office is hopefully getting back to the refurbished facility next month. The DEN office requests that when members call and leave a message, please be sure to leave your name, file # and a contact phone number to return your call if needed since the office does not have caller ID.

Frank Dellinger reported that the annual United Mechanics reunion will be held on June 19-22 in Minden, NV. A block of rooms are being held at the Carson Valley Inn, RV spaces are also available. Reservations need to be made by May 29th. The BBQ will be held on June 20th. When making the reservation, you will need to mention the United reunion number 858. He also mentioned the open house at Beale AFB.

Terry Greenacre spoke about the retiree list and his search of retirees. He sent out inquiries as he had only addresses and very few phone numbers. He encouraged us to look over retiree lists and to try to connect with them. He shared that he was able to speak to a past co-worker from 30 years ago. We are still actively searching for new members. Regarding the newsletter, he also stated that several chapters lack chapter reports.

Francis Domaratius asked if there was anyone who was interested in going to Burlingame, CA to attend the IAM Retiree meeting. He requested and received 2-3 members to join him in attending. He also stated that OAL are encouraged to join. He also asked for ID90 input.

The meeting was turned over to Vice President **Penny Greenacre** to conduct the monthly raffle.



HANGTOWN MINERS

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Spring has sprung and there's pollen in the air! Okay, so the hay fever, sneezing and runny eyes are the price we pay for all this glorious beauty that we call Spring! But none of that interfered with the wonderful lunch the Hangtown Miners enjoyed at the Thai Unique Restaurant in Placerville. **Holly Hilton** organized this for us which provided a new restaurant with tasty food, great service and plenty of space that was quiet! Well, not after the 24 or so Miners arrived and started visiting with each other! Have you ever noticed that we are quite a lively, talkative bunch? It's so fun! President **Bill Gibson** was in attendance today and extended our thanks to Holly. **Nancy DeVore** brought her friend, **Lynne Steiner Millaine**, to the luncheon. Nancy was happy to reassure us that the local newspaper's obituary for a "**Nancy DeVore**" was not hers! April is a popular month for birthdays, apparently, as we were able to celebrate for **Sherrie Wolfram**, **Ed Akin**, **Frank Dellinger** and **Jane Gibson**. Anniversaries this month included **Bill & Linda Dinette** (47 years) and **Bill & Jane Gibson** (50) and even though they weren't here, **Bill & Mary Voetsch** (40 years). To all, welcome, Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary!

President ~ Good to have our esteemed leader, **Bill Gibson**, with us again. Bill brought us a few items of interest regarding United Airlines. He also provided details on the UAL Retired Mechanics Annual Reunion in Minden, NV. As in the past, we will be getting together at the Carson Valley Inn in Minden, NV. Date for your calendar is June 19 – 22. The number to call to make your reservation is (775) 783-6629; tell them you're with the United Retired Mechanics group or reservation #858. You have until Tuesday, May 29, 2018 to make your reservations, but, keep in mind that the rooms held in the block do not guarantee a reservation. Reservations are to be made on an individual basis by calling reservation department. Our group rates are:

1. Hotel Non Smoking 2 Queen beds, 8 rooms at the rate of \$92.00 per night
2. Hotel Non Smoking 1 King bed, 6 rooms at the rate of \$92.00 per night
3. Motor Lodge Non Smoking 1 King bed, 5 rooms at the rate of \$78.00 per night
4. Motor Lodge Non Smoking 2 Queen beds, 10 rooms at the rate of \$78.00 per night
5. RV back-in 30 amp, 7 spaces at \$31.50 - \$33.00 per night
6. RV back in & pull thru 50 amp, 11 spaces at \$42.00 per night

You can email Darlene if you have any questions, imthemama57@msn.com.

Vice President ~ **Joe Lima** was not at this meeting but Bill expressed his gratitude to Joe for handling the March meeting.

Treasurer ~ We were happy to see **Tom Kenny** in attendance. Tom reports that our checking balance stands at \$511.18. We have received thanks from Wounded Warriors and a “verbal” Thank You from Senior Legal Services.

We have received the annual dues of \$10.00 from 24 Hangtown Miners members, so a few are still outstanding at this time. Please, send Tom your dues today. I would like to have a current members list put together and do not want to have anyone missed. (Check made out to “Hangtown Miners” and mailed to **Tom Kenny**, 3481 Parleys Canyon Road, Placerville, CA 95667-3538.) We are waiting for the rebate from our March luncheon at BJ’s.

Secretary ~ **Jane Gibson** did not have a report.

Sunshine ~ **Suzanne Kenny** reports that **Mikki Dalleski** continues to deal with problems related to her bout with the flu. We send you our best, Mikki, and many wishes for your (speedy?) recovery.

Historian ~ **Thom Biro** passed along the information that **Brian Yeager** has passed away. Thom is planning to do some updating on our website with Shutterfly. Go check out what is there!

Old Business ~ None, other than the dues reminder!

New Business ~ All clear here!

Contributions ~ **Nancy DeVore** mentioned that she has a timeshare at Wally’s Hot Springs in Genoa NV, near Minden. They are pet friendly and a really nice place.

I am sorry that these minutes are getting out so late! Sometimes I feel like a hamster running in a wheel! Our next luncheon will be May 14 at Red Hawk Casino! You will need to send **Dan Ouchi** your meal payment ahead of time so don’t delay!

Bill brought the meeting to a close and our raffle began. **Lindalee Akin** won the donator’s prize. A big “Thank You” to all who brought items: **Gibson** – candy; **Dellinger** – cookies (Pizzelle); **Blazius** – serving plate; **Wolfram** – wind chime; **Akin** – eggs; **Kenny** – olive oil; **Biro** – wine; **Hilton** – wine and table decorations; **Dinette** – tools; **DeVore** – (2) bags; **Fitzpatrick** – wine.



Redwood
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Retirees

REDWOOD EMPIRE

RETIREEES

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We gathered at the LaGare French restaurant in Santa Rosa, CA on April 12, for our spring luncheon hosted by **Valerie Hulsey** and **Pat Ortega**. The restaurant had nice small flower arrangements in little glass vases on the tables, to which was added colorful bags containing fine wines and a pinwheel decoration for the garden. VP **Barbara Underhill** along with her husband **Jerry**, announced that we had 18 members present and 2 guests, **Ed & Maggie Nelson**, guests of **Barney Hagen**; **Claire Hagen** was up in Winnipeg, Canada visiting her sister.

President **Larry Wilson** welcomed us all, he thanked Valerie and Pat for hosting our luncheon and making our tables look so decorative! He mentioned that **Ron & Joanne Huhn** had to cancel coming to the luncheon due to Joanne suffering from a bad cold; a get well card was sent to her soon after the luncheon.

Treasurer **Valerie Hulsey** gave us an update on the RER General and Charity accounts; she reported having a little over \$1,500 in the general fund, and about \$216 in the charity fund, for a total of over \$1,800.

Travel Pass Expert **Barney Hagen** shared that when traveling with Claire to Canada, how much easier it was using the Mileage Plus to buy a Vacation Pass. The screening took longer than usual though; he said that if you use your retiree badge, it helps to expedite the process. He also recommends Economy Plus to get extra leg room!

RUAEA Western Regional Director **Roger Casterline** reported that the next RUAEA Convention will be held in September in Cleveland, Ohio and asked us to consider attending the popular annual gathering.

Sunshine Lady **Verda Burr** was present to announce the birthdays for April and the previous month of March as well, since our meetings are now every other month!

The March birthdays were **Jack Donohue**, **Barney Hagen** and **Dick Southon**; the April birthdays were **Marge Bauer** and **Sam Orchard**. The winners of a free lunch were **Barney Hagen** and **Sam Orchard**; there were no anniversaries for either month to announce! Verda also took the opportunity to tell us that after over 20 yrs. of serving as Sunshine Lady, keeping track of all the birthdays and anniversaries, she is retiring from her

position and will continue as a member to attend luncheons when she is not away visiting family. We all clapped in appreciation of her long years of service. We will look for her successor!

Next the raffle was held for the centerpiece and other wines brought in by **Jerry & Barbara Underhill**; also for some boxes of See's Candies. President **Larry Wilson** adjourned the meeting, telling us that our next luncheon will be held again at LaGare restaurant on June 14, hosted by himself and me, his ever present helper and Secretary!

Until then, have a very pleasant Spring!



RESANS

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There were many questions about the new updates coming to the Flying Together website. Some find it confusing and some have not logged in to the site and have no idea of the changes coming. The best advice at this time is to log into Flying Together and become familiar with the changes and be able to navigate comfortably through the site. Don't wait until you are in a hurry to find something and then get really stressed because you can't get to the site you are looking for.

We were joined at breakfast by new retiree, **Keith Newman**, retiree from ORD and SANCS. Keith is now living in San Diego and we hope to see him at our breakfasts and other events during the year.

There were three Birthdays this month: **Barbara Drews, Robert Taylor and Ray Wood.**

Rosalie Tripicchio was the winner of the 50/50. We were happy to see her after issues with Kidney Stones. Rosalie also mentioned the upcoming RUAEA Convention in CLE, September 18-22 and how hard the Cleveland team is working to make this a great convention. One of the tours will be to the Museum of Rock n' Roll and that is something to definitely sign up for.

RUAEA June Newsletter is the Convention issue and will have all the information you need to register and sign up for the tours and other activities. Give this some serious thought for reconnecting with old friends and meet new ones.

When visiting sunny San Diego, please stop in and join us the first Thursday of every month at the Pt. Loma Café, conveniently located near the San Diego Airport and Shelter Island.

Calendar:

June 7 – Pt. Loma Café, 4865 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA. 92106 -2394, (619) 226-0255.

GOLDEN GATERS

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President **Vera Kina** welcomed all – after the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and honoring our Military and Veterans, moments of silence included **Jim Peters**, a longtime member, who passed away this past month; our condolences go out to **Dee**, his wife.

Major goof on the part of the Pro-Tem Interim Secretary (i.e., PT), **Ginger Dahlberg** read the March minutes which had a glaring mistake, the May regular meeting was pushed back a week as May 28th is Memorial Day, hence the May meeting will be on May 21st – and, now, it's too late to let everyone know. Mea Culpa, mea culpa (can't claim 1st mistake she's had in years.) Ma Bell will get a work-out shortly. The minutes were read and corrected.

The next 3 monthly menus are as follows:

- May 21 – Sausages and Waffles Brunch – Members \$5.00 / Guests \$7.00.
- June 25 – Hot Dogs, 'Tater Salad and other goodies - Members \$8.00 / Guests \$11.00
- July 23 - BYOBL – Bring your own bag lunch – Bingo too

Treasurer **Art Barrett** presented the monthly report – the IRS is not breathing down our necks.

Membership Secretary **Barbara Underhill** gave the Secretary updates on members so a new roster was handed out. Several people needing cheering up: **Carol Walter** fell and broke her wrist, **Pete Cooper** had some kidney stones removed and **Ben Vietz** has returned to the Golden State after his stint up North attending to a grueling regimen that was attempting to zap some cancer cells. Stay well dear friends, we miss you and wish you well!

Our membership will decrease by 4 shortly – **Don & Dorothy Reuszer** are moving to Coeur d’Alene, Idaho and **Bob & Donna Taiclet** are moving to North Carolina, they all need to be closer to relatives. All four gave many years to our organization – Board Members for years and always a cheery “yes” when asked to help out. It was suggested that they fly back here for our monthly meetings – silence prevailed!

The Auditors, **Gene Walter** and **Dorothy Reuszer** (in absentia **Ben Vietz**, who is wending his way back home today,) will have completed the yearly audit by our May meeting. Kudos to **Vera Kina** who rounded up an eager member to take **Dorothy’s** place; we welcome **John Bogdanoff** with open arms.

Travel Coordinator **Ginger Dahlberg** recapped the 2018 trips. Egads, another goof. The eagle eye award goes to **Birgit Cuda** (an intrepid RUAEA member – born in Denmark, no less) December 8 – 10 – Pre-Christmas in Solvang, overnight (in a delightful Swedish town—no, no, that should read **DANISH** town) overnight in Cambria with a visit to Hearst Castle and their sparkling Christmas lights and a pre-Christmas Holiday dinner at the Tenaya Lodge near Yosemite, music and perhaps a sleigh ride. Interest lists are available (last months’ newsletter had a current listing) call or email **Ginger**.

Historian **Jim Goodwine** wished us all a Happy Anniversary, on April 30, 1962 our merry band of retirees/escapees formed this chapter - 56 years old we are—the years have flown (really??!) by.

Ticket Coordinator **Harriet Kunze** gave away our 25%/25% to **Linda Barrett** and **Bob Donovan**. Bingo winnings and donated “gifts” were enjoyed by all.

Things to Ponder: Can you cry underwater? Or, The statistics on sanity is that one out of every four persons is suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends - if they’re okay, then it’s you. (It’s OK to smile! keeps everyone guessing!)

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

Calendar:

May 28 – Waffles and Sausage Bruncheon - \$5.00 per member / \$7.00 for guests

June 25 – Summer is here so it is: Hot Dogs, Chips, ‘Tater Salad and fixins’.



