



## Silver Eagles Newsletter

May 2018

### Silver Eagles,

We have one new member this month! I didn't remember Al and when we compared notes it seems that we didn't launch together. I have not had good luck with awards ceremonies. My clothes washer died in the middle of a load! We have some great member-sharing this month! Oh, only **Butch Wilson's** newsletter kicked back last month.

### New Member:

**Alan "Al" Yurman** was with the NTSB from 1988 - 2004, 8 years in NY & NJ and 8 years in MIA with Corky.

### Board News:

The **NTSB Annual Awards Ceremony** was held and I missed it again! I actually had it on my calendar, but my day went south quick! Sorry! **Lorenda** was kind enough to send us a list of the winners. I am still recognizing names of recipients after nine years! I've attached the list at the end.

This news on **Bill Gamble** from **Timothy LeBaron** through **Lorenda**: After a career as a military helicopter pilot and nearly 26 years at the NTSB, **Bill Gamble** is starting a much deserved retirement today at quitting time. Please join me in extending thanks for his service to America and congratulations on this next chapter in his life. (See photo. Bill is in the tan shirt) (*I invited him to join the Silver Eagles. He hasn't gotten back. I've got his email addresses if anyone else wants to try.*)



### Member News:

This from **Chris Julius**: “Great news this week. (*last month*) Fun reading about old friends and colleagues’ excellent adventures. For Jeff, and everyone, two great reads to recommend: *Ship of Gold in the Deep Blue Sea*, and *Longitude*, about solving lateral navigation in days of sailing ships.”

This from **Linda Jones**: “Okay. Here's my response to your request. I went to Tucson to visit family and while there went to the Pima Air Museum. If you haven't been, you've missed a wonderful display. Here's a picture of me with Amelia. Couldn't resist. Best to all.” (See photo) (*Linda denies it, but I personally see a resemblance between Amelia and Linda. Anyone else?*)



## **Miscellaneous:**

Keep the news coming! Hobbies, Workshops? Volunteer work? Little things – big adventures! Did you enjoy what Linda, Chris and Joe shared? Well, others will enjoy what you shared. Please! Please!

Don't forget the Silver Eagle Website: [www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html](http://www.precisionwrite.com/SilverEagles.html)

Have a great Memorial Day! Wrap a May Poll! Oh, wait, that's something else and I think past time...

Jim Henderson

BUT don't miss the awards results below!

### **NTSB Annual Awards Ceremony**

**Chairman's Award > Deborah S. Bruce** – Office of Highway Safety

**Managing Director's Award > Cory N. Brown & Denise M. D'Avella** – Office of Administration

**Dr. John K. Lauber Science & Engineering Award > Erik M. Mueller** – Office of Research and Engineering

**Nall-Raskin Public Service Award > Dennis J. Hogenson** – Office of Aviation Safety

**Distinguished Investigative Service Award > Stephen M. Jenner** – Office of Railroad, Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Investigations & **Brian W. Young** – Office of Marine Safety

**Distinguished Employee Service Award > Stephanie R. Matonek** – Office of Safety Recommendations and Communications

**EEO, Diversity and Inclusion Award > Jesús A. Cudemus** – Office of Safety Recommendations and Communications

**Employee Peer Award > Sheryl R. Harley** – Office of Highway Safety

### **Special Recognition Awards**

#### **El Faro Marine Accident Report and Investigation >**

Brian Young – MS, Carrie Bell – MS, Eric Stolzenberg – MS, Michael Kucharski – MS, R.J. Furukawa – MS, Charlotte Cox – MS, Lucille Jones – MS, Monica Mitchell – MS, Andrew Ehlers – MS, Liam LaRue – MS, James Scheffer – MS, Morgan Turrell – MS, Michael Richards – AS, Chris Wallace – SRC, Christy Spangler – SRC, Alice Park – RE, Peter Knudson – SRC, Katy Chisom – SRC, Stephanie Matonek – SRC, Sean Payne – RE, James Anderson – SRC, Jesus Cudemus – SRC, Dennis Crider – RE, Steve Blackistone – SRC, Erik Grosf – MD, Ed Kendall – GC, Matt Hazlinsky – AD, Bryan Moy – AD, Greg Smith – RE, Xiaohu Liu – RE, Chris Babcock – RE, Ivan Cheung – RE, Adam Tucker – MS, Doug Mansell – RE, Kevin Renze – RE and Loren Groff – RE.

**Budget Operations Team >**

Cheryl Lucky – CFO, Karen Sherman – CFO, Cory Hillegass – CFO, & LaDonna Nash – CFO.

**Williston FL Team (Automobile w/automated Control Systems Fatal Crash Investigation)>**

Deborah Bruce – HS, Ensar Becic – HS, Jerome Cantrell – HS, Robert Squire – HS, Jane Foster – RE, Joseph Gregor – RE, Shane Lack – RE, Michael LaPonte – HS, Mary Pat McKay – RE, Alice Park – RE, Kristin Poland – HS, Kevin Renze – RE, Jesus Cudemus – SRC, Eric Emery – RE, Elias Kontanis – SRC, Christopher O’Neil – SRC, Gwynne O’Reagan – HS, and Julie Perrot – SRC.

**AMTRAK/Chester, PA Team >**

Ryan Frigo – RPH, Joe Gordon – RPH, Dana Sanzo – RPH, Michael Hoepf – RPH, Steve Jenner – RPH, Ricky Page – RPH, Jim Southworth – RPH, Elias Kontanis – SRC, Nick Webster – RE, Charles Cates – RE, Sean Payne – RE, Bill Tuccio – RE, Joe Gregor – RE, Alice Park – RE, Terry Williams – SRC, Bob Beaton – RPH, Dave Bucher – RPH, John Whitener – CIO, Christy Spangler – SRC, Meg Athey (retired) – RPH, Rachel Gunaratnum – RPH, Sean Dalton – GC, Patrick Cahalane – External DOE and Georgetta Gregory – RPH.