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IAH/HOU-L/S Hotels

All Houston layover hotels are operational and have electricity, food, water and transportation. Pilots requesting a change from the downtown hotel to the airport hotel may not be accommodated due to limited room availability.

Delta Pilot Network Connects Affected Pilots with Support

Volunteers from the Delta Pilot Network made phone calls to 293 affected pilots along the Gulf Coast, and sent alert emails to an additional 63 pilots in non-critically affected areas. Pilots needing financial support were referred to the Delta MEC's [Furlough/Emergency Relief Fund](#) and [Pilots-4-Pilots](#), and other ALPA resources were provided to affected pilots as needed. Volunteers coordinated with the Delta MEC to get our crews and their families in touch with Company representatives when necessary. If you know of someone who has been affected, please call 1-800-USA-ALPA or email DPN@alpa.org.

IROP Support

The storm has impacted flights across the country. If you have questions concerning your rotations or schedule, contact the Scheduling Committee at dalscheduling@alpa.org or 800-872-2572 (M-F 0800-1800). For urgent, after-hours scheduling concerns, contact the DPN After Hours Support Network at 866-239-0437 (please be patient as it may take a few minutes to connect with a volunteer).

Help Those Affected By Harvey

Hurricane Harvey tore across the Gulf last week leaving widespread damage in its wake. Pilots for Pilots (P4P) provides monetary assistance to ALPA members and their families to cover the immediate, extraordinary expenses that follow widespread, catastrophic events like Harvey. P4P is funded solely by donations. If you would like to support your fellow pilots, consider [donating to P4P today](#). If you have been affected by Harvey, [learn more and apply for assistance](#). Additionally, the [Furlough Emergency Relief Fund](#) is available to Delta pilots in need.

9/1	ALPA offices close at noon (through 9/4)	9/14	Retiree Reunion (through 9/15)
9/4	October Bid Period opens - 6pm	9/19	Council 81 meeting
9/11	Council 66 meeting	9/19	ATL Training PUB
9/12	Council 1 meeting	9/21	Council 16 meeting
9/12	MSP PUB at Marriott Courtyard	10/24	ATL Training PUB
9/14	Council 48 meeting		

PBS Software Update

A software update to the PBS system is scheduled for installation on September 1. Look for a PBS Notepad detailing new functionality once installation is complete. When the bid window opens for the October 2017 bid period (Monday, September 4 at 6pm ET), pilots must [completely clear their browser's cache](#) to ensure they have fresh data and are running the most up-to-date version of the PBS WebApp. The latest version of the WebApp will be posted on the PBS Info Screen.

Last month nearly 7,000 Delta pilots used the PBS WebApp for their bidding. A host of information has been, and will continue to be, available on the [PBS Help Website](#) and on the [Delta PWG YouTube Channel](#), which we suggest that you subscribe to. As a reminder, the PBS Desktop Application is no longer supported and will no longer work. While the older Web UI will continue to be available for the foreseeable future, we continue to encourage the use of the WebApp due to its offline capability. For questions, contact PBSCommittee@alpa.org.

SLC SIDs Removal of Altitudes and Speeds

On September 6, SLC ATC will issue NOTAMS to disregard altitude crossing and speed restrictions on SIDs *except* the NSIGNS Departure. The departure clearance will advise crews to fly "XYZ Departure, Maintain 10,000', with a 230 knot speed restriction." Compliance with the lateral path is still required, as well as the minimum climb requirements for each departure. Database restrictions will need to be removed for compliance with affected departures. [Click here](#) for a more complete description.

Update Your Delta MEC Contact Info

All pilots are encouraged to review and update their contact information on the Delta MEC website via My Page. ALPA uses the information you provide to get in touch with you during emergencies and significant safety events. Several pilots who were affected by Hurricane Harvey were unable to be quickly contacted with support because of missing or outdated contact information. Please take the time and visit dal.alpa.org/MyPage to update your information.

ALPA Office Hours

The Delta MEC Offices will close at noon on Friday, September 1 through Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. For time-critical scheduling and contract questions, DPN After Hours Support Network is available by calling **866-239-0437**. Scheduling and Contract Administration can also be reached at dalscheduling@alpa.org or dalcontractquestions@alpa.org appropriately. Messages for contract and scheduling concerns will be monitored.

MSP PUB

All pilots and their families are invited to attend the Minneapolis pilot unity building (PUB) event on Tuesday, September 12. The PUB will begin at 3pm at the Marriott Courtyard - immediately following the LEC meeting. If you're interested in attending, please RSVP [here](#) or by email at DALPUB@alpa.org so we can ensure an accurate headcount.

Casting Call for Atlanta Pilots

Ready for your closeup? "First Man," a movie based on the life of astronaut Neil Armstrong starring Ryan Gosling and Claire Foy, will be filming in Atlanta from late October through January. Rose Locke Casting is looking for pilots in the Atlanta area to serve as background actors or extras for the movie's launch control, mission control and blockhouse scenes. If you're interested, email extras@roselockecasting.com with three photos - head, body and profile shots. Also include your name, age, height, weight, email, mailing address and phone number. [Click here](#) for more information.

