

PCN Services – High Life *Newsletter, News, Events, Deaths, Illness Notices* and *PCN Calendar*

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A merger on Aug 1, 2009 of RSP and Delta Retired Pilots Communication Network

# High Life

For all Delta people who have truly touched the *High Life!*

Dear PCN,

Group Section.....

Mark's Remarks:

**Time of Year:** There are a whole host of reasons to be excited about this time of year. OK, stop already, I know where the typical pilot mind is going. The reason I write this is because I just returned from a particularly meaningful day at our worship gathering. This season is chock full of historical events that carry with them modern day application. As we approach Palm Sunday, Pesach and other important times I wish to begin this letter with a wish. I wish that you and yours will enjoy a spectacular Spring, and I further wish all of God's best will come your way to help you cope with the trials and tribulations that this ole world throws at us from time.

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**LOOK IN YOUR WALLET – Do you still have a paper pilot's license?**

**One last reminder YOUR OLD PAPER PILOT CERTIFICATE expires on March 31<sup>st</sup>, at the end of this month! There is still time to get the new plastic card. Login in with FAA and apply online:**

[http://www.faa.gov/licenses\\_certificates/airmen\\_certification/certificate\\_replacement/](http://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/airmen_certification/certificate_replacement/)

FAA pilots who have a paper pilot's license will need to change the license to the plastic license by March 31, 2010. Pilots having a paper license will not be able exercise the privileges of pilot after March 31st.

Back on September 8, 2009, the FAA released a notice of change. FAR 61.19(h) reads, Duration of pilot certificates, except for a temporary certificate issued under §61.17 or a student pilot certificate issued under paragraph (b) of this section, the holder of a paper pilot certificate issued under this part may not exercise the privileges of that certificate after March 31, 2010.

There are two ways to replace an airmen certificate. You can request a replacement certificate at the FAA [website online](#).

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**Comments on CFI renewal:** Some of you are considering letting this ole pain in the a### expire, but if you re-consider, there are some online methods that are pretty painless and relatively easy. [American Flyers](#) (which my son uses) has a once in a lifetime charge, [Jeppesen](#) has a very well done program, and [Gleim](#) has been around doing it for a while. This year I renewed and even had the paperwork completed by Jeppesen and got my certificates in the mail.

News Section.....

Delta News (Recent stories of interest): [Yahoo](#), [AJC](#)

## Delta adding new service in LA, NY

### ***Delta Air Lines launching added service in Los Angeles, New York to lure business travelers***

On Thursday March 18, 2010, 2:08 pm

ATLANTA (AP) -- Delta Air Lines Inc. is expanding service in New York and Los Angeles, as it seeks to bolster routes popular with business travelers where it believes it can be profitable.

Business travelers often pay a premium for their seats, in part because they tend to purchase tickets at the last-minute, when fares are higher. That business is coveted by airlines, which are looking to start turning profits now that the severe economic downturn appears to be over.

The world's biggest airline is launching a new business shuttle service with 11 daily round-trip flights between New York-LaGuardia and Chicago O'Hare International airports, replacing existing, less-frequent service between LaGuardia and Chicago Midway. The new hourly shuttle begins June 10.

It also is launching new nonstop service between Los Angeles International Airport and four U.S. cities -- Columbus, Ohio; Hartford, Conn.; Raleigh-Durham, N.C., and San Francisco. That new service also begins June 10.

Delta is based in Atlanta.

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## Delta closing concourse at CVG; 840 jobs in jeopardy

By James Pilcher • [jpilcher@enquirer.com](mailto:jpilcher@enquirer.com) •  
March 16, 2010

**HEBRON** – Delta Air Lines will close all 22 gates at Concourse A at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport in May, triggering the potential layoffs of 840 ground crew members and an uncertain future for 120 concession workers.

The closure will account for one of the largest single job losses in the region this recession. It also immediately set off a wave of criticism from airport officials and business executives frustrated with Delta's continued downsizing of operations at CVG.