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Our Summer Picnic is just around the corner at the usual spot—Vasona Lake in Los Gatos. This year’s event will be on Tuesday, June 12 starting at 11am. We’re hoping for good weather and an abundant turnout to this fun outdoor feast with appetizers, catered BBQ with all the fixins’, desserts, and last but not least a rousing game of Bingo with gifts for the winners. For more information or to receive a flyer, please check out our website or send me an email or give me a call. Signups need to be received by June 5. We hope you will join us!

Those in need of our prayers and good wishes are: **Karen Devlin** had surgery on her other knee in April and is up and about, she’s progressing well with physical therapy; **Rosemarie Reichard** is looking great these days having recently finished radiation for squamous cell cancer; **George Dye** had some complications with cataract surgery but is definitely on the mend now; **George Midwin** had an oops and sprained his ankle (ouch!); **Vern Snyder** had surgery for skin cancer and a week or so after experienced a mild stroke. Thankfully, we can say he is now doing well.

Travels—**Marion Gaever** turned a young 91 in April and took a roundtrip cruise out of San Francisco to Mexico to celebrate. By herself if I might add! You go girl! **Bill & Rosemarie Reichard** flew to Denver to visit their family including their grandchildren and had a great time. **Hiroko Caster** flew to Reno, Nevada to do a little gambling and left a deposit there.

Our treasurer, **Cheri Scales**, met with the Argonauts Historical Society of San Jose recently and invited our group to attend as well. Her great-great-grandfather, Adam Clark Hubbard, settled in the hills east of San Jose in the 1850s, becoming quite the cattleman and large land owner of those days. It was a time when mountain lions and grizzly bears were a constant danger. He lived in the hills for 50 years with his son and grandson following in his footsteps. Cheri shared the history of her family's roots in an effort to receive recognition and record the significance of her family's pioneering spirit. The 8,000 acre property that once belonged to her family was purchased by a prominent, wealthy businessman, Joseph Grant, in the 1920s of whom a great deal is known but there had been little history passed down of who homesteaded the property in the years prior. It was a very informative presentation. Thanks Cheri!

We've had some guests join us for breakfast recently. **Karen Devlin's** sister and nephew from Minnesota and Wisconsin, respectively, were taking a road trip around the U.S. and toured through California as well. **Charlie Owen, Bob Mattscheck's** son joined us along with **Don Boyer**, who isn't exactly a guest but a member we don't have the opportunity to catch up with very often.

We meet every Friday at Holder's Country Inn on DeAnza Blvd. in San Jose across from Home Depot. Breakfast is at 8am with a short meeting following at 9am. Please join us.

Calendar:

June 12 – Summer Picnic, Vasona Park in Los Gatos

SAN JOAQUINERS

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The San Joaquiners got together at Dickie's Bar-B-Q in Jackson on April 12th, hosted by **Don & Joann Nesja**. President **Bob Scoble** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under New Business, President Bob announced that **Guy Hoffmann's** wife, **Nancy** had passed away. Both Guy & Nancy were quite active with the group until Nancy got ill and Guy stayed home and took care of her.

On the brighter side, we welcomed back a former member, **Joan Sawyer** (her husband was **Ernie Sawyer**). She and Ernie used to attend often, and it was wonderful to welcome her back into the fold.

Bob shared the new United Airlines travel website information. You can find it at ft.ual.com. President Bob strongly recommended you take some time and browse the website when you have time to look it over as it is different from the Flying Together, but does appear to be user friendly.

Our November meeting (the 8th) is still looking for a host. Are you up to it? A suggestion was made that we would use the same date and attend "Away in the Basement" at the Fallon House in Columbia. Each member would have to make their own reservations, unless we went as a group of 20-39 in which case the tickets would be \$26.00. Individual ticket prices are \$30.00 for seniors. This is one of the top live volunteer playhouses in Northern California and Ace & I had season tickets for over 12 years,

The UA Mechanics are again holding a reunion/get together at the Carson Inn in Minden, NV, June 19-22. The Bar-B-Q will be on the 20th. You can make reservations by contacting the Carson Inn for either their RV Park or Hotel. Ask for the group rate under the United Mechanics.

Bob Blair built us a new sign to place outside our meeting place. Thank you, Bob.

President Bob will contact the Fruit Yard in Modesto in an attempt to book it for our Christmas luncheon on December 13th.

Don't forget the National RUAEA Convention in Cleveland on September 18-22.

Treasurer **Rudy Reyna** presented his report and it showed all bills paid and all funds deposited.

We celebrated the birthday for **Karen Yeatts, Joe Schwirian** and **Don Rentzel**. Only one anniversary during the month, and that's for **Don & Kathy Rentzel**.

Our usual raffle was held and, as usual, enjoyed by all.

Our next meeting will be May 10. We would like to issue an open invitation to anyone living/visiting in our area to join us. We meet for lunch the 2nd Thursday of each month, but, since we meet at various places, you can call our President **Bob Scoble** at (209) 626-5308 for information.



EAST BAY DIABLOS

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Our May meeting was held on Monday, May 7 at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Concord with 22 members in attendance. President **Arnold Hansen** conducted the meeting. **Jan Soderstrom** and **Wilma Leather** acted as cashiers. Social hour was from 11:00 to noon and then we had lunch, followed by the raffle. **Barbara Underhill**, our “raffle lady,” could not attend this month, so **Barbara Cunningham** graciously stepped in to run the raffle. You may remember that last month, **Barbara Underhill** drew her own number in the 50/50 raffle. Well, the tradition continues. This month, another Barbara ran the raffle, and she drew her own number in the 50/50 raffle too! Several members donated additional items for the raffle and we had a nice selection of wine and chocolates.

Diane Griego celebrated April with emergency abdominal surgery. She went to the ER in extreme pain and thankfully is feeling a lot better now. She still has lifting restrictions but you just can’t keep this gal down!

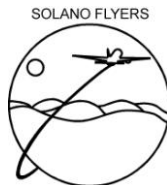
Upcoming Meeting (please join us):

- ❖ Monday, June 4 at 11:00. - Annual Summer Picnic at **Diane Griego**’s home. This fun meeting is a catered lunch from Back Forty Texas BBQ and requires an RSVP. The deadline to RSVP is May 30. The chapter provides water and soft drinks. Members are invited to bring beer or wine if they choose. We enjoy delicious chicken and ribs, potato salad, green salad and baked beans. Dessert is ice cream and a pretty cake decorated with a United theme. Given the aforementioned lifting restrictions of our gracious hostess, several members will help with setup the day before.
- ❖ Monday, July 2 at 11:00. - Old Spaghetti Factory, 1955 Mt. Diablo Street in Concord. We order from a set menu. Lunch includes soup or salad, choice of entrée, beverage, and choice of ice cream for dessert.

Our meetings are the first Monday of the month and we meet all 12 months of the year. Every month, we have an ongoing book exchange. The leftover books are donated to Contra Costa County Library book sales. We collect both new and used Christmas cards which **Barbara Cunningham** donates to a local teacher who uses them in his classroom. He has told Barbara he can use “all he can get.” If you have cards you’d like to donate, please contact Barbara at tbcunningham43@gmail.com for more info. We also collect shampoo and other toiletries you collect on trips; **Diane Griego** donates these items to a wonderful domestic violence organization founded by one of our special UA ramp employees.

SOLANO FLYERS

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Our April meeting was held at the Black Bear Restaurant in Suisun City. President Coustantino, aka Deno, called the meeting to order.

Our group this month enjoyed the company of **Robert & Michiko Allen, Harold & Barbara Mitchell, Frank Uhl, Louis Pell, Bill & Joanne Blizzard, John Francis, Pad & Eileen Gardner, Eugene Boyce, Coustantino Poolos, Allan Pochop** and **Charles Johnson**.

Our special guest was **Sonda Sandstedt**, RUAEA Northern CA/NV Region Director, it was very nice for us to meet her. Sonda reminded all of us the RUAEA Convention, September 18-22 at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.

The group was informed of the UAL retiree gathering at Minden, NV. June 19-22. Last year there were over 130 retirees and family members in attendance. The Carson Valley Inn has a block of rooms set aside for the gathering, the code for this discount is 858. This casino and hotel has 10 suites, and 38 deluxe rooms; the motor lodge also has 74 rooms; the RV Park has 59 spaces. There is also a gas station and convenience store on location; <http://carsonvalleyinn.com>.

Our monthly meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the month, at 11am to 1pm.

Calendar:

May 9 – Denny’s Restaurant, 1701 E. Monte Vista, Vacaville.

June 13 – BJ’s Brewery, 190 Nut Tree Pkwy., Vacaville.

July 11 - Fosters Bighorn Restaurant, 143 Main St., Rio Vista.

COLORADO



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President **Don Burbank** opened the meeting with 32 members in attendance. He reminded us to bring our aluminum for recycle as it provides income so we don’t pay dues. **Tom Goodyear** takes the aluminum to the recycle center for us.

The 50/50 winners who returned their winnings were **Walt Hansen** (DENMM), **Orland Baldwin** (DENMM), **3-Ray Shoults** (DENMM), **Richard Conner** (DENMM), and **Ed Moore** (DENTK).

Don reported there is no change in the travel reservation system except it is easier to maneuver around.

Charlie Hassler was in an accident and as we learn more information, we will get it to you.

Virgil Gooselaw and **Tom Goodyear** visited the new TK cafeteria and reported it was okay. We will vote in June if we are going back there for our breakfast or stay at Ted’s Place.

Saturday, July 14th is our annual Wings Over The Rockies. We need 50 persons to attend to break even, so come and bring your friends! The cost is \$35.00 a person and includes meal, admission, tower and our private dining. Please make your reservation by sending a check to **Martha Gooselaw**, 973 Uvalda Street, Aurora, CO 80011. Make check payable to RUAEA and you must include your file number on the check. Any questions please refer to **Don Burbank** or **Virgil Gooselaw**. Hope to see you all there.

If you are not on our email list and wish to be, please send Virgil an email (vgoose@comcast.net) and he will then add your email to his list.

Bill Arnold reported that there is a San Francisco Point mechanics reunion, June 19-21st at Minden, Nevada. A BBQ will be held on the 20th. Spots are reserved for UAL camping as well as hotel. Call Carson Valley Inn (775)782-9711. For more information please contact Bill at (720) 929-2304.

Tom Goodyear reported the link trainer is back at the training center.

Our next RUAEA Breakfast Meeting will be held on Saturday, June 2nd, at 9am at Ted’s Place Restaurant in Commerce City. Address: 5271 E. 52nd Ave, Commerce City. Phone: (303) 287-7544. Directions: Go North on Dahlia St. off I-70 to 52nd and turn back East to the address. Going West on I-70 exit on Holly St. and take the frontage road to get to Dahlia.

FLORIDA



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It was a perfect “10” day in Daytona and 14 members attended the meeting. We got a note from **Nancy Thomas** that instead of being in Florida, she was experiencing another earthquake in California. She said she preferred hurricanes to shakers so she had time to run! We also heard from **Larry & Janet Horton** who were in Chicago for their son’s birthday. And finally, we got a nice note from former member **Honeylou Funkhouser** that she was having some medical issues. We wish them all well.

May was a good month for birthday congratulations. Those present were **Frieda Coughlin**, **Bud Gammill**, and **Lillian Moddle**. Wedding anniversary congratulations were in order for **Dick & Frieda Coughlin** (60 years) and **Dennis & Gloria Marcantoni** (47 years). And last, but not least, we congratulated **Ed Martin** who was hired by United 33 years ago.

We heard interesting reports from **Dick & Frieda Coughlin** about their recent trans-Atlantic cruise and from **Penny Logan** about her Cuban cruise. A good time was had by all.

The 50/50 was won by **Penny Logan** and then she gave her Treasurer’s report. Next month we hope to make a decision on which charities we will support. In addition, **Penny Logan** asked if someone else would like to be Treasurer as she’s been doing it since 2006. **Frieda Coughlin** readily volunteered. So a huge thank to **Penny** for doing the job for 12 years and **Frieda** for accepting the position. We all appreciate the time and commitment the position entails.

Vice-President **Steve Moddle** gave an update on local police activities in the area. The good news is that car thefts are down, the bad news is that TV thefts are up. Remember it’s always a good idea to keep a record of your electronic item serial numbers in case you have an incident.

And finally, although we lost some dear members **Juanita Karten Ritt** and **Ken Carpenter** we were happy to hear they have made arrangements for us to have our Christmas party at the Smyrna Yacht Club again. So put December 6, 2018 on your calendar. More details will follow later. A big thank to **Juanita & Ken!**

Calendar:

June 7 - 11:30 - Red Lobster, 3162 S. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL

THE ORLANDO

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Our May 1st meeting was attended by the newest retiree from MCOCS, **Connie Lenard!** Connie retired right after she reached her 41st Anniversary with the Company and we are thrilled to have her joining our happy group! But, yikes, she’ll get on flights now before me ☹. We also welcomed visitors from Tennessee, **Robbie & Joe Corbin!**

Neither the Treasurer nor the Secretary were in attendance today – so the meeting was short by our normal standards. President Ernie began with the Pledge and asked for a moment of silence in observance of Memorial Day. All “moms” were wished a Happy Mother’s Day!

A retiree from our MCOCG group here, **John Phillips**, lost his wife **Janie** to a lingering illness on April 22, 2018. John has children in the area, but he would, I’m sure, be appreciative of our consoling support. Address: 296 Moses Creek Blvd., St. Augustine, FL 32086.

Please keep all our members’ families in your prayers for comfort and healing.

