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INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL AFFILIATION OF WOMEN AIRLINE PILOTS

SEPTEMBER 82

The first new officer's meeting took place in Chicago on August 23, 1982. The big silence between May and the present was due to a decision not to put out a newsletter until we could all meet and formulate a game plan. While we hope that was accomplished in Chicago, we simultaneously decided to consolidate the traditional Fall Newsletter and the President's Membership Letter into one publication, hence to avoid duplication of effort and boring everyone to death with trivia. The job now rests with the Vice President, and this is it.

NEW OFFICERS

We thought you might be interested in some brief biographical information on your officers. Summaries follow:

President Karen M. Kahn, Continental Airlines, S/O B-727. Karen was hired by Continental in July 1977 and has flown the 727 as first and second officer, including two stints as international second officer on Continental's subsidiary, Air Micronesia (operates between Honolulu, Guam, and Tokyo serving the Trust Territories of the Pacific). With 5000 hours total flight time, Karen holds an ATP, FE Turbojet, Glider, Seaplane, CFI:AI and Instrument and Advanced Ground Instructor. Karen attended Reed College in Portland, Oregon and prior to being hired by CAL, was owner/operator of Accelerated Pilot Training, instructed for Sierra Academy of Aeronautics, and flew for Calistoga Soaring Center and TeleZap Productions.

Vice President Abigail F. Davis, Northwest Orient, S/O B-727. Hired as NWA's first woman pilot in March 1979, Abby has 5000 hours total flight time. Ratings include Commercial Learjet and FE Turbojet. Prior to being hired by NWA, Abby was recruited by IBM and flew first officer on GIIs and Learjets based in New

York. Previous experience was with Stauffer Chemical Company as first officer in a DH-125 and Citation. Abby is a Dean's List graduate of Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York, with B.A.s in English and Philosophy. She is presently pursuing a Master's Degree in English at the University of Minnesota.

Secretary Lynn Rippelmeyer, People's Express, Captain B-737. By 1977, Lynn had all the required ratings and licenses, flight time and experience to start looking for a permanent airline job, and she has been looking ever since. Since she was hired as a TWA flight attendant in 1972, Lynn has had more aviation jobs than most people have ideas.

1977-78 Air Illinois, DHC-6 F/O.

1978-80 TWA, B-727 S/O (furloughed 1/80).

1980-81 Seaboard World, B-747 F/O (furloughed when Seaboard merged with Flying Tigers).

1981-82 People's Express, B-737 Captain.

Lynn was the first woman to fly a B-747, the first to be type rated in the B-737, and is presently one of only four women flying as captain on an air carrier with jet equipment in the U.S.

Treasurer Holly Fulton, Braniff B-727 S/O at time of bankruptcy. Holly was the third woman hired by Braniff, and was one of the youngest at age 22. During her career at Braniff, she was the only female pilot to check out on the DC-8 and B-747. She has flown internationally to the Far East, South Pacific, Europe, and South and Central America. Following a F/O checkout on the B-727 in March 1979, Holly flew one year as copilot. She graduated magna cum laude from Avila College in Kansas City with a B.A. in Spanish and Education. Holly's introduction to aviation came early, and her father was her instructor for all of her ratings from private to ATP. Due to Braniff's termination in May 1982, she is currently seeking employment in the airline industry.

JAMAICA MEETING / TORONTO IN '83

The annual meeting in Jamaica was a great success, due to Maria's valiant efforts and plain hard work. Next year's meeting is scheduled for Toronto- tentatively May 10,11,12- with Judy Cameron as host and Air Canada's sponsorship. The Spring Newsletter will contain all pertinent data and travel information. At our Chicago meeting, we tossed around the idea of making the 5th Annual Meeting a special one, including a salute to the foreign carriers. Other than making a civilized gesture- since all the officers are representative of U.S. carriers- we were attempting to devise a means to induce a greater attendance of foreign pilots at the meetings, and thought perhaps this would be a way to start. Your inputs are needed. If you have thoughts on the subject, drop a line to the P.O. Box.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER AT ANNUAL MEETING

We are going to have one. Reasons are twofold. First, our organization is getting enough exposure that many of us are being asked to speak, comment, write, appear, and hold forth. Newspapers in particular want good, professional, interesting photos, and we never have any. It makes us look like amateurs. The personal side of the argument applies also; many members would like high-quality photos for their private scrapbooks. Secondly, a professional photographer would enable everyone to leave their cameras in their rooms during the cocktail party and other important events, thus letting us drink in peace, and with both hands. This is the first request to bring your full formal uniforms to the meeting.

FORMAT OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting has been a source of much enjoyment, camaraderie, exchange of ideas and telling of lies for the past four years. The question that arose in Chicago was, do we want to change the format? A lot, slightly, not at all? Do we want more scheduled items, serious seminars, more F-U-N? A formal speaker was suggested, i.e., a high-ranking female military officer, the SAS pilot who was the first woman in the world to fly for a major air carrier, or a female representative of NASA. The options are numerous, and the abovementioned choices are only three of them. It could be a

brief presentation, a long one, or a nonexistent one. We would appreciate feedback.

MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE

KK is printing a membership brochure. It will include an explanation of ISA, several good photos, list eligibility requirements, and contain a tear-off application form.

ISA PERMANENT ADDRESS

With an eye to appearing more professional and permanent an organization, we have established a permanent ISA address, namely a post office box in the Denver airport.

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P.O. Box 38644

Denver, Colorado 80238

Denver was chosen because of its general accessibility. In the future, please address all ISA correspondence to the above address, unless you have something specifically for a particular member.

ISA HISTORIAN/STATISTICIAN

Terry Rinehart has agreed to continue assembling a comprehensive list of women airline pilots worldwide (not limited to ISA members). Kindly forward information to her as it becomes available. This is part of the continuing effort to have some accurate, meaningful data at our fingertips for public relations purposes. We have been asked multiple times, " How many women pilots are there?". It may sound a bit inane to most of us at this stage of the game, but it would not hurt our collective image to be able to respond.

ISA * 21 BOOKLET

This little pamphlet has been the source of many questions. First, accolades to Jean for her persistence and good work. There have been some questions as to the dispensation of funds, and the answer goes like this: Jean will be paid back the original \$1600 which she contributed for the funding of the first booklet, plus 10% interest on her money for the months

it was on loan to ISA. All other proceeds will be applied toward the second printing and funding for a second (and different) booklet. For updating the first booklet, Jean needs action shots of women pilots, including photos of airlines in flight and on the ground. She also requests photos of members in their pre-airline aviation endeavors, and photos of men and women pilots working together. Send material to P.O. Box.

The second booklet, which will be different in both scope and content, is being handled by Bonnie Tiburzi. Tentatively, it will include a series of chapters dealing with each phase of aviation and include interviews with various women pilots.

NEWS

Lynn Rippelmeyer has checked out as B-737 Captain for People's Express.

Sharon Finch has been hired by Northwest Orient as B-727 S/O.

Norah O'Neill has a new address: Route 1, Box 211, Touchet, WA, 99360, phone 509/529-5256.

Abby Davis has a new phone: 612/854-0648.

Stephanie Crampton has a new address: General Delivery, Hillsdale, Ontario, L0L IVO Canada.

We have 5 new members:

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Attached is a personal/professional change update form. Please renew/respond promptly upon receipt of this letter, as we want to get the new address book assembled and printed for mailing in late January.

Norah O'Neill's camera failed in Jamaica. She would appreciate photos of the meeting.

Abby Davis needs good photos for the ISA scrapbook.

We feel we covered a lot of territory in Chicago. Let us know what you think.