

PCN Services – High Life Newsletter, News, Events, Deaths, Illness Notices & PCN Ads & Calendar. Note: Notices from major sections are distributed by separate email address to allow our subscribers the ability to customize and filter notices not desired.

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High Life



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

Dear PCN,

Group Section.....

Mark's Remarks:

Have a fun and safe Halloween!



"Trick or treat!"

My BDL lump sum retro check arrived Friday: Less than I wanted, but it did come.

Last call to join DP3's PBGC appeal:

I am not paid or encouraged to say the following. I just know that some pilots are missing out. I have been told that a lot of younger pilots have just plain given up and have not joined the appeal. I can understand many just turning their back and walking away but they are missing out. An increase monthly can be a big deal. \$100 improvement pays back your legal fee in one year. I got improved \$80/mo. without the results yet of our collective appeal. And of course if a zero turns into a hero than the HCTC subsidy is a big deal. Stop being so cynical about leadership (especially DP3) you have a very dedicated and capable set of trustees currently in office. Come on join in before you miss this big opportunity. Contact the DP3 today. You must act soon, the clock is ticking. It is not too late. Call your younger pilot friends and urge them to get on board. It is those that are not in, that stand to lose the most (in particular not qualifying for the HCTC). [Join DP3](#) Mark

Tom's related email about getting more on board:

From: [Tom Seever](#)

Date: 10/29/2010 11:19:25 PM

To: mark@pilotcommunication.net

Subject: Thanks

Mark,

You are fast!

Thanks for getting this blog out. We will have a series of blogs up in the next few days explaining more about appeals and finding errors and then presenting the option of having professionals look at the BDL/BSWs for a fee.

Personally, it frustrates me that our members would have to spend money to insure there are not errors, when they will see so much more if we can put that money toward the appeals.

We have such a capable team in place, and such compelling arguments, it is a shame that there are still a lot of retirees (particularly younger ones) who are not on board with us. It just seems that we can't get it across to them that they are helping the PBGC by not participating in this effort.

It is not that the PBGC is evil – it is simply a bureaucracy that is not used to being held accountable. And they would really like for us to go away. They have actually told retirees they didn't need to appeal. So it is pretty clear that those who aren't helping us are actually doing exactly what the PBGC wants – limiting our ability to hold them accountable for the benefits they are avoiding paying us, using a number of unacceptable excuses.

To put it into perspective, we have been able to accurately quantify the shortfall in payments to current retirees at between \$500 and \$600 million dollars (present value). This is using the PBGC's own figures. (Thank heavens for the Freedom of Information Act).

Thanks for all your help.

Tom Seever

Retirement Committee Chairman

VEBA Video?

Some have been asking about taping a road-show and so I put it to the DP3 trustees and they did it. They videoed a road show and will work to publish it for some of us who cannot make it to an event. I am tickled that our trustees are so responsive. It was a BIG deal to get this VEBA trust and health

care plan done, but it is very good to go the extra mile in getting our group informed about it. I wrote one of the trustees back to thank him and here was his response.

Subject: Copy of plans

Me: *Since I can't make one of the earlier road-shows, I am hoping that at least one of them are videoed so that we can view from our homes.*

While I await an announcement on that, may I request a copy of the plans for review?

Thank you, Mark

Trustee: Mark - I just returned from the road show - it was videoed. A video was also taken at the DFW meeting. Once the road shows are over (possibly before then) and we can edit the videos – we will post a copy on the DP3 webpage. The plans will also be on the website and they **will be mailed to retired pilots** - Delta this week finally supplied the address list of retired pilots.

Me: *Thank you for this work.*

Trustee: Mark - I've never been associated with any volunteers that work as hard and do as much as the current DP3 board. These guys are really tuned into what the retired pilots need, and are doing everything to get results. I am proud to be among them.