Our Birthday Guys ’n Dolls you ask? **Bob McNeill** (29th) and **Pat Hernandez** (30th)!

The Real McCoys meet the first Tuesday of each month at 1pm at the Golden Corral on So. Semoran Blvd. Coming up – June 5th and July 3rd.

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A large group of 36 Sand Dollars lunched in style at the Half Shell Seafood House in Sarasota for our April gathering. After the Pledge of Allegiance, **Ginger Hyde** welcomed our visitors. **Alice Parker's** son **Jim**, who has about 43 years of service with United at ORD, **Alice D'Souza's** friend **Susan Skovroner** was also visiting us again, and **Suzan Goodson** brought her friend **Doris Kilgor**. It was nice to see **Ted Mavis, Doug & Sandy Horuczi, Sue Lindstrom** and **Chuck Fulton** once again. The baseball season is over so **Cindy & Skip Irwin** joined us too. Cindy enjoys working at Ed Smith Stadium in Sarasota during the winter training season for the Baltimore Orioles.

It was then the turn of **Bob Adams** and **Judy Macklin** to make announcements. Bob presented Ginger with her very own bull-horn, so that in future those of us with less-than-perfect hearing would not miss a single announcement she'll make. The bull-horn also had a very loud alarm function, but we're sure that Ginger will learn how to control it very soon! Judy then presented Ginger with a card signed by everyone thanking her for all the work she does finding restaurants for us to enjoy each month, and all the other efforts she puts into coordinating our group activities. Her work on our behalf is very much appreciated, and we don't know what we would do without her. We also presented her with a gift card as a token of our appreciation. Ginger was very surprised by the gift and overwhelmed with the lovely card and gift certificates. She got a little teary-eyed, but we all know Ginger gets emotional!

Birthday congratulations for June go to **Sue Lindstrom** (12th), and **Liz Mavis** (20th). **Bob & Shirley Adams** will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on the 14th, and **Sandy & Doug Horuczi's** wedding anniversary is the 24th.

Our 50/50 winners: 1st prize went to **Diane & Lee Hoffer**, 2nd prize to **Lisa & Bob Young**, and 3rd prize to **Michael & Ginger Hyde**.

Judy Macklin's name was pulled for the attendance drawing. She was present so won the pot of \$25.00. Now the pot will re-start at \$5.00.

We will be having one more lunch gathering this season, after which many of our members head off to their homes "up north". Those of us hardy enough to stay in Florida all year will miss them, and look forward to their return in fall or winter. While we were at Joey D's recently, a couple of members asked if we could go to Miller's Ale House in Sarasota, so our next luncheon will be at that location.

We welcome any visiting retirees or any who are thinking of moving to our area. We meet the 2nd Thursday of the month, October through May. For information, call **Ginger Hyde** at (941) 360-6671, or email her at drjekyl.hyde@aol.com.

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The Tampa Bay Chapter met on Monday, May 7 with 10 members in attendance. Our meeting was called to order by President **Beverly Alderdice**. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The Treasurer Report and Secretary Reports were read and approved.

May Birthdays ~ **Bob Lindstrom** (5/16).

Anniversaries ~ **Bill & Jean Linehan** (57 years on 5/6) and **Frank & Helen Kacer** (47 years on 5/8). A Thinking of You card was sent to **Terri Breslin**.

Old Business: We talked about meeting all year, it will be by month by month. We also discussed UAL news, new aircraft, new Flying Together website, enrolled friends, what's happening, etc.

Meeting was adjourned - lunch and 50/50.

Calendar:

June 4 – 10:30 IHOP - Trinity, FL - on RT 54

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Thirteen members gathered at Duffy's South Stuart to celebrate May Day. President **Al Popek** led everyone in The Pledge Of Allegiance. He welcomed back members we haven't seen in a while. Unable to attend, **Ron Brodis**, had his wife, **Diane**, share his hello to everyone. He is still recovering from back surgery that went very well and is having therapy to aid in his recovery. "**Dinos**" **Xifaras**, still home recovering from complications following his auto accident in February. Hopefully, he is finally on the mend after the cause of his distress was determined. **Joan Palumbo** was unable to travel to Florida this past winter due to medical issues. All of us send her wishes for a speedy recovery and hope to see her soon.

Sharon Kirk recently welcomed a new daughter-in-law into their family. A beautiful wedding was held last month. Lots of planning went into the successful event. We hear that the rehearsal dinner she hosted was fabulous. The happy couple will never forget the honeymoon snafus at the airport which Sharon shared with us.

Many of our members have been traveling. **Bob Langevin** and **Sandy Ruggiero** are currently in Rome. **Pattie Connell** and **Tom Odom** are touring Italy. **Dave & Carolyn Lindgren** will be leaving soon on a 17 day cruise to celebrate Dave's milestone birthday. **Barbara Dodenhoff** and **Sharon Kirk** are leaving soon on a cruise and have plans to do another one this Fall. **Diane & Paul Liebisch** have had trips to be with family and future plans include travel to Germany and Hawaii. **Al & Janice Popek** recently had to cancel their plans to travel to Ashville, NC due to full flights. Safe travels to all and best wishes for space-available flights! The summer travel may be challenging.

United has recently announced new destinations to entice everyone, i.e. Iceland and Tahiti.

Our 50/50 was won by **Barbara Dodenhoff**. The Progressive was won by **Mary Kay Wetherington**. A box of candy was donated by **Millie Rossi** and won by **Barbara Dodenhoff**. The centerpiece was won by **Diane Liebisch**.

Al Popek wished all the mothers a Happy Mothers' Day and a Happy Memorial Day to everyone. He hoped everyone would remember our fallen servicemen and women.

Birthdays in May include **Vicky Snyder** on the 1st, **Fran Student**, the 11th, **Joan Palumbo** and **Jerry Zadar**, the 23rd and **David Lindgren**, the 25th. Cheers to all!

Calendar:

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

July 3 - Luncheon/Meeting at Duffy's, South Stuart 12:30

August 7 - Luncheon/Meeting Duffy's South Stuart 12:30

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Aloha! The Honolulu Menehunes is an active chapter and we meet for lunch at various Honolulu restaurants on the 3rd Thursday of February, June, and September. All retirees are welcome to join us. If you

are planning to be in Honolulu and would like to attend, just send your email address to HNLRTUA@gmail.com and we will email you the details.

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



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

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Our small (but great) group met at Dave's Favorite Barbecue on Tuesday, April 17th. Joining us were **Rick & Shirley Dempsey, Bud & Pat Peters, Louise Duvall, Denny Snyder, David & Carol Adams** and **Joe & Joan Varady**.

The Varadys surprised us when they announced that they have begun looking for a house in or near Boise. Garden Valley is small and about an hour and a half north of us. They visited their children in Cave Creek, AZ recently and went on the Verde Canyon train trip (4 hours). *"It was absolutely beautiful and interesting."* **Denny Snyder** continues enjoying his own plane.

Our sad news is the loss of **Marlene Croghan**, who was born February 26, 1924 and entered into rest March 17, 2018. The following was within the memorial bulletin: *"God saw you getting tired when a cure was not to be, So He put His arm around you, and whispered, 'Come with me'. And when we saw you sleeping so peaceful and free from pain, we could not wish you back to suffer that again."* This beautiful service was held in Marlene's church of many years. David was hired in 1961 by United Airlines and worked several positions throughout the years, retiring in '97. Marlene was originally hired as a teletype operator, followed by load planning and operations. All her working years were in Boise. It was Marlene who taught David both load planning and operations (includes weight and balance of airplanes) early in his employment. Without a doubt, she will be missed.

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June—Weddings, graduations, traveling, and festivals abound in our area. Many listed are for Arlington Heights, Hinsdale, Bolingbrook, Evanston, Lisle's Hot-air Balloons, and the ever-popular Lincoln Park Zoo's

Adult Zoo Night, with animal chats and adult beverages. On June 23-24, there is a Hot Sauce Expo in Bridgeview, if you'd like to sample hot sauces from across the world. There are so many events going on downtown, I can't even list them all, check under Chicago Events 2018, they all come up. So wherever you live, get out of the house, winter is finally over, get some fresh Illinois air in your lungs!

Last month I forgot to mention Prom season. Remember your proms? I went to all of mine, had four dresses, and alternated them, each one cost about \$20. Now, they run into the hundreds. The average cost of attending is over \$1,300, includes a dress/tux, admission, hair, nails, food, and sounds like a wedding, not a dance. We had our dances in the school gym, now the kids get a party bus, go to places like the Shedd, Field Museum, Renaissance Hotel, or Palmer House. Some even arrange to stay overnight, and then go for a Lake cruise, or to Great America. How times have changed. I can only imagine what my parents would've said to those words, 'staying overnight'. What? Something we have over them is the music. We had great music, didn't we? Not all this clatter they call music today! (Now I sound old). We had Glenn Miller, the Dorsey brothers, Harry Belafonte, Johnny Cash, Kingston Trio, Everly Brothers, Beatles, Supremes, Frank, Perry, Dean, Andy, Bing, Elvis, and Tony Bennett, who is 91 and still going strong. We grew up in great times, innocent, fun days; the 30's to the 60's were exceptionally outstanding years in our life to be nostalgic about. Times when we learned responsibility, respect for others and knowing the simple things were the best. Ahh, get out my scrapbook, and Kleenex.

Let's not forget D-Day on June 6, a critical day in the War, Flag Day on the 14th, put it up, fly it, and leave it up. June 17 is when we honor our Dads, whether they're here or not. Without him and his 'contribution', we wouldn't be here! I miss mine, he tried so hard to tell me things, and I guess I just didn't listen until it was too late, who thought he'd die at 67? Now I would love to have his wisdom and expertise with me. I especially miss that look he gave me when I did something stupid. You're never too old to listen and learn.

The Northside breakfast had about 20 people. Some that we haven't seen in a while came by, **Larry Mallich**, EXOKF, **Virginia Kondrars**, **Ken Lucht**, **Darlene Felske**, and **Jackie Monilaw**. A newbie was **Lynn Hagele**, the Skyliners' new Secretary. Welcome and welcome back. **Rich Maionchi** is the only one I heard that traveled; visiting his son in COS. **Pat & Bob Kalicki** welcomed another great granddaughter, Laila. They have four children, 13 grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren. **Judi Felde** had another great grandchild, Agnieszka, making it three, along with two older boys.

Our Southside Breakfast had 10 members in attendance. **Ed Ward** is going up to Michigan to get his cottage ready for the summer. **Barb Wesemann** will be doing some traveling out West. The raffle was won by **Agnes Pearson**, **Bill Corbett** and **Tom Hurley**. We all talked about the loss of our friend, **Perry Pahl**. Perry had COPD for many years. However, he fell, broke his arm, and while recuperating, went into cardiac arrest. We'll miss his humorous comments about his life, and love of Harrah's.

The ORDMM breakfast had three new retirees, **Jim Adams**, **Brad Nelson**, and **Steve Rader**; it was so good to see them. Also joining us again was **Hank Mueller**, **Bob Palm**, **Harry Kargenian**, **Cas Paprocki** and **John Degrange**. I received a call from foreman **Jack Schramm**, he and his wife, **Patty**, are celebrating 40 years of wedded bliss, plus, Jack just turned 86 in May. That Florida sunshine must agree with them. Congrats you kids!

Also celebrating anniversaries are **Marlene & Marvin Anderson** (60 years), **Delfine & Bill Perry** (37 years), **Jan & Walt Fink** (41 years), **Pam & John Witkowski** (48 years), **Deanna & Rich Hoppel** (60 years), and **Elena & Cesar Guerra** (37 years). The Guerras have a romantic love story. Cesar is from Mexico, Elena is from Cuba. They met at United while working in the wide-body kitchen. They started dating, she clipped his wings, and they've been floating on air ever since. They attend all of our Chicago events. Another interesting anniversary belongs to ex-Chicagoans **Carol & Bob Faust**. They celebrated their 45th, by going on a nighttime snowshoe hike up Angler Mountain in Colorado, where they live now. Seniors, over 80, hiking at night? I'm impressed! Wishing you all many more years together flying United!

The May meeting of the IAM 1487 had a Cinco de Mayo luncheon for over 70 people. We welcomed a new member from ORDCG, **Kenneth Payne**. The Funseekers lunch in April, at the Village Tavern had about 30 members. **Pat & Frank Ranier** made the arrangements. Our next meeting will be June 7, and it will be Pizza Day! Buon Appetito!

Some of our dear friends Flew West last month, **Joseph Shea**, ORDFO, **Perry Pahl**, ORDFF, **Bill Bruckman**, ORDCG, **Judith Kubon**, CHICU, **Mike Quinn**, ORDSW, and from ORDMM, friends of mine, **Gene Wright** and **Don Matker's** wife, **Carol**, who lived with Parkinson's disease for 12 years. Carol passed away as Don and their six children joined around her saying the rosary. What a beautiful way to enter heaven. God bless you all. Also gone from our world are, Yvonne Staples, Chuck McCann, Milosz Foreman, R. Lee Erme, Harry Anderson, Vern Troyer (MiniMe), Paul Junger Witt, Judith Leiber, Chicago Alderman, Winston

Frost, and one of the more colorful First Lady's, Barbara Bush, at 93. As always, prayers are needed for our friends suffering from many problems, health and otherwise.

