

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.

Large web community for one of world's largest airlines

# High Life

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

British Columbia winter view.

## Group Section.....

**Dear PCN** (of over 2500 subscribers),

### Mark's Remarks

## 9-11 May we never forget!

**New High Life format postponed:** With the next (100<sup>th</sup>) issue of the HL I was going to introduce a new format that I think would be better for everyone, however, I need a little more time to understand and learn it myself. So sometime in the near future you will see the transition.

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**Notices:** Just a reminder that our Google Group is where we originate notices. First, please **do not hit the REPLY button** on a google notice. It goes to a limited group inbox. Please, instead simply use one of PCN's email addresses to send it in. Secondly, different notices emanate from a specific email address. If you don't want that specific notice you simply **block that email** address. Simple as pie.

### Adding subscribers or Updating email addresses:

Google group no longer allows me to manually add a member. Must "accept an invitation."

*Note I now send to newbies and email changes:*

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you for joining or updating your email address to receive notices from the PCN (which uses our PCN Google Group for distribution).

IMPORTANT NOTE: I can no longer add your address to our list manually as I have done for many many members in the past. Google has made it mandatory that you VERIFY your email and you respond to the group's INVITATION to be added to the list.

So you will see two emails from Google groups and completing both of them are important to be added to our mail list. Look in your inbox and even in your spam or junk folder for these emails shortly.

Thanks for joining the PCN and staying connected. We serve over 2500 retired DAL pilots, their families and other DAL retirees.

**If you have subscribed before but are having troubles receiving notices, please email me and we will straighten it out.**

## ~~PCN Ads~~ ~~up and running!~~

**Temporary service suspension awaiting repair!**

For all of you who have an item, service or offer to promote Ad packages as follows:

**FREE listings** - \$0 for 45 days.

*Jobs offered, jobs wanted, Pets, items Wanted. Runs 45 days, includes images.*

**Basic Listing** - \$5 for 60 days with multiple images.

**Silver** - \$10 for 120 days with multiple images.

**Gold** - \$25 for one year with multiple images.

**Platinum** - \$50 for 3 years with multiple images.

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; just register and submit and get your item, thing wanted, service or house, posted. Its just that easy!**

## PCN Ads

Note: PCN Ads was developed to give our group and outlet to advertise in front of our exclusive and numerous members along with searchable on the www, and by so doing keeps our newsletter free from any profit or commercial link.

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### Tools for our members:

PCN Main Website: <http://pcn.homestead.com/home01.html>

PCN Google Group archives: <http://groups.google.com/group/PilotCommunicationNet>

PCN Ads – <http://pilotcommunication.net/Ads/> *Updates temporarily suspended*

PCN Tool Bar (for IE browser) - <http://pcntools.ourtoolbar.com/>

PCN Calendar - <http://pcn.homestead.com/Calendar.html>

PCN specific emails: [misc@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:misc@pilotcommunication.net)

[pcn.calendar@gmail.com](mailto:pcn.calendar@gmail.com)

[signup@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:signup@pilotcommunication.net)

[illness@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:illness@pilotcommunication.net)

[death@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:death@pilotcommunication.net)

[ads@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:ads@pilotcommunication.net)

[mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)

## News Section.....

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

# Delta Named to Dow Jones Sustainability Index

## Airline joins prestigious index that recognizes positive environmental and social impact worldwide

**Press Release** Source: Delta Air Lines On Thursday September 8, 2011, 4:00 pm EDT

ATLANTA, Sept. 8, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Delta Air Lines (NYSE:[DAL](#) - [News](#)) today announced it has been added to the Dow Jones Sustainability Index for North America and is among four global airlines listed as "Sustainability Leaders" in the annual survey. The recognition underscores Delta's ongoing commitment to corporate responsibility across its global network.

Delta is among 143 companies named to the North American index today by the Dow Jones Indexes and global sustainable investing firm SAM, which together annually review 2,500 companies to create the sustainability indexes. Companies named today meet high standards for economic, corporate and social responsibility efforts.

"Being named to the North American index underscores Delta's commitment to sustainable practices," said Ken Hylander, senior vice president – Corporate Safety, Security and Compliance. "Our people make the difference in taking steps to reduce our environmental impact while increasing the volunteer and charitable work we do in the cities where we fly and our employees live."

The index is a key resource for investors seeking opportunities to support socially responsible companies and industries.

