

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

Large Web Community for World's Largest Airline

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:

Airshow season:

You may have already gone to one, but if not, get out and enjoy! Oshkosh "[AirVenture](#)" is coming up July 26th. Here is a complete listing:

<http://www.airshow.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?page=1/CTGY/dateschedule>

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Flight West Resource Page: Many times I get questions concerning a list or where one can search for buds who may have flown west. Well, David Roberts has kept at this and updates these lists periodically and when he does I publish them on the PCN site. They are a fantastic resource for those interested.

Note: Norman Houle sent me a complete seniority list of NEA pilots. Those who have flown west, have been published on our page as well.

<http://pcn.homestead.com/FlightWest.html>

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If **NEW** to PCN FAQs can help ya: [FAQs](#) Predominantly the PCN remains an online community of retired pilots, family members and employees of Delta (or in some way connected to Delta). We utilize our web site for more enduring and archived information and we publish a periodic (almost weekly) newsletter. We attempt to segregate emails addresses as to the area of information so that our subscribers can customize which notices they care to receive.

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Help me improve the toolbar --- suggest widely used links to add.

Now over 250 users for the Free and useful PCN browser toolbar.

TOOLBAR for IE: Because it took me some effort to create, I will run this for a few issues until you give it a look see. You will like it! Mark

[Click here](#) or on the toolbar image to download and install PCN's new toolbar. Yeah, I know you're skeptical. I was too, until I saw what it can do without any real drawbacks.

This is Great! Install a ton of useful links right at your fingertips!



Can constantly add new features and be revised and upgraded. (Works with IE).

Tip: During installation pay attention to couple of questions it asks you to check. If you have a toolbar you do not want R-Click on the grey top and de-select ones you do not want.

News Section.....

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

Delta Air Lines Applies for Expanded Service to Brazil

Additional frequencies would allow airline to fly between Detroit, Sao Paulo five days weekly

Press Release Source: Delta Air Lines On Friday July 23, 2010, 3:00 pm EDT

ATLANTA, July 23 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Delta Air Lines (NYSE:[DAL](#) - [News](#)) today submitted an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to expand its service between the United States and Brazil, which would allow increased flights between its Detroit hub and Sao Paulo.

Read More: <http://finance.yahoo.com/news/Delta-Air-Lines-Applies-for-prnews-1604529187.html?x=0&.v=1>

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Delta Reports Best Quarter in 10 Years

Ted Reed

07/19/10 - 08:06 AM EDT

ATLANTA ([TheStreet](#)) – [Delta](#) ([DAL](#)) kicked off a week of airline earnings reports by reporting its best quarterly profit in a decade, and said it expects continuing unit revenue gains in the current quarter.

The world's largest airline set net income excluding items was \$549 million, or 65 cents a share. Analysts surveyed by Thomson Reuters had estimated 63 cents. Revenue rose 17% to \$8.17 billion; analysts had estimated \$8.25 billion.

Including items, such as \$90 million in profit-sharing expenses, net income was \$467 million, or 55 cents a share. In the same quarter a year earlier, including items, the carrier lost \$257 million.

Read More: http://www.thestreet.com/_yahoo/story/10809647/1/delta-reports-best-quarter-in-10-years.html?cm_ven=YAHO&cm_cat=FREE&cm_ite=NA

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Delta posts \$467M profit in 2nd quarter

Delta reverses year-ago loss with profit of \$467 million in second-quarter; Revenue up 17 pct

Harry R. Weber, AP Airlines Writer, On Monday July 19, 2010, 8:34 am

Delta Air Lines Inc. reversed a second-quarter loss with what it says is its largest quarterly profit in a decade thanks to strong passenger revenue.

The world's largest airline said Monday its net income was \$467 million, or 55 cents per share, in the April-June quarter. That compares to a loss of \$257 million, or 31 cents a share, a year earlier.

Delta's revenue rose 17 percent to \$8.17 billion from \$7.00 billion a year earlier.

