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New video: Air Operations, Flight leaders talk pilot issues

Recently, Tim Campbell, SVP, Air Operations, sat down with Capt. John Hale, VP, Flight, to address feedback from our pilots and discussions with our pilot union leadership. Topics include the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 117, the Merger Transition Agreement and some solutions we reached with our American and US Airways pilot unions.

(both of the above require Jetnet access)

American, DFW Airport leaders eye flights to Beijing

Read more here: http://www.star-telegram.com/2014/05/04/5791053/american-dfw-airport-leaders-eye.html/storylink=cpy

American Airlines Merger Leads to On-time Gains, Says President Scott Kirby

BY Ted Reed | 05/07/14 - 11:23 AM EDT


Dallas/Fort Worth unveils 10-gate Terminal B expansion

http://www.usatoday.com/story/todayinthesky/2014/05/08/dallasfort-worth-unveils-10-gate-terminal-b-expansion/8852055/
“American Airlines is retiring it’s B767-200 fleet. N332AA is scheduled to make its final commercial flight tonight, flying JFK to LAX, as Flight 21. It departs New York at 7:10 p.m. and arrives at 10:30 p.m. This 767 joined American’s fleet in 1987. I had a chance to fly it one last time to San Francisco a couple months ago. So long old gal, you served us well.”

F/O Ruben Alconero (Friday May 9 2014)

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My thanks to ORD flight attendant Jason Alexcovich (#665652) for his excellent comprehensive pa’s, customer service and adherence to policies and procedures…and also dealing with some in-flight equipment issues. Well done!

A very belated thank you to Captain Dave Tanner for his excellent pa’s and keeping us well informed throughout Flt 700 DFW-LGA this past July 25 2013!!

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“May 5....25 year anniversary Wonderful husband (Bob) surprised me with gift of Richard and Jill Wallace, Pete and Judy Ehrenberg, my niece Paige with husband Jeff and niece Megan with husband Kevin first class all to Hawaii. Next, surprise renewal of vows by Hawaiian tradition. Ceremony at 6pm. Bob started planning this 2 years ago. Everyone but me knew about this. Best anniversary ever! Best husband ever! Best friends and family ever!”

IDF flight attendant Holly Couch Hamilton

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The Kiwi Club National Board & LAS Convention Committee Members
Carol Kiley Buchanan, LAS Convention Committee, Ernie Shade Reis, Jane Fullen Haag, Jo Sharp McFadden, Cindi Youts Sanders, Ginny Day McKillop,
Janet Dunlap Craven, Marilyn Donti Kienke LAS Convention Committee, Kay Jerman Jennings, LAS Convention Committee
The Kiwi Club recently wrapped up a very successful convention in Las Vegas! Jane Fullen Haag, a 42 year
ORD based stewardess/flight attendant, 3rd from left in the photograph, was elected President for a two year
term of office!

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JETHEAD’S BLOG: The World from 30,000 Feet at 500 MPH

with Captain Chris Manno

Flying Then As Now
“It’s a kinder, gentler type of flying, especially with 160 warm bodies aboard. Burnished, polished smooth by the thousands of
hours in the air, but then as now, and ever, what really matters is flight.”
http://jethead.wordpress.com/2014/05/05/flying-then-as-now/

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Merle Williams – Instructor Maintenance Training JFK
1918-2014
Merle was hired by American Airlines on September 23, 1939 and served AAL for 41 years retiring October 31, 1980. He and I
worked together on producing aircraft maintenance training programs back in the 1970’s. Merle served as president of the Three

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I normally do not post stories related to other airlines but this one caught my attention!
From Richard Oates (Delta flight attendant)

“Hello all, I’d like to share a bit of aviation history that happened today May 8, 2014.. Our senior flight attendant/ Purser celebrated his 90th birthday today. Bob Reardon broke the record having 63 years of service for Northwest Orient/ Northwest/ and now with the merged Delta. He is going strong and continues flying Tokyo trips. I have had the pleasure of flying with Bob 3 times and he is a class act and passengers love him. He is old school, and changes his shirt 3 times on a 15 hour flight so that he always looks sharp. Please join me in congratulating Bob in breaking the records, as well as a Happy Birthday!”

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“What I didn’t expect was the complete gratitude of the passengers. I’ve been repeating it every year since.” – Capt. Russ Wayant, who started giving flowers to all ladies on his Mother’s Day flights six years ago.