Read more: <http://finance.yahoo.com/news/Delta-Named-to-Dow-Jones-prnews-3913012467.html?x=0&.v=1>

## Military jets safely escort flight to NYC

### Military jets escort American flight to NYC; AA spokesman says 'it's a big nothing'

Tom Hays, Associated Press, On Sunday September 11, 2011, 8:03 pm

NEW YORK (AP) -- Two fighter jets escorted a Los Angeles-to-New York American Airlines flight after three passengers' repeated trips to the bathroom aroused suspicion Sunday, the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, officials said.

The passengers were later cleared.

American Airlines spokesman Tim Smith said the plane's captain never declared a security threat and never asked for law enforcement help. "In our eyes, it's a big nothing," he said.

The North American Aerospace Defense Command scrambled two F-16 jets to shadow Flight 34 until it landed safely at New York's Kennedy Airport at 4:10 p.m. Sunday, the Transportation Security Administration said in a statement.

FBI spokesman J. Peter Donald said in a statement that the jets were sent to escort the flight "out of an abundance of caution." The FBI interviewed passengers and found "no nexus to terrorism," he said.

A similar scenario played out on a plane headed to Detroit from Denver. Police detained three passengers at Detroit's Metropolitan Airport after the crew of the Frontier Airlines flight reported suspicious activity on board and NORAD sent two F-16 jets to shadow the flight until it landed safely, the airline and federal officials said.

Read more: <http://finance.yahoo.com/news/Military-jets-safely-escort-apf-3492769809.html?x=0&.v=1>

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Sept. 9, 2011, 10:13 a.m. EDT

## United Continental leads airline stocks higher

By Jim Jelter

SAN FRANCISCO (MarketWatch) -- United Continental Holdings opened Friday with a swift 4% advance to \$18.80 a share, leading percentage gainers in the NYSE Arca Airline Index. The move supported a 0.7% gain by the index to 32.58 points. The airline sector was among the few to make headway early Friday, with a \$2.20 drop by October crude-oil futures to \$86.85 a barrel in New York helping reverse the previous session's losses. United Continental shares were bouncing off a 52-week low of \$15.92 hit Thursday. After the close, the carrier reported a

2.5% drop in August revenue passenger miles and a 1.6% drop in load factor compared with a year ago. Much of the blame for the weaker numbers falls on travel disruptions last month by Hurricane Irene.

**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 – distributed at or around Mar 23, 2011.**
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: revised to Feb 18, 2011 Now Mar 18, 2011, April 29, 2011, July 29, 2011, Aug 29, 2011, Oct 28, 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. **Action has continued 80% for Jan & Feb. Action expired and subsidy effective Mar 2011 is now 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 – VEBA has been created and in effect.

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

**Pension:**

**DP3 Chairman's Update**

September 6, 2011

The DP3 trustees held their monthly meeting on August 15 and the [minutes of that meeting are available by clicking here.](#)

[Appeal Update](#)

Most of this meeting was devoted to discussing our legal issues for the PBGC administrative appeal with our attorneys from Miller and Chevalier. Our attorneys feel the PBGC is now making satisfactory progress in providing the information we have requested under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and we are optimistic that the current appeal date of October 28 will hold firm.

As some of you have suggested, there are other approaches we could take to speed up the appeals process, but those efforts would bear additional costs and would not guarantee that the PBGC would provide us with the required data any faster. While we cannot share all of the details at this time, please be assured that your trustees have taken advantage of these recurring delays to improve our odds of success once the administrative/legal process finally commences. [Click here to review Question #2 on our web page FAQ for more info on the appeal delays.](#)

### Membership Drive

Following the discussion of our legal case, your DP3 trustees have decided to make one final push to reach the hundreds of retired Delta pilots who would benefit from a successful appeal, but are not yet Honor Roll members.

To that end, we have totally revamped the [DP3 website](#) to provide our prospective members with the information they need to make an educated decision to either join DP3, or remain on the sidelines as an observer in the legal and/or administrative efforts.

There are literally hundreds of millions of dollars at stake and we would hate to see anyone miss their opportunity to join us simply because they did not understand the administrative and legal processes, or they simply wanted to move on with their lives. (The volunteers at DP3 would also like to move on with our lives, but not before we make every effort to correct the injustice most of us are suffering at the hands of the PBGC!)

