



MSP Chief Pilot Office Newsletter

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New Assistant Chief Pilot in MSP

It is with mixed emotions that we announce our next Assistant for the MSP Chief Pilots Office, whose term will begin October 1st. Before we introduce our selection, we must say good-bye to Jon Erickson. Jon was hired into the office in September of 2012 and has served the pilots of MSP and Delta Air Lines with a level of compassion and professionalism that is second to none. His dedication to serve the pilots during his day to day CPO activities as well as his participation in new hire interviews, our delay code working group, and support for the MSP Fantasy Flight for children every December clearly defines his character and commitment to servant leadership. A heartfelt thank you to Jon from all of us in the CPO for serving our pilots with compassion and dignity. We will certainly miss him and wanted to wish him all the best as he returns to line flying and spending quality time with her family and friends. Jon's final month in the office will be September so please stop in and pay him a visit.

Our selection process for Jon's replacement was recently completed and First Officer Andy Luce was selected as the next Assistant Chief Pilot in the Minneapolis CPO. Hired in 1998, Andy flew the DC-9 for several years before joining the A320 fleet in 2004. Since that time, he has served the pilot group as an instructor, a member of the Flight Operations Integration "A" team during the merger and on several other project teams and committees. For the last four years, Andy has served on the ALPA Training Committee; working with line pilots and instructors to improve the quality of each pilot's training experience. Andy is a graduate of the aviation program at the University of North Dakota and currently resides in Bloomington, MN.

STAT-MD

Recently, there has been an increase in the number of divers without crews contacting STAT-MD. Per the FOM, crews are reminded they should contact STAT-MD before initiating an air return or diverting for a medical event. Ensure that STAT-MD is aware of ETA to destination and divert airport options. Re-consult STAT-MD if there is a change in the

passenger's medical condition that might alter the prior STAT-MD divert/continue recommendation.

Fidelity Investments Invites You to BE OUR GUEST

As a Delta Air Lines pilot, you and your spouse/partner are invited to join your colleagues for a gathering hosted at the Fidelity Investor Center in Edina, MN. This event will include an educational seminar and a reception. Additionally, you will be able to learn about the services your local Fidelity Investor Center provides, such as help with savings and investment goals and creating your own retirement income plan – all at no cost to you.

In this seminar, you will learn:

- Why a retirement income plan is important and how to create one
- How to plan for the five key risks that affect every retiree
- About allocating among asset classes and products to generate income in retirement*

EVENT DETAILS –

Date: Thursday, September 22, 2016

Time: Reception starts at 6 p.m. Central Time and the Seminar begins at 6:30 p.m. CT

Seminar Topic: Fundamentals of Retirement Income Planning

Location: Fidelity Investor Center in Edina, 7740 France Avenue South, Edina, MN 55435

Register for this event at:

<https://login.fidelity.com/ftgw/Fidelity/NBPart/Login/Init?AuthRedUrl=https://workplaceservices.fidelity.com/mybenefits/employerservices/navigation>

Get Healthy in MSP

Delta is proud to offer a state-of-the-art fitness center for employees and contractors working in or visiting the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. Each center works cooperatively with Delta to offer a variety of fitness and wellness activities that promote health, wellness, and safety.

The center occupies over 10,000 square feet on the first floor of Delta's Building C on the MSP Campus. Membership options are available for all active Delta employees, contractors and retirees. Eligible employees can elect a payroll deduction to cover membership fees in addition to the direct bill options that are available. For more information, contact the MSP Fitness Center staff.

Fitness Center Features:

- Matrix and Cybex strength training equipment
- Free weights
- State-of-the-Art Matrix cardiovascular machines including integrated televisions, iPod connections, and Virtual Active Training Programs
- Group fitness studios
- Men's and women's locker room facilities and showers
- Full complement of locker room amenities
- Complimentary towel service

Location and Hours:

Building C, C847

7500 Airline Drive; across from Woolman Café

Accessible to any active employees and contractors with a Delta ID badge and C Building access.

