

## **DDPSA NEWS-- September 9, 2013**

### **NEW WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING**

A redesigned DDPSA website was launched on September 9, 2013. The domain name of [www.ddpsa.org](http://www.ddpsa.org) remains as the website address.

#### **What are the changes? :**

The redesigned website has been updated, is more user-friendly and contains extensive reference material. The website, which was designed by a DDPSA Board Member using the Go Daddy web builder program, will be less expensive to maintain and easier to update. Previously the website was managed by a third party.

#### **How is the new website more user-friendly? :**

The website design uses “buttons” which can be clicked to view various pages and documentation. Users who Beta tested the new site responded that the design was more user-friendly than the old website.

#### **What type of additional documentation has been added to the website? :**

The D&S Plan page contains every amendment to the D&S Plan dating back to its establishment in 1972. It often is necessary to research various amendments to the D&S Plan, because benefits generally are governed by the Plan provisions in effect on the pilot’s Event Date. For clarification, the Event Date is defined as the earliest date of a pilot’s disability, retirement or death.

The previous Survivor Help List has been expanded and renamed the Flight Plan for the Final Flight West. If a pilot fills in important

information, the document should be very helpful to survivors and executors.

Additional reference material will be added to the website in the future.

**Why was the change made? :**

The old website contained dated information. It was somewhat cumbersome and expensive to work through a third party in order to keep the website updated. Although the initial design and set-up of the site consumed a lot of volunteer hours, future updating of the website will be relatively easy and the website will less costly to operate.

**Does DDPSA own other domain names? :**

Yes, the domain names of [www.ddpsa.net](http://www.ddpsa.net) and [www.ddpsa.com](http://www.ddpsa.com) are owned by DDPSA and being transferred to Go Daddy.