My apologies to those using mark@sztanyo.com

To Denis Waldron, Wally Wallace, David Roberts, JD, Dave Wall, Doane, Richard Hinkley, Michael Messmore, **and others**. I have a number of email addresses (maybe too many) and for some reason my email client dropped receiving from the address above that you have been sending too. I wasn't dissing your submissions but just now got that account back up and running and saw some of your old posts. By the way, some very informative and a few laugh-out-loud funny. Sorry! I will now be monitoring that address again. My preference, should you be interested, of emails for PCN related info is mark@pilotcommunication.net That helps me keep things organized. Thanks.

Big Tent!!!!

Well, now that we have been up and going for over a year and attempting with my best efforts to continue the traditions of the net that David Roberts began, we have attracted a rather large net. There are still many many more that need to get and stay connected to our online net. I share opinions and some posts I simply do not agree with at all, but as you have noticed we attempt to stay clear of the political hot buttons and refrain from preaching. The High Life is intended to connect people by being informative, interesting and just plain fun. The PCN is a wonderful connection of one of the finest group of pilots and employees that there has ever been. Help us grow!

Economy is improving.....no its declining...no its improving!

Which way are we going? Have you watched the stock market lately? It is somewhat of a microcosm of what we see in the general economy. No commitment. No conviction. One expert says we are rocking and rolling, another warns of the coming foreclosure problem along with the unfinished mortgage backed security debt problem. Which is it? Many have said the double dip is now off the table. Is it? There have been business signs that are encouraging. But some indicators are still troublesome. We are a consumer driven economy. In fact GDP was driven up to 70% by consumer spending. With the job situation the way it is, that component is not coming back any time soon. What will step up to replace that economic driver? Exports? Manufacturing? Construction? Government? Mmmmmmmmmmmmmmm!

Michigan Musings:

Well, I had a lot of replies that surprised me about my recent MI trip, family visit, and bow hunt. I am sorry about a group response but again I was surprised by the number who had an interest.

My original home is from upper-lower MI near Tawas (one hour north of Bay City). My parents and mother-in-law are all still alive in that area so I often go back to check on them and enjoy a visit and of course some MI pies. My mother-in-law lives on a 1000 acre farm that I have hunted ever since marrying up into their family. It is, simply said.....glorious! As far as how I did? Well, I had chances but didn't pull any arrows from the quiver as I had limited time and really didn't want to take what I had a chance at. A young boy who joined us got his second doe ever and was very excited. For those who dislike the thought of hunting I am sorry. Man has only been involved with nature in this way since the beginning of time. For me it helps me connect with my own humanity and what my forefathers have faithfully practiced.

It is also very therapeutic just to get into nature and back into the beautiful woods for a time.

All folks are healthy and happy and my youngest son was up at the same time showing off their 1 month old child named after my dad. Very nice trip and thanks for those who had an interest. PS: Go Sparties!

Reminder about REPLY's to google group notices:

Remember that if you REPLY to a notice sent by the PCN it doesn't go to us directly. Please use our direct emails instead. To contact me send to mark@pilotcommunication.net

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For all of you who have an item, service or offer to promote (re-run until familiarization):
3 categories completely FREE!

Finally PCN Ads – up and running!

PCN now has a new service for our community. You can get your item, service, or things wanted online for the PCN network to see. Further, the Ads will be linked to our website and have been optimized to allow your info to be searchable before airline personnel everywhere and the world wide web.

This beats by a bunch having your promo published one time in a newsletter. Our Ad section is ongoing and you can keep it published indefinitely.

Little history: Since taking over this PCN network, I have continually been approached by members who have a commercial interest. Some selling travel, a service, or offering a part time job etc. In addition we all have items like cars or condos that we would like to offer. I have wanted to help these requests but how could I do it in a fair way and in a very obvious designated commercial section? The answer is "PCN Ads." I have been able to develop this as a free registration online classified section.

This service does have a cost for set up and maintenance that I hope to defray by some ads carrying a modest fee.

Every one submitting an Ad gets a private login and complete control over their ads. URL's and images are allowed and you will see it is a very nice format for entering online ads.

Check it out and get your item, thing wanted, service or place posted!

