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The 2018 RUAEA Convention Committee looks forward

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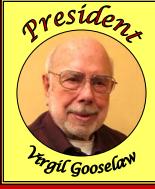


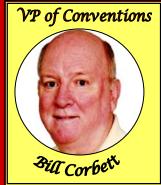




















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GENERAL NEWS

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Letter from the President



I trust all are enjoying summer and especially the time with friends and family. Another July 4th has come and gone and I reflect on how it has always been a favorite holiday for many because it is full of great patriotic symbolism. We seem to be able to observe it being free from most political biases. We normally look at it as simply American Independence Day and think about how great it was/is to be free from the suppressive government rule that Great Britain exerted; that freedom is still with us. Yes, the United States of America is a great nation and we all should be thankful to live under our form of government. We also enjoy the festivities that go along with it, the parades, potlucks, baseball games and of course the fireworks. I hope all enjoyed the 4th and hopefully all of us will see many more.

By now I'm sure you have heard about Alliant Credit Union closing all of its satellite offices. See the letter from Alliant in this issue. I personally think it's a mistake to shutter the local offices. Many use the credit union services and are proud to be a member because it seems like a part of United Airlines, which it actually was at one time and the service was/is second to none. I understand the economics for this action, and I hope it all works out for Alliant. I encourage all of us to give it a chance and try the online banking system which Alliant has set up. I know the younger generation seems to have adjusted to things like this and they seem to get along just fine. Us older folks may find the adjustment to be a little trying, but give it a go.

Since my last letter, the Denver Office has relocated back into the main Training Center. We are back in the same room we left over a year ago, but it's remodeled. It's smaller than before and we don't have a dedicated office, like we had. We share part of the room with the United Airlines Historical Foundation. It looks strange to walk into the room and see two open desks and a few cabinets, but no privacy doors, or dividing walls. Anyway we'll adjust.

We are still having problems with the internet and I don't know at this time how this will work itself out, but we are working on it.

The 2018 CLE Convention is just around the corner, hope to see you all there. Take care,

Virgil Gooselaw RUAEA President

Cleveland Convention Local Committee Members and Volunteers



Chairpersons Barb Vauls and Dolly Taucher are doing a fantastic job preparing for the 2018 Cleveland Convention. On behalf of all the RUAEA members, we acknowledge the persons who are dedicating many hours to prepare the Cleveland Convention for RUAEA. Thank you to all the persons involved for all you are doing/have already done. We look forward to meeting you all in September.

Co-Chairpersons ~ Barb Vauls and Dolly Taucher; Registration Chair ~ Ethel McLaughlin; Raffles Chair ~ Joe Moses; Publicity Chair ~ Barb Vauls and Carol

Seifried; Entertainment & Tour Chair ~ Dolly Taucher and Barb Vauls; Decorations Chair ~ Arlene Taylor; Hospitality Chair ~ Sue Broderick; Graphics Design & Website ~ John Taucher.

Additional Committee members: Marilyn Cicco, Tom Duta, Cheryl Goodson, Patti Herb, Candace Kane, Kathy Kilbane, Linda Klemencic, Patricia Laub, Nancy McLaughlin, and Sharon Minelli.

Additional Volunteers: Kathy Brennen, Dave Dahler, Bobbie Jefferson, Linda Liu, Charlene Nagy, and Patricia Snow.

Haven't registered for the convention yet? For your convenience, we have reprinted the convention registration pages on pages 31, 32 and 33 of this issue.

Alliant Closes Branches, Provides Increased Flexibility through Digital and Phone Banking

By Dave Mooney, Alliant President & CEO





Starting in July and ending in October, Alliant Credit Union will be closing most of our branches as part of our continued evolution to digital banking. We'll continue to provide great rates and superior service to members all over the country, and our members will have 24/7 account access via mobile, online and phone banking. Alliant's West Touhy Avenue branch, near our headquarters in Chicago, will remain open and fully operational.

Why Alliant is Closing Branches ~ As we examined the low and declining use of our branches, compared to the cost of operating

them, we concluded that it was not in the collective interests of our member-owners – the vast majority of whom don't have access to or use branches – to keep them open. Today, nearly all of our members' banking interactions occur online and by phone; fewer than 4% of transactions take place in Alliant branches. By closing branches, we will be able to maintain Alliant's market-leading deposit and loan rates while redeploying resources to enhance online and phone services.

We understand that this change will inconvenience some members who prefer to do their banking in person at a branch. However, we believe it is the right decision for our membership overall.

Without Branches, How Do I Bank with Alliant? As an Alliant member, you will still have access to multiple easy and convenient ways to manage your accounts and make transactions:

- Need to make a deposit? Use our mobile banking app or visit a deposit-taking ATM.
- Want to pay an Alliant loan or credit card? Set up a transfer in mobile or online banking, call us, or mail a check.
- ➤ Need to access your cash? Visit an ATM. We have more than 80,000 in-network ATMs across the country, and Alliant Free Checking Account holders also can receive up to \$20 per month in ATM fee rebates.
- ➤ Want to meet with your Alliant Financial Advisor? Our financial consultants will still be available locally to assist their Alliant Retirement and Investment Services (ARIS) clients. If you participate in the ARIS program, you should have already received communication from your financial advisor about your ongoing partnership.
- ➤ Have questions about your account? Send us a secure message through online or mobile banking, or call 800-328-1935 to speak to an Alliant Member Services consultant.

For more information on how to bank with Alliant through our various channels, or for answers to questions about this transition to branchless banking, visit myalliant.com/digital or call us at 800-328-1935.

We are committed to providing consistently superior rates and outstanding member service, and we are also committed to transparency. We want our members to be informed and remain confident in Alliant as your financial institution now and in the future.

Alliant Branch Closing Schedule:

- ❖ Dulles Airport ~ July 25, 2018
- ❖ San Francisco Airport ~ August 7, 2018
- ❖ SFO Technical Operations Center ~ August 8, 2018
- ❖ O'Hare Airport Branch ~ August 22, 2018
- ❖ United Airlines Houston Reservation Center ~ August 28, 2018
- ❖ George Bush Intercontinental Airport ~ August 29, 2018
- ❖ Oakland ~ September 11, 2018
- ❖ San Mateo ~ September 12, 2018
- ❖ El Segundo ~ September 19, 2018
- ❖ Denver ~ October 3, 2018

If you can see it, you can change it: How data visualization is keeping us safer

June is National Safety Month and we're highlighting people, activities and initiatives that remind us about the importance of living and working safely, 24/7/365.



Picture this: In a world of exponential growth in new technologies, expectations of up-to-the-minute information and universes of complex data, companies are always looking for ways to better organize, analyze and decipher the facts about their businesses. Enter data visualization.

Data visualization creates a visual display of the data patterns more traditionally found in statistical graphs and charts, allowing users to see pictures that boil down at a glance overwhelming amounts of data.

Since 2016, United has been using a data visualization model created by its Corporate Safety team in collaboration with its operational groups and college interns from the University of New

Haven. Through the end of last year, United has seen a 25 percent reduction in aircraft damage and a 13 percent reduction in injuries overall, culminating in United's best-ever injury and damage performance.

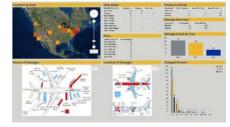
Data visualization makes it easy for departments, operating groups and locations to identify where different types of injuries or aircraft damages have a likelihood of occurring, so the company can focus on avoiding them.

The tool earned United a Green Cross for Safety Innovation Award from the National Safety Council and established United as a pioneer in data visualization in the aviation industry, but its use isn't limited to safety statistics.

Teams across United have adopted the data visualization model to tackle problems or deepen the understanding of a range of issues - from customer satisfaction scores and employee feedback to integrated safety management systems, Tech Ops performance metrics, fuel planning and even United's MileagePlus loyalty program.

Below are four areas in which United is working to target safety improvements.

1. Jet bridge reliability ~ Last year, Corporate Safety teamed up with the Tech Ops Facilities team to visualize all of the data from the Fleet Focus system. As a result, the Tech Ops team can now monitor preventative maintenance execution, identify chronically out-of-service gates and even see in real time which gates have out of service jetbridges. This helps expedite investments to repair or replace jetbridges across the system, reducing "problem" areas and providing new, more reliable equipment.



- 2. Safety Performance Indicators (SPIs) ~ Visualizing data on employee injuries and aircraft damages allows users to dig into the data and identify trends in injuries and damages and also to track their reductions or increases over time. The tool helps pinpoint injury trends, helping United develop action plans to try to prevent or reduce those injuries. For damages, United can also see where they occur on the aircraft, which type of aircraft are involved and at which locations, etc. All this information is compiled and shared with station leaders on a weekly basis by operating group and location, helping target and reduce risks.
- 3. Hearing conservation ~ Some of United's front-line employees are exposed to loud noise at work, potentially exposing them to a greater risk of hearing loss. United's data visualization tool helps the company better manage the audiometric testing process by providing more analysis, allowing stations to manage the testing process themselves and identifying employees at risk of hearing shifts. UA can also use the tool to track changes in employee hearing over



time, allowing the company to recognize and address the shifts in hearing more quickly. In addition the hearing conservation dashboard significantly reduces the processing time required to provide operating groups the status of all coworkers included in the hearing conservation program. This supports United's core4 values.

4. Wildlife strikes ~ Last year, United teamed up with the United States Department of Agriculture, the centralized reporting mechanism for all wildlife strikes in the U.S., to visualize that data across the country. To get a complete picture of the impact of bird strikes, the tool allows United to see the cost, out-of-service time, severity and frequency of birds sighted in a particular area. The result has been a partnership with the FAA Airports division to get the full scope of the most common areas for bird



strikes, identifying solutions and analyzing how United is analyzing wildlife management.

Welcome Day brings employees and Special Olympics athletes together



The 2018 Special Olympics USA Games kicked off on July 1 with participants representing 49 United States taking part in Welcome Day ceremonies, presented by United.

As part of the weekend's festivities, Oscar joined a group of employees and retirees in greeting nearly 700 arriving athletes, coaches and volunteers at SEA (Seattle), as well as hundreds more at local light rail stations, all of which were decorated with United's Special Olympics superhero campaign banners. Oscar also had the honor of giving Special Olympics athlete Nikki Jones her first in person look at her superhero alter ego

Lane Lightning, a moment that was captured on the video.

It was all the culmination of months of planning and preparation by members of our Community Affairs and SEA teams, led in part by SEA Customer Service Representative Lora Bolding and SEA Airport Operations Supervisor Sarah Piper, each of whom were on hand this weekend to root on the athletes.

"When the delegates come off the airplane they are just so excited because of all the cheering and the welcome," Lora said. "It's a special time for them and for us."

Joining the parade of athletes at the University of Washington's Husky Stadium on Sunday were SEA Line Technician Glenn Cluck, SEA United Club Customer Service Representative Patti Bell and SEA Stations Operations Representatives Shannon Olstad and Laura Watts.

Laura was picked to walk with the representatives from her home state of Georgia, something she said she'd never forget. "I was super excited to have an opportunity to participate in the Special Olympics this year and very proud that United played an integral part in this amazing event," she said afterward. "Entering the stadium with the athletes was a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Pass traveling this summer?



Summer travel is here, which can mean busy airports and long lines for pass travelers. Here are some helpful tips to make pass travel just a bit easier.

Travel tips:

- → <u>Join MileagePlus</u> now, and you'll be able to manage your pass travel and all of your United travel with the United app. Start earning miles and enjoying the rewards.
- Review the <u>Pass Travel Attire policy</u> before heading to the airport to ensure you're comfortable and within the rules.
- Remember, if you purchased a <u>myUAdiscount ticket</u>, you may not cancel your confirmed reservation to revert to a space available listing on the same day, same trip.
- → Purchase your interline tickets ahead of time for travel beyond the United network.
- Arrive early and anticipate long TSA security lines. Be patient and cooperate with TSA officers. And of course, make sure you're up to date on <u>TSA rules</u> and <u>travel tips</u>.

Don't forget that as United grows as an airline, it means more seats are available for pass travel. During the first quarter of 2018, United saw more non-revenue, space available travel than ever before. In fact, did you know that in April, 82% of pass riders who listed for a flight and checked in were awarded a seat? With all of the pass travel happening across the system this summer, it means United's front-line employees are working extra hard for all of us. Give them a big thank you the next time you travel.

ID90T Referral Program:



ID90Travel is having a fantastic referral program called Give \$10, GET \$20. In short, you can share your ID90Travel discount (hotel) with your friends and family - they'll get \$10 off their first hotel booking and you'll get \$20 off your next hotel booking when they check-out. To learn more, go to employeeRES and click on the ID90Travel banner.

Once you get logged in:

- ❖ Click Log in (or create account, if you are not already logged in)
- ❖ On the top right hand corner of the ID90Ttravel page, you will see Give \$10, GET

\$20 - click on that.