Read More: <http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20100316/biz01/303160011/Delta-closing-concourse-at-CVG-840-jobs-in-jeopardy>

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- [BUSINESS](#)
- MARCH 18, 2010, 6:51 P.M. ET

## Pilots Who Overshot Airport Could Regain Licenses

By **ANDY PASZTOR**

(See Corrections & Amplifications item [below](#).)

A pair of Northwest Airlines pilots who had their licenses revoked after losing contact with air-traffic controllers for more than an hour and flying roughly 100 miles past their destination airport last fall could return to the cockpit in a matter of months, under the terms of a settlement with federal regulators.

But the ultimate fate of the two veteran aviators hinges on whether airline officials conclude that maintaining peace with pilot union leaders--by reinstating the pilots--outweighs potential negative publicity from giving them back their jobs, according to people familiar with the matter.

Read More:

[http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703909804575124401859815586.html?ru=yahoo&mod=yahoo\\_hs](http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703909804575124401859815586.html?ru=yahoo&mod=yahoo_hs)

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**Take your pick of the next 2 articles:**

U.S. Equities

## Strong Tailwind For Airline Stocks

Kelsey Swanekamp, 03.19.10, 4:50 PM ET

Boeing is ramping up commercial jet production in anticipation of a rebound in the airline industry, but the aircraft maker is hardly alone in banking on a rebound.

Boeing announced that it would accelerate production of its commercial jets in a bet that airlines, which have been battered by the recessionary drop in discretionary spending and business travel, will return to profitability by 2011. Shares of Boeing lost .2% to close at \$70.72 Friday. (See "[Boeing Buckles Up For Airline Takeoff](#)," "[Still Bullish On Boeing In The Rarefied Air](#).")

Airline stocks have been rallying as analysts and investors alike factor in a recovery, but that doesn't mean there isn't room to fly higher -- even with companies in the sector trading near 52-week highs.

Read More: <http://www.forbes.com/2010/03/19/boeing-jets-airlines-markets-equities-rally-update.html?partner=yahootix>

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*Choice two:*

## Delta Air Lines Sees Bearish Move

**Jud Pyle CFA**

03/17/10 - 03:17 PM EDT

CHICAGO ([TheStreet](#)) -- At least one investor has apparently rolled out a bearish front-month position out one month in **Delta Air Lines**([DAL](#)).

DAL did not announce any news this morning and the shares are trading up four cents to \$13.02. The airline sector has remained mixed throughout the last week, and ONN.tv covered an interesting [strangle buyer](#) on March 4 when the stock was trading at \$12.69.

At about 11:30 a.m. EST, more than 7,500 March 13 calls changed hands versus open interest of nearly 22,000 contracts while the same number of April 13 calls crossed the tape versus current open interest of 1,600 contracts.

These open interest and volume discrepancies suggest investors closed the front-month options and opened the April 13-strike calls. A look at time and sales shows the March 13 calls traded for 15 cents per contract, and the April 13 calls hit the tape for 65 cents per contract.

Read More: [http://www.thestreet.com/\\_yahoo/story/10705388/1/delta-air-lines-sees-bearish-move.html?cm\\_ven=YAHOO&cm\\_cat=FREE&cm\\_ite=NA](http://www.thestreet.com/_yahoo/story/10705388/1/delta-air-lines-sees-bearish-move.html?cm_ven=YAHOO&cm_cat=FREE&cm_ite=NA)

[Other Airline News](#) (Recent stories of interest):

[Finance Section](#) (section containing items with financial consequence to our group):

FINANCE: CLAIMS/PBGC/HCTC/INSURANCE/PLANNING/TAX/ESTATE

Remaining financial items for retirees to watch:  
After Aug 2007 these are retirement items remaining with financial consequence.

1. ~~PBGC 2nd look re-calc at qualified annuity benefits~~ - completed 8/24/07
2. ~~PBGC make up lump payment for underpayments since termination:~~ most reported received 1/31/08
3. Final claim distribution by DAL through BSI - pending (now likely in '10 according to Kight)
4. ~~Class Action suit against DAL concerning 5-yr look-back worth in excess of \$100 million~~ - withdrawn
5. Final Benefit Determination (FBD) PBGC re-calc "determination" of qualified annuity (likely after claim stock sale) - pending
6. Pension reinstatement/contribution request by DP3 representing the retired pilots. very long shot....pending
7. ~~Roth IRA creation as per Worker, Retiree, and Employer Recovery Act of 2008~~ - deadline June 22nd, 2009
8. Expiration of HCTC 80% premium subsidy will expire on December 31, 2010.

