# **DTW Chief Pilot Office**

**Newsletter** 

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# Stay Safe This Summer!

Summer's the perfect time to get outside and have some fun. Take advantage of the warm weather to get some good exercise in. As you increase your fitness, keep these tips in mind. Always ask your doctor before starting a new exercise and fitness routine.

Stay hydrated. Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink water. Keep your water bottle with you, and refill it throughout the day to avoid dehydration, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Symptoms could include:

- Dizziness or fainting
- Nausea or vomiting
- Headache
- Extreme fatigue

Protect your skin. Wear SPF15 or greater sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat when you're out in the sun, and use bug spray too. Here's a great video on new regulations on sunscreen.

Use safety gear. Always wear a helmet when you're biking or skateboarding, and wear a life jacket when you're boating.

To promote Summer safety - look for one of us in the crew lounge or stop by the office for more information and FREE goodies on proper hydration and sun protection (supplies are limited).

#### **DTW Habitat For Humanity Build Dates Set**

This year's build will take place from September 23<sup>rd</sup> to October 21<sup>st</sup>. Sign up early to get your desired spot as times and dates fill quickly. The location will be in Lincoln Park, just SW of Detroit. If you have never participated in a habitat home build, we strongly recommend you sign up and join this inter-departmental effort to make a dream come true for a family.

#### DTW Based First Officer Helena Reidemar Receives ALPA's Air Safety Award



The Air Line Pilots Association, Int'l (ALPA) recognized Delta Air Lines First Officer Dr. Helena Reidemar with its Air Safety Award for her exemplary contributions to aviation safety. First Officer Reidemar, the first female pilot to receive this prestigious aviation safety honor, was presented with the award at ALPA's 61st Air Safety Forum in Washington, D.C.

Over the course of her more than 20 years as an airline pilot, she earned a master's degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in aeronautical science with a primary focus in human factors. Furthering her interest in enhancing aviation safety by continuing to improve performance in the cockpit, First Officer Reidemar is a PhD ABD and currently serves as adjunct professor at the University of Central Missouri, where she teaches graduate-level classes in human factors and safety management systems.

As a key part of her ALPA safety work, First Officer Reidemar works alongside industry experts, scientists, and regulators responsible for setting the U.S. national direction in pilot training and safety system design. She has worked closely with NASA human factors experts and regularly writes and speaks to international audiences about the significance of human factors in safe flight operations.

#### **DTW SIDA Badge Renewals:**

# Reminder:

A new Federal mandate will be initiated on July 1, 2015 which will require all employees to undergo a new FBI based fingerprint Criminal Records History Check (CHRC) upon Badge renewal (unless they have been fingerprinted within the last year) and then every two years thereafter. Please advise your employees that the renewal processing time will take be longer due to the fingerprinting requirement. All other processes will remain the same and employees will be issued their renewed Badge once they complete refresher training.

If we receive a criminal history record where we are unable to adjudicate the results, we will be sending a letter to the individual requesting proper documentation to clear any pending dispositions within a reasonable time period (not to exceed 30 days).

Starting July 1, 2015 all badge holders that have not been fingerprinted by the Airport in the previous 2 years, will need to be fingerprinted upon badge renewal. What this means for you is the badge renewal process will contain an additional step of being fingerprinted, so plan on additional time spent at the Credentials Office to renew. Be advised that at very busy times such as the last week of the month the time spent to renew will be even longer. This requirement affects all US Airports and all Non-LEO, Non-Governmental employees. Thank You for your consideration as we work to implement this new process.

# Please contact the Credentials Office with any questions (734) 942-3606.

#### **AOA Bus Procedures:**

Due to safety and security concerns, there will be an operational change with employees entering and exiting the AOA buses from the employee parking lot effective July 1. Employees must enter through the front doors only and display their Airport ID Badge to the driver and exit through the rear doors only. Please make sure that all employees who park in the South lot and ride the AOA shuttle bus are familiar with this new procedure. New signs will be displayed on the bus and the drivers will also be letting passengers know about this new process. This change should expedite the flow of employees getting on and off the buses as well.

#### Red 5 Bypass Door Closure:

#### Reminder:

The Red 5 bypass door located next to the security checkpoint at international arrivals has officially been closed. All employees will no longer be able to access this door. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

# **Town Hall Meeting:**

We will be hosting a town hall meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:00. We will have Michael Corbridge from the IFS Finance Department and Mike Kotas from Tech Ops. Lunch will be provided, we hope you can join us and look forward to seeing you all.

#### World War II Veteran:

In late July, we received a note from the MSP CPO informing us a VIP was arriving whom we should meet at that gate. That VIP is Jim "Pee-Wee" Martin, a decorated World War II paratrooper, returning from giving a speech in Oshkosh, WI. Jim's bio is extremely impressive:

- 101st Airborne Division / 506th PIR / 3rd Battalion / G Company
- Parachuted into Normandy, Holland for Operation Garden Market and the Battle of the Bulge.
- One of the last Taccoa Originals of 1942 (Made famous by the HBO mini-series, "Band of Brothers")
- Awards: Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Distinguished Unit Citation

To say we were impressed and grateful for the meeting is understatement. After our visit we learned Pee Wee was on a Delta flight in June on his way to France. Thank you to our Detroit flight crew: CA Sholtz III, FO Springman and FO Walkup for providing Mr. Martin the recognition he deserves to the other 200 passengers on flight 228, CVG/CDG. This flight was highlighted on Delta News and can be read <a href="here">here</a>.









#### **Delta Care Fund Golf Open:**



# DTW Care Fund Golf Open

Benefiting the

# Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund Tuesday, September 15, 2015

# Stonebridge Golf Club

1825 Clubhouse Drive Ann Arbor, MI, 48108 www.stonebridgegolfclub.net

Honorary Chair Greg Bowker Director of Aircraft Maintenance Detroit 4 Player Scramble - \$75.00 Player (Includes – Continental Breakfast, Lunch, 4 Drink Tickets, Steak or Chicken dinner and lots of prizes)

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The Tournament will benefit the Delta Employee & Retiree Care Fund.

This is a 501 (c) (3) organization assisting Delta people facing a disaster or unexpected financial crisis.

For more information, visit the Care Fund portal on DeltaNet.

Awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Longest Drive / Closest to the Pin

Check in / Driving Range: 8:00 to 8:45am Shotgun Start at 9:00am

Steak Dinner and Awards begin after play is completed.
For sponsorship information or to sign up for the event
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Thank you from your Chief Pilot Office staff: John, Scott, Jim, Len, Mark, Chris, JC, Annmarie, Summer and Patti

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