Last month I had to take my driver's test at the DMV. I learned a few new things. If you're in the left lane, and there is no car in front of you, but one or more cars behind you, get into the right lane. If you're only doing the speed limit in the left lane, you belong in the right lane. If you're a little old man wearing a hat, you definitely belong in the far right lane, maybe even on the shoulder, or take the Pace Bus.

Calendar:

Northside Breakfast - Elly's Restaurant, 8:30 A.M., 372 E. Golf Rd., Arlington Heights, IL (**June 13**). Second Wednesday of the month.

Southside Breakfast - Jedi's Restaurant, 9:30 A.M., 9266 S. Cicero, Oak Lawn. (**June 26**). Last Tuesday of the month.

IAM Lodge 1487 - 50 W Oakton, Des Plaines, Luncheon, (**June 7**), Lunch will be Hot Dogs. First Thursday of the month.

June 18 - Monday, Skyliner's Hawaiian Luncheon, Chandler's Restaurant, 401 N. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg, 11:00 cocktails, 12:00 lunch

September 4 - Skyliner's Fall Luncheon, Belvedere Restaurant, 1170 Devon Ave, Elk Grove, 11:00 cocktails, 12:00 lunch

December 4 - Skyliners's Christmas Luncheon, Avalon Restaurant, 1905 E. Higgins Rd., Elk Grove, IL, Tuesday, 11:00 cocktails, 12:00 Lunch

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After a long, snowy, and chilly winter season 19 Indy Racers and guests braved March's blustery winds to attend the March Indy Racer lunch and meeting. We gathered at Emmy's Pancake House in Avon, IN for an afternoon of companionship and camaraderie.

Sadly during our winter break we lost **Ray Brabo** to an extended illness. Ray was the founding father to the Indy Racers and will be remembered by all of us.

Attendees at the March meeting include **Hannelore Brabo**, **Mario & Margaret Bregante** and Mario's cousin Nello visiting from Italy, **Wanda Bryce**, **Jack & Carol Conway**, **Bob & Myrtle Duty**, **Jim Gibson** and his grand-daughter Erica, **Chris Johnston**, **Frank** and **Rita Prins**, **Dimple Rihel**, **Charles Theiss** and daughter Amy-Christine, and **Tony & Barbara Urbanovic**. Our guest speaker was **Jackie Monilaw**, our RUAEA Midwest Regional Director.

Jackie led a very informative discussion on recent changes to stand-by travel for retirees, benefit changes that may affect retirees, enrolled friends changes, and information on the 2018 RUAEA convention in CLE.

Jackie also had UAL pens as a gift to all attendees. UAL Retiree hats were presented to **Charles Theiss** for the highest seniority retiree, **Tony Urbanovic** for the last UAL retiree, and **Chris Johnston** for the first president of the Indy Racers. **Hannelore Brabo** was presented with a UAL Day-Timer to honor Ray's work to found the Indy Racers.

Several Indy Racers will be travelling including **Wanda Bryce** to Ft. Myers, FL to visit family, **Jack & Carol Conway** to FL for a family vacation, **Chris Johnston** to The Grand Canyon for a reunion with school friends from Cheyenne, WY, **Frank & Rita Prins** to SJC, BFL, and LAX to visit relatives, **Dimple Rihel** on a tour to Ireland, and **Tony & Barbara Urbanovic** to Florida for 2 weeks to dog sit.

The 50/50 raffle was won by **Barbara Urbanovic**.

Thanks to all our attendee, guests, and special thanks to **Jackie Monilaw** and to **Wanda Bryce** for coordinating Jackie's visit to IND. We hope to see you again

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Sad news out of the Northeast this past month. We lost our two Charlies. Both Retirees of United, **Charlie Staula** spent his career in Reservations and working in our CTOs. He was 90 and a past president of the Nor'Easters. Always smiling, **Charlie Enos** of ORD, PVD, BOS and MHT leaves his loving United wife, **Paulette**, five children and seven grandchildren. Spread kindness, they did.

We dined at Jeveli's this month. Eighteen of us returned to Terminal J, (if those walls could talk) to enjoy a spring day and each other's company. **Dick Vee** was there! We were so happy to see how well he is recovering and thrilled to have him back with us.

In the Bionic Men Department, **Bob Lincoln** reports he is having a knee replaced soon. **Bruce Eddy** was not there as his hip replacement has him staying close to home right now. Carleen is grateful that he's a good patient.

Bob Kimball and **Elaine Vanderwal** were the two \$25 raffle winners. **Gladys Willis** and **John Holman** were on the scene and a wonderful surprise was getting to see **Katie Cullinane**! **Barbara & Bobby McFarland** checked in from the Kentucky Derby and **Frank & Janet DeStefano** were big winners at the spectacular 50th wedding anniversary hosted by their sons.

Next meeting TBD sometime this summer.

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We had a great time at our April luncheon at China Cafe, hosted by **Marci Vance**. Attending were **Pam Shamey** and her sister, **Karen Tzortzinis**, **Lynn Manzi**, **Joan Robinson**, **Joan Benoit**, Marci's granddaughter Rylee and myself. Great Chinese food and the chocolates that Marci brought finished up the meal. Thanks so much Marci!

Gwen Dyc wasn't there as she was in Florida enjoying the warm weather. She got together with **Pat Jawanda** and **Kay Smith**. Both are doing well.

Our next luncheon on May 10th, hosted by Patty will be covered in next month's report.

Some sad news to report: **Tom & Janet Lewandowski Roberts'** daughter Emma has been diagnosed with Leukemia and is being treated at U of M hospital. Would everyone please keep her in your prayers and if you would like to send a card to Emma or to Janet & Tom, the address is 8096 Pine Ranch Dr., Brighton, MI 48114. I'm sure it would brighten her day! She is a fighter, but no child should have to go thru chemo, maybe cards would help her with this fight. Prayers I know will help the family.

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Arlene & Joe Kelley were the hosts du jour when 25 MSP old-timers came together for lunch. This was the first time at our new venue, The Golden Corral in White Bear Lake; we were stunned and delighted when **Larry & Eleanor Mousel**, whom we hadn't seen in years, walked into the room. We had another seldom-seen face, too, in **Marlene Overpeck**! Spring seems to be the time for the arrival of long-absent friends to pop up like daffodils. Along with the ending of long winters, is it any wonder that spring is our favorite season around here?

Andy & Norma Holen arose early and drove over from Lake Mille Lacs to deliver the martin house to the **Kelleys**. You may remember that last month, Andy offered one of his beautiful, hand-built birdhouses to any of our group who was willing to buy one. He will use the money as a donation to the MSP Serviceman's Center in honor of **Frank Brower**, local supervisor and Purple Heart recipient who was a good friend.



Mary & Jim Brennan were back from their annual escape to Kona, looking rested and happy. She brought in a copy of Forbes Magazine to show the group which had an article about the number and locations of U.S. billionaires. One dot on the map was Birchwood, WI, home of our very own sass-mouth, **Nel Brawner**. And to top it off, that billionaire is her next-door neighbor! According to Nel, over the years they have been the best neighbors a person could ever ask for, having plowed her driveway for her when she was under the weather some time back and inviting her to holiday parties at their home.

Mary also announced with buttons popping that she was Great-Grandma once again and that this little muffin had come out of the oven on Mary's birthday. Not only that, but he is the **2nd** great-grand that's been born on her birthday! What are the odds of **that**?

The April meeting of the Lites was the first one at The Golden Corral, so it was being critiqued by all. It's located in the same building where one of the Old Country Buffets was housed and the operation is very much the same. The food, however, was amazing. At least twice as many choices as we'd ever seen at OCB. The price was about the same and we had the 40-person capacity meeting room with two closeable doors all to ourselves. It was clean, the food good and everyone was pleased. Since there's no charge for the private room, the meal is a flat fee of \$11.99 per person. A vote was taken and there were no dissenting voices. **Jo Ayres** contacted the manager and the only months not available on the 2nd Wednesday were September and October. We're doing a boat trip in September, sooo... until then, plan on meeting at the Golden Corral, see directions below. We'll figure out something for October!

No one present had an April birthday, so the \$5 prize went into the kitty. Raffle winners were **Jim Brennan, Dick Haag, Wayne Cole, Steve Mayo** and **Marlene Overpeck**. (I'm always happy to see one of our seldom-seen friends win ~ maybe that will bring them back more often!)

(Hopefully, Dear Reader, by the time you read this, our Endless Winter has *actually* ended for a few months. As I write this, a roaring spring storm is passing through the Twin Cities where 8-10 inches of wet, sloppy snow is expected. Arggghh! All Minnesotan's are ready for green grass, open windows, birdsong and the crack of the bat hitting the ball!)

And yes! Ma Nature finally relented and released her grip on winter. As of May 5, we have enjoyed wonderful spring weather but still wondering if the ice will be out of the lakes in time for the Walleye fishing opener...

Lunch at 11:00 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at The Golden Corral, 3000 White Bear Ave. Maplewood, MN. Take I-694 to Exit 51 (White Bear Ave.) south to Woodlynn Ave. (about 2 blocks), left & into the strip mall across from Maplewood Mall. You'll see Aldi's Market nearby.

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Well, it was a questionable day weather wise, but we had 18 retirees enjoy a lunch and speaker at the Longhorn Bar and Grill in Fort Calhoun, hosted by **Betsy Anderson**. Hopefully, we are beyond the ice and snow events that have prevented us from meeting the last three months. Betsy also arranged a speaker, Jim Douglas, Director of Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. None of us knew that there are 77 state parks in Nebraska or all the wonderful activities that are currently available or in the process of being implemented from splash pads, to glamping cabin experiences, tubing/sledding run, ropes course, climbing wall and a floating playground at Louisville State Recreation area. Various activities are available at various parks. Go to Nebraska Land Magazine or go online to Nebraska Game and Parks to see what is offered where. It looks like a lot of fun for people with all interests and age groups.

The winners of the 50/50 were **Jan Cornish** and **Sid Schneider**. Each received \$16.

We have had a lot of illness and change of status within our group. **Denny Pierson** had surgery on his neck recently, **Hilde Bennet Schwan** is now recovering at Douglas County Hospital and **Dick Weak** needed his heart resynchronized. We are happy to note that **Larry Nollette** is now at home although he tells me he is on "house arrest." **Mel Harrison** has moved to Harper House residence.

Change of Address: **Hilde Schwan**, Douglas County Hospital, 4102 Woolworth Ave., C-116, Omaha, NE 68105, (402) 981-4152. **Mel Harrison**, Harper House Residence, 7415 Cedar St., Room 16, Omaha, NE 68124-2367, (402) 343-8616.

Our next meeting on May 1 at The Elmwood Tower, hosted by **Judy Nekonchuk** will be covered in next month's chapter report.

Birthdays for the month of May: **Larry Nollette** (7), **Van VanHouten** (9), **Linda Chapman**, **Ed Delong** (24), and **Andy Vassios** (29). Van is going to be 98, I think that deserves either a call or a card.

Calendar:

June 5 - Pizza Ranch, hosted by **Marge Edwards**

July - TBD

August 7 - Fernando's Café in Blair, hosted by **Patty Shook** and **Sid Schneider**

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The Silverliners held their regular Luncheon/Meeting on April 12 at Giuseppe's Italian Grill. We had a total of 27 members and 3 guests attending. The guests were **Alexander**, son of **Winnie Stone**; **Sigrid Wright**, daughter of **Zenta Berghofer** and **Roxine Lukens**. Roxine is also a member of the Clipped Wings, by the end of the Luncheon, Roxine joined the Silverliners and became our newest member, welcome!

Secretary **Don Rutkowski** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He announced that our Vice President **Chris Czaplewski** was not going to be at the meeting. Chris and her husband live in Mesquite which is over an hour drive from Las Vegas and due to the wind/dust storm from the high winds, she was not going to attempt the drive.

Don Rutkowski mentioned the fact that one of our members, **John Albert**, has been selected to take part in the Veterans Honor Flight on April 27, 2018. It is a great honor for John to be recognized for his service to his country. We all wished him well and requested a full report at our next luncheon.

Sunshine Lady **Eleanor Vasko** went over the Birthdays and Anniversaries of our member for the month. After Eleanor spoke, Treasurer **Jeannie Rolland** came up and presented our financial condition to the members which was well received and approved. Jeannie also mentioned that the Silverliners will start looking into making a donation to charities that the members approve of. This matter will be discussed along with others at a board meeting next month set up by Vice President Chris.

The 50/50 raffle handled by **Georgia Rutkowski** and **Mary Chandler** went off well with a 1st place prize of \$25.00. There were also a number of surprise gifts members donated and we drew names till all gifts were gone.

The meeting was opened to the members for comments and questions and after that we closed the meeting saying we will see each other on June 14th. So, we bid all a safe trip home and to stay healthy, the Luncheon/Meeting was adjourned.

The Silverliners hold our meetings on the second Thursday of every even month. The meetings are held at Giuseppe's Italian Grill at 6065 Durango Road, Las Vegas, NV 89113. The doors open at 11:00am. If you are in Las Vegas and/or planning a trip, here you are more than welcome to come to our meeting and visit with our members, you may even know or worked with one of them. Email **Don Rutkowski** at geodon1192@gmail.com or call him at (702) 300-4038. We will be glad to see you.

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13 members attended our April meeting at The Black Bear Diner. A proposal was made to hold our meetings every other month. The members present voted to keep our meetings on a monthly basis.