Insurance (issues about health, life or disability that are of interest):

Pension:

## DP3 Chairman's Update

March 19, 2010

Last week your DP3 trustees held their monthly board meeting via conference call. We discussed many items of interest to our members; the [complete minutes of the meeting](#) are available by clicking the link here or in our recently posted documents list at the left.

I would like to thank all members who have renewed their Honor Roll membership in 2010. Our **annual dues drive** will end on March 31, and only those who have paid the 2010 dues of \$100, in addition to the previous dues and assessments totaling \$1100, will be listed on our Honor Roll after that date. Those of you who are on the Honor Roll should have received a message from me earlier this week (see next below) asking you to invite your retired Delta pilot friends to join you in supporting DP3. I hope you will follow through with that request, because as the saying goes: "there is strength in numbers" and DP3 is the only organization currently fighting to protect and restore your retirement benefits.

We were hoping to announce the rollout of a **DP3 sponsored Voluntary Employee Benefit Association**

(**VEBA**) this month, but in spite of the efforts of the DP3 trustees and our VEBA counsel, Delta continues to drag its feet in providing the historical data necessary for us to obtain quotes from potential insurance providers. Our VEBA representatives are prepared to move forward as soon as this information is provided to our third party administrator and we hope Delta will eventually realize the millions of dollars the corporation could save if they would help us accelerate this process.

I would also like to remind you that the **election process for three DP3 Trustee positions** is now underway. (One third of the DP3 trustee positions are up for election each year.)

This year my position, as well as Jeff Pickett's and Tom Seever's are subject to election. Jeff Pickett has decided to step down (and will be greatly missed by his fellow trustees), while Tom Seever and I have indicated our willingness to serve an additional term.

**Nominations will close on April 15**, and any current Honor Roll member may nominate another Honor Roll member. The six nominees selected by the Nominating Committee will be placed on the ballot, and the trustee election will be held during the month of May. If you have the time and talent to serve your fellow retired pilots, you can either nominate yourself, or ask another Honor Roll member to place your name into nomination.

Within the next few days, approximately 550 DP3 members will be receiving a letter from us via U.S. Mail. The reason for this mailing is that **we no longer have a valid email address** for those members, and our email service cannot deliver our messages to them. If you receive our letter, or if you are no longer receiving these updates directly from DP3, please contact us via the contact-us feature on our website so that we can update your email address. For the election, while we cannot exclude balloting by mail for members who choose to do so, our primary balloting will be done electronically, which requires a valid email address for Honor Roll members who want to vote.

Thank you for your continued support.

Will Buergey  
Chairman, DP3

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### DP3 Join Plea from member:

Dear Fellow Retired Delta Pilot,

Delta will not provide DP3 with a complete list of retired pilots, so I'm writing to update you on the status of our pensions.

I'm a DP3 Honor Roll member (I've paid all dues and assessments totaling \$1,200) because DP3 is the only group actively fighting for retired Delta pilots' earned pensions and benefits. The PBGC will be issuing our final benefit letters in the near future and we can't just sit on the sidelines and hope for the best.

To increase our odds of success, DP3 has hired top-notch legal and legislative experts to help recoup the pension and benefits we've earned and deserve. With the financial backing of all retired Delta pilots, DP3 can continue to fund its efforts on our behalf. Also, should we need to pursue legal action against the PBGC, DP3 can only represent those retirees who are Honor Roll members.

Visit the DP3 web site for more information (you can pay dues via PayPal or a check). The deadline for 2010 dues to maintain Honor Roll status is March 31. If you know of other retired Delta pilots who aren't aware of DP3's efforts, please forward this email along.

Thanks.

Mark Sztanyo

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## **RE-Print from DP3 Blog on the D&S Trust:**

### **[What is the status and outlook for the Disability and Survivorship Fund \(shared with disabled pilots\) that our spouses may someday need?](#)**

March 12, 2010

**Question:** How safe is the Delta Survivor and Disability Plan? Has there been any analysis and projections about future viability for when our spouses may need those earned benefits?

