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ASAP!

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Transocean Air Lines' Friendship Tours

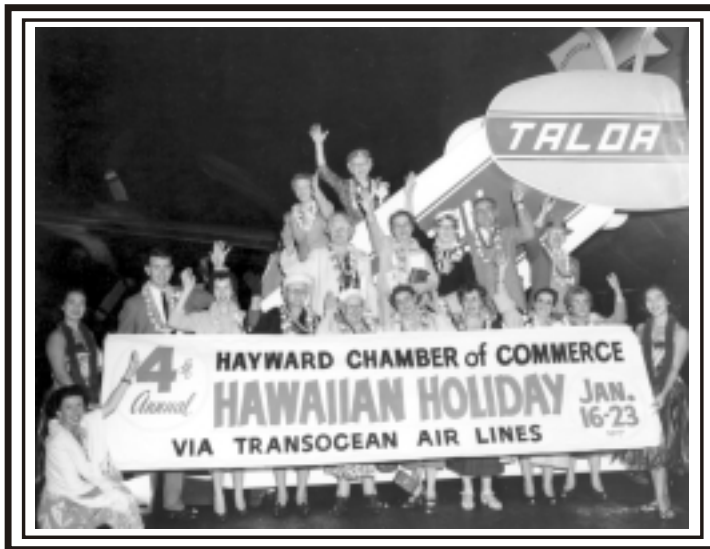
By Arue Szura

(From "Folded Wings - A History of Transocean Air Lines")

"Early in 1953, the TAL sales people organized nine customized Friendship Tours, with direct flights from such out of the way California towns as Fresno, Ukiah, and Chico. The first tour was for members of the Chamber of Commerce of Hayward, California, and departed from the Hayward Airport, the first time such a large aircraft (DC4) had landed at the small airfield.

"Transocean conducted successful tours from several other chambers of commerce in California, aided by a sales blitz conceived by Regional Sales Director Jim Corbett, and implemented by Corbett, Bill Leonard, Ed Hogan, Newell Davis, and the rest of the sales staff. Esther McConnell, who was the company's first tour director, found interesting places in Honolulu for the tourists to visit by enlisting the aid of a Hawaiian taxi driver."

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4th Annual Hayward Chamber of Commerce Hawaiian Holiday via TAL - Jan. 16-23, 1957

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L-Rt. Al Macedo, Bill Leonard, Al Morjig, Bill Word, Two Air Force Men. JATO bottles for quick take-off, Navy contract.

Photo by Albert "Kayo" Harris



Paul Purdy Turns Ninety

From the San Leandro Times

Paul Purdy celebrated his 90th birthday on March 22 with his family.

Paul was born in Denver, Colorado on March 22, 1916. He left Denver in 1940 to attend the University of Oregon where he received a bachelor's degree.

On April 19, 1942 Paul married Rose Bixby. He served in WWII as a Major on the U.S. Army Air Corps where he was a Flight Navigator. Paul received eight battle stars and flew in the Pacific and European Theaters.

Paul and his family moved to San

Leandro in 1948. Paul and Rose have four children: Mimi, Paul, Bob, and Sarah; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Their children and some of their grandchildren graduated from San Leandro High School. Paul's great-grandson, Eric, is now a freshman at San Leandro High. After WWII Paul was a flight navigator for several airlines, most notably, Transocean, and flew all over the world. He retired from aviation in 1972. Paul had received his teaching credential from Cal State Hayward in 1961 and worked for the school district after his retirement from aviation.

Paul now enjoys spending time with his family. In the summer, he goes to Upstate New York to a beautiful log cabin that they planned. It is built from trees that Rose and her father planted on the 100 acres of land years ago. Paul also enjoys attending reunions with the airlines he once flew for.



LAST CALL!!

RESERVATION FORM FOR 2006 TAL REUNION

Mail in your reservation ASAP!!