For Future Discussion – A proposal was made to perhaps hold our September meeting at a different location in place of our annual picnic. Two suggested venues: El Compadres on S. Virginia and Miguel's in the Grand Sierra Resort. **Barbara Leusing** offered to check out both venues for suitability, in spite of having to get ready to leave for Europe soon. This will be discussed at our next meeting.

Jim Peters, Manager of Planning, passed away on Monday, April 2. Jim had been a planning manager in the engine overhaul shop. He was known for his rather impressive handlebar mustache.

An April birthday was celebrated by **John Barlow**. The 50/50 raffle was won by **Pat Nettles**.

Once again, our master pastry chef, **Bill Perkins**, brought a tasty delight to the meeting: In keeping with the Easter spirit – it was a decorated chocolate covered peanut butter Easter egg. It's a good thing it didn't have any calories!

Our next meeting will be May 14 at The Black Bear Diner on S. Virginia St at 11:30 a.m.

NEW JERSEY

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Our meeting opened with a flag salute led by President **Frank Worzocha**. In memory of their passing, a moment of silence was held for **Glen Herman** of EWRMM and **Gary Stryker** of EWR ramp service.

It was good to see **George Whitman**, **Marie Blackwell**, as well as **Bill Gula** and **Vic Acosta** from IAM local 914. We also have a new member, **Mark Bushnell** of EWRMM.

Marty Etler advised the group that **Terry Schultz** who had an operation for both knee replacements; is in rehab and doing okay. We all hope for a good recovery and a return to our luncheons.

We had an announcement that **Marty Etler** had reached his 89th birthday on the 24th (for once I had a loss of words). As a good politician once told me, the best thing that you could say in a speech is “*and in conclusion*”, then sit down. I think it is still good advice.

Marie Blackwell gave some good points on the procedures for pass travel. I always think how fortunate we have so many people who can keep us up-to-date on what’s happening.

Bill Gula won the 50/50. Our next meeting will be on May 30th at Snuffy’s at 12 PM.

***** From the great prophet Leroy, “*you can’t shake hands with a clenched fist.*”

NEW YORK

NEW YORK METROS

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Mother Nature, like so many of us, is getting very forgetful. Poor thing just skipped over spring entirely, going from the coldest April on record to the 80’s and the 90’s today. Boy, did it feel good to the 25 Metros who turned out for our luncheon. So nice to have **Leo & Dee Talochino** back with us after an absence of five months, and looking good.

Carol Maley-Davis passed around a thank you card from the family of **Ron Weick** with a picture of him. If they make movies in heaven, he’ll surely be the star. So handsome, and reflecting of his kind nature. RIP, Ron.

We got on the subject of travel and **Nick Manfredo**, that man about town, regaled us with his past visit to a Cat house in Amsterdam. Please see below – read on. He and Roberta are off on a tour of the Baltic at the end of May. The **Richardsons** will be cruising the Danube. I suppose I could join the Canada geese and launch my rubber tube out on the lake off my condo patio, not to be outdone. Bon Voyage, all! **Ron & Donna Feingold** are back from a trip to Amsterdam.

Happy Birthday to **Donna Feingold** (5/9), **Marylou Ellis** (5/19), and **Gail Block** (5/25). Celebrating anniversaries are **Ed & Diane Pozzi** (56 yrs), **Jason & Ona Weiner**, **John & Madeline Klos**, **Mike & Evelyn Schroeder**, **Nunzio & Emma Milazzo**, and **John & Mary Green**. Uncork the champagne and enjoy.

50/50 Winners of \$15 were **John Klos** and **Ed Pozzi**; \$10, **Margaret Hansen**.

Now about that Cat house. There was “one of those”, which Nick avoided, (so he said) and the other one of interest, a house on the river, with about 100 cats, of the four legged variety, which is a tourist attraction. Whew, glad we got that straightened out!

We will not have a July picnic on the fourth, but instead will meet for our regular luncheon at the Davenport Press on Tuesday, July 10. Our August picnic will be, as usual at Wantagh State Park.

I think I cracked the DNA of the snowbirds. They go to Florida to avoid heating bills, and return north to avoid air-conditioning bills. Does that seem right? I think **Frank Ferrara** hovers in the air over the Carolinas to avoid both. Where are you Frank?

Calendar:

June 6 - Davenport Press.

OHIO

OHIO BUCKEYES

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On April 4th the Buckeyes again enjoyed lunch at Mahle's Restaurant. We had a total of 58 members in attendance. Our hosts for this month are **Gene & Jacki Craig**. Our attendance numbers are slipping a little because of members passing away, and other members that have decided to fly south for the winter and they have not returned "home" yet. As usual, the food and service were great. It looks like we have another "regular" for the month of April. Yes, we had their special ice cream pudding dessert which is a signature recipe of the owners.

We had our socializing time first, to catch up with friends to see what is happening. This is the time we use for the sale of our 50/50 tickets. We want to thank **Joe Moses** and **Bernie Garrah** for stepping in to sell the tickets. The winners were **Gene Craig** and **Barb Vauls**. When everyone had arrived we all bowed our heads, praying together, as "Grace" was beautifully said by **Sue Broderick**, and a wonderful lunch was enjoyed by all of our 58 members.

President **Dolly Taucher** began the meeting hoping everyone had a Happy Easter. She hopes everyone got their taxes done on time and reminds us to retain our tax return records for 5 years after the filing due date. On April 18th, you can shred your 2013 and prior tax records. The phony calls from IRS have started again. Remember the IRS will not call you on the phone.

One year ago, Dolly had announced that the RUAEA Convention is in Cleveland this year, from Sept. 18th thru Sept. 22nd. **Barb Vauls** and **Dolly** (co-chairpersons) have finalized all 10 tours that will run from Wednesday thru Friday. We have also finalized the Friday night "Hospitality Party" menu and entertainment by the "Avanti" band (**Tony Midea**, a UAL retiree) for good music to dance or just sit back and enjoy listening to them. The Saturday night Banquet menu is also set, and after dinner we have one of our favorites, "**Frank and Dean**" as the entertainment. All this and more information is on the home page of our website ualohiobuckeyes.org.

One of our long-time members **Leo Schueler** (aircraft mechanic in Cleveland) passed away on April 20, 2018. We will all miss him. The family was able to fly him back to Cleveland for his final days, from Florida where he and **Doris** (his wife) spend the winter.

After our luncheon we found out that **Steve Pytel** had injured his leg and will be laid-up for quite a while. "*Get Well Soon!*"

Also, long-time member **Lillian Schabel**, after her fall last year, has moved into an assistant living. "*Hi Lillian! We want you to know that we do miss you*".

Please keep all the other members with health issues in your prayers.

We celebrated April Birthdays: **Len Friedel**, **Bernie Kazimer**, **Mary Merleno**, and **Barbara Wachs**. Yes, we sang "The Song" to them.

April Anniversaries: **Len & Mary Ann Friedel** (54 years); and **Steve & Lee Rak** (55 years).

Calendar:

June 6 - Rose Hill, in Medina, hosted by **John & Carrie Kercel**

July 11 - Williams on-the-Lake, hosted by **Vince & Norma Malena** (2nd Wed.)

OREGON



OREGON DEW-ER'S

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Another fun meeting in April with 57 members, good food, lots of conversation, and a delightful guest speaker.

Unfortunately we also learned of 3 recent deaths and some illnesses to report: **Lonnie Kyle**, UALMM, passed away on March 26 – no service is planned. **Ted Schoessler** passed away recently and there was a memorial service for him on April 27th. Member **Tony DaSilva**'s wife passed away a couple of weeks ago.

Lois Gruenberg was in the hospital with complications from pneumonia. **Gary Simpson** recently had his 4th back surgery. **Dee Simpson** recently had a pacemaker inserted.

Our guest speaker, **Tom Cottrill**, PDX UAL Manager, gave an engaging presentation covering current changes occurring within UAL, and more specifically changes happening at PDX. The biggest change at PDX will involve shuffling of check-in counters, with United gates moving to the other side of Delta, and terminal one being redesigned. He also brought lots of fun giveaways including UAL draw string bags, some nice UAL branded gel pens and hats, as well as several lanyards. Tom informed the group that, since his first speaking engagement with us, he has remembered to let retirees know of our existence (definitely responsible for several of our recent new members!).

This month's quote from our President: *"If you must, grin and bear it; if you can, work and change it."*

To be expected at upcoming meetings: May – lots of information passed on from our NW district director, as well as more quotes and jokes. June – members Rosalie and Joyce will share their trip to Africa last year! July – annual indoor picnic with lots of prizes. August or September – (yet to be confirmed) speaker from National Weather Service. October – (yet to be confirmed) looking into speaker from local AARP chapter.

Anniversaries: None this month (most likely a reflection of how difficult it was to get a spring or early summer vacation back when most of us were getting married!)

Birthdays: **Dennis Cline**, **Kathy Russell**, **Patty Cox-Hollosy**, **Nancy Hooper**, **Jerri Blodgett** and **Inge Pempeit**.

Drawing Winners: *Lunch/Door Prize* ~ **John Van Reenan**, Men's Birthday ~ **Dennis Cline**, Women's Birthday ~ **Patty Cox-Hollosy**, 50/50 ~ **Anita Uhl**.

Calendar:

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

May 9 – Board meeting immediately following lunch meeting

June 13 – Rosalie & Joyce will share their Africa adventure

July 11 – Annual indoor picnic

PENNSYLVANIA

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The flowering trees are gorgeous after all the rain we had. Spring is beautiful.

We had 24 for lunch in April and had a wonderful time of fellowship. **Joyce Lindenmuth** won the 50/50 and **Jim Ruppert** won the free lunch.

Our sympathy to the families of **Richard Sommers** and **Theresa Klemm** on their deaths in April.

As we age we get more aches and pains. Send a card to our sick. **Betty Pyle** broke her leg. She is unable to come to meetings because of the long drive. She had been very faithful for years. **Alan Edwards** is living with a chronic illness and gets to our meetings when he feels OK. **Ben Hain** is living with his daughter and she brings him when they have time to come. **Jim & Barbara Fanto** are having their struggles.

We have one more meeting and then we are off for the summer. See you the second Monday in June.

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Calendar:

June 21 - Breakfast at 9:30 AM ET, Don Delfis Pancake House, 120 West End Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37934. Please call Pollie at (847) 757-5261 so that she can get a head count for the owners.

WASHINGTON

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True to form, President **Ken Storey** opened the April meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, following up with his humorous remarks and stories. **Lloyd Towne** and **Frank McAnulty** added their “words of wisdom” to draw chuckles from the group.

Forty members attended the April 10 meeting (with 43 expected in May) of the Emerald City Slickers, Seattle chapter of RUAEA, at Angelo’s Ristorante in Burien, where the staff treats us kindly and feeds us well! A set price provides the works: entrée, salad, bread, dessert and beverage. Reservations are required, along with the attendee’s menu selection from the five choices offered. We invite you to join us September through November and January through May, so your next opportunity will be for our next scheduled meeting at the restaurant in September.

Formal business included authorizing a contribution to the Flight 93 Memorial from the chapter’s treasury.

Ed & Gay Liesse will fill in for vacationing **Richard Devereux** and **Noreen Krawczyk** at the May 8 luncheon. Ed will peddle the 50/50 raffle tickets while Gay checks in attendees and verifies their entrée selections beside Treasurer **Bonnie Frey**, who will collect lunch payments.

Everyone was surprised to see **Don Hanson** and **Sharon Penwell** last month. Don, an Emerald City Slicker since 1982, had been reported as a patient with double pneumonia at the VA Hospital but checked himself out Monday to attend Tuesday’s luncheon. You can’t keep a good man down!

Hank Gosselin and **Carol Lucarelli** had returned from Arizona to their summer home in Auburn and **Shirley Claggett** has migrated north for the May meeting. Other attendees, who had been MIA for a time, included **Maury Erben** and **Jim Hafterson**. Welcome back to all of them.

Vice President **Phyllis Bowman** read a note from **Kay Johnson**, who had celebrated her 100th birthday in Cathedral City, California last March. Phyllis also had heard from **Mary Luke**, enduring winter weather and snow at home in Minnesota, where the Mariners/Twins baseball game had been snowed out the week before.

Ken Tank described a recent journey to Southeast Asia with his wife, **Marcia**, a trip that included visits to Vietnam and Cambodia with opportunities to see such “landmarks” as The Hanoi Hilton, Khmer Rouge Killing Fields and the Angkor Wat Temple complex, the largest religious monument in the world.

Hank Gosselin talked about the upcoming RUAEA convention in Cleveland, mentioning some of the attractions available to visitors. He also noted that **Chuck Cole** will succeed **Tom Cunningham** as Northwest Regional Director when Chuck and Sharon move back to the Seattle area from Arizona. Tom is moving on to follow **Jim Simon** as RUAEA’s Executive Vice President.

Once again, **Kathie Torgison** provided helpful information on air travel, including discount travel on UAL and interline travel on other carriers. She reminded us that the Flying Together website was available through the shortened ft.ual.com address and that company passes were still good on United Express when flying to destinations serviced only by them.

Jim Fauber, who was preparing for his Honor Flight to Baltimore and visits to historical military sites and monuments around Washington DC, and **Ken Storey** visited retired maintenance foreman **Bob McCurley**, who now has mobility-challenges and enjoyed seeing them, in Chehalis.