[PCN Ads](#)

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Calling the PBGC for BSW:

I wish I had a direct number for the Atlanta office (which you need to ask for when calling the PBGC) but I do not. Simply call the national PBGC number at the Atlanta office.

PBGC in DC- 1-800-400-7242 Any questions regarding your benefits or obtaining your **benefit statement worksheet**, *talk to the Atlanta office.*

Following is not good anymore: (~~extension 2000 or PBGC in ATL at 404 607 8836~~)

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Tools for our members:

- PCN Main Website: <http://pcn.homestead.com/home01.html>
- PCN Ads – <http://pilotcommunication.net/Ads/>
- PCN Tool Bar (for IE browser) - <http://pcntools.ourtoolbar.com/>
- PCN Calendar - <http://pcn.homestead.com/Calendar.html>

News Section.....

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

Wow.... what happened?

USNews: Delta the worst airline

Minneapolis / St. Paul Business Journal

Date: Thursday, October 28, 2010, 9:38am CDT - Last Modified: Thursday, October 28, 2010, 2:56pm CDT

[Delta Air Lines Inc.](#) is the worst major airline in the nation, according to USNews.com.

The website, operated by newsmagazine *US News & World Report*, rated the nation's airlines based on the annual Airline Quality Rating (AQR) Report, American Customer Satisfaction Index and the Air Travel Consumer Reports by the [U.S. Department of Transportation](#), plus surveys of airline industry experts.

When its research was done, it named Atlanta-based Delta (NYSE: DAL) the worst airline of all. Delta is the dominant airline in Minnesota, [flying 78.8 percent of passengers out of Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport](#).

Read more: [USNews: Delta the worst airline | Minneapolis / St. Paul Business Journal](#)

Also on Yahoo News:

From: kurtbrown@comcast.net

Date: 10/27/2010 4:19:39 PM

Subject: Re: America's Meanest Airlines

All right, we would expect nothing less from "Mother Delta!"
---- thought you might enjoy this content from **Yahoo! Travel**.

Nice...at least they keep their retirees happy.

[America's Meanest Airlines](#)

(<http://travel.yahoo.com/p-interests-36360593>)

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One heck-of-a deferral..... 10 years+?

Delta Keeps 787s, Defers Deliveries Into Next Decade

By Mary Jane Credeur - Oct 25, 2010 2:34 PM ET

Delta Air Lines Inc. said it has reaffirmed its order for 18 Boeing 787 jets. The deliveries will be deferred to between **2020 and 2022**. The original deliveries were scheduled for between 2008 and 2010. The information was disclosed in a regulatory filing.

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

Two tales in the following articles ... so take your pick.

Oct. 26, 2010, 3:51 p.m. EDT

Airlines face declining profits, says IATA

Passenger travel grew in September, but shipping declined

By [Christopher Hinton](#), MarketWatch

NEW YORK (MarketWatch) — Global airlines saw an uptick in international passenger demand last month, but a decline in freight volumes could be an early indicator of tough times to come, the International Air Transport Association said Tuesday.

“We may be entering a slower period of growth,” said Giovanni Bisignani, IATA’s director general, in an interview with MarketWatch. “The peak is over.”

Passenger-traffic demand is projected to decelerate sharply over the next year as stimulus spending comes to an end and the growth in employment stagnates, Bisignani said.

At the same time, the world’s airlines are scheduled to take delivery of some 1,300 new aircraft, lifting the industry’s seat capacity.

Read More: <http://www.marketwatch.com/story/global-air-freight-demand-cools-data-show-2010-10-26?siteid=yhoof>

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Airlines haven't been this profitable since 1978

By Chadwick Matlin, contributor October 28, 2010: 1:55 PM ET

FORTUNE -- At least all those extra airline fees are doing some good -- for the CEOs that are charging them, that is. Over the last week, airlines have announced their quarterly earnings statements, and they're all written in black. Delta (**DAL, Fortune 500**): **\$363 million in profit**. United (**UAUA, Fortune 500**): \$387 million. Continental (**CAL, Fortune 500**): \$354 million. JetBlue (**JBLU**) had its **best third-quarter ever**. Southwest's (**LUV, Fortune 500**) revenue rose nearly 20 percent.

