

A Letter from the President

For those of you who are ALPA members, I hope you saw our Anchorage conference featured in the Fast Read the week after the Conference. When ALPA reached out to me for a quote, I did not have to think about what I wanted to say for very long. I simply expressed that the week of our Conference is one of my favorite weeks each year, and that was not just a sound bite! I love seeing old friends, of course, but I'm also always inspired seeing industry trailblazers interact with those ladies who are just starting their airline careers. This is at the heart of what ISA+21 is all about and I simply love the yearly reminder! What I didn't mention to ALPA is the love that we all have for each other (the boys aren't interested in hearing about that!). That love was in abundance on Wednesday evening when word spread that one of our Charter members is battling a disease which precluded her attendance. I was pleased to be able to send her PAGES and PAGES of personal notes from all of you. I mailed them the next day and she reached out the minute she received them. It is so important, during our toughest times, to know that your ISA sisters are surrounding you with love and support! She asked me to tell you all how grateful she is for the love!

I, of course, thank all of you who made your way to Anchorage. I hope you had as much fun as I did! I would be remiss if I did not give a special shout out to our fantastic Board of Directors, and most especially, our Events Director Extraordinaire Maggie Eickhoff. Those of you who have planned a large event far away from home can certainly appreciate how much work goes into each Conference. Not only does Maggie do a great job year in and year out, but she makes it look easy!! I cannot wait to see her do it again next September! Thank you, Maggie.

Now that Conference is over, we return to our biggest project each year, our robust Scholarship program! I cannot wait to see which lucky young women will be next in-line to have their lives changed through your generosity!!

I look forward to seeing all of you next September!!

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