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JIM'S CORNER

For all of you that did make it to our October Luncheon, we had a fine time visiting and catching up with friends and former work associates. Jack Pelton, CEO of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), did one heck of a job giving us an overview of the EAA and the activities they are involved in. I, like many in the room, knew the EAA was famous for their annual air show, Air Venture, held in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. However, that is only a small part of what they do. We learned of the leading role they take in getting young people involved with aviation, their presence in Washington championing the interest of the General Aviation community, and the many educational opportunities that are provided to aircraft homebuilders and aircraft restorers. They also provide several publications to members which now are at the 200,000 plus level.

In the last ROUNDUP we advised that a new caterer had taken over the Rose Center. Everything actually went quite smoothly and most comments the Board of Directors heard were positive. We still face significantly higher costs with the new caterer. The Retiree association will continue to have to substantially subsidize the Luncheon. It is important we do this as the Luncheon and our ROUNDUP newsletter are the two most important things we do. We are working on ways to reduce costs, and to that end we will be trying a buffet style lunch at our March 2019 Luncheon. We will continue to keep you updated on our progress.

I commented last newsletter on having to cancel our planned field trip to the Petersen Automotive Museum after transportation and docents at the museum had already been lined up. We need to assess if field trips is an activity the Retiree Association needs to continue putting together. To that end, for those of you wishing to maintain a yearly field trip, we need you to express your interest

and desires. Please answer the four simple questions found in Jerry Callaghan's (our VP of Special Projects) article on this subject enclosed as a separate insert in this ROUNDUP. We need your input on this subject.

One other change to note – to help with our overall financial situation we are increasing the annual dues for the Retiree Association membership from \$10 to \$15. This is the 1st dues increase in more than 10 years.

Wishing you all a very happy holiday season and a Merry Christmas!

Jim Phillips, President, DAC/MDC/Boeing Retirees

**SEE THE
ENCLOSURE**

Fill out and return as soon as possible.

RECENT BOEING NEWS

Boeing HorizonX Ventures Invests in Accion Systems to Propel Satellite Capabilities -

Boeing announced its investment in Accion Systems Inc., a Boston, Mass.,-based startup pioneering scalable electric propulsion technology to transform satellite capabilities in and beyond Earth's orbit. The investment accelerates development of new satellite propulsion capabilities for low and medium Earth orbit and deep space.

Accion's new Tiled Ionic Liquid Electro Spray (TILE) in-space propulsion system aims to increase the lifespan and maneuverability of satellites and other vehicles in space. Leveraging a non-toxic, ionic liquid propellant and postage stamp-size thrusters, the TILE system is smaller, lighter and more cost-effective than traditional ion engines.

"Accion's scalable technology can help bring game-changing capabilities to satellites, space vehicles and customers," said Brian Schettler, managing director of Boeing HorizonX Ventures. "Investing in startups with next-generation concepts accelerates satellite innovation, unlocking new possibilities and economics in Earth orbit and deep space."

Founded in 2014 by two Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) engineers, Accion is redefining in-space propulsion. Accion has received annual contracts from the U.S. Department of Defense for the past three years. In June 2018, Accion Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder Natalya Bailey was named to MIT Technology Review's annual list of Innovators Under 35 for her visionary leadership.

"Our TILE product family gives satellites greater capabilities, and at the size of a postage stamp, it fundamentally rewrites the relationship between mass and propulsion," Bailey said. "Boeing's aerospace leadership will help us deliver safer, higher performance next-generation propulsion systems to market for satellite and deep space exploration applications."

Boeing HorizonX Ventures led the investment round with participation from GETTYLAB. The investment and partnership will help Accion grow its manufacturing and connect with Boeing experts, resources and state-of-the-art facilities.

Boeing HorizonX Ventures targets investments that help scale startup innovation in aerospace. Its portfolio is made up of companies specializing in autonomous systems, additive manufacturing, energy and data storage, advanced materials, augmented reality systems and software, machine learning, hybrid-electric and hypersonic propulsion and Internet of Things connectivity.

The investment continues Boeing's legacy of adopting next-generation technologies to advance satellite capabilities. In 2011, Boeing introduced the first-ever all-electric satellite propulsion system, the 702SP, and has continued to bolster its satellite capabilities with recent investments in Millennium Space Systems and Bridge Sat. Inc.

Boeing is the world's largest aerospace company and leading manufacturer of commercial jetliners and defense, space and security systems. A top U.S. exporter, it supports airlines and U.S. and allied government customers in more than 150 countries.

Boeing Reports Third-Quarter Deliveries



Singapore Airlines 787-10

Commercial Airplanes

Programs

737	138	407
747	2	5
767	4	13
777	12	37
787	34	106
Total	190	568

Defense, Space & Security Programs

AH-64 Apache (New)	—	—
AH-64 Apache (Remanufactured)	6	12

CH-47 Chinook (New)	2	11
CH-47 Chinook (Renewed)	6	14
F-15 Models	3	8
F/A-18 Models	5	10
P-8 Models	2	10
Commercial and Civil Satellites	1	1
Military Satellites	—	—

ROSE CENTER – LUNCHEON

For our luncheon on Tuesday, October 2, we experienced our new caterer, Jay’s Catering, for the first time. Although there were a few small hiccups along the way, my experience in working with them through the planning and presentation of our luncheon demonstrated they are a 1st class organization and they delivered wonderful service. As we discussed in the August Roundup, Jay’s requires a 10-day lead time for the luncheon attendance final headcount. This is necessary to ensure proper planning for the expected number of attendees. In general, a majority of the members adhered to this requirement. It is understood that last minute changes can occur in all of our lives. However, if any additional requests to attend the luncheon occur inside of the 10-day requirement, your association will be billed \$150.00 over and above the basic costs per meal. Unfortunately, there were a couple of members who missed out on attending this lunch because they did not make the decision to attend until the due date was passed. This of course, we all want to avoid in the future, so please observe the due date listed on the bottom of the reservation form. It should also be emphasized that No Walk-In tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the luncheon.