❖ Enter your friend's/family's email address or copy the link and send it to them

Kirk Moore Pass Travel Update



<u>Pay your travel invoice</u> ~ If your taxable pass riders (domestic partner, enrolled friends) flew between February 1 to April 30, 2018, you should have received an invoice (Travel Liability Statement) from United. Do not forget to pay it! Failure to pay an invoice may result in a suspension of your pass travel privileges until the invoice is paid.

You can view your pass rider's travel history in FT > Travel > Pass Travel > "Pass travel report".

<u>New ZED partners ~ June 2018</u> ~ United has started new Zonal Employee Discount agreements with XL Airways France (SE-France) and First Air (7F-Canada).

See all the latest information about flying standby on other carriers by going to Flying Together > Travel > Top Hits > Other airline interline travel or click

https://ft.ual.com/travel/interlinetravel.

So Simple From Sheryl



Beef Bourguignon

3 pounds stew meat

2-10 oz. cans cream of mushroom soup

3/4 cup water

1 package Lipton dry onion soup

I have added mushrooms so feel free to add any item you choose.

Trim fat from meat and cut into bite size cubes. Combine in covered roaster pan. Bake at 325 for 3 hours. Serve over rice or noodles. Great with a toss salad. Freezes well.

This is a simple recipe that serves large groups. I have made this for 50 people.

Hope you 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 (<u>Note</u>: 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 <u>ruaeanewsletter@surewest.net</u> and John Chu at <u>johnqchu@hotmail.com</u>. 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



GULF COAST Ray (aka Reo) Owens 1855 Candlewood Dr. Navarre Fl 32566

Roll was called June 11 at Pensacola Navy Museum, Cubi Bar Café. President Conrad Hamilton along with Vice President Bill Hayden, Secretary Myrl Eisinger with her assistant John Eisinger, greeted members and passed out name tags.

As we talked about things that we had done and experienced in our last month, Kim Ray with her brother Mark Murray (guest) told us some of their travels to Vietnam. Mark showed a picture of himself, eight years old in the cockpit of an Air American aircraft in Vietnam. I heard someone ask "Oh! Were you in the war?" LOL.

Barbara Serra sold 50/50 tickets with her assistant Bill Hayden. Tom Zander drew his own name with Conrad hollering foul, due to Tom having won his last drawing. Sande Zander shut them both up by taking the money. Chapter meetings are to have fun and we do just that.

Everyone is always waiting for Jeanne Reinoehl to give her order to Christine the young lady who works the banquet room we eat in. Christine is like one of the family. I say this to give her credit for putting up with the likes of us.

Ray Owens was enjoying talking with Norm Reinoehl about the old autos he has restored. Norm is an artist when it comes to old automobiles and motorcycles. While in the back ground you could hear My Owens talking about the 5K her church put on for Flag Day for our veterans.

We are delighted to have Ed Southworth, Rita Toucher and guest Hale Vengta, not to forget Jessie Arnold; I didn't know Jessie was with United for over 36 years. We learn a lot about people who we only see once a month.

Please come and enjoy our party, 2nd Monday every month at the Pensacola NAS Museum; Cubi Bar Café, Christine and all of us would love to have you. "Come on down!"

SWEET HOME ALABAMA

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Our Birmingham chapter met Monday, June 11 at Seasons 52 at the Summit on Highway 280. Attending were Ken & Beverly Yeager, Jim & Donna Gooch, Gay Fowler, Travis & Zoe Glass and daughter Teresa Mendum, Joe & Jane Jones and granddaughter Macy Crawford.

The 50/50 drawing was won by **Jim & Donna Gooch**.

Ken Yeager attended with a cast on his right arm from a fall but expected to have the cast removed this week. Joe Duncan is still at home and we wish him better days. Bobby & Jean Cox were not able to attend due to some medical issues and we look forward to their return next meeting.

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. Please call Beverly Yeager at (256) 775-1711.

ARIZONA



PHOENIX RE-UNITED'S

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The summer is going by fast, and hope you are enjoying yourselves and staying cool and comfortable as much as you can. Our Re-United Chapter is still getting together every month for breakfast on the fourth Friday, starting at 9:15 a.m. at the Black Bear Diner at 1809 East Baseline in Gilbert, AZ. The August breakfast will be on Friday, August 24. It's always fun to go out for breakfast, so why not make plans to attend. We're a friendly group and always enjoy being with each other. Please contact our Vice President **Peg Snowdall** to let her know you plan on being there on August 24. Peg's phone number is (480) 396-3317. Her e-mail is phomfeldt@cox.net. If you have any visitors, please bring them along. Guests are always welcome to join us.

We had 15 people attend our June 22 Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner. As usual, there were a number of conversations going on with everyone enjoying being together. Vice President **Peg Snowdall** shared greetings from our President **Shirley Claggett** and **Ron Paluch**, who are in the Seattle area for the summer. Shirley is keeping busy with her vegetable garden and taking daily walks to Puget Sound, and Ron is playing softball. They are the Registrar and Treasurer for the RUAEA Convention, so they keep busy keeping track of those attending the upcoming convention with the tours and dinners, and all that is involved in keeping good records.

One of our members, **Larry Young**, and his daughter, Terry, were in Kona, Hawaii, completing their quest to run a marathon in all 50 states; so he was not able to join us for the breakfast. It has taken them 20 years to accomplish this goal. Another member, **Dakota Morris-Terry**, shared at the breakfast that it was important to shred our boarding passes after we return from a trip as some of our personal information is stored in them. Have to be so careful about getting any kind of information out to the wrong people. Another piece of information shared with the group was a warning from the police to be aware, especially in a parking lot, of finding a piece of paper on the back window of your vehicle, and getting out of your car to take it off, as carjackers are watching and will jump into your car and take off with it! Definitely have to be aware of your surroundings at all times.

Another event has been added to the RUAEA Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. It's attending a baseball game between the Cleveland Indians and the Chicago White Sox on Thursday, September 20th. The game starts at 7:10 pm. Tickets are available in three different areas at the CLE Progressive Field, with a \$40 per person in the First and Third Base Line in the Lower Level, and \$19 per person for behind Center Field, plus transportation of \$13 per person via motor coach. These are discounted tickets and are non-refundable. Please refer to the "Special Event" Baseball game registration in the July RUAEA Newsletter. Sign up early; the deadline is September 4, 2018.

The deadline for making your hotel reservations for the RUAEA Convention at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel is Monday, August 27th before 5:00 p.m. The price is \$109 plus tax per day, which includes breakfast for two people. You will sign the receipt and the cost will be deducted from your room charges. The Marriott group rate includes free airport transportation, complimentary self-parking, and 20% discount for attendees in AMP 150 for lunch and dinner (excludes alcohol, gratuity, and taxes). Must have your convention name badge on.

The deadline for Convention Registration is Tuesday, September 4, 2018. All the signup sheets and information about the tours and dinners is located in the June issue of the RUAEA Newsletter, or you can find it online at www.ruaea.org. Make your check payable to: 2018 RUAEA Convention and mail completed registration form and check to: 2018 RUAEA Convention, c/o **Shirley Claggett**, 1007 South 262nd Place, Des Moines, WA 98198. Email is ruaeaconvention@gmail.com. The Convention is coming up real fast; so make your decision now before it's too late! You will have a great time!

We have the following birthdays in August: **Ame Esan** (8/7), **Richard Vehring** (8/7), **Wendy Young** (8/10), **Pat Nicholaisen** (8/11), **Shirley Claggett** (8/21), **Larry Young** (8/22), **Rita Zarek** (8/23), **Barbara Tremonto** (8/24), and **Marjorie Matteson** (8/26). Happy Birthday to all the August Birthdays! We have the following couples having their Wedding Anniversaries in August: **JoAnne & John Gaudioso** (8/11/84),

Marilyn and Keith Morey (8/18/51), (that's 67 years for them), Pam & Gary Gerstung (8/25/73), Janet & Richard Vehring (8/28/76), and Wendy & Larry Young (8/28/66). Happy Anniversary!

Calendar:

August 24 – 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 August 22.

September 18 – **22** – RUAEA Convention at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio.

September 28 – Breakfast at the Black Bear Diner in Gilbert.

TALL PINES

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Greetings to all from the Tall Pines chapter in Prescott! Our last luncheon was attended by eight members – easy talking! Our next meeting date is pending.

We are sad to report the passing of our dear friend and member, **Dom Abbriano**, a kind and gentle man who will be sorely missed. Our sincerest condolences go out to Dom's wife, **Jan**.



TUCSON ROADRUNNERS

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

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

We look forward to seeing you

CALIFORNIA

CENTRAL COASTERS

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Our June 20th meeting was held at the Red Lobster Restaurant in Santa Maria, hosted by **Bob** & **Marcia Stanger**. This was my first time at the Red Lobster and the food was good as was the service. There were 12 attending, **Mike** & **Bridget Zoldak**, **Bob** & **Marcia Stanger**, **Bob** & **Esther Bartlett**, **Barbara Stilwell** & her son, **Nina Powers**, **John Wessel**, and **Al** & **Marilyn Rybar**.

We missed **Jack Cunningham**. He lives the furthest and does not drive so he needs a ride. **Nina Powers** was able to get a ride and it is always good to have her attend with us. **Ken** & **Stella Bake** had a family death in the family so they were in Italy.

Mike Zoldak told us of the flight connection he had in DEN. Apparently their deplaning flight gate and their connecting flight gate were about 1 mile apart with little or no time to spare. They did make the connecting flight after much huffing and puffing.

As I've said before, **Esther Bartlett** is quite the talented artist. She showed us paintings she had made and some of her creations are displayed at the San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria Airports. One of her paintings was amazing and she said it only took her 4 hours.

It was good to see **Barbara Stilwell** with us since her husband **John** has been gone for several years. She plans on staying in her home since she has family nearby and her son checks in on her regularly. We hope she continues keeping in touch with us and is able to attend as many meetings as she can.

The 50/50 drawing was won by "you guessed it" Barbara Stilwell!

The next meeting will be on August 16th hosted by **Al** & **Marilyn Rybar**. Time and place will be announced.



DESERT SUNBIRDS

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Tom Sabo hosted the Desert Sunbirds' June Luncheon at the Miracle Springs Resort & Spa in Desert Hot Springs. Twenty one members attended - no guests, and I hope the members enjoyed their meal as much as Marji and I did. After the Luncheon, Tom passed around very tasty cookies.

July marks a number of Anniversaries among our membership. **Dave & Kathy Wilson** (24 years on 7/30); **Bob & Jan Keck** (25 years on 7/3); **Werner & Brigitte Brunken** (36 years on 7/29); **John & Maureen Schultz** (53 years on 7/3); and **Ron & Melinda Lerg** (57 years on 7/29).

The **Rotellas** missed the Luncheon as **Vivien** had Rotator Cuff Surgery. The **Pattersons** also missed as **Marianne** was dealing with a broken ankle.

Our hard-working **Patti Sica** sold the Raffle tickets for **Fred Kellerhals** who is spending some time back East with his new bride.

The Birthday winner was **Dave Wilson**; **Maureen Williams** won \$50.00 in the 50/50 drawing. Our host, Tom, added four very nice prizes to the drawing: a United Air Lines Key Chain, won by Marji and me; a UAL Pen - **Patti Sica**; \$50.00 gift certificate for Lunch or Dinner at our Host Restaurant; won by Marji and me; and a 3 day, 2 night stay at the Miracle Springs Resort, won by **Brad Zittel**.

Our Featured Sunbird of the Month, **Norm Burnett** ~ Norm graduated High School in Los Angeles in 1951. He was always a "car nut". He had started working and learning Automotive Mechanics after school, starting in 1947 until his induction into the Navy in November of 1952. He served 10 years as an "Aviation Structural Mechanic", which would prepare him well for his future job with United.

Norm joined UAL in June, 1965, as a Mechanic at the SFO Maintenance Base. Later that year, he began attending College of San Mateo from September of 1965 to December of 1968. Then, West Valley College in San Jose from January '69 to June of '75, when he received his AA Degree. These were all night classes, as he continued working at the Maintenance Base.

Norm spent his entire 27½ years with United at the SFO Maintenance Base. He had a brief experience in Management as a Foreman fill-in, in 1969, for a couple months.

Norm retired in January, 1993. Since retiring, he has continued his love of restoring cars. He has restored a 1942 Studebaker, a 1940 Packard, and most recently, a 1936 Plymouth.

GOLD DIGGERS

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The Sacramento Gold Diggers held their June 27th luncheon at the Sizzler Restaurant in Auburn, CA. We would like to thank **Orville & Carolyn Harshbarger** for hosting this month's luncheon. President **Frank Dellinger** announced that we have 25 members present.