**Answer:** DP3 has deferred to Disabled Delta Pilots and Survivors Association on this issue and this is what they have to say at the following website: <http://www.ddpsa.com/survivors.htm>

#### **DOING THE MATH:**

ONLY ABOUT 10% OF THOSE SPOUSES ELIGIBLE FOR SURVIVORS BENEFITS ARE CURRENTLY DRAWING BENEFITS. That means there is a huge future liability for the D&S Trust. We estimate that the future liability of the remaining 90% far exceeds the only other category of benefits, namely those disabled pilots who retired with their disabilities who number about 990.

#### **HOW SECURE ARE D&S PLAN BENEFITS?**

Many retired pilots are asking, "Will the survivor's benefit payable from the D&S Plan be there when my wife needs it?" That's a good question and a difficult one to answer. At this point in time, there does not appear to be an immediate threat to pilot retiree benefits under D&S Plan as Delta has not proposed any changes in benefits and the D&S Trust has significant assets. The long run outcome will be determined by a number of factors. If the following questions could be answered, a better assessment could be made.

1. What are the present year assets/liabilities of the D&S Trust?
2. Will the additional \$60 million annual expenditure for pilot sick leave and vacation pay threaten the future solvency of the D&S Trust?
3. Will Delta be around to pay the D&S Plan benefits if the D&S Trust assets are depleted?
4. Do present ERISA laws protect the benefits of retirees against modification?
5. Will there be future changes to ERISA laws?
6. Will ALPA negotiate away Delta existing retiree's benefits under the D&S Plan?
7. What will be the investment performance of the assets in the D&S Trust?
8. Will Delta have to seek bankruptcy protection in the future?
9. Will the future managers of Delta remain committed to the stated intention of maintaining the Plan in force indefinitely?
10. Will unfunded liability be added to the Trust by a merger?

Reliance on conjecture is required to answer most of these questions. Only the first question can be answered definitely, and, then, only after a lengthy delay. Delta files an annual return (IRS form 5500) for the D&S Plan. Under the terms of the current working agreement, ALPA is provided far more current data, but both and ALPA

have thus far prevented the dissemination of the same up to date information to the plan participants on a timely basis.

## Commercial Section.....

Investment (Legitimate firms that have helped our group are encouraged to contact PCN to add articles here):

Section reserved for future content.

Travel & Non-Revving (share a quick reco):

From: Kelvin.Mason@delta.com

To: Yorkieatl@aol.com

Sent: 3/14/2010 5:32:08 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time

**Subj: RE: NWA travel privileges as an active employee for a limited period**

Pre-merger NW employees whose jobs were eliminated as a result of the merger (these were mainly office personnel) were given a severance package, which included **travel privileges as an active employee for a limited period** of time after separation. Once that severance period is exhausted they are changed to S3B priority, if they were eligible for retiree travel privileges. Pilots were not eligible for this severance program.

## Life Section...

Larry Rollow

Email [ldrollow@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ldrollow@sbcglobal.net)

Issue Area General

## Comments

Hi Mark: I read about the individual asking about a newsletter listing deceased Delta pilots. I would like to point out that Delta Golden Wings, the national organization for active Delta pilots aged 50 or over and all retired Delta pilots publishes quarterly newsletter. One feature of this newsletter is a column entitled "Final Flight West" with the names of all the pilots and their spouses that have passed away, (that we know of) during the preceeding quarter. Your list along with Dave Roberts and ALPA have been excellent sources for us gathering this information. More information about DGW, including a membership form, sign-up sheet, (to be posted very soon), for our upcoming reunion to be held in ATL starting September 23, 2010 as well as history of the organization, may be obtained by going to our website, [www.deltagoldenwings.com](http://www.deltagoldenwings.com). It should be noted that we also publish an annual roster, (available to our members), with the names and contact information of our members. Again, thanks for all that you do for the pilots.

Larry Rollow

President, Delta Golden Wings, Inc.