Cautions about e-mail and telephone scams were reiterated by **Ken Storey**, especially those concerning the new Medicare cards expected to be issued shortly. We all know that senior citizens, like most of us, can be easy prey.

After **Phyllis Bowman** congratulated those with April birthday and wedding anniversaries, **Fred Frey** assisted her with the distribution of door prizes. As lucky **Betty Paul** went up to collect her 50/50 winnings, the group serenaded her with “Happy Birthday” on her 88th.

Plans for a July 10 picnic have been announced, and we offer sincere gratitude to **Kathi Skarbo** for opening her lovely home and yard on Lake Burien for our summer gathering. Berry’s BBQ will cater the lunch of pork ribs and chicken. Water and soft drinks will be provided – anything stronger (beer and wine) will be subject to BYOB. Ms. Skarbo has the perfect setting for a large group outing like ours and we had a wonderful time at her home last summer. A special flyer supplying details will be sent to members and reservations are due by July 3.

Secretary **Mary Ann Andersen** continues her publication of “Member Highlights” in Contrails, the chapter newsletter provided before each meeting. **Ed Liesse** (SFOED) was profiled in the May issue, following bios of **Frank McAnulty** (LAXOZ) in February, **John Haferbecker** (SEARR) in March, and **Richard (Dick) Clement** (SEAFF) in April. Detailing their progression from early histories through their careers at United Airlines, their interesting stories help us better get to know our fellow Emerald City Slickers.

Calendar:

June-August – No formal luncheon meetings

July 10 – Summer Barbecue

September 11 – Luncheon meeting at Angelo’s



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

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Cathy Gilbert-Silva presided over the April luncheon as I was in Gatlinburg, TN for a Regional bridge tournament. In my last newsletter I believe I promised that I would give you a report on my results in that competition. I am **thrilled** to tell you that my team was most successful.

We entered two events and won them both! We were one of only a few all-female teams and two of us on my team, are former flight attendants for UAL. **Terry Heatwole** (you knew her by L'Heureux) and I were both DCASW.

Cathy has informed me that there were 50 in attendance at the April gathering. Our numbers do continue to grow. Each new member brings with them a new vitality and a treasure chest of new memories. **Marilyn Marcy** won the 50/50 raffle and then graciously donated it back to the chapter. Thank you Marilyn! **Judy Eary, Marie Libby, Laura Petit, Jon Beckett, Janet Klinger Nichols, Dutch Schneider, and Skip Garczynski** were the winners of the door prizes. The door prizes consisted of gift cards from the Golden Corral for breakfast, Uno's and Glory Days for anytime.

Whenever you dine out, please keep these restaurants in mind, as they have been quite generous to our chapter for many years.

Sadly, we lost two of our UA family members: Capt. **Clyde Luther** passed away on March 30th. He is survived by his wife, **Claudette** (of 64 years) and 4 children. Condolences can be sent to his wife at 7414 Spring Village Dr., Apt. FV 317. Springfield, VA. 22150.

On April 18th, **RL "Bob" Frye** also passed away. He is survived by **Diane**, his wife of 54 years, 3 children, 6 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild and 2 sisters. Condolences can be sent to Rte. 2 box G-2, Lovettsville, VA 22080.

Ruth Blackwell, a member of the Dulles Loungers, and local artist has most generously donated quite a few of her beautiful paintings to the Dulles Loungers and to our local chapter of Clipped Wings. Clipped Wings will be raffling theirs off at the Annual Retirement luncheon and the Loungers will have a silent auction to raise money for their annual charity.

Our final get-together (until September) will be on June 13th at the Barrel Oaks Winery in Delaplane, VA. This year, it will be half catered and half pot luck. There will be no charge for members and a guest, but only \$15 (and a dish) for anyone that would like to join us at this fabulous venue.

NATIONAL

CLIPPED WINGS

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One of the wonderful benefits about our Clipped Wings organization is getting to meet others who share the special bond of our flying careers. If you are a current or former UAL/CO inflight crew member, we'd like to offer you the opportunity to stay connected with your flying friends and meet new friends. You could be part of a very caring group of individuals who support our national philanthropy which is the Special Olympics Organization. In addition to Special Olympics involvement, our 29 chapters located throughout the USA share fun and lots of laughs while also being involved in various amazing philanthropic endeavors in their own locales.

I recently had the privilege of attending a luncheon with the PHX CW Chapter who were honored as Valley Life Volunteers of the Year for 2015–2016. Valley Life is a non-profit organization in the Phoenix, AZ area that provides services to individuals with disabilities which help to enhance their quality of life. Since 1947

Valley Life has enabled those in their programs to live a life of choices, independence and dignity. In addition to their support of Special Olympics, our PHX Chapter has evolved into making Valley Life their main philanthropy project. One of their members has been volunteering with Valley Life for over thirty years!

Our special PHX CW members give as much time physically, emotionally and monetarily as possible – but mostly they share their caring hearts. They volunteer wherever needed at many special events and enjoy the friendship bonds that have developed between their chapter and Valley Life's clients and staff. Our PHX Chapter is very special and the good news is that our 28 other chapters are also unique in the different ways that they share their own special talents. If you'd like more information about a chapter in your area just contact us through our website: www.unitedclippedwingsinc.org. We'd love to Welcome You Aboard!

NEW MEMBERS

The following new members joined RUAEA during the month of **April 2018**:

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We appreciated monetary contributions from the following members during the month of **April 2018**:

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Retiree – **Scoggins, Michelle Y.**, on 2/17/2018, DENCS, wife of Willie R. Scoggins, 3001 Bellaire St., Denver, CO 80207

Retiree – **Wright, Eugene P. (Gene)**, on 4/27/2018, ORDMM, husband of Marilyn Wright, 192 Arapahoe Trail, Carol Stream, IL 60188

Letters & Notes



Martha Gooselaw

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

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

Nancy Bain, Amelia Briones, Ralph Bruggeman, Jean Cali, Margaret Colangelo, Pat Conrad, Roberta Fensch, C. Paul Gilson, Harrison Good, Charlie Hafner, Diane Hrdlicka, Wilma Lee, Willaim Lowry, Ann Mahoney, Bernard and Lacinda McManus, Mary Ann Moylan, Ursula Sadlowski, Emma Sedall, Judith Schroeder, Susan Thornton.

WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS FROM:

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

Shirley Elrod, 125 Harper St., Louisville, CO 80027

Thank you all so very, very much for all of your hard work. In the last month I have had the most pleasant experience in talking to some of you on the telephone regarding some business issues. Not only do you keep us informed of happenings at UAL, but, in some cases, when possible run interference for us regarding issues that may arise between retirees and the company.

I am hoping to attend a meeting of the Denver Mile Highers in the near future to personally thank all of you. It takes a lot of time and effort to put out the newsletter, and it is very much appreciated.

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

My saying now is, "I am glad I did what I did when I did it". Not having a need to see a doctor for some forty years, I finally get a primary doctor (Just in case).

In October I had my 1st short stay at the Mayo Clinic for short heart procedure.

We have retired from "Jams and Jellies". I am waiting to receive the final proof of one of the children's stories I wrote on the long layovers during the "Nam" days.

So way back then the Lord was providing for my later years.

If all goes well; I hope to do the outdoor work. I have a feeling it is going to be a weird summer.

Notes

Margaret Galbert Milan

Being a member of RUAEA is a way of keeping in touch with other retired members, as well as staying current with events and processes at United. There is so much information that is so helpful to the retiree. Keep up the good work.

Eleanor Hughes

I enjoy the newsletters and, especially, with its updates.

Sarah Linderman

Enjoying being retired and studying and singing Jazz and Cabaret.

Gina Savvides

As a retiree, I am very concerned about our flight benefits. It was a sad day when they dropped our boarding priority below all active employees. Perhaps under Oscar Munoz we might have a better chance of re-negotiating our benefits and having the old boarding priority structure reinstated. Anything we can do to protect and enhance employee benefits is very important.

Kimie Gaddy

United and the friends mean a lot to me, as does the Denver area. I live with my husband outside Charleston, SC and look forward to returning to Denver before too long. I have had several surgeries within the past ten years and am now recovering from left shoulder replacement. Looking forward to seeing old friends from United before too long.

Mary Luzader

Hello! I just retired in April 2018 and I look forward to participating in RUAEA.

Patricia Nicholaisen

WOW, hard to think it's been 25 years of retirement. Great life here in Arizona,

Both Buss and I try to keep up with the Denver happenings.

Terrance Mclean .

Bid at retirement was from SFO, however it was a short time (3 or 4 months). Previous station was SEA.

Terry Doppler

Sorry for missing my renewal and thanks for the reminder. I need the info you provide to keep up with friends and memories of the good times and important things that happened in my 36 plus years of working in the friendly skies. Wants both.

Charles Cole

We have moved back to the NW from Arizona. Various reasons, mainly being close to family, and the Arizona weather “may” have been a factor in the decision as well. ~ Chuck & Sharon

Alexander Kocenski

Staying in touch with the people of united and the industry as a whole!

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United Employee Service Center

1-877-825-3729, esc@united.com (email)

1-847-825-3729 - International Use

United Pass Line (1-866-359-3727)

For flight information and to list or change listing
Password for Pass Line –your birthday, mmddyy
\$25 fee to create new booking

Employee Travel Center

1-877-825-3729, ETC@united.com (email)

Flying Together Help Desk

1-800-255-5801

<https://flyingtogether.ual.com>

Aetna 1-800-334-0110

BC/BS 1-800-535-9825

PBGC - for all retiree pension questions

1-800-400-7242, <http://www.pbgc.gov>

Social Security Administration

1-800-772-1213, <http://www.ssa.gov>

Alliant Credit Union

(800) 328-1935 or (773) 462-2000 (24-hours, 7-days-a-week except Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day)

<http://www.alliantcreditunion.org>

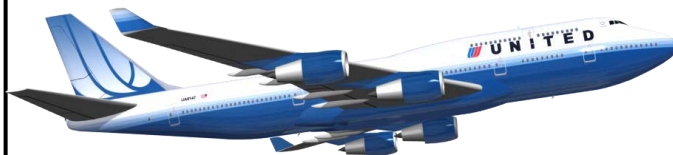
Medicare Hotline 1-800-633-4227

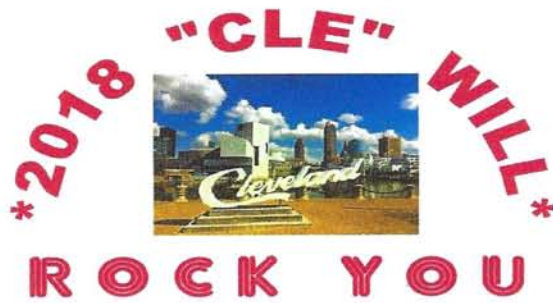
CVS/Caremark (Pharmacy)

1-844-635-3401

VSP Vision Care (Pacific Time) 1-800-877-7195

(M-F 6AM-8PM, Sat 7AM-8PM, Sun 7AM-7PM)





Welcome to the 2018
RUAEA CONVENTION
Cleveland, Ohio
September 18 - September 22



The Ohio Buckeyes Chapter Welcomes You to "CLE"

Welcome to the 2018 RUAEA Convention

RUAEA and the Ohio Buckeyes would like to welcome all of you to this year's Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, "The Best Location in the Nation". There is a lot to pack into this wonderful time of year, so we encourage you to come in earlier or stay later to enjoy all the tours and festivities. The Convention is open to all members of RUAEA and other branches of the United Family, including; RUPA (**R**etired **U**nited **P**ilots **A**ssociation), Clipped Wings (Former and current UAL Flight Attendants), Golden Eagles (Retired Continental Pilots), ARECA (**A**ssociation of **R**etired **E**mployees of **C**ontinental **A**irlines), RAFA (**R**etiree **A**ssociation of **F**light **A**ttendants), the IAM Retiree Association and Golden Penguins (Former Continental Flight Attendants). We encourage you to bring friends and family to this great city for the fabulous tours and attractions of our great city and camaraderie we all share at the Convention.

Our hotel is the **Cleveland Airport Marriott located at 4277 West 150th Street, Cleveland, OH, 44135**, just five miles from Cleveland Hopkins Airport. Most of our Convention activities will be held in the **Rockefeller Room** - our **Hospitality Suite**. Registration will be staffed Tue., September 18th from 12:00 PM until 6:00 PM. On Wed., Thur., and Fri. the hours will be 8:00 AM until 6:00 PM. There will be limited registration staffing on Saturday, so if you are only coming for the Banquet, please make arrangements to pickup your package early. **The cutoff date for hotel reservations by attendees must be received on or before 5:00pm, Monday, August 27th, 2018.**

Very important – RUAEA has committed to a block of rooms as we do with each convention so please book through the hotel as described on page C-4. Using any other discount will not add toward our committed block of rooms and RUAEA could incur a financial penalty.

The Hospitality Suite is the hub of our activities, the place to meet your old friends and make new ones! This is where you will find our 50/50 and Special Raffles ticket sales. Maps and other local information to help you navigate the Cleveland area will be on hand. This room will be open from 8:00 AM to 8:30 PM Wednesday through Friday with a cash bar from 5:30 until 8:30 each evening. We have some exciting social events planned for these evenings. Friday September 21st will be the "Cleveland Rocks" with a mixture of hors d'oeuvres; as well as a band will be included for your dancing and listening entertainment, co-hosted by the Alliant Credit Union. This event will be in the Grand Ballroom.