ROSE CENTER THEATER

While all of you who attend the luncheon at the Rose Center are well familiar with its banquet hall services, you may not be aware that Rose Center also has an excellent community theater on site. In fact, this theater is directly across the lobby from our meeting room. It is a small, intimate community theater seating over 400 people with the result that all the seats are excellent. Rose Center Theater has a website which is www.rosecentertheater.com and is the primary mechanism used to announce future

attractions. You can sign up to receive emails announcing their coming attractions.

My husband, Joe, and I have attended several performances there through the past 4-5 years, experiencing an outstanding display of local talent for both stage plays and musicals. As an example, we just attended a performance called “Encore” which included songs from many very well-known Broadway productions, such as South Pacific, Man of La Mancha, Oklahoma, The Sound of Music to name a few. And all of this for the astounding price of \$15.00/ticket for seniors plus free parking in the garage across the street. If you haven’t been to the Rose Center Theater, I would suggest you give it a try. We think you will have an enjoyable evening.

Barbara Callaghan – VP, Meetings

RETIREMENT ADVISORY BOARD

I attended the semi-annual meeting, held in Oklahoma City, August 28, 2018. As you recall, this Board consists of Retirees from each of the Facilities affected by the McDonnell Douglas decision to stop paying for group health insurance for salaried, non-bargaining employees, back in 1993. As of this date, the coverage Boeing provides only affects some 2,158 retirees, with 6,776 others opting to get coverage outside the program. As the numbers keep shrinking, so do the plans offered, for 2019 there will be three plans offered for Southern California retirees; Kaiser HMO, SCAN HMO and United Health Care PPO.

All members of this group should have received information about availability and cost changes for the 2019 year, no later than early November. Please feel free to call me if you have questions, but a better source for information is through the health Insurance Medical Advisors, to reach one of these people, call 1-866-2016 and enter your BEMSID, choose a password, w/o a password, enter “Retirement”. You will be asked for the last four digits of your SSN and your birthdate. You will be in direct contact with a representative from ALIGHT, the company providing service for Boeing.

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A LITTLE HUMOR

Part of rebuilding New Orleans caused residents often to be challenged with the task of tracing home titles back potentially hundreds of years. With a community rich with history stretching back over two centuries, houses have been passed along through generations of family, sometimes making it quite difficult to establish ownership. Here's a great letter an attorney wrote to the FHA on behalf of a client:

A New Orleans lawyer sought an FHA loan for a client. He was told the loan would be granted if he could prove satisfactory title to a parcel of property being offered as collateral. The title to the property dated back to 1803, which took the lawyer three months to track down. After sending the information to the FHA, he received the following reply: (Actual reply from FHA).

"Upon review of your letter adjoining your client's loan application, we note the request is supported by an Abstract of Title. While we compliment the able manner in which you have prepared and presented the application, we must point out you have only cleared title to the proposed collateral property back to 1803. Before final approval can be accorded, it will be necessary to clear the title back to its origin."

Annoyed, the lawyer responded as follows: (Actual response):

"Your letter regarding title in Case No.189156 has been received. I note that you wish to have title extended further than the 206 years covered by the present application. I was unaware any educated person in this country, particularly those working in the property area, would not know Louisiana was purchased by the United States from France in 1803, the year of origin identified in our application. For the edification of uninformed FHA bureaucrats, the title to the land prior to U.S. ownership was obtained from France, which had acquired it by Right of Conquest from Spain. The land came into the possession of Spain by Right of Discovery made in the year 1492 by a sea captain named Christopher Columbus, who had been granted the privilege of seeking a new route to India by the Spanish monarch, Queen Isabella. The good Queen Isabella, being a pious woman and almost as careful about titles as the

FHA, took the precaution of securing the blessing of the Pope before she sold her jewels to finance Columbus's expedition. Now the Pope, as I'm sure you may know, is the emissary of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and God, it is commonly accepted, created this world. Therefore, I believe it is safe to presume God also made the part of the world called Louisiana. God, therefore, would be the owner of origin and His origins date back to before the beginning of time, the world as we know it, and the FHA. I hope you find God's original claim to be satisfactory. Now, may we have our loan?"
The loan was immediately approved!

. Submitted by Mark Brislaw

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Steven Atkins, Seattle V.P. -Engineering

Dale G. Bunce, C1, Fleet Statistics

Joseph Ekl, N/A, Surveillance Officer at Securitas Security Services USA, Inc.

Bill Kulungian, Seal Beach, Product Support, Fleet Statistics

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Andy Trentacoste, C1,
Propulsion Engineering