Excluding one-time items, Delta said earnings came to 65 cents a share. On that basis, analysts were expecting earnings of 63 cents a share on revenue of \$8.25 billion.

The strong results came even as Delta's expense for aircraft fuel and related taxes rose 8 percent in the quarter to \$1.96 billion.

Delta had \$6.0 billion in unrestricted liquidity, including \$4.4 billion in cash, as of June 30. Its third-quarter capacity will be flat to up 2 percent.

Delta said the momentum should continue. The airline expects to report double-digit year-over-year unit revenue gains for the September quarter.

In the latest quarter, passenger unit revenue increased 19.4 percent, driven by higher yields and occupancy. Cargo revenue increased 22 percent.

Delta said its latest results included \$90 million in profit sharing expense.

Chief Executive Richard Anderson said in a statement that the results are "proof that our plan has positioned us well as the economy begins its recovery."

The last time Delta reported a quarterly profit close to what it reported in the latest quarter was in the second quarter of 2000, when it posted net income of \$376 million.

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

Why US Airways Needs a Merger

By Ted Reed, TheStreet.com Staff Reporter, On Friday July 23, 2010, 12:01 pm EDT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. ([TheStreet](#)) -- Want more evidence that **US Airways** needs a merger? Throughout the world -- and the nation, as you can see below -- major airlines are defined by their hubs. That's a problem for US Airways, because its hubs are not the best.

US Airways' largest hub, with 612 daily departures to 120 destinations, is Charlotte Douglas International (downtown Charlotte is pictured above). The only southeast hub besides Atlanta (the world's busiest airport), Charlotte is a well-managed airport with the lowest per-passenger cost of any major hub and a recently-opened third parallel runway. In fact, US Airways has built Charlotte into the 11th busiest U.S. airport, in terms of passengers.

[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 '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) – **pending (only 45 days to appeal)**

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%.

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

Pension:

New DP3 Email Addresses and Backup Fax Line

July 25, 2010

DP3 had added two new email addresses for sending appeal related documents, and a new local fax line to back up the current toll free fax number.

Due to the increasing amount of message traffic DP3 is managing during the buildup to the consolidated appeal date, our email service and fax line are nearing capacity.

We prefer scanned and emailed documents over fax documents, for both cost and workload considerations. Please try to use the PDF file format; other formats increase our workload!

Due to recent emphasis on our preference for emailed documents over faxes, our contact message system (which uses the normal contactus@dp3.org address) has started filling up the individual trustee mailboxes, causing some of your messages to bounce. This tends to cause re-sends, which further fills the mailboxes that are not yet at capacity...so...

We have added two new email addresses:

appeal@dp3.org and **documents@dp3.org**

From now on, if you have a document like a BDL or BSW to send us, please scan it to a PDF and email it to one of the two new addresses and avoid attaching documents to the regular contactus@dp3.org address.

A third email address, info@dp3.org is also a valid address for general correspondence.

If you don't have scan-to-file capability, fax your documents to **888-607-1522**. If that line is busy, does not answer or just won't accept your fax, use the backup fax number **678-493-8616**. It is a local number in the Atlanta metro area and is not toll free. Please do not use the backup number unless the primary one is unavailable or simply won't accept your fax. Be advised it may not be available or monitored 24x7.

Watch our emails for document acknowledgments and regularly review the appeals status page for updates. Remember that if you have not sent us your BDL, you will not have an entry on the appeals status page.

Thank you for your continued support.
Will Buergey
Chairman, DP3

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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

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

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):

Life Section...

Misc Posts:

Human Interest:

Editor: SEEKS ASSISTANCE – Appears legit, but tread carefully!

From: [Marlon Hosein](#)

Date: 07/20/10 10:36:24

To: mark@pilotcommunication.net

Cc: [marlon hosein](#)

Subject: Seeking help of fellow flying enthusiasts

2A Thomas Drive,
Diego Martin,
Trinidad W.I.

