



# President's Message



October 1, 2018

The TWA Retired Pilots Association Board of Directors has just completed its Fall Meeting. The Board voted to contribute \$500 to the Flight 800 Memorial Flag Sponsorship Program again for 2019. Our Senior Director, Charlie Wilder, will handle the Flown West Condolence Letters and a thank you letter was sent to Lisa Ginter,

CEO of Community America Credit Union, for their generous donation of \$1,500 to the TWA Retired Pilots Association. We are solvent and have \$56,000 in the bank and CACU.

If you have friends who are not yet members of the TWA Retired Pilots Association, please encourage them to join. **Membership is only \$40 per year and includes a subscription to the TWA Topics magazine.** Those of you who just want to subscribe to the TWA Topics magazine also need to send \$40 to: Ed Madigan, P.O. Box 3665, Incline Village, NV 89450. Now is an excellent time to send Ed that \$40 for 2019.

This year has literally flown-by for me, and many of you as well. We have a busy and exciting finish in store for the rest of 2018. Personally, I have two weddings in our family this month, then Thanksgiving, a site selection trip for the 2020 Reunion, the Caribbean Cruise with the Grey Eagles in early December, and then planning for Christmas and New Years – wow that's a lot in just a couple of months!

Next year will be even more exciting with the **opening of the TWA Hotel at JFK International Airport!** With that, we are excited to announce that our **2019 Annual Convention** is scheduled to take place at the **TWA Hotel, September 2-5, 2019.** This will be one convention you definitely won't want to miss, so be sure to spread the word to all your TWA friends and family! **Read more about our 2019 Convention on pages 9.**

Interest and response is expected to be very high for this event, so be sure to **complete your room ASAP,** and keep an eye on our website ([www.TWAretdPilotsAssociation.com](http://www.TWAretdPilotsAssociation.com)) for more info and updates. Keep an eye on our website for updates and additional information: [www.TWAretdPilotsAssociation.com](http://www.TWAretdPilotsAssociation.com).

This event at the TWA Hotel will be a wonderful opportunity to meet and greet the many acquaintances we have worked with over the years as part of **THE TWA Family!**

**I hope you're making plans to attend THE PARTY in September 2019 – see you there!**

Sincerely,

Captain E. E. "Gene" York  
President, TWA Retired Pilots Association

P.S. We are also still supporting our comrades from the AA Grey Eagles; as such, see page 50 for information about the **Grey Eagles 2019 Convention, October 13-15, 2019** and a Pre-Convention Train Tour, October 7-13, 2019 – both of which look fantastic!