Vice President **Penny Greenacre** announced that our July 25th luncheon will be held at Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Q in Rocklin, CA and will be hosted by **Lance** & **Trudy Engledinger**. Our August luncheon will be held at Max's in Auburn. We are still looking for someone to host the January 2019 luncheon. Please call Penny if you are willing to host in January of 2019.

Secretary **Marji Gabert-Milam** acknowledged the June anniversaries: **Hank & Rose Wickstad** (57 years), **Harold & Barbara Mitchel** (46 years) and **Frank & Angie Dellinger** (49 years).

Treasurer Judie King gave the financial report for June.

Sunshine Lady **Angie Dellinger** reported that she sent out an email to all members regarding **Karl Stammnitz** condition, he is recovering slowly. We want to keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Historian **Stephanie Norton** did not have any new items to report.

RUAEA Regional Director **Sonda Sandstedt** encouraged members to attend the RUAEA convention in CLE in September. She reported that the meal menus look very good. The tours look very interesting and she hopes that many in our chapter will attend. It looks like a great event. She asked for a show of hands as to how many in our chapter are RUAEA members. A good number of our members belong to RUAEA.

Jim Simon reported that the DEN RUAEA office has now re-opened. All equipment is up and running and all is working well.

Francis Domaratius reported the Roseville Telephone Museum, located at 106 Vernon Street, Roseville, CA is open to the public on the 1st Saturday of every month from 10 am to 2 pm. It's closed on September 1. Admission is free, however, donations are gladly accepted to help with the upkeep of the museum collections and the facility. The Roseville Telephone Museum offers groups of 10 tours by appointment only on Tuesdays through Thursdays between 9 am and 4 pm. Call (916) 786-1621 to schedule.

Frank Dellinger turned the meeting over to Vice President **Penny Greenacre**. Penny conducted the June raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:06PM.



HANGTOWN MINERS Jane Gibson tired-dogs@comcast.net

As I sat down to put together our "non" minutes, it dawned on me that we are halfway thru 2018 already! When I look at our 4 grandsons (ages 13, 12, 11, 9) I can see that time is whizzing by me because the oldest is now as tall as I am, maybe taller (today!). And, there's days when I feel like I'm 102 years old, but mostly time is just kind of circling me and reminding me that every day is a gift – enjoy the sunshine (also known as **hot**), smile at everyone (kind of throws the strangers off a bit), and be thankful for all my blessings. Okay, off my soapbox!

Our luncheon at **Ed** & **Lindalee Akin**'s ranch was great. Fit For A King catered again and everything was delicious. We had a great turnout this month - 41! The Gold Diggers have been included for the past several years. This year we were happy to include **John** & **Pat Zoboli**, **Ron** & **Barbara Bertacini**, **Lance** & **Trudy Engeldinger**, **Dave** & **Robin Garland**, and, of course, **Frank** & **Angie Dellinger** belong to both groups. Our President, **Bill Gibson**, welcomed them as well as several guests: **Rudy** & **Cindy Blazius** brought **Roy** & **Dawn Martin**; **Nancy DeVore** came with **Gaylene Craig** and **Lynne Mallein**. **Bill** & **Jane Gibson** invited **Shirl Keister** and **Joe Noto**; **Jim Raber** escorted **Harriet Kroot**. We were blessed with a beautiful day for our luncheon.

While we traditionally do not have a meeting in June, Bill did want to catch us all up on what is going on with **Ed Akin**. A couple of weeks before the luncheon date, Ed had a stroke ... not a "regular" stroke but more of a slow bleed. They have that stopped but Ed will be having physical therapy for some time. Ed is taking some steps, eats well but is having some trouble with speech. The family wanted us to go ahead with our luncheon – this time of the year they host several get-togethers at their ranch so everything is pretty much set up already. Our very best wishes go out to all the Akin clan.

So, we had some news that has "mixed" reviews – **Joe & Lynda Lima** are moving to Oregon. They bought a house in Grants Pass and have already sold their house here. As you know, Joe is our Vice President and Bill was in a mild panic to not have his "back up". However, **Bill Dinette** agreed to step into Joe's shoes and finish

out the year for him as our Vice President. Joe & Lynda, you will be missed for sure. When you come down to visit your daughter here, try to schedule your visit so you can join us at our luncheon!

Speaking of luncheons, the **Limas** are signed up to host our October Luncheon. Since they are planning/hoping to be moving in July, they didn't think they would be willing to return just to host that month! Don't know why not, but. So, we need someone to let me know that you would love to host in October - or are at least willing to do so. It's a fun month since Halloween is in that month! Think about it and give me a call (925) 443-0905 or email <u>tired-dogs@comcast.net</u>.

Normally in June we don't have our raffle, but there were several requests to run it this month, so we did! Our thanks go to all who brought items to be raffled: **Gibson** – plant; **Raber** – wine; **Kenney** – candle holders (3); **Lima** – caramel corn; **Kozelka/Barton** – jade & spider plants; **Dinette** – fire place tool set; **Dellinger** – tomato plant; **Blazius** – candle; **Martin** – Elk flask & knife set; **Keister** & **Noto** – wine & AC video tape; **Heier** – soap dish w/soap; **Kenny** – wine; **Akin** – three 18 packs of eggs, and **Nancy DeVore** brought something but it was not written down!

Our July luncheon will be hosted by **Bob** & **Dorean Ames** at Mimi's Cafe in Folsom.

Have a Wonderful Day – and remember to smile at everyone!

REDWOOD EMPIRE

RETIREES

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Hello RER and RUAEA members:

On June 14, we gathered back at the La Gare restaurant for the start of summer! The luncheon was hosted by Larry and I, along with **Pat Ortega** who helped us decorate the table. We brought fine wines in summery-colored bags; the 4th of July-themed candles in planter pots and chocolate candies were distributed along the table for us to sample while waiting for our lunch to be served.

We had 26 members attending and 2 guests; a few members who had confirmed coming were not there, one of whom was **George Schwind** and **Lois** due to a fall George took outside his home the day before the luncheon. We were glad to see **Joanne Huhn** back with us after being out with a severe cold and sinus infection and missed our April meeting. Our 2 guests were **Ed & Maggie Nelson**, returning guests of **Barney & Claire Hagen**. We were served a lovely Corn chowder soup, Butter lettuce salad with a creamy light dressing and choices of Wild King Salmon, Chicken in mushrooms with wine sauce, as well as Pork Schnitzel entrees.

President Larry Wilson called on Barney Hagen, Pass Travel expert, to give us updates on travelling on United Airlines; Barney said that United had some summertime tips for travel including getting Economy Plus to get more leg room, and taking advantage of buying a discount ticket for 20% off the price of the day. He said there is an easier way to use the new format on the Flying Together website. He reminded us to use our mileage plus card with all our info. United says they have been seeing more Pass Travel than before.

Treasurer **Valerie Hulsey** gave us the up-to-date status on our RER bank accounts, showing a healthy total in the general account of \$1,600.00 plus and \$216.35 in our Charity account with a few dollars in savings. Valerie also brought a couple of jokes, in place of **George Schwind** who couldn't attend the lunch due to his injury; Valerie has good delivery when it comes to jokes, and the group enjoyed them.

Next, RUAEA Western Region Director **Roger Casterline** said that United is bragging about their recent increase ratings in performance. He said the next annual RUAEA convention will be in September in Cleveland, Ohio; details were published in the RUAEA June Newsletter.

The May and June birthdays and anniversaries were read by Secretary **Mary Wilson**. The winner of the free lunch went to **Joanne Huhn**. Joanne said that she will send a get well card to **George Schwind**, and one to **Al Benthan**, whom we haven't seen lately.

Next, we had the raffle for the table wines and See's candies brought by the **Huhns**; several of the restaurant staff have been buying tickets and have been winners of the raffle goodies!

The next luncheon will be on August 9th at the LaGare, hosted by **Joan Olsson**, **Jack Donahue**, **Joan Sheehan**, and **Ann Sullivan**.



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We had a good turnout at our breakfast in spite of the heat wave. It seems to be sweeping the country and finally got us here in the West. **Betty Tomaino** was the winner of the 50/50 raffle for this month.

We have several Birthdays this month: Marti Ambrosio, Peter Hendricks, Renelle Branson, Rosina Krefft, Joan Zadrozny, Mary Hernandez and Tom Sturgeon.

Lucia Di Gregorio is going to be having gallbladder surgery later this month and we will be thinking of her and hoping for a speedy recovery.

Several retirees mentioned that they are having difficulty with the new Flying Together, (<u>ft.ual.com</u>) website. It is also difficult to contact anyone by phone at the Benefits Service Center. It is supposed to be user friendly but I believe it is going to take some getting used to.

If you are looking for a new and cool destination to fly to this summer, check out our new flights to Reykjavik. They have a hotel made out of ice where you can stay if you are tired of our summer heat.

Also remember we have great beaches and good surfing here in San Diego. Come and visit us!

Calendar:

August 2 – Breakfast at Pt. Loma Café, 4865 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA. 92106-2394, (619) 226-0255.

GOLDEN GATERS

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The Energizer Bunny is alive and well and is here at our monthly meetings, the bunny goes by the name of President **Vera Kina**; where this lady gets all the energy is beyond me! Besides having to oversee renovations on their master bathroom at home (she has a big whip,) she hits up Costco for our lunch goodies, makes sure our meeting room is set up correctly, fires up the stove for our special lunches, chairs the meeting, tries to recruit people for Board positions (she has fine-tuned the art of begging!,) scopes out restaurants that do catering and ones that can accommodate groups; we would be hard- pressed to find someone to fill her shoes. Our kudos for all her hard work, cheerful spirit and willingness to keep our group above the water line. She even has a Duck Whistle to call the meeting to order. Top that one folks! Thank you, thank you Vera, we truly appreciate all you do for us. We are celebrating an early 4th of July today with Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, a variety of Chips and Root Beer Floats – thankfully, the bunny doesn't shed or molt, she'll be wearing gloves.

The next 3 monthly menus: (Call Auditor **Gene Walter** if you are coming to the August and September meetings so 'enuf food is purchased, don't want you to starve. His phone: (650) 856-9738.)

- ➤ July 23 BYOBL Bring your own bag lunch Bingo too
- August 27 Pizza, Salad and fixins', Bingo also. \$10 per member / \$15 per guest
- > September 24 Annual Picnic to be catered pricing and more info next month.

Treasurer **Art Barrett** sez we are holding our own. We have word that our rent for the meeting room will go up slightly next year, he does a great job making ends meet and crunching the numbers. Well done! He reminds us to invite any local retirees to come and join us.

Membership Secretary **Barbara Underhill** is enjoying working at the Voter Registration Center, she & **Jerome** have been doing this for several years. She also does a great job keeping tabs on members; several need cheering up: **Bernie Schneider**, **Mary Hughes**, **Lydia Rolfe** and **Ben Vietz**. Ben has returned from the hinterlands and is getting local medical treatments. Keep them in your thoughts. Cards will be sent from the Gater Group. No birthdays but **Jim** & **Helen Goodwine** romped down the aisle 59 years ago, wow, congrats you two. We bid a fond farewell to **Don** & **Dorothy Reuszer**, **Bob** & **Donna Taiclet** and **Ralph** & **Bernice**

Trullinger; all have moved from our local area to be closer to family members. All long time Board members, we salute their dedication to the Gaters!

The Auditors, John Bogdanoff, Gene Walter, Ben Vietz (in absentia) were speechless.

Travel Coordinator **Ginger Dahlberg** recapped the 2018 trips. Interest lists are available - call or email Ginger if you want on the list. The RUAEA Newsletters for April and May have proposed trips for this year. Trying to consolidate many scraps of paper, a "Lets' Go" club is being set up as a master mailing/email list; quarterly flyers with proposed trips are in the offing and I welcome suggestions as to where you would like to go – day trips, short overnighters, and longer trips are some of the ventures being looked into. A Right (East) Coast Cruise during the Fall Foliage times looks promising. Let me know if you want to hop on the Band Wagon!

Historian Jim Goodwine was also speechless.

Ticket Coordinator **Harriet Kunze** gave away our 25%/25% to **John Bogdanoff** and **Bill Heinrich**. Bingo winners didn't garner enough money to hit up KFC on their Monday discount specials – LOL tho!

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:

July 23 - BYOBL – Bring your own bag lunch – Bingo too.



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We had a great time at our summer picnic held at Vasona Lake in Los Gatos on June 12. Sixty-five showed up with raffle gift and appetizer or dessert in hand to share. The treats were yummy, catered BBQ was great, weather warmer than normal which was a plus (usually on the cool side), and visiting with friends were delightful. **Tony Urso** led our traditional bingo game after lunch and kept helpers running with gifts to those yelling out "Bingo" when they scored. Thank you to all who showed up early to set up and decorate and make the pavilion a festive place to enjoy our time together.