Mr. Mark Sztanyo
Retired Delta Pilot Network

20th July 2010

Dear Mr. Sztanyo,

Subject: Application for assistance - Re. Commercial Pilot Training

I am writing to you to seek your assistance with obtaining sponsorship in order to pursue my passion of becoming a commercial pilot. I came across your website during my search for information on how to get assistance, whether it be **advise on what schools to look** at or **financing for tuition**, to start flight training. Becoming a pilot has been a life long dream and in May, 2008 when I commenced working with Caribbean Airlines as an Accounting Assistant, Tobago Express winding-up activities, I believed that it was providence that brought me here to promote the realization of that passion.

I attended Queen's Royal College (Q.R.C.) from September 1992 to June 1999, where I wrote the Ordinary and Advanced Level examinations. Thereafter, I attended Omardeen's School of Accountancy where I successfully completed the ACCA Certified Accounting Technician programme, the details of which are found in my resume that is attached.

Owing to my strong desire to become a pilot, I availed myself of the opportunity to get closer to the airline industry in 1999 by pursuing training as a Cabin Attendant, and inter-alia, I was successful in the diving and CPR components of the programme.

In the month of September 2008 I wrote to office of the C.E.O. at Caribbean Airlines asking for financial assistance to pursue my passion of becoming a commercial pilot due to the fact I was informed through the organization's website that it offered sponsorship for pursuing tertiary education however I have not yet received any official word on the status of my request.

In 2008 I approached the Government via the Ministry of Community Development Culture and Gender Affairs but I was informed they only offer financial assistance if a particular skill within the country is in scarce supply.

I also wrote to a number of companies in the private sector but due to the fact that aviation does not form part of their core business, my requests were met with negative responses.

However since my initial communication with the different government agencies and private sector companies and I have continued to persevere with preparing myself for a career as a pilot. I have begun some initial reading on the Boeing 737 and Bombardier Dash 8 systems, which are the aircraft used by our national carrier Caribbean Airlines, via a number of informational resource websites such as www.b737.org.uk/rulesofthumb.htm and www.flydamit.com. I have begun taking an online conversational Spanish course which will be a great asset, I have also purchased a laptop computer which I will need during my studies at flight school and I have also retained the services of an immigration consultant and begun the process of migrating to Canada to be able to attend flight school.

I have taken the initiative to source information about three flight schools that I believe would be best suited for my flight training, which is attached for your perusal. Enclosed are a background / profile and resume of the development of my desire to become a pilot.

I can be contacted via telephone number 868-633-1333 or 868-757-4844 or via email address

mghsr71@hotmail.com. I look forward to your response and wish you continued success in the future.

Yours respectfully,

Marlon Hosein

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

From: [Gene Hall](#)

Date: 7/21/2010 6:48:16 PM

To: [Delta Memories](#)

Subject: Blog

Has it really been almost 51 years? How is it possible that it has passed so fast? I was barely 24, and Delta had just said yes. The 36 Delta years were a blur, but the 15 since I walked down the E concourse toward Immigration, pulling my flight kit and suit case, for the last time, have passed like lightening. The weather was abnormally hot for early May, the air conditioning system was not working, and even though I was carrying my jacket and cap, I was sweating profusely. We had

parked the flight from Munich at the next to last gate, I wouldn't be 60 for 6 weeks, but I was pretty sure that I had satisfied the flying itch that had started in my early teens.

Joan and I decided that a month in Southwest Ireland would be a nice way to ease into retirement. I had traveled there about 10 years before for the first time, and for me, it was love at first site. We rented a 10 bedroom B&B in Killarney for the month, and one of my golf buddies, Al Means and his wife, Mary Jo rented one nearby that had 5 bedrooms. Between the 2 of us, we had 65 guests during the month.

I suppose that I wouldn't have put all the old airline experiences on paper if I hadn't had the down time while recuperating from multiple melanoma surgeries. It has been great fun in reminiscing and renewing old friendships, as well as making some new "pen pals", or should the modern term be "e-mail pals"?