For an industry that's supposed to be suppressed in times of economic downturn, that's incredibly good. Good for the corporations and shareholders, that is. Average consumers, meanwhile, should be concerned. Because the profits aren't stemming from more people are buying plane tickets -- rather, it's that plane tickets cost more money to buy.

Read More:

http://money.cnn.com/2010/10/28/news/companies/airline_profits_losing_streak.fortune/index.htm?source=yahoo_quote

Finance Section ((Claims, PBGC, HCTC, Insurance, Planning, Tax, Estate) - section containing items with financial consequence to our group):

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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 Mar '11 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 Letters (BDL's) PBGC re-calc "determination" of qualified annuity (likely after claim stock sale) – **in process until end of year (only 45 days to appeal)**
Appeal extensions generally granted in Nov 2010 now extended by our law firm for all to January 7, 2011.
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. Back to 65%.
9. Financial condition of the D&S Plan--a plan that pays benefits to eligible survivors of deceased pilots as well as to disabled pilots. A form 5500 for the D&S Plan is filed annually.
10. Formation of a VEBA Health Insurance plan by DP3. **Enrollment period commences.**

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

From: [Neil](#)

Date: 10/27/2010 12:11:12 PM

To: misc@pilotcommunication.net

Subject: Health Care Subsidy

Does anyone know if the Delta Health Care Premium Subsidy is available for other than DALRC Insurance??
Need to know if we can use the Subsidy to offset some of the premium of health care of other plans... Send a reply to cjcarn767@att.net

Editor: Neil, I think the Delta subsidy applies to their insurance of which they have control of premiums and deductibles. Consider this, what if another plan provided equally adequate insurance and costs no more net using the HCTC subsidy without the Delta subsidy? That would be something, right? Well, check into the VEBA.

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From: [Robert](#)

Date: 10/26/2010 12:11:23 PM

To: [Mark Sztanyo](#)

Subject: VEBA

Mark,

Thanks for the VEBA insight in your last HL. It's nice to know that someone else is finally echoing what I've been saying for years. In the benefit handbook that Delta sent us it is mentioned three times that Delta is self insured and therefore doesn't have to follow the new health care regulations. A lot of people used to think I was crazy when I would say Delta is self insured. Oh well, maybe the cat's finally out of the bag on Delta's health insurance profit center!

Hey Mark, when you finally hear what the new plan will encompass, cost, benefits, and the like let me know. I can't make any of the road shows and haven't heard if we will get a packet of information or not. Let's get together sometime!

Bob

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VEBA Questions & Comments:

Any questions about road shows or the VEBA trust: VEBAquestion@dp3.org

Pension:

In response to the "Zero" notice:

MARK,

THANKS FOR THE INFO. I WAS A ZERO AND THEN GOT \$13. PROBLEM IS YOU HAVE TO FILE AN AMENDED TAX RETURN FOR HCTC CREDIT AND THE IRS WANTS ALL KINDS OF STUFF FROM YOU. I HAD SOME MEDICAL PREMIUMS IN 2006 BUT STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS RAN

OUT BY THE TIME ALL OF THIS WAS SORTED OUT. MOST WAS IN 2007 SO I CAN STILL FILE FOR BACK PREMIUMS. WENT ON TRI CARE IN 2007(AUG) SO NOT SO BAD FOR ME. HOPE THIS GETS WORKED OUT AS I HAVE BEEN BRINGING IT UP FOR OVER A YEAR BUT I THINK DP3 KIND OF HAD THERE BUSY HANDS FULL. HOPE THIS HELPS SOME OTHERS?

REGARDS,
JOHN DISOSWAY
jdisosway@gmail.com

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As the PBGC appeals progresses the sensitivity of the information does as well. While the PCN has re-published many of DP3 general postings, we will refrain from re-publishing "private emails" in view of the nature of the process. So when there is a general update we will re-publish and when there is a private email we will help announce it.