## Misc Posts:

Hi Mark,

Thank you for posting my narrative of my "crash and burn". I had only sent that to a small group of family and friends, and one of them (Roger Lewis) though to pass it on to you. Way cool, because I've been contacted by old RD's that I haven't seen or spoken with in 25 years, and the all remind me of some incident that was "bonding" for us. Usually funny too. I actually didn't know I had that many chums still out there. Also, many sent along information on both Atrial Fibrillation and its' effects on them, and/or no effects depending when it happened and what's been done about it. Wonderful results!

Regards,

Little Timmy Clifford [tclifford999@gmail.com](mailto:tclifford999@gmail.com)

"Beware the gauntlet in the dust of a faltering, but re-awakened Republic... Enraged Americans, with deep tenacious convictions, Patriots all, shall pick it up and restore this Nation's Constitutional balance, and if necessary, with armed, violent and deadly resolve."

*Editor: Thanks Timmy. One of the reasons I do what I do is just what you say in your note, "didn't know I had that many chums still out there." We all have a lot of chums, given our time in the fox hole together. The PCN is a way of staying connected and your note inspires me to keep at it.*

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**From:** [robert moser](mailto:robert.moser)

**Date:** 3/15/2010 1:29:24 PM

**To:** [Mark Sztanyo](mailto:Mark.Sztanyo)

Hello Mark,

just a note to say thank you for including the album of photos from Auschwitz-Berkinau. I am a first generation American whose parents were escapees from Nazi Germany in 1937. Had they not escaped,I would not be here to write this email. Some of my relatives perished in the concentration camps, including Auschwitz. My family "adopted" a woman who was part of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising and was transported to Auschwitz. She survived(weighing 80 pounds when liberated) and became the honorary grandmother of my daughter and son since she outlived my parents.

I sincerely appreciate your awareness of this horrible period of history and hope that if you ever get the opportunity, you will visit the Holocaust Museum in Washington DC. It is a moving and educational experience that you will find to be unforgettable.

Best  
Rob Moser

*Editor: Rob, I have visited the DC museum and was deeply moved. However, the event that really impressed me for life was a visit to Dachau. I walked into the "showers" by myself and when I emerged I met a small band of Jewish youths somberly singing. One of my life's most moving memories. In addition, my next door neighbor is in her eighties but at age 12 escaped a camp with her Mom. The stories she tells are chilling and she has a nervous disorder to this day. It is a huge mistake to think that this was the past and that man cannot do this kind of cruelty today.*

## Human Interest:

*Editor: Looks like Ron enjoyed a great trip and the videos are well done. I enjoyed them.*

**From:** [Ron Stowe](#)

**Date:** 3/14/2010 8:07:25 AM

**To:** [misc@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:misc@pilotcommunication.net)

**Subject:** Holy Land Youtube Videos

Hi Mark,

My wife and I just returned from a tour of the Holy Land that retraced the story told in the Bible about Israelites Exodus out of Egypt, across the Sinai Peninsula, through Jordan, and into Israel. Then we spent 9 days touring around Israel visiting many of the sites and hearing the Bible accounts of what happened in these places. It was a fantastic trip filled with lots of historical and biblical history. I have produced six different video episodes that highlight various parts of the trip. Please click on the links below if you would like to see any of the videos that I produced for Youtube.

Enjoy,

Ron Stowe

DAL Retired

Ancient Journey Part I – The Exodus

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oli5o7kpMcY>

Ancient Journey Part II – Mt. Sinai to Mr. Nebo

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GWAT2I0oSwA>

Ancient Journey Part III – Tel Aviv to Sea of Galilee

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5DEnrVj7ar8>

Ancient Journey Part IV – Sea of Galilee

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PMpdb\\_um8Y](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PMpdb_um8Y)

Ancient Journey Part V – Sea of Galilee to the Dead Sea

[http://www.youtube.com/my\\_videos?feature=mhw4](http://www.youtube.com/my_videos?feature=mhw4)

Ancient Journey Part VI – Jerusalem and Bethlehem

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m6kRFRjhdFc>

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D Issue Area Political

E Comments The following link in the Wall Street Journal was co-written by Debra Burlingame, a former attorney and the sister of Charles F. "Chic" Burlingame III, pilot of American Airlines flight 77, which crashed into the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.