<u>Correction</u>: I have a correction to last month's article. Thankfully, **Bill Copley** is very much alive! I had reported that he passed in May but that is far from the truth. I apologize for the mix-up and any hardship or confusion caused by this incorrect information.

Our sunshine lady, **Maureen Snyder**, was contacted by **Georgia Nielsen**'s niece and **Georgia & Dan Nielsen** have recently moved to an assisted living facility. Their new address is: Sunrise of Sunnyvale, 633 South Knickerbocker Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087. Drop them a note; they will be happy to hear from you. Maureen also received a note from **Leon Manou** who relocated to Oregon a couple of years ago. Leon & Katrina are doing well and visit us for breakfast when in our area.

We've had guests **Joe Eber** visiting from Houston (son of **Lloyd & Claire Eber**) and **Cathy Sweet**, in town to celebrate her mom's (**Merle Sweet**) birthday, join us for breakfast meetings recently.

New members—Murray Kreitzer and Paul Fujimoto, along with their sons Scott and Mark, respectively, showed up recently at a breakfast meeting and both signed up to join our chapter. Several remembered working with them at United. We're so glad to have you!

Travels—Bill & Rosemarie Reichard were in New York for two weeks to see their grandsons play baseball at Cooperstown. They visited the home of author James Fenimore Cooper while in town and also went to Rochester, Corning (glass works), and Niagara Falls and highly recommended visiting the Canada side of the falls. Roger Casterline reminisced about living in New York in 1965 and seeing Niagara Falls as a "big icicle" when there was a severe freeze. Ann & Keith Olthof visited their daughter in Copperopolis, California. Chuck Clayborn was at Disney World in Florida to attend a convention and tacked on some additional time to spend with his daughter who married earlier this year. VP Marianne Johnson was in Copenhagen for several

weeks handling her father's estate and was glad to be back—just in time, I might add, to cover a breakfast meeting for President **Bob Devlin** while he and **Karen** were out of town for a few days.

Several in our chapter have had their share of illnesses and surgeries lately and all are now on the mend I'm thankful to report. I don't know that I need to share all of the details; we know who you are and are looking forward to your good health again.

Our Fall luncheon is in the works and we are finalizing the details. Southbay members—Look for the flyer to come in your email in the next week or so. We are hoping for Tuesday, September 11 but that will be confirmed along with the location and menu.

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:

Fall Luncheon - TBD

SAN JOAQUINERS

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On June 14th, the San Joaquiners met at Strings Italian Restaurant in Jackson where the meeting was opened by President **Bob Scoble** with the Pledge of Allegiance and, since it was Flag Day the table decorations were all American Flags with neat stands. They brightened the room to remind us of our unique National Identity.

Under Old Business, the meeting locations for the November and December meetings were announced. In November, the group will attend the play "Away in the Basement" at the Sierra Repertory Theater in Columbia. Each member will make their own reservations (209) 532-3120. The December meeting is the Christmas luncheon at the Fruityard in Modesto. We have been there in the past and it received positive results from the members. The prices have gone up a little so the charge will be for a minimum of 30 guests (so your attendance is important) and the fee will be \$21.00 per guest. January is a "dark" month (no meeting), so that carries us to the end of the year.

Under New Business, we were all reminded to update your UA Travel Pass information for family and friends by the end of June. Also, we were reminded that the retiree is responsible for the taxes associated with family and friends passes used for travel. Always check the UA Travel website for detailed and new information.

President Bob wished all a Happy Father's Day.

Bob Blair created a new chapter sign to be used to help members find our meeting place. Thank you so much, Bob. Your work is almost professional (since it is "almost", we don't have to pay him!).

President Bob reminded all of the RUAEA National Convention in Cleveland September 18 thru 22, as well as the Mechanics reunion in Minden, NV, June 19-22 at the Carson Valley Inn and RV Park. So far, 8 chapter members plan to join the group in Minden.

Treasurer **Rudy Reyna** reported income and expenditures through the month of May have been deposited and paid, leaving a balance of close to \$800.00. We currently are showing 38 active members.

Our records show no birthday or anniversary members in June. If we do not have a record of your birthday and/or anniversary, please contact **Sandy Brooks**.

Bob & **Joy Blair** held a raffle and allowed members to donate to the treasury for the table decorations.

President Bob closed the meeting at 1:00 and thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a safe journey home.

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. Our next meeting is Thursday, July 12, 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 July meeting was held on Monday, July 2 at The Old Spaghetti Factory in Concord. We had 20 members in attendance. **Jan Soderstrom** and **Wilma Leather** acted as cashiers. Social hour started at 11:00. We had a choice of six entrees, and soup or salad to start. For dessert, we had a choice of vanilla or spumoni ice cream. **Barbara Cunningham** conducted the raffle. **Joe Leather** won the 50/50 raffle and several members donated a nice selection of wine as additional raffle items. After lunch, we discussed changes in travel benefits for retirees.

Upcoming Meetings: Please join us!

- ♦ Monday, August 6 at 11:00— El Tapatio, 40 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill. We order from a set menu. Lunch includes soup or salad, choice of entrée and beverage.
- ♦ Monday, September 3 at 11:00— Fuddruckers, 1975 Diamond Blvd in Concord. Everyone orders their meal separately at the counter and then we eat together in a private room.
- Monday, October 1 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.



CALIFORNIA NORTHSTATERS

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Please see the calendar for upcoming chapter meetings.

Calendar:

July 25 - Wednesday, at 11:30 AM. We will meet at Foodies Café in Chico and tour the Chico Air Museum. **August 29** - Wednesday Lake Almanor at **Kent** & **Billie Jorgensen**'s home. Details to be announced.

SOLANO FLYERS

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June 13th found the Solano Flyers at BJ's Brewery in Vacaville for our monthly meeting. President Constantino aka Dino was unable to attend, the VP quickly took charge. Members were not surprised as the VP, never lets opportunity of power slip his grasp. Hopefully, the members will rally during the next election and replace those that dominate power positions in our organization. Hint, hint, hint.

At our meeting we find, Robert & Michiko Allen, Frank Uhl, Louis Pell, Bill & Joanne Blizzard, Pad & Eileen Gardner, Diosnel & Luci Perez, Robert Zirzow, Eugene Boyce, Allan Pochop, and Stewart McCale.

Birthdays ~ Joanne Blizzard and Allan Pochop.

Anniversary ~ Harold & Barbara Mitchell

50/50 Winner ~ Robert Zirzow.

Calendar:

July 11 - Fosters Big Horn, Bar & Restaurant, 143 Main St. Rio Vista, 11am.

August 8 - Rauls Striper Cafe, 1720 N. Texas St. Fairfield, 11am.

COLORADO



<u>MILE HIGHERS</u> Rich & Cleora Conner (970) 232-8050

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We had an informal breakfast without a business meeting. There were 27 in attendance.

Tom Goodyear will be going into the hospital for surgery on Tuesday, July 10th. Cards may be sent to 9341 East Jewell Cir., Denver, CO 80231-3456.

Our next RUAEA Breakfast Meeting will be held on Saturday, August 4^{th} , at 9am at Ted'z Place Restaurant in Commerce City. Address: 5271 E. 52^{nd} Ave, Commerce City. Phone: (303) 287-7544. Directions: Go North on Dahlia St. off I-70 to 52^{nd} 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

THE CITRUS GROUPERS THE VILLAGES

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If anyone has questions or would like to join our group, please contact President **Joe Di Staso** at wopahofl@comcast.net.



SAND"DABS"

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This correspondent was not able to attend this month's meeting so there is no report. See you in August.

Calendar:

August 2 - 11:30 - Red Lobster, 3162 S. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL

THE ORLANDO REAL McCOYS

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President Ernie brought the June meeting to order and we all rose to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The guys in the group remained standing and were wished a very Happy Father's Day to a round of applause! We welcomed guest **Wendy Halterman**, **Stan** & **Barb**'s daughter.

Elaine shared the info on the new Flying Together format in the meeting reminder email yesterday and we found that **Ken Michels** was very knowledgeable ... it just takes a bit to get familiar with the new and improved (just a quote ...) formats!

Our June Birthday Gals and Guys included: **Rich Llewellyn** and **Peg Cannata** (6/11), **Jim Weeks** and **Bob Olsen** (6/26), **Freddie DuPree** (6/24), **Linda Agnello** (6/20), **Joanne Mollett** (6/13), and **Ernie Vosges** (6/14)! Hope you can Blow out that Glowing Cake!

Birthday Cakes for July you ask? Mary McNeill (7/17), Eric Dotson (7/18) and Ted LeGrand (7/20)! Congrats to all of you!

Our Loving Couples for the month of June month are: **Ernie** & **Cheryl Vosges** – 37 years on June 5th and **Joe** & **Barbara Fitak** – 57 years on June 24th! Huge Congrats to you both and many more!

I commented to Pres. Ernie that we hadn't done a "Getting to Know You" since \underline{he} was the one we chose, so, he exercised his authority and made \underline{me} give my story \odot UG

So, I began my UAL career in 1969 in CLERR, transferred to CLECS (sec'y to Joe Hartman), then worked in CLEOO – CLEOZ (Jim Guyette) - CLEMM/GQ (Paul Breslin/Bob Gill) CLEOZ (Dennis Ryan), back to CLEGQ until I was laid off in '88. Furloughed till 1991 when I landed a job in MCOOZ (Jim Svornik), who loaned me to MCOMM (John Gualtier), then to MCOCS behind the counter and finally MCOCS as a CSR! All I can say in my defense is that they either loved me or hated me, all those depts in the span of 39+ years! I loved every minute!

Retired in November 2006 and have been enjoying traveling and babysitting grandkids ever since!

The Real McCoys meet the first Tuesday of each month at 1pm at the Golden Corral on So. Semoran Blvd. Upcoming luncheons will be August 7th and September 4th.

THE SAND DOLLARS

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Our next luncheon will be in October, and we meet on the second Thursday of the month, October through May. We welcome any visiting retirees or anyone who is thinking of moving to our beautiful area of Florida. For information, call **Ginger Hyde** at (941) 360-6671, or email her at: drightyle@aol.com.



TAMPA BAY CHAPTER

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Please see the calendar for upcoming chapter meetings.

Calendar:

August 6 – 10:30 IHOP - Trinity, FL - on RT 54

TREASURE COAST

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Due to our normal meeting day falling the day before the 4th of July, it was decided it would be cancelled. I contacted members to see if anyone had news for us to share and received several responses.

I have received inquiries concerning **Jim Morehead**'s health due to his recent hospital stay with a serious illness. I have received an e-mail from him. He is out of the hospital and convalescing at home. He sends his "Hello" to everyone and thanks them for their concern and well wishes. He was on high-powered drugs in the hospital and continues with infusion therapy at home where he is confined for a couple of months. Best Wishes, Jim, for a speedy recovery!

Constantinos "Dinos" Xifaras reports that he is feeling much better following his post-accident recuperation and hopes to join us in August. Continue to get better my friend. We miss you.

Jane Kerr will be returning from New Jersey this month. Congratulations to her on the sale of her property there. We hope that long drive will bring you home safely.

James & **Janet Hanley** are pleased to announce the birth of their fourth grandchild, **Julia James**, 8lbs, 9oz. Janet recently returned from Austin, Texas where she was helping her daughter with the new baby.

Al & Janice Popek are still awaiting their new roof. The damage was done during last year's hurricane. Since we are once again in hurricane season, a good roof is imperative! While awaiting the work to commence they had a cool deck installed around the pool. Homeowners are always busy with something. These improvements will bring them a lot of joy.

Our frequent flyers, **Bob Langevin** and **Sandy Ruggiero** are certainly enjoying their passes. After visiting family and friends in PVD they headed over to Cleveland for the annual pilot reunion of the "Cleveland Crazies". Then it was off to STL to visit Sandy's friends. They squeezed in a couple of days in Las Vegas for a little gambling and pure fun. The 4th of July was spent with family and friends in Rhode Island. They'll soon be off to Vancouver to take an Alaskan cruise on the Holland America Westerdam. Bob's college fraternity (Chi Phi) is having their reunion soon in PVD. Can't miss that and the Rhode Island Clambake. Future plans include a trip to Greece and The Greek Isles in November. I'm exhausted just thinking about their busy schedule! Their many weeks of pass travel went well with only a couple of missed flights.

July celebrations include birthdays for **Truman Barker** on the 15th and **Anne Kenda** on the 27th. Anniversaries will be celebrated by **Gene & Fran Student** on the 20th and **Diane & Ron Brodis** on the 15th.

Calendar:

August 7 - Luncheon/Meeting Duffy's South Stuart 12:30 **September** 4 - Luncheon/Meeting Duffy's South Stuart 12:30 **October 16** - Picnic at Dubois Park, Jupiter 12:00 Noon

HAWAII

HONOLULU MENEHUNES

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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 HNLRUA@gmail.com and we will email you the details.