FRMT Survey

The Fatigue Risk Management Team (FRMT) needs a broader picture of specific fatigue-related issues raised in recent LOSA and Line Audits. Please take a few minutes to complete a short, anonymous [survey](#). No personal identifying information is requested and the Survey Monkey format does not record IP addresses. FRMT forwards the data to the Sleep/Wake Research Centre (Massey University, New Zealand) for analysis. A summary of findings will be posted on DeltaNet, and full reports are available on request. Your input on the survey is vital to reduce and mitigate fatigue-related risk at Delta Air Lines.

[Updated] ATL Training PUBs

Come and socialize with the MEC officers, elected representatives and MEC committee members at the upcoming Atlanta PUB events. Join us on Tuesday, September 19 or Tuesday, October 24. Both events will be held 6-8pm at Mellow Mushroom (1477 Virginia Avenue, Atlanta) for food and drinks. Transportation from the Hilton, Staybridge and Doubletree hotels is available upon request at the front desk. It's a short walk from the Holiday Inn and Crowne Plaza. All pilots able to attend are welcome.

Government Affairs

The Delta MEC Government Affairs Committee is *your* voice in government and to the public on rules and policies that protect our profession and advance pilot careers. Here is the latest information on current issues and activities:

[New] Congress Reconvenes: Government Affairs Committee advocacy on pending FAA legislation continued during this last week of the August recess, including several in-district meetings with Congressional legislators and staff. Both houses of Congress are scheduled to reconvene on Tuesday, September 5. The Senate is currently slated for 17 days in session this month; the House of Representatives, only 12 days. With the October 1 start of FY2018 on the immediate horizon, federal legislative priorities will shift, likely moving action on our pilot partisan issues back somewhat on the Congressional calendar. Our Capitol Hill advocacy focus in the coming weeks will be to preserve positive elements of the current House FAA reauthorization bill, H.R.2997, and work on improving the Senate bill, S.1405. Please take the time to participate in Calls to Action opposing the lowering of First Officer Qualification Standards, opposing NAI/Flags of Convenience/H.R.2150, and supporting the installation of secondary barriers to cockpit access. All are posted on [alpa.org](#).

[Updated] ME3: Our efforts continue and are indeed, increasing in the federal Legislative and Executive branches, opposing the damaging practices of state-owned airlines Emirates, Etihad and Qatar Airways. This isn't just an "us problem"; it's a national strategic and economic interest. The Delta MEC is an integral part of the company's "[Our Future, Our Fight](#)" campaign, information for which can be found on [Deltanet](#). Soon, a joint MEC-Delta pilot-engagement program will be launched as part of the comprehensive effort. Members should visit the [Partnership for Fair & Open Skies website](#) and join the White House petition calling for U.S. enforcement of our Open Skies agreements with UAE and Qatar. On [September 12](#) & 13, members of your Government Affairs Committee and 80 Delta employees will return to Washington with Partnership colleagues for direct, in-depth conversations with Congressional members on the ME3 issue.

[New] ALPA PAC: Congressional campaigns nationwide are beginning their planning now for the coming 2018 election cycle. The measure of our membership's participation, as well as the financial power of your ALPA Political Action Committee, largely determines its influence. Your membership assists in facilitating our access to policymakers and helping to maintain the presence of elected officials in Congress who are supportive of our agenda. ALPA PAC is very simply and truthfully, an investment in your professional future. Begin or adjust your ALPA PAC contributions today at [alpa.org](#).

[Updated] Communications: Your ability to engage in and contribute to important Government Affairs efforts on your behalf starts with being informed. The most up-to-date source is the committee Twitter platform [@DALMECgov](#). You don't have to join to visit and read. Simply go to [twitter.com/dalmecgov](#) and take a look.

For details on these initiatives and more, visit the [Government Affairs](#) committee page on [dal.alpa.org](#) and follow our [Twitter](#) feed. For questions and comments, contact [Jeff.Anderson@alpa.org](#).

Hotel Updates

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[New] Hotel Changes: Beginning September 1, 2017, we will see the following hotel changes: ROC-L/S - Hyatt Regency; STL-L - Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel; DUS-L/S - Hotel Nikko; HKG-L/S - Kerry Hotel; and MAD-L/S - Barcelo Torre de Madrid.

GRB: Crews arriving September 9-10 will be moved to the Tundra Lodge.

BZN: Crews arriving September 2, 9, 17, 18 and 20 will be moved to the Hilton Garden Inn. The provided shuttle is on demand from the airport - crews should go to baggage claim then call 406-582-9900 for pickup; the shuttle will arrive in 10-15 minutes. The shuttle from the hotel to the airport runs on the half hour beginning at 4am. Breakfast is included.

Contact: DALHotel@alpa.org

Local Council Meetings

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Council 1: Tuesday, Sept. 12, 11am-3pm, Marriott Courtyard - Bloomington, MN

Council 48: Thursday, Sept. 14, 1-3pm, ALPA Conference Room - 4th floor Hartsfield Centre

[Updated] Council 66: Monday, September 11, 1-4pm, Station Briefing Room - JFK Terminal 4

Council 81: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 10am-2pm, Hotel RL by Red Lion - Salt Lake City

Council 16: Thursday, Sept. 21, 11am, The Proud Bird Food Bazaar & Events Center - Los Angeles

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Support pilot-partisan leaders in Congress to promote pilot careers

The Pilot Assistance Network (PAN) provides support for pilots during difficult times.

Call 1-800-USA-ALPA and ask for PAN or press "7" after hours

Do you need help? The [Furlough Emergency Relief Fund](#) exists to assist Delta pilots with a demonstrated financial hardship.