You may have to copy and paste the link into your browser:

[http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704131404575117611125872740.html?mod=WSJ\\_hps\\_section\\_opinion](http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704131404575117611125872740.html?mod=WSJ_hps_section_opinion)

Many of our Vietnam Veterans will find the following commentary interesting. It is from someone that teaches courses at the Army staff college.

“The Taliban and Al Queda are now involved in using our legal systems against us. Captured terrorists have admitted and documents show that they know how our legal system works and they will use it to their advantage. This is a fact.

This article is an excellent illustration of exactly how they have done it. The military now calls this "information operations" and it is considered to be an element of "combat power" ----- used by both sides. It turns out that the Taliban and Al Queda are very competent at using "information operations" against us. As a component of "combat power", it is just a different form of lethal weaponry ---- what the military classifies as "nonlethal effects". A declassified captured document from 2005 between high ranking terrorists specifically cites how the North Vietnamese were successful in doing this very thing to the United States. This captured document states that "information operations" is a legitimate means of fighting our country (we call it I.O., the enemy doesn't). The terrorists have obviously learned from history and are now employing a similar technique against us by using our own democratic systems against us. I believe that this article points that fact out very aptly.”

Good Read (Good book recommendation & [Community Author's](#) blurbs):

Event Announcements (Click here for [PCN Org & Groups Page](#)): to post [pcn.calendar@gmail.com](mailto:pcn.calendar@gmail.com)

## **2010 Bully Beef Reunion...Reunion Dates: June 10-13**

By pure happenstance two old Bully beefers, one very old, ended up living on the same street in the same retirement community. Because so many of our neighbors absolutely love [The Villages](#), and because there are

so many activities available here, we thought The Villages would be a great place for a reunion. Hence the 2010 reunion was born.

We are located 55 miles north of Orlando and about 30 miles south of Ocala. The 75,000 retirees here have every convenience only a golf cart ride away. Shopping, dining, and nightly entertainment are all only minutes away.

With nearly 500, yes 500, holes of golf, many of them free for resident play, to about 70 swimming pools, to nine country clubs, to numerous recreation centers with [pickleball](#), tennis, shuffleboard, Bocce ball, billiards and more, there is never a dull moment in The Villages.

The reunion runs from the 10th to the 13th of June, but we encourage anyone who has any interest in a retirement community to book a [lifestyle preview](#) with The Villages either before or after the reunion. We are firm believers that while The Villages is not for everyone, everyone owes it to themselves to see The Villages before deciding where to retire. We promise you've never seen anything like it.

More information at [www.bullybeefreunion.com](http://www.bullybeefreunion.com) or by contacting me at [dave@davedivis.com](mailto:dave@davedivis.com).

**Bob & Helen Usiak**

**Dave & Liz Davis**

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## *From the Wallybird*

When: April 15,, 2010  
Where: Franceso's Restaurant  
Time: 1115

Meal choices are:  
Chicken \$23  
Baked Lasagna a la Toscana \$17  
Hoagie Sandwich \$15

Meal all inclusive. Your choice of entree, drink, desert and gratuity!  
Let start out the new year with a great attendance!!!!

Please RSVP me by noon, Monday J  
April 12 with your menu selection either by email to:  
[dickdeeds@pacbell.net](mailto:dickdeeds@pacbell.net)  
or Phone:  
408-268-0670

Its Springtime! Let's get a big turnout and enjoyce in the good weather and honor our many fallen comrades this year!

Dick

I am looking for....." (Share a post of who you are seeking, if one sought answers....wallah):

Good Deal/Bad Deal (Share a quick good deal or bad deal you have found – no commercials here!)

Hangar Flying (Share a bit of ole hangar flying with the net) :

## HORSEMEN HONOR THE BLUE ANGELS - THEN & NOW

*Thanks to **Bruce Cullen** for this*

Hope if I live to be 90, I'll look half as good as Al Taddeo.

HORSEMEN HONOR THE BLUES - THEN & NOW

REAL airplanes have round engines, and muzzle loaders have lead balls.