We are grateful for the financial contributions from our Honor Roll members—we would not be entering the next phase of this battle without your loyal support. Now we are going to ask you to help us in a different way, one that will help us help you. Neither Delta nor the PBGC will provide DP3 with the names and addresses of the retired Delta pilots, but it is very likely that you have maintained friendships with fellow Delta retirees who are not on our current mailing list.

Over the next few weeks, you will receive several messages from us that help define what the retirees have at stake in this legal challenge, and we are asking you to share that information with your retired Delta colleagues who are not currently Honor Roll members. [For a list of current HR members, click here.](#)

While we currently have over 1500 retirees included in the appeal, we believe there are another 2000 with a significant stake in this battle. If we could recruit all of those retirees to DP3 membership, it is probable that we could fund the remaining costs of this project, including a potential federal court case, solely through the additional dues income we would receive from new members. If we are successful at the appeals level and do not find it necessary to file a federal lawsuit to recover our lost benefits, then we will refund any excess dues payments on a pro rata basis to all of our Honor Roll members.

Thanks again for your support.

[Make sure to keep reading the following article \(below - scroll down\) which answers questions which arose from yesterday's membership drive letter.](#)

*Will Buergey*

Will Buergey  
Chairman, DP3

**[Our Membership Drive letter generated a few questions that we'd like to publicly address in this special FAQ addendum.](#)**

**Question #1:**

I see a lot written about what the post 72 retirees could get, but not much about the pre 72 retirees. Where do we stand if the PBGC decides to cough up something? *Or the variation:* I read the summary of all those you hope to get benefits from the PBGC; I don't fit into either of your "we're going to help" status. I was hired in 1969 and retired in 1995 - is all the money I've paid DP3 to date going to benefit me in some way?

**Answer #1:**

If you were receiving a qualified pension benefit from Delta on September 1, 2006 that is more than you are currently receiving from the PBGC, then you could benefit from a successful appeal. (The pension losses you suffered prior to October 1, 2006 were subject to the non-qualified Bankruptcy Court settlement and they will not be part of our appeals, because the PBGC does not guarantee non-qualified pension benefits.)

We have probably spent more time on the issues affecting the 1000 pre-72 hires than we have on the issues affecting the 2500 post-72 hires - and quite a bit has been written about it.

The issue affecting you is that the PBGC is using a 415b limit on payouts from the plan, of \$145,000 instead of \$175,000. We have 2 different appeal strategies to change that, and are quite confident of our potential for success.

**Question #2:**

Your comments about pre-1972 hires retiring after 1995 makes me wonder about us pre-1972 hires that retired prior to 1995 getting anything out of this appeal. It seems like you are always addressing the 1995 and later retiree's gain but not us that retired prior to '95.

**Answer #2:**

There are two aspects to this comment. First is whether you will benefit from the appeals. The way to know that is outlined in detail on the web page [www.dp3.org](http://www.dp3.org). The simple answer in your case is to look at the paycheck you received from the plan in July, August, or September, 2006. If you are receiving less than that now, then you will likely benefit from successful appeals.

The other aspect is the implication that we are ignoring those who retired prior to 1995. **We are not.** If you are getting the same amount of money you were getting in September 2006, you have not lost anything from the Qualified plan - so it would be pretty difficult to address any issues for you. (Remember the NQ benefit was addressed in bankruptcy court and is not a factor here.)

We emphasize the 1995 date because most of the 1000 pre72 guys who are being shorted retired after that date - and a number of them don't seem to understand that they should be appealing. There are some pre 1995 retirees who will benefit from successful appeals but most of them are already appealing. We are trying to get the non-members attention, so we pick a fixed date to convey that they are in the group we are talking about.

It is ironic that every age group seems concerned that we aren't representing their interests. **Nothing could be further from the truth.** Your current board has worked and continues to work to find any possible way to recover benefits for every retiree we represent, regardless of age, hire date, or retirement date - and we challenge anyone to demonstrate otherwise. We work hard to make sure this is true.

**Question #3:**

I was hired in Feb 1964 and retired in Sept 1995. Are the attorneys not visiting the claims for this period?

**Answer #3:**

The intent of the dates in the letter was to force the large number of non members in those date ranges to realize they are screwing up by not joining the appeals.

The basic rule still applies: If you were receiving more in September 2006 than you are now, you should benefit from successful appeals on your behalf. I just checked your paperwork and you do stand to gain about \$700/mo. We have great confidence in the particular appeal issues that affect you.