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

PAU HANA KUPUNA



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

IDAHO

BOISE GEMS

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Please see the calendar for upcoming chapter meetings.

Calendar:

Our next meeting will be in August, to be chosen by a member.

ILLINOIS

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August—It's the Red, White and BBQ days of summer! It's also considered the dog days of summer when the heat overtakes us and even the dogs lie around, not moving. It really has everything to do with the Greek dog, Sirius, and his place in the heavens. Let's just stick with the hot dog stories, it's more fun. Hot dogs? Did somebody mention hot dogs? Chicago, the home of the most renowned food item in the country. Well, after pizza, of course. We really do beat out New York for pizza. Oh, I'll hear about that, won't I? Downtown Chicago has Lollapalooza Days, August 2-5. Anybody going? Standing in the heat, or rain, for hours, with our walkers, just to hear some of the newest and greatest bands around. For example, the Arctic Monkeys, Cigarettes after Sex, and Rainbow Kitten Surprise. Yes, those are real names. Ah, give me the big bands with real names, like Glenn Miller, Kay Kyser, Cab Calloway, Count Basie, Johnny Cash, the Beatles, and of course, Elvis. I guess our parents thought we were all going to hell listening to Rock and Roll. Anybody remember Ish Kabibble? Funny guy, looked like Moe. Let's not forget Carmen Miranda, with the hat full of fruit. Loved those hats with all those bananas!

The Northside breakfast had about 20 people. We had two newbies, **Kathy & Don Wagner**, EXOKF. **Cesar & Elena Guera** brought their two grandsons, Leo and Ian. Returning folks were **Rich Maionchi**, **Darlene Felske**, **Lynn Hagele**, and **Jerry Tipperreiter**. Jerry & Pam drove to Holland, MI for the Tulip Festival. Sad news for us, as **Rich Maionchi** is moving to Colorado Springs to be closer to his son and family. We're going to miss him. Keep in touch!

The Southside breakfast had 10 people. **Agnes Pearson**, who fell in May, is now at home and doing well with her husband **Bob**, and nurses helping. We're praying for you both. **Gwen & Bill Brookins** are back from gambling in SBN. Then Gwen had back surgery in July. We wish her well! **Sylvester Gant** brought his granddaughter, Genesis with him. She helped pick the winning raffle winners, which were **Gwen & Bill Brookins**. Well, they win the prize for getting their names mentioned the most. **Bill Corbett** is an AARP safe driver instructor. He was giving a course that morning. Bill is also trying to work out a plan to get us to the RUAEA Cleveland Convention. Contact him if you'd be interested in carpooling.

The ORDMM breakfast had about 25 mechanics. Pictures of old planes were brought in. It was great to see the old signage on the DC8's, DC10's, 747's 737's and 727's. Those were the days, huh? Now people on the Ramp aren't even allowed to wear caps that have the tulip design on them. That's like a mortal sin to us! Paul Skrudland brought his brother, Jim. Also returning were Jim Adams, Brad Nelson, John Degrange and Cas Paprocki. Toni & Pierre Lupori took a Caribbean cruise with their sons and grandchildren. The news from Larry & Judy Pitzer is they are happy that they moved from North Carolina to Florida to be closer to his daughter. I'd like to thank John Kozlik for bringing me old-time magazines each month. What fun to look at stories of the old planes and life in easier times.

The IAM 1487 meeting had over 90 people enjoying pizza and many desserts. Thanks to all of you dessert-bringers and pizza servers. In June, 20 met at Elly's Restaurant for lunch. Two newbie couples were **Zaida** & **Gilbert Romero**, and **Palma** & **Toni Klein**. **Cesar** & **Elena Guera** had their grandsons with them. This month, August 2 will be our summer picnic inside the Union Lodge. It will be a catered affair with food from Rosati's. The group will then be free to play some of their delightfully entertaining games. On July 17, about 25 of us met at Sweet Baby Ray's for some of their delicious BBQ delicacies. At our June meeting, our newbie was **Ralph Rouille**, who just retired after 55 years in ORDCG. Wow, congrats Ralph, what an accomplishment!

At our Skyliner's Summer Hawaiian Luncheon, over 145 Haoles enjoyed the food and entertainment. We had 11 new members, Robert Chance, Marlene Fulton, Nancy Kaye, Carolyn Keys, Ann E. Mahoney, Peggy Maromaty, Sarita Ostos, Agnes Pearson, Pamela Rockwell, Judith Solis, and Georgia Tamraz. Welcome to our chapter! The best five dollars you'll ever spend! Ron Cabanada, ORDMM, serenaded us during lunch. The Barefoot Hawaiian Dancers were very captivating. Two men from the audience added to our amusement, Ted Neale and Michael Teister, trying to hula. Michael is a fourth generation UAL'er. His dad, Keith, is an A320 First Officer. His grandma and great grandma worked in the ORD kitchens. Many thanks to the planning committee, name tag distributors, raffle people, Mainliner Club reps selling their wares, retirees donating food for a local pantry, and Barb Hanson from the United Archives. She's looking for volunteers to help one or two days a week. If interested, her number is (872) 825-3655.

The July RUPA luncheon attracted about 35 people at Nick's Pizza and Pub in Crystal Lake. Altitude and attitude conversations were heard everywhere. Some attendees were **Herb Hunter**, **LeRoy & Eva Bair**, **Howard & Marj Nelson**, **George & Jacquie Mathes**, **Gus Tuit**, **Ken Voelker**, **Jack Mumaw**, **Chip & Cindi Little**, and **Walt & Jan Fink**.

Here's a little touch of class story for you. A friend of mine lives in the SAN area. She and her friends go to Costco for lunch every month. Since their concession stand is outside, they combine two tables with a cloth tablecloth they bring from home. As three of them go get their entrees, the one lady fixes the napkins and silverware for the group. What a classy way to spend the afternoon. They tried bringing candles, but Costco said it was safety hazard, and that was the end of that! The ladies call themselves, The Ditzy Diners.

Think outside the box, people, make even mundane events sizzle with excitement.

Our friends that flew West last month include ORDMM Hank Mueller's wife, Jean, Ken Schmidt, Jack Lunde, and Paul M. Smith. ORDCS, Wendell Schoenbeck, husband of Ruth Schoenbeck, EXOAK, Theresa Jones, wife of John Jones, ORDPV, Laura McElroy, ORDMM, wife of Lee McElroy, ORDOR. And Jim Hanley, ORDCG. Also gone from our world are Red Schoendeist, Charles Krauthammer, Matt 'Blues Brothers' Murphy, Joe Jackson, and Ed (WGN) Schultz.

You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive! Go Cubbies!

Calendar:

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

Southside Breakfast - Jedi's Restaurant, 9:30 A.M., 9266 S. Cicero, Oak Lawn. (August 28). Last Tuesday of the month.

IAM Lodge 1487 - 50 W Oakton, Des Plaines, Luncheon, (August 2), Lunch will be Hot Dogs. First Thursday of the month.

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

INDIANA



INDY RACERS

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The Indy Racers met on June 12th at Emmy's Pancake House in Avon, Indiana. Due to travel commitments and doctor appointments, attendance was sparse with only 10 members present. In attendance were **Wanda Bryce**, Jack & Carol Conway, Bob & Myrtle Duty, Chris Johnston, Ed Loftus, Dimple Rihel, Charles Theiss and his son Anthony Theiss.

After a long, cold winter, to offset "cabin Fever", the Indy Racers appear to be travelling as much as possible. **Mario** & **Margaret Bregante** are travelling to Italy to accompany Mario's cousin Nello as he travels home after a visit. **Wanda Bryce** has scheduled a trip to Tennessee for a family visit. **Jack** & **Carol Conway** are travelling to Michigan's Upper Peninsula for a family visit. **Bob** & **Myrtle Duty** will travel to Scottsdale, AZ for a family visit. **Dimple Rihel**, who recently returned from Chicago, will return to Chicago to attend a graduation party. **Tony** & **Barbara Urbanovic** are in Florida where they are dog-sitting for a family member's pet.

During our meeting, **Bill Stout** (retired from ATA) and **Bill Carson** (retired UA), who were having lunch in the same restaurant, stopped by to visit.

We will not have our usual meeting on July 10th, however the Indy Racers Summer Luau will be held Saturday July 14th at 1400. **Charles Theiss** is hosting the luau at his house, 10630 Thorny Ridge Trace, Fishers, IN 46037.

MASSACHUSETTS

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Submitted by Irene Kimball

"Knee'd to Know" ... 2 new Nor'East knees this month, both **Abe Lincoln** and **Norma Betters** are up and rehabbing with their new equipment. Will we see them with the elites of the 2019 Boston Marathon?

We've just lost one of the really good guys, **Pete Congdon** passed away after a long battle with cancer. His career with United spanned decades from SAN to NYC Human Resources to BOSOZ, BOSSS, DCAFF and PWMOZ. Pete was a true class act.

After 40 stellar years, **Linda Noble**, BOSOZ, has decided to start her next chapter and join us in retirement. We congratulate her and look forward to her joining our group.

We made it to summah! August Birthdays include Judy Kearney, Irene Kimball, Fred Parks, Michael Provenzano, Mable Reyes, and Bill Vanderwal. Hear those Leos roar!

Happy Anniversary wishes to Tom Blackwood, Lucinda Suga and Dick Vee.

MICHIGAN



GREAT LAKES ESCAPEES

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Come join us at our July luncheon at PF Chang's China Bistro, hosted by **Carol Shaffner** and **Joan Benoit**. The restaurant is located at 17905 Haggerty Rd. in Livonia. This month the luncheon is being held on Thursday, July 12 at 12 noon.

Our last luncheon in June was hosted by **Lynn Manzi** at the Craft Breww City in Farmington Hills, MI. We chatted with old friends, **Pat** & **Henri McElhone**, **Bill** & **Camille Wade**, **Patty Gates**, **Marlene Heaney**, **Gwen Dyc** and **Lynn Manzi**. We enjoyed being joined by several of Lynn's friends.

Ann Buchanan has joined the ranks of retiree. Hope to see her at a future luncheon.

Gail Buchanan has moved and is now at the Bellaire Senior Living facility, 12621 Hale St., Riverview, MI 48193. She would love to hear from her old United colleagues.

Sue Craig has been recuperating from a burst cyst and a torn cartilage in her knee. Hope she gets 'on her feet' again soon. Keep in touch with her at 8258 Forrest, Canton, MI 48187.

We were sadden to learn of the death of **Dwight Price**, formerly of DTWRR. He passed away in May. We have no further information.

Joyce Lyon's husband, **Dan**, is having health problems and would appreciate hearing from their United friends. Their address is 23330 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127-2240.

MINNESOTA

NORTHERN LITES

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Once again, my thanks to Secretary **Mary Brennan** for taking notes while we were off on our annual quest for **big** fish at Lake of the Woods, straddling the U.S.-Canadian border.

T'was a nice June day when 19 Lites came together again. They welcomed back snowbird **Jack Spalding** from his adopted Florida home, recouping from having suffered a stroke during the winter. Jack is strong, but those things knock the stuffing out of a guy.

The subject of a possible boat trip in September again was raised. No one seemed interested in doing that again and there were concerns about handicapped access, carpooling, weather, etc. So that idea just withered away. The meeting room at our lunch venue was already booked for other parties in September and October when we made the change several months ago, so that was brought up for discussion. Not much happened about that, either, apparently.

Mary Brennan's daughter, Susan, is once again doing the "Ride Across Minnesota", a 5-day bikeathon fundraiser for MS July 16-20th. The bikers begin and end at St. Peter, covering six towns across the southern part of the state, a total of 291.5 miles. The longest day is 68 miles. About 800 folks ride, the oldest being over 90. They camp out in a park in the host town. Locals set up food and vendors. A big semi shower rig follows them and another semi with their gear supports the riders and repair bikes, too. Each team has a dollar goal and Susan hopes to raise \$3,000 for MS awareness. Some of these bikers never know each other until they get on a team and now only see each other once a year.

Lyle & Sonja Gunderson were disappointed to have to cancel their fun "Mystery Tour" by bus. Apparently, one of them had an undisclosed health issue pop up which prevented their taking part.

Since the day of the luncheon, much electronic discussion has gone on about what to do in September and October. The results of the polls taken are to meet at the Golden Corral on Thursday, September 13th & Thursday, October 11th. Note these dates!

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 and into the strip mall across from Maplewood Mall. You'll see Aldi's Market nearby.