To PCN subscribers these links are "hot" and will take you directly to the DP3 resource page or checklist for filing an appeal concerning your PBGC benefits.

Click for [PBGC Appeals Resource Page](#)

Or

[Appeal Checklist](#)

DP3 (login required)

Click to appeal your PBGC benefit

Call PBGC in DC- 1-800-400-7242

Link of explanation for BSW ([Benefit Statement Worksheet](#))

(Note: Must know your DP3 assigned passwords which cannot be shared in our newsletter!)

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Commercial Section.....

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

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

Life Section...

Misc Posts:

From: [Scott Hersha](#)
Date: 10/30/2010 8:38:37 AM
To: mark@pilotcommunication.net
Subject: Zero

Hi Mark,
I'm not a zero, unless you consider the response I've gotten from the PBGC. Everyone I know, including some QDRO's have gotten their BDL, but I still haven't. I've called them 4 times. Each of the last 3 times they said I would have it within 2 weeks. That started in August. First time I called them they said I would have it within 30 days. I waited 60 until calling them back in August. Makes me wonder if anyone there knows what they are doing.....

Scott

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Subject: Re: In PCN since Oct 2009

Editor: I get an occasional signup form filled out that provides some confusion. Should you have a specific question its better to just email me than fill out an additional form since I don't know how to process it and the email can highlight your specific question. Thanks.

Mark Sztanyo wrote:

Jimmy,

You recently filled out a PCN form for signup but I have had you on our list and sending your notices since Oct

2009. If you are not getting them, it is because of bellsouth's filtering. Let me know and we can fix it.

Yo...Mark!

Thanks for all the work you do for us on the PCN.

Yes, I've been getting the PCN stuff regularly, but was confused by the constant notices that I get to 'sign up' for PCN. I obviously thought that I was missing something important or wasn't getting the full benefit.

Thanks,

Captain Jimmy

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From: Widget70A@aol.com

Date: 9/24/2010 5:17:30 PM

Subject: New DL Pilots Union

Does this sound familiar?

<http://www.delta-pilots.org>

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Old post by Julian but relevant today:

From: Widget70A@aol.com

Date: 3/22/2010 10:29:28 AM

Subject: Delta Golden Wings 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 D P3 web site <http://www.dp3.org/> 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.

Julian Black

Human Interest:

From: [David Bina](#)
Date: 10/27/2010 12:15:11 PM
Subject: Tango Mike Mike

Amazing.

<http://biggeekdad.com/2010/01/tango-mike-mike/>

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Human or animal interest:

Subject: The Bear - Film by Jean-Jacques Annaud

This has to be the best video of 2009

.....how could this possibly have been filmed?...a terrific video..... !

<http://www.flixxy.com/game-of-survival.htm>

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

Event Announcements (Click here for [Calendar](#)): to post pcn.calendar@gmail.com

Christmas Party

Twenty First Annual DFW 60th Bum Group Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 8th, 2010

Marriott Hotel DFW Airport
State Hwy 114 and Freeport Pkwy
8440 Freeport Parkway
Irving, Texas 75063
972-929-8800

6 P.M. Cocktails and Hors d' Oeuvres

Domestic and Imported Cheeseboard
Rustico Black Peppercorn, Bruder Basil; White Diamond Cheddar; English Stilton & Manchego; Humboldt
Sliced French Bread and Crackers

CASH BAR

Door Prizes --- Music by Maco

7:15 P.M. Dinner

\$50.00 per person

Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls
Butter and Margarine

Shrimp Cocktail
With Tangy Cocktail Sauce and Lemon Wedge

Autumn Salad
**Fresh Seasonal Greens Tossed with Dried Cranberries and Walnuts with Raspberry Vinaigrette
Dressing or Italian**