The stories from others that we sent out as blogs have entertained us greatly, and if I have any career regret, it is having not had the experience of military flying. If there was ever a young guy who could have benefited from military discipline, it was me. Travis Foster sent a 1972 model Navy video for new officer candidates, and I sent it to my 2 nephews who both entered Naval aviation through OCS, and they said the 21st century version was almost the same. Here is the link:

<http://shock.military.com/Shock/videos.do?displayContent=196017>

Hap Walter's response to this video:

From: Hapw [hapw@compuserve.com]

To: THFoster6@aol.com

I was in NAVCAD class 36-55, the same class as Charley Peck. This was only a couple of years after Korea and there was still a draft. I was unique in that I was probably the only guy in the class that was there primarily to fly while most of my classmates chose this route to avoid being drafted into the Army. Before I arrived in Pensacola, I had a private license and a massive total of 70 hours in my logbook.

Generally, I have been pretty happy in my life but when I look back to my cadet years, I realize that those were some of my happiest days. I was doing something I loved, had few responsibilities, was clothed, sheltered and fed, got to fly almost every day and they even paid me a grand sum of \$100/month plus \$50 flight pay. After the pre-solo stage, every time I flew I was learning something new and I believe that learning new things keeps life interesting and most fun. And what anticipation we had for the future! I bet if most of you think back to those days you will realize that it doesn't get much better than that!

Hap Walter

During the last 18 months, I have had five surgeries (I flew night coaches for 9 straight months once, and for several years afterwards, I got real sleepy every time I heard a 2800 or 3350 engine start up. Now, after 5 general anesthetics at Emory, I get sleepy every time I drive into a hospital parking lot.) In addition to the surgeries, there have been 4 full body pet scans, 4 brain MRI's, 11 lymph nodes removed, 2 rounds of melanoma radiation, numerous ultra sounds, other MRI's, biopsies, and now just 4 more weeks of prostate radiation, and a plastic reconstructive scalp surgery to cover up my skull, and maybe, just maybe, I will get off Medicare's ticket for awhile. It sounds a lot worse than it

is. I feel fine, and my prognosis is excellent. I played golf this morning, and I plan to play tomorrow after I get out of the tanning booth.

Installment 14, (lucky you, it's the final) the second part of my testimony is finished. I will bore you with it in the next week or so. My project now is to go back and add all the family stuff for the grandkids.

I can't believe that Lee English, Pat McGirl, Dick Warner, Paul Borgatti, Fritz Klumpp, John Owens, Mal Harper, Bill Rice, Tom Peace, Adrian Blackmon, Cecil Durant, Keith Hagstette, Aubrey Hair, Rick Bauer, Tinker Bell, Molly Glenn, and any number of others are out of funny stories. Send them to me, and I will send them to Travis, Mark, and Dave. Most of the blogs that you guys wrote are really funny. You wrote 27,000 words, and I have them all in one document which I will send out again. A lot of them are funny enough to keep.

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

[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) :

The below is a Fake.....just wanted you to see how well it was done!

“**Subject:** Read First.....then watch.

Accidental Loop During Takeoff -- US Navy pilot

This is how a supremely well-trained US Navy pilot (ice running in his veins instead of blood) fully regains control of his \$70 million fighter jet after a problematic vertical take-off from an aircraft carrier.”

Editor: I cut the rest of the hype because this is **completely faked**. I people are getting very creative with video and fooling the eye until you look a little closer. You will probably get this from one of your buddies as real so thought I would pre-empt and burst the bubble.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RpKFWxyX1ng>

While I am at it here is another fake video of water take off::

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b4U3HY5lpro&feature=related>

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This one really happened. Thanks David

Subject: Largest Gathering of B-25's since WWII

[YouTube - MsPolleyVision's Channel](#)

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Thanks to Bill for sending this comprehensive list in:

From: noady@juno.com

Date: 07/21/10 10:33:24

To: mark@pilotcommunication.net

Subject: Av Employment Websites

Mark,

Here is a list of pilot employment websites your readers might find to be interesting reading if nothing else. Big av world out there...