NEBRASKA

OMAHA GOLDENEARS

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What a beautiful day we had for our picnic potluck luncheon at the Cornish's for our meeting on June 5th. Thirty-five retirees attended and were treated to valet parking and wonderful food. We have the best cooks in the country. Thanks to the help of **Tony** & **Jackie Sortino** and **Betsy** & **Bill Anderson**, we had tables and chairs and even tents to provide shade. It couldn't have been better. **Keith Cornish** was able to entertain guests from his bed and thoroughly enjoyed visiting with everyone in attendance. The winners of the 50/50 were **Barb Soseman** and **Shirley Mahoney**, each received \$22.

We received reports on some of our members who were not able to attend. **Elaine Carlson** had a hip replacement, she's home and doing very well. **Van VanHouten** is going to have abdominal surgery for some growths that are bothersome; he is 98 so we are wishing him all the best in the world. **Peggy Casebeer** is having a pacemaker/defibrillator placed on the 14th of July. Again, all our best to you Peggy.

Our next meeting will be at the Pizza Ranch, 3010 S. 84th St., just south of Center on July 10 hosted by **Marge Edwards**. The place doesn't open until 11am so no need to be there extra early. Note the date since I miss printed in the last newsletter, saying it would be a day later. It is also a week later due to the holiday. Since it is a buffet there is no need to register, just come. You might check the Sunday coupon section of the World Herald for a two for one coupon. Always like a bargain although the prices are very reasonable.

Change of Address: **Elaine Schreiber**, 7544 Gertrude Street, Apt. 245, LaVista, NE 68128, (308) 737-9882.

Birthdays for July: **Dick Loftus** (3), **Sharon Loftus** (3), **Harry Hansen** (11), **Elaine Carlson** (15), **Jan Cornish** (15). **Tom Langan** (15), **Betsy Anderson** (19), and **Elaine Schreiber** (19).

No English dictionary has been able to adequately explain the difference between these two words. In a recent linguistic competition held in London and attended by, supposedly, the best in the world, Samdar Balgobin, a Guyanese man, was the clear winner with a standing ovation which lasted over 5 minutes.

The final question was: How do you explain the difference between <u>complete</u> and <u>finished</u> in a way that is easy to understand? Some people say there is no difference between the two. Here is his astute answer: "When you marry the right woman, you are <u>complete</u>. When you marry the wrong woman, you are <u>finished</u>. And when the right one catches you with the wrong one, you are <u>completely finished</u>.

Calendar:

August 7 - Fernando's Café in Blair, NE, hosted by **Patty Shook** and **Sid Schneider September 4** - TBD

October 2 - Olive Garden, hosted by Myrtis Olds and daughter

NEVADA



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The Silverliners held their regular Luncheon/meeting on June 14 at Giuseppe's Italian Grill. We had a total of 26 members in attendance. Secretary **Don Rutkowski** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, Don also went over a little history of why June 14th is Flag Day. After lunch, Vice President **Chris Czaplewski** got up to speak and made the announcement that she is giving up the Vice President position due to health reason and travel times. Chris and her husband live in Mesquite which is over an hour's drive from Las Vegas and due to her medical condition, the drive is getting much harder and painful for her and her husband Jim. So, with a heavy heart and sadness we all said "Good Bye" to Chris & Jim; we hope to have them visit again at some time in the future. We thanked Chris for her many years of service and dedication to the Silverliners. **Mary Chandler** mentioned that she would be interested in the Vice President position and the membership present all agreed with her. So, at the next Board meeting we will finalize and make it official, **Mary Chandler** the Silverliners new Vice President.

Don Rutkowski mentioned the fact that one of our members, **John Albert**, has been selected and did take part in the Veterans Honor Flight on April 27, 2018. John got up and made a wonderful presentation on his experience on the Honor Flight. He mentioned how wonderful all personnel of the Honor Flight Committee were. The greeting when they arrived in Washington DC was very memorable, something he will never forget. They visited all the War Memorials around the Reflecting Pool which was a very somber period for all. John was lucky because his sister lived near DC and was able to come and share his night at the Banquet that was given in honor of all the Veterans attending the Honor Flight. Again, we thanked John for his service and he thanked all of us for supporting him in this adventure.

Treasure **Jeannie Rolland** presented our financial status to the members which was well received and approved. Jeannie also sets up the Luncheons and went over a few items for the next Luncheon.

Sunshine Lady **Eleanor Vasko** went over the Birthdays and Anniversaries of our member for the month of June. She also mentioned that **Willie Bullinger** had cataract surgery and our member **Richard Kliese** passed away.

The 50/50 raffle conducted 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 donated by members 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 August 9th. So, we bid all a safe trip home and to stay healthy, luncheon/meeting was adjourned.

The Silverliners hold our meetings on the second Thursday of every even month, our next Luncheon will be on August 9th. 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 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.

RENO SIERRA ROUNDUP

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There were 11 members at our June meeting at The Black Bear Diner. John and I were attending the summer picnic at Aiken's farm with the Hangtown Miners and the Sacramento Gold Diggers. The weather was beautiful and the food was good. It was nice to see everyone again.

<u>Correction</u> – The September meeting will be at Miguel's Mexican Restaurant at the Summit Sierra shopping center – not far from the theater. It will be on Wednesday, September 19. The restaurant will issue individual checks but, like Black Bear Diner, there will be other patrons so it may take a few minutes to check out. Please be sure to add a tip if none is shown. We will have a few extra "gifts" for the 50/50 raffle.

June birthdays were celebrated by **Larry Reid**, **Ann Batty** and **June Roe**. The 50/50 raffle was won by **Pat Nettles**.

In addition, **Bill Perkins** once again treated the group to a lemon cake with lemon frosting. I hear it was absolutely delicious, as are all of Bill's baked goods.

NEW JERSEY



THE GARDEN STATERS

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The Garden Staters meeting was opened with a flag salute by President **Frank Worzocha**. It was good to see **George Whitman** who had just had a hip operation and is back on the trail. It was also wonderful to see **Louise Keleher** and **Jim Schmit** at our luncheon.

Marty Etler reported that he is a member of the Fairlawn Rotary and that once a year, the organization holds a career day at Memorial Junior High School in Fairlawn. It was a great event, as the eighth and ninth grade kids made their way around the various tables to look at long-term possibilities of employment. With a lot of help from Frank Kokoszka who managed to bring in lots of United giveaway, we had an outstanding turnout. A lot of credit also goes to our EWR flight officer Cesar Meneses who was outstanding in his uniform. The feedback that we got from the school was great, and there was a lot of appreciation that went with the plaudits. I can tell you that United was well represented and that "the spirit lives on".

Our ever popular **Diane Johnson** won the 50/50. Our next meeting will be at Snuffy's in Scotch Plains on July 25 at 12 PM.

***** From the great prophet Leroy ~ "It is still true, you can catch more flies with honey than you can with vinegar!"

NEW YORK



NEW YORK METROS

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Please see the calendar for upcoming chapter meetings.

Calendar:

July 10 - No Fourth of July meeting.

August - Picnic as usual

OHIO

OHIO BUCKEYES

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June is finally here and we are having some great sunny days, but we are still running into regular cold spells 50 degrees or less. Today for our luncheon, the weather was just beautiful and since the location of Rose Hill Restaurant in Seville is a few extra miles away, we all enjoyed the ride. This month we are scheduled for a "great buffet" and it couldn't have been better ... food, service, dessert, etc.! Our "thanks" go out to Carrie & John Kercel for hosting this month's luncheon. Announcements were made and President Dolly Taucher said we had a get-well card to be signed and also if we are planning on attending the picnic in August to sign the sheet and also indicate your choice of chicken, breast or leg and thigh. And a dish that is a side and dessert to be shared by all. "Grace" was said beautifully by Sue Broderick. After lunch, our Fifty/Fifty Lucky Winners: Doris Schueler, Arlene Taylor and Elda Custer. There was also a last-minute surprise of an additional drawing of a gift certificate for Rose Hill donated by the restaurant and was won by John Taucher. Thanks again Marie & Dave Placko for all you do, and running this drawing.

Dolly Taucher announced that we had 71 members attending, and we thanked Sue Tomic, owner of Rose Hill for the wonderful meal and service. Sue then stated that we are regulars every year on the first Wednesday of June and how we followed her from her prior restaurant (flair) to Rose Hill, quoting the number of years we have spent at each. Dolly mentioned the illness of **Ted** & **Genie Richardson** (CLE: FK, RR, FF). We'd also like to welcome back **Hanna Beish**, **Tom Hockett**, **Sharon Minelli**, **Steve Pytel**, **Doris Schueler**, **Arlene** & **Earl Taylor**, and **Eleanor Kiehl** for various reasons.

We do like to sing for our monthly birthdays, and this month we had 3 stand up while we serenaded them. **Richard Mullen, Dave Simpson**, and **Judy Spooner**. We wish them many, many more! To all of you who were unable to join us, we hope you enjoyed your "day".

June Anniversaries were acknowledged with our best wishes and hopes of many more for, **Tom & Helen Hockett** (26 years), **Ed & Shirley McCarthy** (60 years), **Frank & Barb Wachs** (24 years), and **Tom & Marty Hassel** (42 years). Dolly then announced that two anniversaries were missed in April, and they were **Len & Mary Ann Friedel** (54 years) and **Steve & Lee Rak** (55 years). And did you see those huge numbers? We send our "Congratulations to all".

Barb Vauls announced our newly arranged "Special Event" for our 2018 Convention. On September 20th, with the cooperation of the Cleveland Indians, we have arranged to see our Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox baseball game with first pitch at 7:10 pm. This will not interfere with any of our tours. We have reserved premium seating along the 1st and 3rd baselines at a discounted rate (\$57 tickets for \$40 per person), and behind Center Field (\$22 tickets for \$19 per person). Of course, round trip transportation from the Marriott Hotel is provided, also at a discounted cost of \$13 per person. "Registration Forms" are available as follows: In the RUAEA's June Newsletter on pages C-11 and C-12 are the forms for the "Hotel" and "Tours". And in the RUAEA's July Newsletter on page C-13 is the form for the "Baseball game". The deadline for all reservations is September 4, 2018. Our "Theme" for the Convention is "CLE Will Rock You". And we Will. Not only with our "Rock and Roll Hall of Fame" tours, but on September 21st for the Friday night "Hospitality Party" with music and dancing by the "Avanti" band. Then comes September 22nd for our Saturday evening "Banquet" with musical entertainment by "Frank & Dean". We have it all and then some. You can see more info if you go to RUAEA's website (www/ruaea.org), or our website (see above). So, what are you waiting for? Send in your registration and come join in on all of the fun.

<u>Calendar:</u>

August 1 - Annual Picnic at the Chalet, hosted by **John & Dolly Taucher September 12** - Carrie Cerino's – hosted by **Nancy & George Oncu**

OREGON



OREGON DEW-ER'S

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Our June meeting had 58 folks join us, with a lovely lunch, lots of great conversations and, of course, many great laughs. We were also honored to have **Johni Wilson**'s daughter, Terri, visit, as well as the Clipped Wings President, **Dona Jennison**.

Unfortunately we have some health issues to report: **Frank Bullis** informed us that his wife, **Marion Deasy**, fell and broke her hip. With surgery, she received a partial hip replacement. Also, Frank has a pinched sciatic nerve. If anyone wishes to send cards to Frank & Marion, their address is 601 NW 110th Way, Vancouver, WA.

Information: **Jack** & **Nancy Hoober** have been in charge of the 50/50 drawing for quite some time, and although they are willing to continue, they would not mind handing the job off. Please contact a board member if you are willing to take on this fun task.

Paul & Kathy Russell read a lovely note from **Jack Starks**, expressing his thanks for the birthday card signed by so many of our members, which made his 90th birthday even more special.

The remainder of our meeting, we enjoyed a wonderful slide presentation from long time member **Rosalie Betschart** highlighting her trip to Nairobi, Kenya, Africa last year, including her visits to Sheldrich Elephant Orphanage, the Giraffe Centre, Karen Blixen Museum (Out of Africa author), the Kazuri Bead Factory, and also visited Kilimanjaro and the Serengeti. We were in awe of the 100+ slides that she showed, which only highlighted the 1st part of her trip. She agreed to present the 2nd half later this year.

This month's quote from our President, attributed to motivational speaker, Les Brown "In every day, there are 1,440 minutes. That means we have 1,440 daily opportunities to make a positive impact."

To be expected at upcoming meetings:

- ❖ July annual indoor picnic with lots of prizes. Please stay for board and card games after the official meeting adjourns.
- ❖ August Jokes and quotes and airline trivia
- ❖ September or October (yet to be confirmed) speaker from National Weather Service
- ❖ September or October (depending on speaker) Ice cream Social
- ❖ November Share some of your favorite, or funniest Thanksgiving memories.

Anniversaries ~ None this month. Birthdays ~ Ed Rommel and Kent Uhl. Drawing Winners ~ Lunch/Door Prize - Dennis Cline, Men's Birthday - Ed Rommel, Women's Birthday - None, 50/50 - Jerri Blodgett.