God Bless Recips!

It's surprising how small the F-8F was compared to the F-18 and the F-18 is a small jet.

Neat story and a bit of nostalgia. The end pertains to all of us old retired geezers, regardless of the branch of service. Physically probably couldn't fly one, but sure can in our minds.

This is another beautiful video of the Horseman flying the Bearcats in formation with the Blue Angels.

I'm sure you will like it.- Select full screen

<http://www.asb.tv/videos/view.php?v=b222a7cb&sortby=score&a=search&keyword=HORSEMEN>

The Horsemen have always admired the Blue Angels flight demonstration team. So when Jim, Dan, and Ed found out they were flying a show with the Blues they decided to pay homage to the Angels by replacing their normal ride of P-51 Mustangs with F-8F Bearcats. When the Blues caught wind of what was happening they suggested their solo pilots fly formation with the Bearcats. Then everyone thought it would be cool if Al Taddeo, who flew Bcats on the first Blues team, came and watched the Bearcats fly. ASB.TV was there to capture the moment and the rest as they say... is history.

Humor/Sobering or Fun (Share some "vulgarity free" humor with the net):

Thanks Charlie

Ultimate Off Road Vehicle

[http://www.youtube.com/watch\\_popup?v=w\\_F7QrR4Ur8](http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=w_F7QrR4Ur8)

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Thanks Jean Marie Cinotto [jeancinotto@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeancinotto@sbcglobal.net)

There was a man, who had worked all his life,  
had saved all of his money, and was a real miser when  
it came to his money--much like a pilot.

Just before he died, he said to his wife....'When I die, I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me. I want to take my money to the afterlife with me.'

And so he got his wife to promise him, with all of her heart, that when he died, she would put all of the money into the casket with him.

He died.

He was stretched out in the casket, his wife was sitting there dressed in black, and her friend was sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, and just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said,

'Wait just a moment!'

She had a small metal box with her; she came over with the box and put it in the casket. Then the undertakers locked the casket down and they rolled it away.

So her friend said, 'Girl, I know you were not foolish enough to put all that money in there with your husband.'

The loyal wife replied,  
'I'm a Christian;

I cannot go back on my word. I promised him that I was going to put that money into the casket with him.'

You mean to tell me you put that money in the casket with him!?!?!'

'I sure did,' said the wife.  
'I got it all together, put it into my account,  
and wrote him a check.'

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### **When Insults Had Class (*Thanks Bill*)**

*These glorious insults are from an era before the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words.*

The exchange between Churchill & Lady Astor:  
She said, "If you were my husband I'd give you poison."  
He said, "If you were my wife, I'd drink it."

A member of Parliament to Disraeli: "Sir, you will either die on the gallows or of some unspeakable disease."

"That depends, Sir," said Disraeli, "whether I embrace your policies or your mistress.."

"He had delusions of adequacy." - Walter Kerr

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire." - Winston Churchill

"I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure." Clarence Darrow

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." - William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway).

"Thank you for sending me a copy of your book; I'll waste no time reading it." - Moses Hadas  
**"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it." - Mark Twain**

"He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends.." - Oscar Wilde

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend... if you have one." - George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill

"Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second... if there is one." - Winston Churchill, in response.

**"I feel so miserable without you; it's almost like having you here." - Stephen Bishop**

"He is a self-made man and worships his creator." - John Bright

"I've just learned about his illness. Let's hope it's nothing trivial." - Irvin S. Cobb

"He is not only dull himself; he is the cause of dullness in others." - Samuel Johnson

"He is simply a shiver looking for a spine to run up.." - Paul Keating

"In order to avoid being called a flirt, she always yielded easily." - Charles, Count Talleyrand

**"He loves nature in spite of what it did to him." - Forrest Tucker**

"Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?" - Mark Twain

"His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork." - Mae West

**"Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go." - Oscar Wilde**

"He uses statistics as a drunken man uses lamp-posts... for support rather than illumination." - Andrew Lang (1844-1912)

"He has Van Gogh's ear for music." - Billy Wilder

"I've had a perfectly wonderful evening. *But this wasn't it.*" - Groucho Marx

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