Entrée Selections

Choice of

Champagne Chicken

Grilled Chicken in a Champagne Shallot Butter Sauce

Herb-Seared Seabass

Roast Striploin with Peppercorn Sauce

Ratatouille

Mashed Potatoes

Seasonal Fresh Vegetables

Pastry Chefs Fresh Baked Cakes, Pies and Viennese Pastries

Market Fresh Fruits Served with Passion Fruit Cream

Starbucks Coffee Service

For those who wish to stay at the Marriott, we have 15 rooms available at a special rate of \$99.00 plus tax. Make your reservations early and tell them you are with the 60th Bum Group (1-800- 627-7468) or the easy way is to

Click below to use this [Direct Link to Marriott](#)

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dfwap?groupCode=b6mb6ma&app=resvlink&fromDate=12/8/10&toDate=12/9/10>

Or Open the attached Invitation Doc and use the active link to the Marriott

and the codes are entered for you by Marriott.

If you need to cancel a reservation, please do it through Jim Baird (214-357-8084) as we could have a wait list.

Reservation and Entrée Selection Form

Please try to RSVP by Friday, December 3RD, 2010.

Please detach and return this form along with your check

60th Bum Group Member
(Please Print)

Name _____

Circle One: Chicken Seabass Roast Striploin Ratatouille

Spouse/Guest _____

Circle One: Chicken Seabass Roast Striploin Ratatouille

Email _____

Phone Number: _____

Cost: \$50.00 per person. Paid: Check # _____

Make checks to 60th Bum Group & Mail to:

Jim Baird
11029 Wonderland Trail
Dallas, Texas 75229

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From: "George Leatherbury" <gleatherbury@peoplepc.com>

To: "Leatherbury George" <gleatherbury@peoplepc.com>

Subject: The Retired Pilot Holiday Dinner

"The Retired Pilots' Holiday Dinner"

This is the Summer Announcement of the Annual Retired Pilots' Holiday Dinner.

It will act as a "Save the Date" notice. The date will be Sunday evening, December 12th. The response to this announcement will allow me to judge the size of the room we will need for the event.

This will be the sixth year that we have been at the Vinings Club <http://www.theviningsclub.com> Last year's event was attended by 72 retired pilots and guests, and was a blast.

We have scheduled the Dinner for Sunday evening, December 12th in Vinings, Atlanta at the Vinings Club - Located in the "Overlook" complex just off I-285 on Paces Ferry Road. The dining room of the club has a fabulous view overlooking the city of Atlanta.

It will be a gourmet 4 course dinner with choice of several entrées. Happy hour will begin at 6:30pm. The cost should be very close to the cost last year – about \$110 per person or \$220 per couple – that price is all-inclusive. It will include dinner, bar, parking, tax and tip. There is no need to send the check now, I will send that request in September.

If you, or a friend, would like to make a reservation please e-mail that request to us at gleatherbury@peoplepc.com

Looking forward to hearing from you,

George

**George and Dee Leatherbury
gleatherbury@peoplepc.com**

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – October 1, 2010.....

The *Candler Field Museum*, located in Williamson, Georgia, will present its 4th annual Veteran's Day Celebration on Saturday, November 6, 2010. Museum founder Ron Alexander commented, "this year we will host another great event to recognize the contributions of all veterans of our armed services – past and present." Alexander, a Viet Nam veteran, feels as though recognizing veterans should be a top priority for all citizens in this country who enjoy its freedoms.

The program this year will consist of United States Air Force aircraft flybys, Army helicopter static displays, WWII reenactors, and patriotic music. Speakers include Brigadier General Stewart Rodeheaver, who served in Iraq as the 48th Infantry Brigade commander during 2005-2006. "Punchy" Powell will also speak. Punchy is a decorated P-51 pilot who served during WWII. A special presentation of a flag that was flown over Afghanistan in a Navy F-18 fighter jet will be part of the ceremony.

One of the highlights of the event each year is the recognition of all veterans in the audience. This is done by asking every veteran to line up behind their respective service flag. The program will be then be concluded with a missing man formation of PT-17 Stearman trainers while taps is being played.