Calendar:

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

June 13 – Rosalie & Joyce will share their Africa adventure

July 11 – Annual indoor picnic

August 8 – Jokes and quotes

September 12 - ?speaker from NWS (not yet confirmed)

PENNSYLVANIA



THE INDEPENDENTS

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21 people enjoyed our last meeting till fall with an indoor picnic, it was a bargain at \$5.00 a guest. **Les Brown** donated American flags for all and **Gail Bradley** made lovely summer table decorations. **Les Brown** won the free lunch and **Kurt Ktissinger** won the 50/50.

Our president Joe Bradley brought a trivia game. \$80 in prizes were awarded.

Please remember our sick. Al Edwards, Donna Lynn, Jim & Barbara Fanto, Marcia Ems and Betty Pyle.

Our next meeting will not be till October. Take care all and God bless.

PITTSBURGH PIT-STOPPERS

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Welcome, Happy Summer and Hello sunshine to all of our RUAEA friends! Wow, we went from rain – horrible flooding in some areas, to 90 degrees and sunshine! For some of us travelling to the beach, enjoying sand, and walking along the beach early around 7AM; ocean waves, sand on our feet, and the sounds of seagulls is natural medication! Gardeners, the plants loved the rain for a while, however, I think they also want the sunshine. Peppers, tomatoes, zucchinis, cucumbers, are all delayed in growing, and some are already rotting on the stems!

We had our luncheon-meeting on Thursday, June 14, with 21 members in attendance at J.W. Hall's Restaurant in Hopewell. We had a new election of officers. **Bill Redfern** - President, **Georgia Garcia** - Vice-President and **Treatie Karwoski** - Treasurer! We are so happy, Treatie will be able to be an officer! Our secretary, **Lorraine Keith**, is not replaced, as of now, we are hoping to get another new secretary soon! **Mary Jane Stewart** had information about our RUAEA Cleveland Convention on September 18, 2018! Great place to reunite with many of our acquaintances, take vacation tours at the convention and get updates of new information for our RUAEA retirees! Our social calendar is not updated but we have great plans for the next meetings coming up!

I received very kind thoughts, emailed from **Bob Frye** from St Petersburg, FL; he receives the RUAEA newsletter and enjoys catching up with all of his friends. He's greatly pleased to follow up with **Joann Juth**, **Treatie Karwoski** and information on many co-workers' health issues and social activities!

Our deepest love, and sympathy to our friend **Catherine Ike** on the passing of her husband, **Edmund Ike** (**Iacobucci**), 93, Supervisor, Pittsburgh on June 21, 2018. Ed & Catherine moved from Pittsburgh to join their family in Coral Springs, FL. He was transported to Pittsburgh for viewing at Taltolovich, Aliquippa; services are held at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Hopewell Twp. Following burial service, a luncheon and celebration of life with his friends and family at the FEZ – Aliquippa. He will be sadly be missed by his family and friends!

Also, our deepest love and sympathy to the family of **Rita Ulicny**, 89, RUAEA Pittsburgh and Chicago - Customer Service Agent. Rita passed away on May 11, 2018, peacefully in her sleep. Survived by two daughters, Jean from Philadelphia, two grandsons, and Joan in Robinson Twp., PA. Rita will be sadly missed by her daughters and friends!

Coming up, Pittsburgh sports, Pirates are now eight games out of first place and next to last in their division. The sports writers and reporters are saying they will not make the play offs this year. Go Bucs! But we are still hoping and believing!

TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE ROCKY TOPS



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We had our June breakfast at Don Delfis Pancake House in Knoxville with 18 in attendance. We all had a great time catching up.

Terry and our president **Pollie Klosky** brought their 14 year old granddaughter, Alexandra Sobczak who was visiting them from Indiana. Alexandra stated that she really enjoyed meeting all of our "gang".

Marlene Scott announced that her daughter, Lt. Elsbeth Scott (Scottie) graduated May 18th at the Laughlin Air Force Base at Del Rio TX. She will be based and flying C17's at Mc Chord AFB, Seattle, WA.

Our book magazine and auto tapes exchange is going great. Any that we don't exchange we donate to a local library.

Happy Birthday to **Patty Leonard** (8/30), **Pollie Klosky** (9/3), **Betty Snipe** (9/15), and **Robbie Corbin** (9/21).

Happy Anniversary to **Joe** & **Robbie Corbin** (9/30).

Calendar:

July 19 - Luncheon and Meeting at 1:30ET, Puleo's grill, 110 Cedar Lane, Knoxville, Tennessee. RSVP **Marlene Scott**, (423) 526-2917 or e-mail <u>marlenes@aol.coom</u>

August 16 - Breakfast event 9:30 am at Don Delphis Pancakes House, 120 West End Avenue, Knoxville, TN. RSVP Pollie, (847) 757-5261.

WASHINGTON

EMERALD CITY SLICKERS

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With no regular meetings over the summer, Emerald City Slickers look forward to a July 10 BBQ on the grounds of a lovely home on the shore of Lake Burien. We appreciate the generosity of **Kathi Skarbo**, a friend of President **Ken** & **Judy Storey**, in providing space for our catered barbecue lunch. How lucky we are that Kathi likes to entertain and has the perfect spot for a summer gathering.

Thanks to Vice President **Phyllis Bowman**, Treasurer **Bonnie Frey**, **Tom Holford**, Assistant Treasurer **Noreen Krawczyk**, and **Dolores Steger** for performing their duties even during the off season! Phyllis is in charge of publications and got out the picnic flyer; Tom & Dolores have taken telephone and e-mail reservations from picnic attendees; Bonnie will collect payment, and Noreen will check off names. These four provide the same services during the meeting year, so they bring their vast experience to the shores of Lake Burien. The **Storeys** have earned our gratitude by making arrangements and lining up the refreshments. Kudos to all!

As promised in past issues, it's time to introduce you to one of our noteworthy Emerald City Slickers. The first to be profiled by **Mary Ann Andersen**'s "Member Highlights" was chapter past president **Frank McAnulty** (LAXOZ) – from the Wizard's Emerald City back to Washington's Emerald City!

After deserting his studies to become a Catholic priest (1963-67), **Frank McAnulty** was waiting for a flight from Pittsburgh to Hartford and an interview with a large insurance company, when he saw a sign for the "United Employment Office" and went in to apply. He couldn't financially afford their first offer of a job in Seattle but, soon after, accepted a job in PIT Personnel, beginning March 20 1967. To show that God has a

sense of humor, the job offered this former seminarian with an all-male background was to interview and hire stewardesses! Frank moved on to Personnel Rep and two years later was promoted to the Personnel Department at EXO under **Percy Wood**, VP of Personnel.

During this period, Frank and Fran met at a St. Patrick's Day Party and married in 1970. Fran later became a UAL flight attendant and was able to secure transfers to follow Frank to the numerous locations, where he served the company. These venues included:

- CLE Personnel as Regional Employment Manager
- ❖ Back to Chicago 4 months later
- ❖ New positions of City Manager were created off to Milwaukee
- ❖ Back to Chicago 3 years later as Manager of ORD Inflight Service
- ❖ Six years later transfer back to EXO as Director of Inflight Service
- ❖ On to Salt Lake as City Manager followed by six years as Seattle Station Manager
- ❖ Couldn't resist assignment as Station Manager at London Heathrow
- ❖ To finish his portable career, Frank retired as General Manager in Los Angeles

Employees in Los Angeles seemed a different breed to Frank, being more laid back in their approach to work than folks in other parts of the world. Frank jokes that he has managed in three countries: the U.S., the UK, and Southern California. What an illustrious career!

Holden Greeley passed away in June, just days shy of his 81st birthday. Preceded in death by his wife, **Lynda**, Holden had lived at the Veterans' Community Living Center for the past three years. He had retired as a lead ramp serviceman after 40 years with United Airlines. **Ken Liesse**, also a former rampie, remembers Greeley, as he was known to his co-workers, as "a cool guy" and a hard worker who wouldn't ask anyone to do anything he wouldn't do himself. Holden spent many years in the transfer area and trained Ken, as well as many others, on the finer points of sorting mail.

See you in September!

Calendar:

June-August – No formal luncheon meetings July 10 – Summer Barbecue September 11 – Luncheon meeting at Angelo's



LILAC CITY FLYERS

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

WASHINGTON, D.C.



THE DULLES LOUNGERS

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

NATIONAL

CLIPPED WINGS

Karen Williams CW Vice President P. O. Box 161 Highland, MD 20777 cwkarenwilliams@gmail.com



A fork - <u>No</u>, not a fork but a Fork Lift! That's what was needed by the South Bay Vocational Center so that's what our incredible LAX Chapter purchased for them. The fork lift, laminating machine, bailers and other needed equipment are used in a sheltered workshop by the SBVC clients facing mental challenges. The workshop facility provides a place that teaches needed life skills. The clients are also learning computer skills, doing crafts and spending their days in a supportive environment. Our LAX Chapter has been extremely faithful in their involvement and support of the South Bay Vocational Center from its evolution as the Harbor Foundation for Retarded Children to the Foundation that it is today. Our CW LAX Chapter began working with this charity the same year that their chapter was founded and that was in 1952!

LAX's dedication to SBVC continues to this day as both our CW members and the clients look forward to the time they spend together. Our chapter members know the clients by name and the clients know them by name. Each year these two diverse groups of friends celebrate 5 holidays together with wonderfully unique enjoyable parties. They always have yummy goodies and a DJ at these special events because everybody attending loves to party and dance.

Our Clipped Wings Organization has 29 Chapters located throughout the US and each chapter is just as creative and special as our LAX Chapter. If you are a current or former UAL/CO inflight crew member and would like information about a chapter in your area just contact us on our website at www.unitedclippedwingsinc.org. Hope we can each follow the lead of our LAXCW chapter and just keep dancing with special friends!

NEW MEMBERS

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

Ardern, Sherry, DENSW, 4440 Brighton Blvd., Mims, FL 32754 Baker, Karen, SFOSW, PO Box 644, Castle Rock, CO 80104 Butilla, Michael, SFOLX, PO Box 280013, San Francisco, CA 94128 Cirricione, Carol, SFOFO, 8529 Butte Mountain Lane West, Jackson, CA 95642 Hoppel, Richard, ORDMM, 526 Hillside Dr., Streamwood, IL 60107 Howe, Ronald, PXCS, 2673 E. Marcos Dr., Casa Grande, AZ 85194 Hyde, Gail, 224 Alvarado Street, Brisbane, CA 94005 Lenard, Constance, 1541 Oak Hill Trail, Kissimmee, FL 34747 McCarville, Mary, WHORT, 523 Lake Shore Blvd., Wauconda, IL 60084 Merriken Suess, Cheryl L., 33731 Pequito Dr., Dana Point, CA 92629 Roman, Elizabeth, ORDSW, 2656 N. Orchard St., Chicago, IL 60614 Shaw, Robert, MIACS, 2008 S. Rifle St., Aurora, CO 80013 Taylor, Arlene A, IADSW, 3379 Elgin Drive, Fairlawn, OH 44333 Twiggs, Harley, 1345 SE 40th Ter., Apt. 1G, Cape Coral, FL 33904 Williams, Courtney, 7 Candlewyck Dr., Henderson, NV 89052 Willis, Laurie, DENSW, 7988 S. Dudley St., Littleton, CO 80128 Winn, Glen, 717 Camino Magnifico, San Marcos, CA 92069 Wolford, Don, CHIDD, 731 Lill St., Barrington, IL 60010 Wood, Cynthia M., ORDSW, 29 Oyster Bay Place, Hilton Head, SC 29926 Wright, Rick, OPBOP, 2407 Bergamot Street, Tega Cay, SC 29708

CONTRIBUTIONS

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

Roger Andersen, Walter L. Bradley, Bruce Carey, Mardele A. Celestin, Robert L. Collins, Betty Cuevas, Billy W. Davis, Herbert E. Delker, Eddye L. Dentwhitaker, Robert L. England, Daniel M. Evasink, Jean Flynn, Sean Foley, Gerald D. Formulak, Arnold H. Hansen, George Haupt, Ray Herrick, Loretta M. Hoops, H. R. Ingram, Claude F. Jenkins, John L. Johnson, Ronald Juris, Russell A. Klipple, Nancy Levinsohn, Sammy H. Liao, Frederick H. Lohr, Ira G. Lowe, Evan W. Madsen, Vincent L. Malena, Loretta E. Marvett, Mary McCarville, William K. Morrison, David Murtha, Doris M. Nakanishi, Joe Palmer, Joan M. Palumbo, James Pelletier, Norman A. Pettit, Agenes W. Quill, Rogelio O. Ramos, Gilberto Gil Ricarte, Richard Sanchez, Charles W. Schutz, Robert Shaw, Ray E. Shoults, Harriet Smith, Susan E. Spieker, Joan Patricia Pat Spilotro, Ilene Swan, Arlene A. Taylor, Barbara Thomas, Debbie Thomas, Geraldine Vann, Barbara J. Vauls, Mary K. Wojtal, Rick Wright, Rita Zarek.