DATE: Saturday, September 16, 2006

PLACE: Western Aerospace Museum
8260 Boeing St., North Field, Oakland International Airport
(Take Earhart Drive past Hangar 5. Museum is across the street from Alaska Airlines Maintenance Hangar, behind the FAA Building)
Telephone: 510-638-7100

DRINKS & MEMORIES: 12:30 PM – 5:00 PM - Wine, beer, soft drinks compliments of your TALOA Alumni Association

LUNCH SERVED: 1:30 PM - BACK FORTY CATERING
Bingo & prizes following lunch

COST FOR LUNCH: \$30.00/Each - Adults \$10.00/Each - Children under 12 Years

MENU

Pork Ribs
Sliced Beef
BBQ Chicken
Green Salad
Fruit Salad
BBQ Beans
Corn Cobettes
Assorted Cookies
Roll & Butter

INFO FOR OUT-OF-TOWNERS: Several hotels are in the vicinity of the Museum. A sampling: Hilton Oakland Airport (510-635-5000); San Leandro Marina Inn (510-895-1311) (**NOTE: YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS!**)

Clip & fill out this reservation form. Make check payable to "TALOA Reunion" and mail check & form to: Pat Kearns, 11261 Magdalena Road, Los Altos, CA 94024-5182.

Reservation Deadline: ASAP

YES, I WILL ATTEND -Number of Persons in my party _____ Adults _____ Children

Amount of Enclosed Check _____

Name _____ Address _____

Telephone Number (include area code) _____

IN MEMORIAM

Carleen Barber

Jeanne Foster

Donald Fraim

Olga Frey

Rush Hughes

Jeanne Lattanner Hansen

Alvin Macedo

Ronald Nicholson

Don Willhalm

Mildred Willhalm



Friendship Tours *continued*:

Listed below are a few of the *many* Friendship Tours flown by Transocean Air Lines:

- California Grange News
- Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce
- Utah National Parks Council Boy Scouts of America
- Venture Chamber of Commerce
- Sacramento Shopping News - Times
- Taft Chamber of Commerce
- Chiropractic Hawaiian Holidays
- Chehalis Chamber of Commerce
- San Diego County Farm Bureau
- Bank Employees Tour to Hawaii

Business and Professional Women's Hawaiian Holiday

- Valley Jewish News Brotherhood Tour to Hawaii
- Telephone Pioneers Tour to Hawaii
- Alameda Chamber of Commerce
- San Leandro Chamber of Commerce

Also such diverse groups as The Flying Farmers, football teams, beauty queens, turkey growers, square dancers, bird watchers, The Gentlemen Chefs, the Beverly Hills Health Club, and many others.

Those were the days, my friends.



With Age Comes Wisdom

A guy is 81 years old and loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up." He looked around and couldn't see anyone. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice say again, "Pick me up." He looked in the water and there, floating on the top was a frog.

The man said, "Are you talking to me?"

The frog said, "Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up. Then, kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen. I'll then give you more

pleasure than you have ever dreamed of."

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed the frog in his front breast pocket.

Then the frog said, "What are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said? I said kiss me and I will give you more pleasure than you have ever had."

He opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said, "Nah, at my age I'd rather have a talking frog."



WHERE HAVE ALL THE GRANDMAS GONE?

In the dim and distant past
When life's tempo wasn't so fast,
Grandma used to rock and knit,
Crochet, tat, and baby sit.
When the kids were in a jam,
They could always call on Gram.

But today she's in the gym
Exercising to keep slim.
She's checking the web or surfing the net,
Sending some e-mail or placing a bet.
Nothing seems to stop her or block her,
Now that Grandma's off her rocker.

- July, 2000 RUPANEWS



L-Rt. Douglas Cole,
Timmie Amai
TAL Ticket Office, Hilo,
Hawaii, circa 1954

Photo by Ken Bo

Get your wedding dress, marriage license, and airplane tickets for your honeymoon all in one building!



Christmas Trees from Seattle to Fairbanks, Alaska

Photo by Art Ford & Fred Carter



Reasons to Smile

How come we choose from just two people to run for president and over fifty for Miss America?

Don't argue with an idiot: people watching may not be able to tell the difference.



Points to Ponder

The three secrets of success in public speaking are: be sincere, be brief, and be seated.

A happy person is not a person in a certain set of circumstances, but rather a person with a certain set of attitudes.

Hugh Downs