Veteran's Day is an opportunity to publicly commemorate the contributions of living veterans and remember the sacrifices of those who have died. Originally called Armistice Day it was celebrated on November 11th, the last day of World War I. It became a national holiday in 1938. However, realizing that peace was equally preserved by veterans of World War II and Korea, Congress decided to make the day an occasion to honor all those who have served America. In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day.

Gates for the event open at 9 AM and the program will start promptly at 1:30 PM. Lunch will be served from 11 AM until 1 PM. Williamson, Georgia is located 6 miles west of Griffin, Georgia. The museum is located on Peach State Aerodrome (GA2) 1 mile west of Williamson. For more information and directions to the event please go to www.peachstateaero.com or call 770-467-9490.

The *Candler Field Museum* is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the era of the 1920's and 1930's. Its goal is to recreate the sights and sounds of the original Atlanta Airport through interactive events, educational programs and historic reenactments. The museum opened in 2008.

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

Looking for Bill Strohmeir (or Stomire) DAL ret. Capt. who has experience with a foreign airline that I am looking at. If you know of a contact for Bill please email mark@pilotcommunication.net

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

If you have something you represent that has a commercial interest, place it in the new service of [PCN Ads](#). Designed especially for our group but available to the industry. Registration is free and so are some ads. The rest start as low as \$5. Enter you promo in [PCN Ads](#).

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Hangar Flying (Share a bit of ole hangar flying with the net. Need a sim buddy? Use PCN for request) :

**From:** [Bob Poole](#)  
**Date:** 10/25/2010 6:04:57 PM  
**To:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** Boeing jobs

Hey Mark,

Thanks for all the great work. Very much appreciated!

Boeing is hiring both B777 & 737 Capt. through a company over on the Isle of Mann. CCL Aviation. Must have recent time in either aircraft. That means probably no more than eighteen months out of the seat. Probably 1,000 in type would be competitive. Age 63 is the max age for Boeing pilots. Previous LCA experience is recommended, if not required

Terms: 777

One year renewable contract. One month on, one month off. Biz class to and from operating base each month.

20K for working month, 7K for month off, 30K bonus for finishing the year. Expenses are typically a Four Star hotel. Don't know the meal situation but Boeing is generally very generous.

Terms 737

The same but 15K & 7K, plus a 25K bonus at the end

If someone is getting bored with the DAL routine, (unlikely) they should check this out. You can Google CCL Aviation for a point of contact. CCL has a good reputation and Boeing uses them for a number of off shore flight staffing needs.

Regards,

Bob Poole

Political (food for thought):

*The following from Doane and Bruce are political and it includes an endorsement which I suggest you overlook. It is also not those who don't want a rise in blood pressure. I did look at these videos and found them thought provoking. You may or may not agree but that is why they are included in the "political" section. Mark*

**From:** [Widget70A@aol.com](mailto:Widget70A@aol.com)  
**Date:** 10/28/2010 12:04:56 PM  
**Subject:** FW:TWO Videos 26 Years Apart

Watch both of these videos.

Two videos...26 years apart

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[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_YXqf\\_6ug54](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_YXqf_6ug54) - **2010 Ad**

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From: **Bruce Cullen** <[frontseat767@yahoo.com](mailto:frontseat767@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Mon, Oct 25, 2010 at 3:06 PM  
Subject: Medicare

If you don't like what I have to say here, then just go to the link below & watch it in its 6 minute entirety. I have already personally received notice from one of my key MD's that he is opting out of Medicare come Jan 1. This is just the tip of the iceberg. More will be coming. My supplementary Medicare insurance plan has cut its 2011 choices from two down to one choice, take it or leave it AND there were numerous warnings throughout their renewal booklet that it is going to get much worse later next year when Obamacare cuts Medicare reimbursements to next to nothing as numerous MD's will be dropping all Medicare patients AND costs will at the same time continue to go up. Anyone 65+ or approaching 65 in the next 5-10 years (Baby Boomers) had better be prepared & have a massive monetary war chest. While Obama is in office, congress cannot defeat Obamacare. It takes a 2/3 vote in both houses to override his veto. I won't go into who put him in office except to say..... No one in my immediate family did! Once the better doctors drop out of Medicare, the only ones left will be those who come here from offshore including many educated in 3rd world countries. For those who think all medical care is equal, just keep on truckin. The rest of us know exactly how we are going to vote on Nov 2 to attempt to begin cleaning house everywhere in this country so that somehow Obamacare can be defeated & repealed.  
Bruce