The RUAEA Banquet will be held on Saturday, September 22nd in the Grand Ballroom. We will not be offering table assignments this year. We will have sign-up sheet for tables as we did last year. Tables will accommodate 10 so get your friends together. Our dress code for this evening will be Dressy Casual, Jacket and/or tie are optional. **Remember that the RUAEA Banquet is a three-course dinner followed by entertainment.**

We have a varied selection of tours; many tours fill up fast so register as early as you can! **All tours must be reserved and paid for when submitting page C-12.** Taking in the sights with your friends is always fun. You may want to arrive early and/or stay late to do somethings on your own. The hotel is offering the convention rate two days prior to and 1-day post-convention based on availability.

See pages C 6-8 for details and sign up early.

For any questions or concerns, please contact the Convention at ruaeaconvention@gmail.com or **Bill Corbett** – VP Conventions at bcevergreenpark@aol.com.

Cleveland Convention Information

REGISTRATION

Your meal selections and tours are listed on pages **11 and 12**. Tours are subject to cancellation if participation is insufficient. Some tours may have limited capacity. We urge you to register early to be sure space is still available. If your tour is cancelled, you will be notified at the email address or phone number you have provided on the registration form. Reimbursement for cancelling tours after the cutoff date will be considered as long as there is no financial loss to the Convention. Don't forget, if you have questions, contact us at ruaeaconvention@gmail.com.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

Registration fees are non-refundable. For tour cancellations please contact **Shirley Claggett** by September 11th, 2018 at ruaeaconvention@gmail.com or write to her at 1007 South 262nd Place, Des Moines, WA 98198. Dinners may be cancelled up to September 19th, 2018. After this date, no refunds will be processed until after the Convention. Refunds for tours will be considered after the Convention if there is no cost to the Convention. Hotel reservations should be cancelled directly with the hotel as they have a 72-hour cancellation policy.

SILENT AUCTION

We would ask that anyone who wished to contribute an item for a silent auction please bring it with you to the hotel. These will be displayed in the Hospitality Suite (Rockefeller room) for all to enjoy. Final bidding on these items will close at 5:30 PM on Friday and the winners will be announced thereafter. We thank all previous donors for the generous contributions.

50/50 RAFFLE AND SPECIAL RAFFLE

The 50/50 and Special Raffle tickets may be purchased during Hospitality Suite hours (Rockefeller Room). Please buy your tickets early if you are going on a tour. Sales close each evening at 6:15 PM, 6:00 PM on Friday.

The drawing for the 50/50 Raffle will be held Wednesday evening and Thursday evening in the Hospitality Suite (Rockefeller Room), at 6:30 PM. The drawing for the Special Raffle will be held in the Grand Ballroom, Friday at 6:15 PM. The Special Raffle will be gift cards and other interesting items.

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS' MEETING

Virgil Gooselaw, RUAEA President, invites all Chapter Presidents (or their alternates) to join him for a meeting on Friday, September 21st, 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the Lorain room. Please RSVP to **Mary Jane Stewart** at (724) 745-8703 or email stewartmaryjane@aol.com prior to September 9th, 2018.

CORRESPONDENTS' MEETING

Francis Domaratius, Newsletter Manager, invites all Newsletter Correspondents (or their alternates) to join him for a meeting on Friday, September 21st, 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the Cuyahoga room. Please RSVP to **Francis** or **Veronica Domaratius** at (916) 789-0422 or email ruaeaneewsletter@surewest.net prior to September 9th, 2018.

RUAEA BOARD MEETING

This meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 19th, 8:00AM – 5:00PM in the Medina room.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

This meeting will be held on Saturday, September 22nd, 8:30 to 9:30 AM in the Ballroom. The state of affairs of RUAEA and the 2018 election results will be announced by President **Virgil Gooselaw**. If there are By-law changes, they will be voted on by the membership at this meeting.

BENEFIT PANEL PRESENTATION

Presenters from Alliant Credit Union, CVS/Caremark, Aetna, Fidelity, VSP, AOL Hewitt, Kaiser and representatives of various departments of United Airlines will be on hand, Saturday, September 22nd, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Ballroom. This will be followed by breakout sessions from 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM in the Superior, Ontario and Medina rooms.

The Retired United Airlines Employees Association

September 18 – 22, 2018



Please join us from The Retired United Airlines Employees Association convention at the

Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel
(West 150th Street at Interstate 71)

Hotel Amenities:

CONVENTION RATE AVAILABLE:

\$109.00 plus tax is available Sunday, September 16, 2018 – Monday, September 24, 2018

METHOD OF RESERVATIONS: Will be made by individual attendees directly with Marriott reservations at (800) 228-9290 or (216) 252-5333 or book online by going to ruaea.org and click on the convention hotel link. First night room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card. **Booking online from the RUAEA website is the most efficient way to make a reservation.**

RESERVATIONS CUTOFF DATE: Reservations by attendees must be received on or before 5:00pm, Monday, August 27th, 2018.

MARRIOTT GROUP RATE:

- *Includes Free Airport Transportation (see information on page 10).
- *Includes breakfast for (2 people). **You will sign the receipt and the cost will be deducted from your room charges. We recommend leaving a cash tip.**
- *Complimentary self-parking (normally \$6.00 per day).
- *20% discount for attendees in AMP 150 for lunch and dinner (excludes alcohol, gratuity, and taxes). Must have your convention name badge on.

HOTEL SHUTTLE: Hotel shuttle service to the airport begins at 4:00 AM and runs every 20 minutes thereafter. Return from the airport begins about 4:15 AM and every 20 minutes thereafter. Shuttle runs until midnight ~ best to call (216) 252-5333 to check if the shuttle is on schedule.

RUAEA CONVENTION 2018

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 18 ~ 22

DAY	DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Tuesday	September 18	12:00PM – 6:00PM TBA 12:00PM – 6:00PM	Registration/Late tour sales – Rockefeller Room Executive Board Meeting – TBA Hospitality Get Together – Rockefeller Room
Wednesday	September 19	8:00AM – 6:00PM 8:00AM – 10:00AM 8:00AM – 6:15PM 8:00AM – 6:15PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 9:00AM – 5:00PM 8:30AM – 3:00PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 8:00AM – 5:00PM 2:00PM – 5:30PM 5:30PM – 8:30PM 6:30PM – 6:45PM	Registration – Rockefeller Room Late Tour Sales – Rockefeller Room 50/50 and Special Raffle Sales – Rockefeller Room Silent Auction Sales – Rockefeller Room Tour 1 - Historic Lakeview Cemetery Plus More Tour 2 - Cruise to Kelleys and Put-In-Bay Islands Tour 3 - Nautica Queen Cruise and tour of CLE Tour 4 - Hard Rock Rocksino Board of Directors Meeting – Medina Room Late Tour Sales – Rockefeller Room Hospitality Get Together – Rockefeller Room 50/50 Raffle drawing – Rockefeller Room
Thursday	September 20	8:00AM – 6:00PM 8:00AM – 10:00AM 8:00AM – 6:15PM 8:00AM – 6:15PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 9:00AM – 5:00PM 2:00PM – 5:30PM 5:30PM – 8:30PM 6:30PM – 6:45PM	Registration – Rockefeller Room Late Tour Sales – Rockefeller Room 50/50 and Special Raffle Sales – Rockefeller Room Silent Auction Sales – Rockefeller Room Tour 5 – Progressive Wine Tour Tour 6 – Rock & Roll HOF/NASA-Science Ctr. Tour 7 – Amish Country & Theater show “Stolen” Late Tour Sales – Rockefeller Room Hospitality Get Together – Rockefeller Room 50/50 Raffle Drawing– Rockefeller Room
Friday	September 21	7:30AM – 9:00AM 7:30AM – 9:00AM 8:00AM – 6:00PM 8:00AM – 10:00AM 8:00AM – 6:00PM 8:00AM – 5:30PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 9:00AM – 4:00PM 5:30PM – 8:30PM 6:15PM – 6:00PM –	Chapter Presidents’ Meeting – Lorain Room Correspondents’ Meeting – Cuyahoga Room Registration – Rockefeller Room Late Tour Sales – Rockefeller Room 50/50 and Special Raffle Sales – Rockefeller Room Silent Auction Sales – Rockefeller Room Tour 8 – Rock & Roll HOF/NASA-Science Ctr. Tour 9 - Nautica Queen Cruise, tour of CLE, and Christmas Story House for pictures and gift shop Tour 10 - Pro Football HOF + Military Aircraft Museum, and Harry London’s Chocolate Factory Hospitality Party – Ballroom w/ Dance Band 50/50 and Special Raffle Drawing – Ballroom Silent Auction Winners Announced – Ballroom
Saturday	September 22	8:00AM – 11:00AM 8:30AM – 9:30AM 10:00AM – 12:00PM 12:30PM – 3:00PM 5:30PM – 7:00PM 7:00PM – 10:00PM	Registration on Request RUAEA Business Meeting – Grand Ballroom Benefits Panel Presentation – Grand Ballroom Benefits Breakouts – Superior/Ontario/Medina Cash Bar before Banquet – Ballroom Alcove Banquet – Grand Ballroom, with Entertainment

Cleveland Convention Committee

Co-Chairpersons – Barb Vaults & Dolly Taucher ~ Registration Chair – Ethel McLaughlin

Raffles Chair – Joe Moses ~ Publicity Chair – Barb Vaults & Carol Seifried

Entertainment & Tour Chair – Dolly Taucher & Barb Vaults ~ Decorations Chair – Arlene Taylor

Hospitality Chair – Sue Broderick ~ Graphics Design & Website – John Taucher

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Registrar – Ron Paluch ~ Treasurer – Shirley Claggett

President – Virgil Gooselaw ~ Vice President Convention – Bill Corbett

Site Selection Committee – John Koehl and Ron Bertacini

Newsletter – Veronica & Francis Domaratius and John Chu

RUAEA 2018 CONVENTION TOUR SUMMARIES

Wednesday, September 19th, 2018

Lakeview Cemetery, Cleveland Art Museum & Millionaires Row - \$68.00 P/P

Tour # 1 operates on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

This living park from 1868, is a testament to the original founders of Cleveland and their visions. Most notably The Wade Memorial Chapel, (made by the Tiffany Company), highlights the lower level while President Garfield's Monument and Tomb highlight the upper level. The John D. Rockefeller Obelisk is a wonderful tribute to a man, who created hundreds of companies and millions in wealth in Cleveland. Resting places of many famous Clevelanders include Elliott Ness, and Alan Freed (who helped coin the term "Rock and Roll"). A visit to the **Cleveland Museum of Art**. Followed by a drive through "**The Millionaire Row**" where you will learn about Cleveland's Golden Age when the Rockefeller Family lived in Cleveland. This tour includes a tour guide and lunch at the Night Town Restaurant.

Cruise to Kelleys Island and Put-In-Bay - \$88.00 P/P

Tour # 2 operates on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Most visitors to Kelleys Island are sure to visit the Glacial Groves. This National Natural Landmark is located on the north side of the island and rental of golf carts is available. The grooves were carved by ice sheets around 18,000 years ago. A "Must See" for everyone, not just geology buffs or rock hounds. You will have free time for shopping, exploring the islands and enjoying tram guided tours of Put-In-Bay. A cruise on Good Times I is next for a luncheon buffet. Price includes admission, cruise, buffet, and tram guided tour.

Nautica Queen Cruise and Lolly the Trolley CLE Tour – \$68.00 P/P

Tour # 3 operates on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 - 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Fully narrated ride of CLE Sightseeing Tour, including Downtown, the Flats, Warehouse District, Ohio City, Gateway Sports area, Playhouse Square, Cleveland Clinic Area, University Circle (15-minute restroom stop at the Cleveland Museum of Art). Then a ride along the shoreline back to town. We'll complete our day cruising on the Nautica Queen for a hot buffet luncheon from 12 noon to 2pm. We will re-board the trolley at 2:15 pm for the return to the hotel at 3:00 pm.

RUAEA 2018 CONVENTION TOUR SUMMARIES

Wednesday, September 19th

Hard Rock Rocksino - \$38.00 P/P

Tour # 4 operates on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In the early 1950s CLE Disc Jockey, Alan Freed, coined the phrase “Rock and Roll” by naming his radio program the Moondog Rock and Roll Radio Hour, the very first Hard Rock Rocksino. Gaming, live entertainment shows (**admission NOT included**), great food, legendary rock and roll memorabilia and vibe is waiting for you at the 200,000 square foot Rocksino and over 2300 games. Indulge in a meal on your own at former CLE Brown’s Quarterback Bernie Kosar’s restaurant The Wood Fire Grill, or 3 other well known restaurants in Rocksino. No admission charge and you will receive a \$20.00 free play upon your arrival.

RUAEA 2018 CONVENTION TOUR SUMMARIES

Thursday, September 20th

Progressive Wine Tour - \$68.00 P/P

Tour # 5 operates Thursday, September 20, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wine tasting and breakfast pastry at the Spring Hill Orchard Winery. Wine tasting and cheese and crackers at Lakehouse Inn and Winery. Wine tasting and tour of Grand River Cellars in the heart of Ohio’s wine country. Wine tasting and dessert at Debonne Winery. No admission cost. We’ll take a lunch break – we suggest Grand River Cellars Winery, in the heart of Ohio’s Wine Country.

