

Alpha-Omega Club

Newsletter

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Hi Folks,

Winter is approaching for those of us who reside in the Southern Hemisphere. I hope those residing on the other side of the Equator do not have too hot of a Summer.

2008 Annual Conference:

The 63rd Annual Conference was held in Mexico City from the 18 – 22 April 2008. From all reports the Conference was memorable. The number of Member Associations reached 101 with the election of four new associations. They were (please excuse the spelling as I am not so familiar with the computer software to place all the appropriate signs) The Associacao Nacional de Pilotos de Angola, the Asociacion Nacional de Pilotos de la Republica Dominicana, the Montenegrin Air Line Pilots Association and Association of Air Line Pilots in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Awards.

The Clarence Sayen Award was presented to Capt. Denis Dolan. Capt Dolan has served his fellow pilots for 21 years first with his home Association and then the Federation. He first joined the board in 2000 as PVP Professional Affairs then President in 2003.

A Scroll of Merit was presented to Capt Suresh Menon of ALPA-S. Capt Menon has completed three terms as RVP Asia/East. He has represented the Federation at ICAO Regional meetings and has regularly chaired Committee D at Annual Conference.

Presidential Citations have been presented to Capt Martin Alder, Capt Dan Maurino and Capt Miguel Marin. All recipients have worked tirelessly on behalf of the Federation over a number of years.

The Polaris Award was presented to Capt Trevor Arnold who was in command of the B737-200 that had its starboard engine completely dislodged during take-off at Cape Town.

Members news –

I have received correspondence from Ray Gerber and Yunosuke Tsukamoto who at the time of writing were both well.

Smile Time**“Out of Office” Automatic e-mail Replies**

- I am currently out at a job interview and will reply if I fail to get the position. Be prepared for my mood.
- You are receiving this automatic notification because I am out of the office. If I was in, chances are you wouldn't have received anything at all.
- Sorry to have missed you, but I am at the doctor's having my brain and heart removed so I can be promoted to our management team.

Until the next Newsletter – keep well.

Warm Regards

Gary