

ORD Chapter Newsletter

WELCOME TO SILVERLINERS OF CHICAGOLAND!

Silverliners of Chicagoland



WHO WE ARE

FLIGHT ATTENDANTS

We represent current and former flight attendants *now representing 63 airlines!* Our alumni, social and charitable organization is defined by the our shared flying experiences. We are Crew!

WHAT WE DO

OUR PURPOSE

Our purpose is to operate as a non-profit/non-sectarian/non-partisan, charitable organization participating in philanthropic, civic, educational, and cultural endeavors; and to promote friendships.

WHAT WE STAND FOR

OUR CREED

We, the International Silverliners, stand for good friendship, for maintenance of high standards, and for serving our communities and each other.



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Silverliners International:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2550614248558793>

Silverliners of Chicagoland:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/144670551114432>

MEET YOUR NEW 2021 OFFICERS!

Bobbie Anderson Today, TWA-JFK: ORD President

Thomas Craig Burfield, TWA- JFK: ORD Vice Pres.

Craig and I have been friends since our F/A training days with TWA in Kansas City, and we were roomies when we first relocated to New York and began our lives as Flight Attendants in 1985. We are so excited to be a part of this wonderful organization honoring our airline histories and are looking forward to meeting and learning more about EACH OF YOU!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A SILVERLINER TO SERVE AS SECRETARY / TREASURER. PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

Email us at: chicagolandsilverliners@gmail.com or

Visit our International Silverliners website below:

<http://www.thesilverliners.org/>



Bobbie and David



John and Craig

OUR LOCAL CHARITY: HONOR FLIGHT CHICAGO!

HONOR. THANK. INSPIRE.

Honor Flight Chicago recognizes the bravery, determination, and patriotism of our nation's senior war veterans with a one-of-a-kind journey to Washington, D.C. The trip is only one day, but the experience is life-changing! This Day of Honor in Washington, D.C., visiting the memorials built in tribute to the service of our veterans from WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War is provided at no cost to the veteran and is intended as a heartfelt thank you for their service and sacrifice from a grateful nation.



For More Information: <https://www.honorflightchicago.org/>

MEMBERSHIP

SILVERLINERS MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Each member receives a Silverliners International News Magazine twice a year which is packed with chapter and member information, photos, flight attendant stories, and upcoming events! Members also receive an Annual Directory including contact information including years flown and our domiciles. Our President and Board Members also send out Jet Blasts and emails keeping our membership up to date with news about each other.

Contact us for an application! Email: chicagolandsilverliners@gmail.com

“Become a part of an organization with a common bond that unlocks doors to past friendships and acquaints you with new ones.”



SILVERLINER HISTORY 1954 - PRESENT

Over 65 years ago, three remarkable women—Carol Montell Harlin, Doris Coughlin Self and Claire Ward Westhafer met in New York to talk about their "flying days." Word was sent out and at a meeting late in 1954, former Eastern Air Lines flight attendants met who were interested in retaining old and gaining new friendships and raising monies for charitable purposes. The meeting resulted in the establishment of one of the most unusual organizations in the world - The Silverliners.

By 1968, the four independent chapters came together to become the National Silverliners. The meeting of the New York, New Jersey, Miami and Atlanta chapters was held in Atlanta, GA. In 1974, twenty years from that first meeting, the Mexico chapter was added, and we became the International Silverliners. At this same time, we welcomed current flight attendants into our membership.

Over the years, we established an International Charity Fund, [The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp](#). The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp was founded in 1988 by Paul Newman with one simple premise in mind: to provide opportunities for children with serious illnesses to experience the transformational spirit and friendships that go hand-in-hand with camp.

Through this commitment, Silverliners raised over \$100,000 for the camp, funding a new cabin plus needed resources for other purchases. Over the years, chapters and individual members have helped raise thousands of dollars for their chapter charities and spent thousands of hours helping others by working as volunteers while enjoying each other's company at chapter meetings, International Board Meetings and International Conventions.

In 2019, we celebrated our 65th anniversary - 65 years of fundraising, fun and friendship. We "rebranded" ourselves as "Silverliners International - founded by Eastern Air Lines Flight Attendants" and welcomed all former and current flight attendants from all airlines to join. We now boast members from over 50 airlines. Our thanks to Eastern Air Lines, our Founders, and all current and past members proudly represented in Silverliners.

May the future hold recognition of a job well done, as well as an acknowledgement that time has not altered intention. We salute the chapters and individuals who continue to excel in community, friendship and the enthusiasm to continue the tradition started in 1954.

**JOIN US FOR OUR NATIONAL CONVENTION - HAVANA NIGHTS IN TAMPA, FL!
APRIL 24-28, 2022**



We would like to recognize and thank our predecessors, Ruthie Kuh Metzler, Dee Dee Bornemann Skoug, and Rosemary Pasquale Lanzillotti for their contributions to the ORD Chicago Chapter and hope to follow their fine examples of Leadership, Love, and Lasting Friendships.

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