www.pilotpointer.com

www.sigmaraviation.com

www.protechnical.co.uk

www.logisticair.com

www.apihapplylandings.com

www.parginc.com

www.bettsrecruitment.com

www.huaxun-hk.com

www.esimsim.com

www.dniproavia.com

www.flightcrewsolutions.com

www.netcompass-inc.com

www.ramaero.com

www.avconjet.at

www.aircraftdeliveries.com

www.avionco.com

www.twia.aero

www.contractair.net

www.aeroprogroup.com

www.magellanaaviation.com

www.gpscruw.com

www.flyams.com

www.aircraftdeliveries.com

www.chinaaviationrecruitment.com
www.pegasusir.com
www.brookfieldav.com
www.aviatorrecruitment.com
www.contractpilots.tc
www.unitedaviation.in
www.premairtraining.com
www.global-aviation.com
www.aviacrews.com
www.globalflyers.com
www.airbornetraining.com
www.vorholdings.com
www.tridentavia.com
www.yzr.com.cn
www.china-pilots.com
www.cclaviation.com
www.gapaviation.com
www.nexgen-aviation.com
www.bondaviationservices.com
www.everbrightaviation.com
www.luckyaviation.com
www.tf-aviation.com (?)
www.kal-ccl.com
www.uspilot.com
www.orionaviationservices.com
www.aviationworldwideservices.com
www.flightleveljobs.com
www.dynamicaviation.com
www.fdataviation.net
www.skyecrew.com
www.acass.ca
www.comrise.com
www.capitalaviation.us
www.aviationrecruiting.net
www.solenta.com (Africa)
<http://www.eonaviationasia.com/en/>
www.hollandcanadaline.com
www.bestaviation.net/jobs
www.ibisgb.com
www.titanaviation.aero
www.firstpeopleaviation.com (email: aviation@fpsg.co.uk)
www.getpilotjobs.com
www.luap.com (management jobs)
www.aerocareer.com
www.crewsolution.com (biz jet jobs)
www.proctoraviation.com
www.interpersonal.de
www.intaway.co.uk
www.perdiempilots.com (ferry & delivery)
www.stormmccginley.co.uk/p/h/Home/Home/21/

Political (food for thought):

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

DARKNESS ON DELTA -- musically funny! *(Thanks David)*

remind you of anyone special?

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SG5_-8UekZs&feature=related

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Subject: The Polish divorce.....

A Polish man moved to the USA and
Married an American girl.

Although his English was far from
Perfect, they got along very well.

One day he rushed into a lawyer's office

And asked him if he could arrange a
Divorce for him.

The lawyer said that getting a
Divorce would depend on the
Circumstances,

And asked him the following questions:

Have you any grounds?

Yes, an acre and half and nice little home.

No, I mean what is the foundation of this Case?

It made of concrete.

I don't think you understand.

Does either of you have a real grudge?

No, we have carport, and not need one.

I mean what are your relations like?

All my relations still in Poland.

Is there any infidelity in your marriage?

We have hi-fidelity stereo and good DVD
Player.

Does your wife beat you up?

No, I always up before her.

Why do you want this divorce?

She going to kill me.

What makes you think that?

I got proof.

What kind of proof?

She going to poison me.

She buy a bottle at drugstore and put on

Shelf in bathroom.

I can read, and it say:

~~~Polish Remover~~~

Mark

Mark Sztanyo, PCN Dir & HL Editor

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Life on earth will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last!

Serving the Delta community, and pilots (active and retired) and their families, *including original Delta, and former:* Northeast, Pan-Am, Western, NWA, Republic, North-Central, Southern Airways, Hughes- Airwest, and all the Delta Connection carriers.

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Delta Museum & Fly-in information - <http://www.deltamuseum.org>
Delta Pioneers - <http://www.deltapioneersinc.com/>
Delta Golden Wings - <http://www.deltagoldenwings.com/>
Delta Retiree Connection - <http://www.dlretiree.info>
Delta Retirement Committee - <http://www.dalrc.org/>
DAL Pilots DDPSA - <http://www.ddpsa.com/>
Delta Extra Net Portal - <http://dlnet.delta.com/>

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