**Summary of the common questions:**

The intent of the dates in the membership letter was to force the large number of non members in those date ranges to realize we are referring to them when we point out the value of the appeals.

The basic rule still applies: If you were receiving more in September 2006 than you are now, you should benefit from successful appeals on your behalf.

Note that all of these questioners do, in fact, have a significant potential gains from the appeals. We would like to further reemphasize that we are working to regain benefits for all retirees. There have not been any potential benefit gains - for any group of any age, hire date, or retirement date - that have not been addressed in our appeals research and planning. We are working hard for all our DP3 members and greatly appreciate your support.

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**From:** [Denis Waldron](#)

**Date:** 9/8/2011 12:43:23 PM

**To:** [Mark Sztanyo](#)

**Subject:** Bill Whalen update re: DAL 2007 Med settlement FICA/Capital Gains

The email string below is self-explanatory - Tony Papandrea is working with Jim Muntun keeping track of Bill Whalen's clients. If you are one of those clients and have not been receiving emails from Tony - suggest you contact him.

Date: Wed, 7 Sep 2011

From: Tony Papandrea <[papandrea\\_tony@yahoo.com](mailto:papandrea_tony@yahoo.com)>

(spelled out to avoid spam robots from picking up his email address)

Hi Folks,

Success! I have had a direct communication from Bill Whalen. You can read it below. You can also read my response to him in blue below that. I have also heard from Merrily today and she informed me that Mr Whalen is out of town until Sunday. So, it looks as if we will all have our individual issues addressed by Whalen in due course. I will continue to be your advocate with him until we all have had an opportunity to either talk or correspond with him via email. I'll start the ball rolling toward the end of the month and keep you all informed. You each need to let me know how you would like to address your issues with him and I'll try to get that done.

Two other things:

1. This was and is a team effort and could not have been done without the help of Jim Muntun and a great behind the scenes effort on the part of Jack Blaz. We owe them a big thank you.

2. I became a client of Bill Whalen on Dec 6 when I sent him my check and 2007 documentation.

I filed my 843 prepared by Bill Whalen on Jan 30 (deadline was Jan 31). It was rejected with the instructions to file a 1040X.

After many attempts to get a 1040X done by Whalen by the (April 15 - as I verified with the IRS) deadline, I prepared my own 1040X and used the basis that the entire Medical Distribution was not to be considered wages or income and therefore none of it was taxable. I filed my own 1040X on April 15 with the ATL office. It was rejected on July 7th, with the statement that they agreed it was not wages, but it was income subjected to the Capital Gains tax treatment. They gave me instructions as how to file my Schedule D which I followed and resubmitted a new 1040X on July 18.

I received the "refund due" letter on Sept 5th and look forward to getting the check and having it clear the bank.

I did not call or have any other contact with the ATL office other than filing the returns. I really believe that my



first position is correct (no medical benefits are taxable) but decided a bird in the hand was worth keeping since they agreed to the capital gains.

More to follow, I am sure. Let me hear from you.

From Bill Whalen:

Good morning, Tony.

Let me bring you up to date.

I apologize for the frustration.

This is something completely unexpected. It took me by surprise, but .....

I had open heart surgery a little less than three months ago.

A couple of weeks ago, they changed the meds I am taking. I have been fighting a blood pressure problem since then. This past week, they changed the meds again, and it appears to have helped the situation.

I have tried to maintain a very limited work schedule for the past month, but that hasn't always been possible.

And, when doing any work, I have directed my attention to the easiest things to be done.

I do expect to be able to go back to work within the next week or two.

Now, let me tell you about your situation.....

Bill Whalen

Tony reply:

Good Morning Bill,

THANK YOU - for opening the lines of communication. Dealing with frustrated, angry retired Delta Pilots is not anything anyone wants to do when healthy, much less after what you have been through.

First and foremost, we are all happy that you are on your way to healing. Hopefully you will have a complete recovery in the very near future.

It is obvious to me by reading your email that you may not have been aware of my previous numerous posts regarding my personal situation.

Having made that assumption, this is what I propose to you:

1. I have a group of 15 of your unhappy clients (at one stage or another) who would like their issues with you addressed by you personally and individually. They (including myself) have been frustrated by the lack of previous communications with, by, or through you.
2. Rather than discuss my issues via the email process I would rather wait the 2-3 weeks until you are back working to discuss them in person on the phone.
3. I will poll the others on the "list" to see what method of communication they would prefer to have with you. I will encourage them to give you the time you need to get back to work and be able to amicably resolve whatever issues they might have.
4. Please let me know by replying to this email if you are agreeable to this and I will forward your answer to

the group and let you know who they are.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

PS - You have a good friend in Jim Munton, who has been on the front lines of this story during your illness. You owe him a big thank you.