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Science Center/NASA- Glenn Space Center - \$73.00 P/P

Tour # 6 operates on Thursday, September 20, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Come feel like a teenager again as we visit the world famous Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Cleveland won a national competition to have this unique attraction dedicated to music. The building plaza was created to look like a Phonograph turntable. There are 7 floors of displays, donated or on loan by Rock Legends and Groups. A gift shop offers all genres of music from rock to polka, soul, DVDs, movies, and vinyl albums if your turntable still works. **The Great Lakes Science Center/NASA-Glenn Science Center**, home to Astronaut John Glenn, is marking its 56th anniversary of his historic flight. A drive by the Soldiers and Sailors Monument offers an insight into Cleveland’s major involvement in the Civil War. Drive through the theater District/Playhouse Square and see the world’s largest Chandelier. A truly fitting gift from the General Electric Company. Lunch on your own in the “Flats” at Sokolowski’s University Inn on Abby Avenue. This price does include a tour guide.

Amish Theatre Show “Stolen” & Shop in Amish Country - \$68.00 P/P

Tour # 7 operates on Thursday, September 20, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Award winning live theater in Ohio’s Amish Country. Hold on to your seats and get ready for some explosive laughter. Voted a top event in North America. Theater shows are performed in a 325-seat auditorium, with state-of-the-art lighting, video and sound. The show “**Stolen**” is shown in the Ohio Star Theater. Lunch on your own at the Dutch Valley Restaurant. There is shopping time at Dutch Valley Gifts and Dutch Valley Market. Next, it’s time to explore Downtown Sugarcreek shops and attractions.

RUAEA 2018 CONVENTION TOUR SUMMARIES

Friday September 21st

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Science Center/NASA Glenn Space Center - \$73.00 P/P

Tour # 8 operates on Friday September 21, 2018 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Nautica Cruise, The Christmas Story House & Tour of Cleveland - \$68.00 P/P

Tour # 9 operates on Friday September 21, 2018 – 09:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cruise our beautiful lakefront while having a lunch buffet. The Nautica Queen is docked in what Clevelanders call, "The Flats". There is so much to see in this area, starting with Settler's Landing, where Moses Cleveland arrived on July 22, 1796. The bluff overlooking the Landing lets you see why the Indian tribes called it the Cuyahoga River, (meaning Crooked River). Also, we will tour the Terminal Tower, completed in 1929. The Terminal Tower was the tallest building, outside of New York City until 1967. It was transformed into the Tower City Complex, now offering history, shopping and eating. The opening scenes from the movie "A Christmas Story" were filmed at Higbee's Department store in 1983. Higbee's was transformed into Jack's Casino in 2012. A stop at the Christmas Story House is planned, where pictures may be taken and shopping is available in the gift house.

Pro Football Hall of Fame, Military Aircraft Preservation & Harry London Chocolates - \$58.00 P/P

Tour # 10 operates on Friday, September 21, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The community of Canton, Ohio, successfully lobbied the NFL to have the Hall of Fame built in their city for two reasons: First, the NFL was founded in Canton in 1920. It was known as the American Professional Football Association. Second: the now defunct Canton Bulldogs were a successful NFL team based in Canton during the first years of the league.

The Military Aircraft Preservation Society Museum (MAPS) is a mostly all volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to educating people about the history of the military aviation.

Harry London Chocolates is located in North Canton, Ohio. It was founded in 1922. The parent organizations are 1-800 Flowers and Fannie May Confection Brand.

Cleveland Rocks -Menu

Friday Evening, September 21, 2018

**Appetizers ~ Crab Cakes, Spring Rolls, Santa Fe Chicken &
Boneless Chicken Wings ~ plus a drink ticket for one beer or glass of wine!**

Subsidized by our Alliant Partners

***Entertainment - with a Live Band (Avanti) for dancing and listening.
(UAL Retiree: Tony Midea, is in the band)***

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BANQUET MENU

Saturday Evening, September 22, 2018

Caesar Salad

Assorted Artisan Breads

Choice of the following:

Seared Salmon with warm tomato compote

-Or-

Parmesan Herb Chicken Breast with Tomato Jam

-Or-

Short Ribs of Beef

All entrees come with Chef's vegetable medley

Dessert: Triple Chocolate cake

Coffee and Assorted Tazo Teas

**Wine available for purchase during dinner by the Bottle
(entrees subject to change)**

Entertainment- Frank and Dean will follow dinner!

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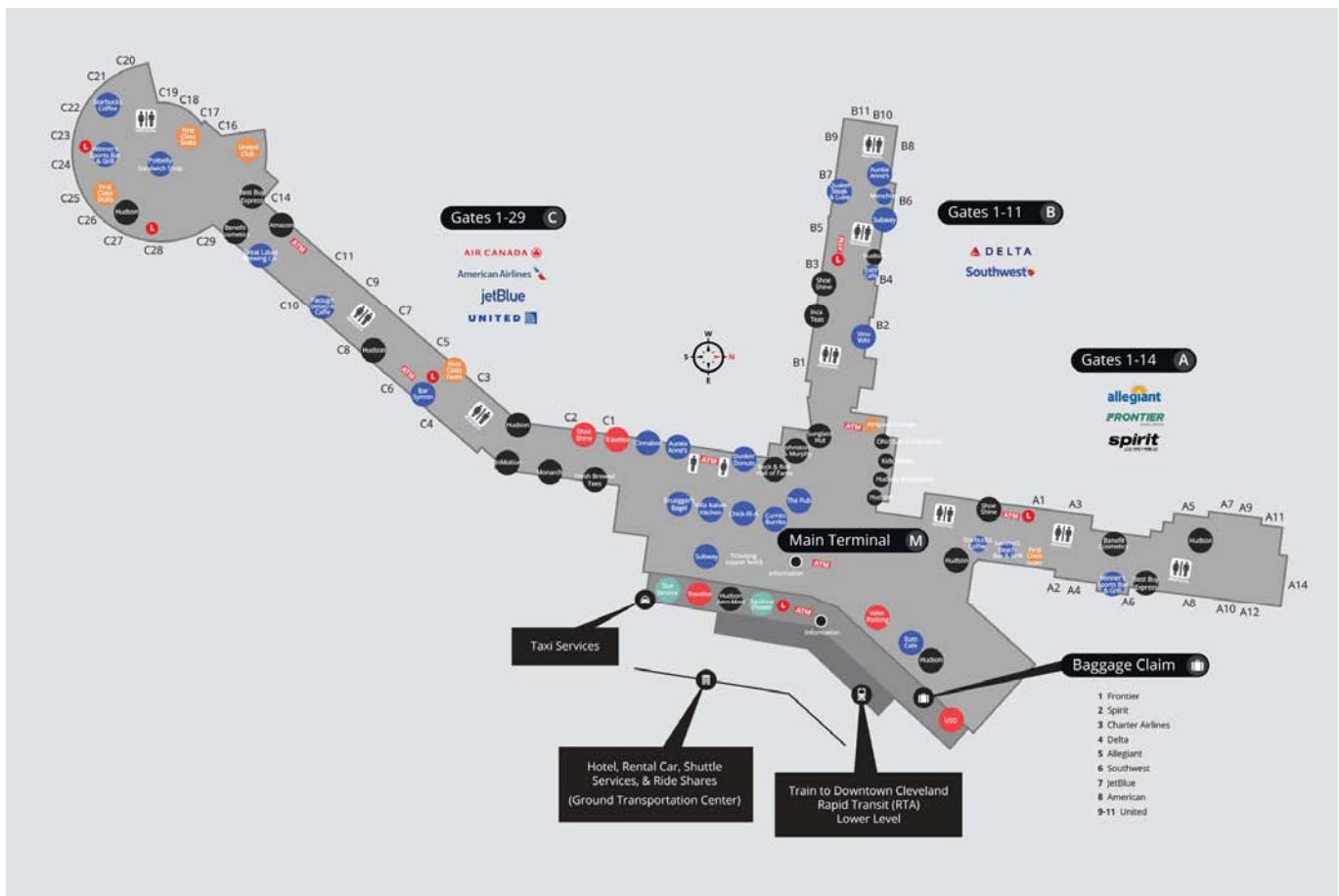
Transportation Information

You can travel to virtually any city in the world to and from Cleveland. By now everyone should be familiar navigating flyingtogether.ual.com for travel plans and opportunities. Don't forget UA discount, whereby you receive 20% off a confirmed fare. Other carriers serving Cleveland are Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Jet Blue, Southwest, Spirit and United. ID90 is available on most carriers. Be sure to check Travel in Flying Together for booking and listing information.

Ground Transportation

Marriott does provide free shuttle service from and to the Cleveland Airport. Call the hotel at 1-216-252-5333. Hotel shuttle pickup and drop-off is outside and near the garage. Any questions check with information desk in baggage claim. Also the hotel staff can direct you to the pickup location. Direct signage is limited.

In baggage claim facing the street go to the left and find an escalator going down as though you are going to the train for downtown, proceed to the up escalator, once on the next level continue toward the garage ... once through the doorway take an immediate right down a 'breezeway' to the hotel pickup area.



OTHER TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS:

Super Shuttle, which gives a UA discount if you book online and use the code YUS68.

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2018 Cleveland Convention Registration Form

Register Early – Hotel Registration Cutoff Date is 5:00 PM August 27, 2018

The deadline for Convention Registration is September 4, 2018

(Please Print Clearly)

Member's File Number		Department Retired From:	
Last Name:	First Name:	Name Tag: (If Different)	
Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	Phone:
Spouse Last Name:	First Name:	Name Tag: (If Different)	
Guest 1 Last Name:	First Name:	City / State	
Guest 2 Last Name:	First Name:	City / State	
Guest 3 Last Name:	First Name:	City / State	
Guest 4 Last Name:	First Name:	City / State	
Email address (to be used for receiving Convention updates or Tour information changes) Would you like your email address published in the Convention Directory YES ____ NO ____ Enter email address :			

Instructions:

1. Complete both pages of this Convention Registration Form.
2. Check your choices for dinner entrée and tours. Make certain you record the correct number of people attending each event. Please indicate Guest # on meal and tour choices.
3. Make certain the Member's **file number is entered at the top of the form** and the total number of people is indicated for the **non-refundable** Registration Fee.
4. Seating at all events will be **random**. Each table seats 10 people.
5. **No credit cards** can be accepted for payment of convention events in advance or at the Convention.

Date – 2018		Member	Spouse	Guest(s)	× Price (P/P)	= Total
Registration Fee – Non Refundable ***Fee Required for each Attendee***					\$15.00	\$
Fri., Sept. 21	Cleveland Rocks				\$18.00	\$
Banquet						
Sat., Sept. 22	Seared Salmon				\$45.00	\$
Sat., Sept. 22	Parmesan Chicken				\$45.00	\$
Sat., Sept. 22	Short Ribs				\$45.00	\$
Total of registration plus meals =						\$
Total balance of tours from Page C-12 =						\$
Grand Total (enclose payment for this amount) – Include File Number on Check						\$

Make Check Payable to: 2018 RUAEA Convention

Mail completed Registration Form and Check to: **2018 RUAEA Convention,**
c/o Shirley Claggett 1007 South 262nd Place, Des Moines, WA 98198

Email – ruaeaconvention@gmail.com

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Register Early – Hotel Registration Cutoff Date is 5:00 PM August 27, 2018

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Tour Registration

Date – 2018	Tour Description	Tour #	Cost P/P	Member	Spouse	Guest(s)	Total Cost
Wed. Sept. 19	Lakeview Cemetery resting place of Elliott Ness /Allen Freed named Rock & Roll, Art Museum, Millionaire Row	1	\$68.00				
Wed. Sept. 19	Cruise to Kelleys Island and Put-In-Bay Island	2	\$88.00				
Wed. Sept. 19	Nautica Queen Cruise & Lolly the Trolley CLE Tour	3	\$68.00				
Wed. Sept. 19	Hard Rock Rocksino	4	\$38.00				
Thur. Sept. 20	Progressive Wine Tour	5	\$68.00				
Thur. Sept. 20	Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Science Center /NASA-Glenn Space Center	6	\$73.00				
Thur. Sept. 20	Amish Theater show “Stolen”, also shop in Amish Country	7	\$68.00				
Fri. Sept. 21	Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Science Center /NASA-Glenn Space Center	8	\$73.00				
Fri. Sept. 21	Nautica Queen Cruise and the Christmas Story House	9	\$68.00				
Fri. Sept. 21	Pro Football Hall of Fame, Military Aircraft Museum, Harry London Chocolates.	10	\$58.00				
Sub Total from this page (Enter on Page C-11)							
RETAIN A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS AND BRING IT WITH YOU TO THE CONVENTION							

The deadline for hotel registration is 5:00 PM August 27, 2018.

The deadline for registering for the convention is September 4, 2018 so if you register after that date, your name may not make the deadline to be published in the Directory

Make a copy of your registration and bring with you to the convention.

Please inform us of any special access or accommodations for any tours you are booking.

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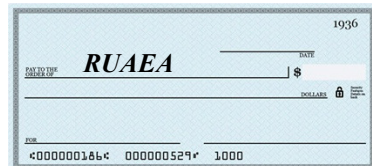
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