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DR. DAVID JANDA FROM ANN ARBOR AND A NATIONALLY KNOWN HEALTH CARE EXPERT SPOKE TO US ON SUNDAY, OCT. 10TH IN SALINE, MI.. THIS IS WHAT IS 'GOING' TO HAPPEN IF OBAMACARE IS NOT REPEALED. DR. JANDA, AS HE STATES IN THE VIDEO, TESTIFIED BEFORE CONGRESS AND THIS IS WHAT HE WAS TOLD. THIS WILL SEND CHILLS DOWN YOUR SPINE - GUARANTEED.

CARE ENOUGH ABOUT YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CO-WORKERS AND SEND THIS TO THEM ALSO.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HnkxIh62dQ>

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

From: [michael.messmore](mailto:michael.messmore)  
Date: 2/6/2010 10:25:20 PM  
Subject: Fw: Sick Leave

**CHINESE SICK LEAVE : 'I NO COME WORK TODAY!!!'**

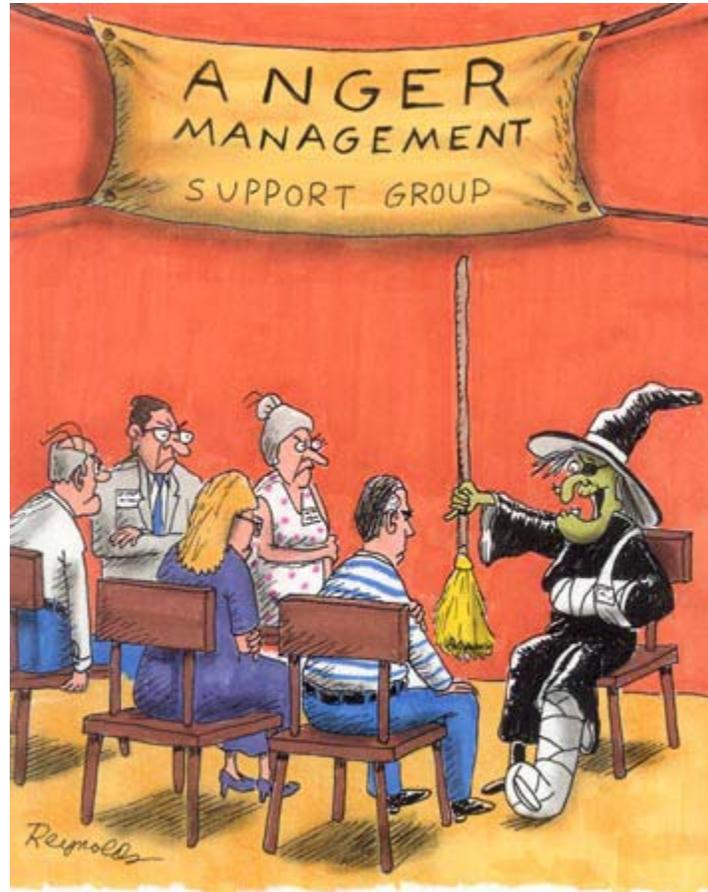
**Hung Chow calls into work and says, 'Hey, I no come work today, I really sick . Got headache, stomach ache and legs hurt, I no come work.' The boss says,**

**'You know something, Hung Chow, I really need you today. When I feel sick like you do, I go to my wife and tell her to give me Sex. That Makes everything better and I go to work.. You try that.'**

**Two hours later Hung Chow calls again. 'I do what You say and I feel Great. I be at work soon.....You got Nice house'**

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Thanks Dave:



"My name is Helda, and I have a tendency to fly off the handle."

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## Mark

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