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 its existence.

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:** [George Chaudoin](#)  
**Date:** 9/6/2011 12:37:49 PM  
**Subject:** Message from DALRC & RAP

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DALRC, Inc.  
DALRC Retiree Assistance Program, Inc.  
September 1, 2011  
Ladies and Gentlemen of the Community of Delta Retirees:  
DALRC and RAP are implementing technology changes which we believe will result in better and more meaningful service to you. These changes will come about in phases over the next few weeks. In the near future you will be receiving information about our new website. We are working now to improve the website, both in appearance and functionality.

The purpose of this message is to begin validating our mailing lists. If you prefer that we use a different e-mail address, send us your preferred e-mail address. If your postal address has changed in the last two years, please forward your new address. Send all responses and updates to:

[info.rapdalrc@yahoo.com](mailto:info.rapdalrc@yahoo.com)

Thank you for your past support of DALRC and RAP. We are working on a grand design for service to the Community of Delta's Retirees.

With kindest regards,  
Carl W. Brul Roger H. Nix  
Chairman of the Board Chairman of the Board  
DALRC, Inc. DALRC Retiree Assistance  
Program, Inc.  
Blue Side Up  
George

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**From:** [Bill Phillips](#)  
**Date:** 9/5/2011 12:30:49 AM  
**To:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** High Life 98

Mark,

Re: Capt. Dick Blizzard's post "My Appointment with Dr. Brown at FL 350"

As a second generation Delta pilot retiree it always really bugs me when members of the print media erroneously use the single word 'Airlines' in our company name, as opposed to the correct two word version 'Air Lines'. Its incomprehensible that one of our own would make the same mistake. And my Delta uniform coat was always black, not navy blue.

Bill Phillips

MSY (Retired 2004)

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**From:** [Jim Cianci](#)  
**Date:** 9/5/2011 6:13:20 PM  
**To:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** What the Retired Pilot meant to say....  
Mark:

I made a couple of mistakes in my e-mail referring to the filing of amended 2007 Taxes by Bill Whalen. I meant to say Bill Whalen instead of Jim Whalen. I also meant to say 2007 Income Taxes instead of 1977 Income Taxes.

Sorry for the confusion!

Jim Cianci

[jjc@silkstone.com](mailto:jjc@silkstone.com)

404-791-4800

**Human Interest:**

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

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

This is the PCN Calendar designed for you to publish your 2011 event dates. Please send them in to Kim.  
Click here for our PCN [Calendar](#).

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**From:** [Bean, Judy M](#)

**Date:** 9/9/2011 9:15:53 AM

**To:** [Bean, Judy M](#)

**Subject:** Save the Date- October 1, 2011

Please help us get the word out about this event.

Thanks,  
Judy

Judy Bean | Heritage Museum Store Manager  
404-773-1219 | [Judy.M.Bean@Delta.com](mailto:Judy.M.Bean@Delta.com)

Saturday, October 1, 2011  
The 25th Annual



**Time: 9am - 4pm**

**Admission: \$5**  
children under 12 free

**Location:**

**The Delta Air Transport  
Heritage Museum**

[www.DeltaMuseum.org](http://www.DeltaMuseum.org)

For vendor table reservations &  
show information contact  
Greg Romanoski at (404) 715-7886 or  
email [greg.romanoski@delta.com](mailto:greg.romanoski@delta.com)

### Highlights include:

- ◆ A wide variety of vendors selling aviation-related items
- ◆ Historic aircraft on display including a 1931 Travel Air, a 1936 Stinson Reliant, A 1940 DC-3 and our newest addition - a 1928 Waco 125 biplane
- ◆ Tours inside The Spirit of Delta B-767

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is September 16th.