OBITUARIES

<u>Obit Notice Policy</u>: Death notices sent to the Denver Office for publication in the Newsletter Obituary Column will be accepted only from a family member or personal representative in <u>writing</u>. The notice sent concerning the deceased must include:

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

In addition, contact information must be included for one sending the information. If the obituary is received hand written and it is not legible, it will not be published until a clear and readable document is received in the Denver Office. The information may be sent by email (preferred) at ruaea@qwestoffice.net, or US Mail. Sorry, the information will not be accepted over the phone.

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

- Spouse **Schoenbeck**, **Wendell H.**, on 6/22/2018, husband of Ruth M. Schoenbeck, WHQAK, 12 N. Reuter Dr., Arlington Heights, IL 60006
- Retiree **Ike**, **Edmund P**., on 6/21/2018, PITCS, husband of Catherine (Kay) Ike, 687 NW 110th Avenue, Coral Springs, FL 33071
- Retiree **Jones**, **Theresa M**., on 6/20/2018 ORDPV, wife of John P. Jones, 12 W. Pickwick Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60005
- Spouse **Matker**, **Carol**, on 4/30/2018, wife of Donald J. Matker, ORDMM, 18 Wildwood Dr. S., Prospect Heights, IL 60070
- Retiree **McClendon**, **James P**., on 5/20/2018, CLECE, husband of Hazel McClendon, 1473 Van Dyke St., San Francisco, CA 94124
- Spouse **McElroy**, **Laura L**., on 6/5/2018, ORDMM, wife of Leon (Lee) McElroy, ORDOR, 643 Ravine Rd., E. Dundee, IL 60118
- Spouse **Mueller**, **Jean L**., on 6/9/2018, wife of Henry O. Mueller, ORDMM, 1225 Luther Ln., Apt. 131, Arlington Heights, IL 60004
- Retiree **Brower**, **Herman** (Hank), on 5/25/2018, DETGQ, husband of Doris (Butcher) Brower (Deceased), father of Linda, Susan, Nancy and Michael, 7923 Jennings Rd., Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

Address Correction

Retiree – **Zinchuk**, **Karen**, on 5/14/2018, CHIRR, sister of Ms. Ann Yeltie, 19W 128th Avenue Normandy N., Oak Brook, IL 60521

Letters & Notes



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.

Martha Gooselaw Letters/Notes Editor 7401 MLK Blvd. Denver, CO 80207-2433 marthagoose@comcast.net

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

Bob Ahrens, Joseph Caillaux, Sean Foley, Wayne Greenhill, George Haupt, Ray Jensen, Louis Kelley, Jr., Ray Klapatauskas, Bernice Lee, Eddy Lara, Sammy Liao, Mimi Lee, Maryellen McCants, Joan Palumbo, Almira Pilgrim, Lois Pitman, Rogelio Ramos, Dennis Saxon, Diane Webb.

WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS FROM:

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

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

Well, it is dues time again and time to take stock. When Pat Patterson's company took me on 64 years ago, all we had was a handful of DC-3's out west at our San Francisco line station. My job was to help return them to service in first class condition. After 45 years of helping to do just that with a succession of planes, I walked out with a smile on my face. Those years and my co-workers were truly wonderful.

There was a period early on with the Army Air Corps in Germany, but that is another story. With all my best wishes to our volunteers.

Jack Ferrell, 401 Burney Circle, Knoxville, TN 37934

This morning I read through my RUAEA Newsletter and again, I found it most interesting. Although I will not make the Cleveland Convention, I found that it brought back many fond memories that I have of Cleveland and CLEFO.



CLEFO was a very close-knit and friendly base. I really enjoyed flying my first Captain duties on the B-737 there. I must say; it was one of the most enjoyable places that I have ever lived. I bought a condo in Lakewood called the Carlyle. I was on the 20th floor, overlooking Lake Erie and the city of Cleveland. I had a beautiful view to the east and each morning, I enjoyed gorgeous sunrises (except

when it snowed). I am enclosing one of my Sunrise pictures taken from my balcony. It was a wonderful five years that I spent there and I hope that every RUAEA member enjoys Cleveland as much as I did.

By the way the summers and early falls were magnificent. It was always 10 to 15 degrees cooler than other parts of the Midwest.

Darlene Foster, 880 Cross Creek Ct., Roselle, IL 60172

I so enjoy the Newsletter. There is so much relevant information. I especially enjoy the updated travel and how to access information for the retirees.

Reading the letters from fellow retired employees is so enlightening and fun. We are all connected no matter where we live thanks to our newsletter.

Thank you for all you do to keep us "United"!

Bill & Betty Green, 4352 Belmont Dr., Sebastopol, CA 95472

Thank you for all of the updates. Bill really enjoys all of the news as we don't have a computer. His health is okay at 86 years. We just had a nice get together with neighbors and a lovely cake.

Thank you for all the hard work you do.

Herbert Ingram, 7373 E. 29th St. N. #W415, Wichita, KS 67226

Sorry that I am late with my dues; when you get old, you become forgetful. I am 94 now and in fairly good health. I live in a very nice retirement center, still drive my car, am seeing a very nice lady friend and all in all life is good.

I know nothing about the results of the move of EXO to the downtown office building. I am wondering what has become of the Ground Radio Group which was located at EXO. Can anyone tell me? Where are they located now?

I have been retired for 32 years now and I am sure that there is nobody left in the company who will remember me. It is a strange feeling.

I have been waiting to take one last trip to Hawaii but the flights seem to always run full or nearly so and I dread getting bumped somewhere. I want to see the new International Market Place and the beginnings of the new light rail system.

My airline years were a great ride and I shall never forget it. Best wishes to all.

Geraldine Vann, 375 Apache Ln., Winter Haven, FL 33881

Another year has gone by. It was a good year.

We enjoy the newsletter very much and it is so important and informative to all of us retirees. Basically it is our only means of information and keeps us all united.

My husband, Endel and I haven't traveled a lot, but we do enjoy the many beautiful areas here in Florida.

Thank you for all the tremendous amount of work you do getting the newsletter to all of us. We thank and commend you for all your hard work and dedication.



Loretta Marvett

Not much going on in my life. I still live in the Tampa area. RUAEA will always be special to me. I along with my late husband Michael were the President & Secretary of the Sand Dollar

Carol Cirricione

My husband Joseph was a UA captain, now deceased. I was a stewardess from 1960 -1969.

Mary McCarville

United Airlines has given my family and me the opportunity to enjoy many trips to wonderful destinations.

Susan Vonemster



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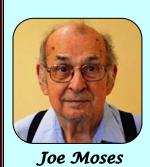
The 2018 RUAEA Convention Committee looks forward

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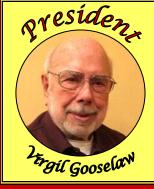


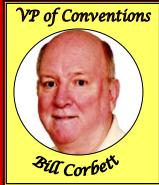




















Thanks to RUAEA where I can stay in touch with my fellow United Retirees and keep updated on what is happening and changes in United. It has been a great experience. Thank you to all those who serve in the RUAEA organization to keep us together and informed.

Laurie Willis

Retired and like to stay informed.

Don Wolford

I retired from Flight Dispatch in 2016.

Cynthia Wood

I love the ability to travel on a moments notice. Thank you United for not taking away this benefit!

Rick Wright

I retired in 2002, moved to FL to teach flying for a living. Relocated to AZ in 2009 after selling the FL businesses and continued teaching flying. Retired from flying & instruction in 2015, sold the AZ businesses in 2017 and have now moved to South Carolina. We are now taking full advantage of travel benefits and enjoying life.

Betty Cuevas

RUAEA is a god send just trying to make reservations. Retirement has been good raising my great grandson of 15. He just became a life guard in San Bruno. We want to see his brother in Reno.

Vincent Malena

Coming up on 20 years. Retirement is great

Mary Jo Carson

Mr. Carson, passed away, really miss him. Have not traveled for a while, hoping to get stronger to be part of the different celebrations. God bless, many thanks, for the newsletter.

B. Thomas Bernard

Thanks for all you do! It is one of the few ways we as retirees have of keeping up with our benefits and company's activities.

Ray Wehrenberg

It keeps me updated on changing policies at United.

Kenneth Williams

Thanks for all the information and contacts!

William Chicots

We are enjoying our first grandchild, I am still fire chief of our local volunteer fire company. I just completed construction on a new modern fire station which consumed a lot of time. Also still work for a large Ford dealership in wholesale parts sales, hopefully my wife will let me fully retire at the end of this year!

Maria Lesiak

I love to hear about what is going on at United, also the updates on employee travel and regulations are very helpful.

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Important Phone Numbers



Updated 7/2017

<u>United Airlines Benefits Center</u> (Central Time)

1-800-651-1007 (M-F 7AM - 7PM).

https://flyingtogether.ual.com

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

United Employee Service Center

1-877-825-3729, <u>esc@united.com</u> (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

<u>PBGC -</u> 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)



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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*

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 re	0	•	information changes)		
Would vou like vour email add	ress nublished in the	Convention Dire	ctory VES NO		

Instructions:

Enter email address:

- 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
	Fee – Non Refundable				\$15.00	\$
Fee Requir	ed for each Attendee					
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 =						\$
Gı	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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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				
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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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For: September 20, 2018 @ 7:10 pm - Cleveland Convention Registration Form *Special Event – Baseball Game Registration. Deadline Date is September 4, 2018* *Reserved - Limited Seating Available. Sign-up Early*

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Member's File Number			Department Retired From:
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City:	State:	Zip:	Phone:
Spouse Last Name:	First Name:		Name Tag: (If Different)
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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:			

Instructions:

- 1. Complete this "Special Event Registration Form" to attend the Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox game.
- 2. Check your choices for seating locations at the stadium. Make certain you record the correct number of people attending in each location. Also the number of people for round trip transportation via motor coach.
- 3. Make certain the Member's **file number is entered at the top of the form** and the total number of people is indicated. These are Discounted tickets and are *non-refundable*.
- 4. Seating is in 3 sections. \$40 seats are along 1st and 3rd base line/lower deck. \$19 seats are behind Center Field.
- 5. **No credit cards** can be accepted for payment of convention events in advance or at the Convention.

September 20 th	First Pitch @ 7:10 pm	Member	Spouse	Guest(s)	× Price (P/P)	= Total
" <u>First</u> Base Li	ne / Lower Level"				\$40.00	\$
" <u>Third</u> Base L	ine / Lower Level"				\$40.00	\$
"Behind Cent	ter Field"				\$19.00	\$
5 pm. departure	Transportation				\$13.00	\$
6 pm. departure	Transportation for those arriving from Amish tour				\$13.00	\$
"SPECIAL EVENT"						
"Special Eve	ent" Total (enclose paymen	t for this amo	unt) – Inclu	de File Nun	nber on Check	\$

Make Check Payable to: 2018 RUAEA Convention

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By Marvin Berryman, DENTK Retired, from the May 1954 United Air Lines News

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CLE Convention Update

e have offered you everything but the "kitchen sink" to draw your interest in visiting our city for the first ever RUAEA Convention in CLE. With just a little over a month to go before the September 4th deadline date to register, we continue to work to make everything go smoothly to ensure you have the best possible time.

Hopefully you have checked out the wonderful tour events and are making plans to enjoy either a luncheon cruise on the Nautica Queen, a day at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and the NASA-Glenn Science Center, a football fan's visit to the Pro Football Hall of Fame or gambling at the Hard Rock Rocksino, to name just a few.



Friday evening, September 21st, is our Hospitality Party with appetizers, music and dancing to the live band of **Tony Midea** (The Avanti), a UAL Retiree. On Saturday, September 22nd, is the Banquet, with musical entertainment after dinner by Frank and Dean, a well-known musical act that pays tribute to Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin. Our Mayor, the Honorable Frank G. Jackson is planning to join us for dinner, along with Councilman Brian Kasy, of The 19th District Precinct, John Gooda, General Manager for United Airlines in Cleveland and other special city officials.

And last, but certainly not least, don't forget the Special Event arranged for you baseball fans. The Cleveland Indians -vs- The Chicago White Sox on Thursday, September 20th at 7:10 P.M. Many of our former CLE United folks are scattered across the country. What a way to bring back some of those memories while sitting in the stadium and renewing old friendships and welcoming everyone to the 2018 RUAEA Convention. CLE will rock you!

Carol Seifried and Barb Vauls
Publicity Chairs