Open: Monday - Friday: 5:00 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Regular Delta holidays are observed.

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Global Entry Interviews Available

Global Entry is a "Trusted Traveler" program run by the US Customs and Border Protection Service (CBP) that allows pre-approved, low-risk travelers expedited entry back into the US. After getting Global Entry members to can register their "Trusted Traveler" number and then also be approved for the TSA Pre-Check program.

We are attempting to determine if there is enough interest within the MSP pilot and F/A bases to support having CBP set up an expedited interview process in our spaces. We need a minimum number of applicants for CBP to allocate the resources, so if you believe you would be interested please contact the MSP CPO admin staff and advise them (note: spouses and other family members may use this process as well). Interviews would likely occur in October or perhaps November. Currently, interviews in MSP obtained through normal channels are running five to six months out from application.

Information and the application for Global Entry is found at:

<https://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/global-entry/how-apply>

If there is enough interest within our base to set up this process we will notify you via email.

TCAS RAs and MSP

Recent ASAP reports and FOQA data have shown an increase in RAs in the MSP airport terminal area. Recent fleet bulletins state: "Most but not all, of the increase is due to close parallel runway operations at high density airports."

While there is an emphasis on "most", MSP has recently seen a small number of events where the offending aircraft was not on approach for the parallel runway but rather a secondary aircraft skirting the Class B near the approach corridor. Remember that the latest policy change only allows a crew to disregard the RA when ALL of the following conditions exist: Daytime, VMC, radar contact, parallel approach operations, cleared for the approach, and the traffic can be immediately and positively identified and separation can be maintained.

Except as specifically noted above, pilots are required to immediately comply with an RA. Also, remember that after receiving an RA, selection of "TA Only" is not recommended. Maintaining TCAS RA guidance is desirable in the event of a go-around and/or secondary intruder aircraft. As always, an ASR is required per FOM, chapter 10, for all TCAS RAs.

Our Bag Rooms Are Moving

As of Thursday September 8th please note that our bag storage room under the F concourse will be moving. ACS will be converting that space into offices. We have acquired a new space. The office attached to our Pilot lounge (under F) will be modified to become the new storage area. It is immediately to your left as you enter the lounge, currently used by ACS for service recovery. The door will be removed and shelving units installed. No action needed on your part, all bags will be relocated.

Additionally we will close the F2 bag storage room (concourse level). All items will be relocated to the current F5 bag storage room (concourse level). We've asked they install more hanging shelves. Again, no action needed on your part. This move date is still TBD.

ALPA Air Safety Award

The 2015 ALPA Air Safety Award, the highest honor bestowed upon an ALPA Safety volunteer, was presented to First Officer John Klinger at the 62nd annual ALPA Air Safety Forum in Washington DC. John has been advancing ALPA safety interests for two decades. Following the DAL/NWA merger in 2008, John served the Flight Operations Integration Analysis Team - heralded as an industry model on how to integrate two complex and vastly differing airline operations. Through his efforts as a FOQA gatekeeper, he sought ways to integrate the voluntary safety reporting program with ASAP, demonstrating what the industry can achieve when there is a positive, collaborative approach from all parties. John was recently hired into the MSP Chief Pilot office as an Assistant Chief Pilot. Congratulations to John and his family for this well-deserved recognition.

Anniversaries

20 Year: Greg Crites, Steve Erickson, David Suga

25 Year: Jim Dwyer, Tom Ochsenbauer

30 Year: Roger Kent, Doug McFarland

Retirements

Chuck Sorensen 37 Years

Four Stripes! Congratulations Captain!

Bob Lee 320A
Rob Haber M88A
Chuck Geissler M88A
Tim Mergens M88A
David Gellner 320A
Ted Melo 320A
Jeff Holst M88A
Pam Freese M88A

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