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**From:** [DWSkjerven@aol.com](mailto:DWSkjerven@aol.com)  
**Date:** 9/8/2011 5:02:57 PM  
**Subject:** 3rd Thursday of the month DC-9 Layover

After the Annual ORD Delta Pilot's Fly In on **Wednesday the 14th**, don't forget about the 3rd Thursday of the Month ORD Delta Pilot's DC-9 Layover the next day, **Thursday Sept 15th**. As always everyone is invited, so bring a friend and enjoy the cheap beer, great pizza and fantastic war stories of this fun filled get together at Nick's Pizza & Pub, 856 Pyott Rd, Crystal Lake, IL (or about 1/2 mile north of the Lake In The Hills Airport) at 19:00 hours. Enjoy, David W. Skjerven

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

**From:** [Tom Carney](#)  
**Date:** 9/11/2011 4:57:36 PM  
**To:** [Pilot Communication Net](#)  
**Subject:** I am looking for"...

Mark,  
I am looking for"....**Bruce Haedrich** on behalf of his old USAF friend Don Zerangue. Don is a Laredo classmate of mine from Louisiana and would like to connect with Don.  
Thanks for all,  
Tom Carney  
MSY Ret.  
[tomcarney@bellsouth.net](mailto:tomcarney@bellsouth.net)

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

**RE: MagicTalk (not MagicJack)**

Hi,  
Well, I wanted an extra number for when I am across the pond and needed to call someone on their phone or for them to call a "stateside" number instead of an intl phone. Yes, my verizon cell can take incoming calls but the per minute charge is high. So friends of mine had MagicJack, a device that costs \$39 then you need a years service so first year is around \$60 renewed for \$20 thereafter. With this device you get a phone number in your area code and you have free outgoing calls to US and Canada. Anybody with cheap or free long distance can also call your number for free (or very little). Now the good part. It doesn't matter WHERE the device is connected to Internet on the planet, so you could be in Africa, South America, or Europe and your phone will take VM or ring in as if it were in your area code. So in essence you now have a worldwide phone that costs \$20 per year. The plus, as I can see it with the Jack device, is that you could use it to power house phones and switch it from computer to computer.

Now for me there is one better:

I wanted the service on my netbook but really didn't want the jack to cart around or to switch to other computers. So enter MagicTalk. Does everything MagicJack does but by software alone and no plug in jack. Also the cost is but \$20. And

\$20/yr to renew. So for a flat \$20 you can have a phone number and all the advantages of MagicJack on your netbook. Neat, eh?

How do you get it? Well, it is not intuitive. MagicJack obviously wants that extra \$39 out of you so they want to sell the Jack. You have to look specifically for MagicTalk: here is a link - <http://www.magictalk.com/index.html>

Note: currently the Basic MagicTalk is free but you do not get a US phn number. Upgrading to premier will allow you to pick a US number likely in your area code.

How do you get VM messages? Well, that is really neat. Two ways. First, the traditional cell phone like way. You call VM and enter your passcode. Or the second way is, they are sent as audio files attached to an email and sent to your inbox. If you have a smart phone that gets email then your VM from this number is now in your inbox. Nice.

How about Quality? Well, I will be honest and say it doesn't seem to work quite as good a cable voip. There are times when the streaming is bumpy and noticeable. But all in all pretty good. Also it does work better with a headset on my netbook then without one. Skype is fine with the computer's integral mic and speakers but with MagicTalk, not so much.

Note: I had to install a Win7 patch in order for it to work properly with W7.

So, there you have it. A phone number resident in your computer wherever on earth it may be, that can call almost everywhere in US and Canada for free.

It is like..... magic!

By the way, what is my new (Mark Sztanyo's) MagicTalk number? (859) 575 3539

Call it anytime. I will either pick up or it goes to VM. It has now become my casual travel number.

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

*Yes, I missed it yet again! The greatest Air Event in the world! Here is a nice review of Oshkosh sent in by Eric.*

**From:** [Eric Jensen](#)

**Date:** 9/10/2011 11:54:17 PM

**Subject:** OSHKOSH 2011 AIR SHOW

GOOD REVIEW

ENJOY an easy watch !!!11

For all of you fly boys!!!

Click here: <http://www.twaseniorsclub.org/Oshkosh.html>

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*One more about Oshkosh:*



**From:** [David L. Roberts](#)  
**Date:** 9/5/2011 9:06:17 AM  
**To:** [MY AVIATION PHOTO FANS](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Oshkosh video...

Thanks to Jim in Dunwoody, GA for this video. Enjoy..!!

[Oshkosh AirVenture 2011](#)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rWYNcI9Dn2c>

Dave some folks at breakfast expressed an interest in my Oshkosh video. Have a look yourself and please share it with your aviation list!

Have a good and safe trip to the Holy Land!  
Thanks,  
-Jim  
PS: We're already thinking of going again next year!

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Joel Payne  
Email [flyplayne@bellsouth.net](mailto:flyplayne@bellsouth.net)  
Issue Area General  
Comments - I'm not sure a DC-4 is supposed to do this. Note feathered engines on one pass. Joel Payne B-767A [ret.]  
[http://www.youtube.com/v/hrziTee4b2c&hl=en\\_US&feature=player\\_embedded&version=3](http://www.youtube.com/v/hrziTee4b2c&hl=en_US&feature=player_embedded&version=3)

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**From:** [Steve Rodmon](#)  
**Date:** 9/9/2011 6:33:08 PM  
**Bcc:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** Fwd: FW: BEEPING

This is kinda funny.

NO SWEAT....JUST A LITTLE SHEETMETAL WORK AND WE'RE BACK IN THE AIR !!!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YffmapFxt0M>

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**From:** [CaptGrumps@aol.com](mailto:CaptGrumps@aol.com)  
**Date:** 9/11/2011 12:26:07 PM  
**To:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** Four Horsemen

Grandson is flying these in the Guard--three trips to Afganistan..

Judging by the cars in the last of the video this must have taken place in '56 or57.

<http://www.patricksaviation.com/videos/cpasley/5046/>

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**From:** [CaptGrumps@aol.com](mailto:CaptGrumps@aol.com)  
**Date:** 9/5/2011 12:18:56 AM  
**To:** [mark@pilotcommunication.net](mailto:mark@pilotcommunication.net)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Davis Monthan Bone Yard 1966-1968

Subj: Davis Monthan Bone Yard 1966-1968

Fun to see (again) --- even the "old" cars they are riding in.

Lots of good, old aircraft photos here.

[http://www.dhc-2.com/Monthan\\_Memories.html](http://www.dhc-2.com/Monthan_Memories.html)

### **Political (food for thought):**

**From:** [Yorkieatl@aol.com](mailto:Yorkieatl@aol.com)  
**Date:** 8/21/2011 6:38:03 PM  
**To:** [yorkieatl@aol.com](mailto:yorkieatl@aol.com)  
**Subject:** Fwd: New Pistol

*Ruger is coming out with a new pistol in honor of our Senators and Representatives.*

*It will be called the "Congressman".*



*It doesn't work and you can't fire it.*

**Humor/Sobering or Fun** (Share some humor with the net):

*Thanks to Dave for sending these in. The pics are fantastic. Sorry I cannot attach a ppt file so I found the equivalent albeit a little less quality on youtube.*

**From:** [dave wall](#)

**Date:** 9/9/2011 2:01:55 AM

**Subject:** FW: UN-BELIEVABLE PICS!

**Series of unusual pictures to enjoy.**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T9yFdNoDGlk>

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*Brief 911 moment:*

**From:** [CaptGrumps@aol.com](mailto:CaptGrumps@aol.com)

**Date:** 9/11/2011 4:05:12 PM

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

**Subject:** Fwd: Fw: Budweiser commercial re: 9-11, aired only ONCE!

**Budweiser commercial re: 9-11, aired only ONCE! This is the commercial spot Budweiser produced after 9-11.**

**They only aired it once so as not to benefit financially from it - they just wanted to acknowledge the tragic event.**

**This is so consistent with a company who always does things with a ton of class!!**

**Can you imagine what the cost was considering production, air time, etc.? I never saw this commercial until now.... it is quite moving. See attached Wow! Talk about a picture being worth a thousand words!??**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4yfivS8SWs>

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*Patriotic Artist that you will enjoy. Thanks Ken:*

**From:** [Kenneth Thomas](#)

**Date:** 9/11/2011 3:35:48 PM

**Subject:** THIS IS AWESOME

# Please take the time to watch this amazing show

"FLY YOUR **USA** FLAG NEXT SUNDAY 9-11"

"Life is Good!"

**THIS IS AWESOME!!!!**

I guarantee you will watch spell-bound until the last drop of paint is put in place.

When you think it is over...there is more. Make sure your sound is turned up

[www.youtube.com/v/QZFKZiwMLZ4](http://www.youtube.com/v/QZFKZiwMLZ4) <click

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**Mark**

Mark Sztanyo (Stän'yō), PCN Dir & HL Editor

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