

UPDATES! 7th Annual Meeting - Saturday-Sunday, September 29-30, 2001

Optional Events Friday and Monday

DoubleTree Hotel, Pentagon City/Crystal City/Arlington VA

The Annual Meeting is a time to connect and share with other family members, aviation professionals and members of the press. Join old and new friends! Everyone is welcome!

Confirmed Special Guests Include:

- ✓ Ken Mead, Inspector General of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation (1996-present)
- ✓ Mary Schiavo, former Inspector General of the Dept. of Transportation (1990-1996) and author of "Flying Blind, Flying Safe." Mary will speak about: "The Inside Story of Aviation Crash Investigation and Litigation Today!"
- This is an excellent opportunity to talk with the IG's of the U.S. DOT for the past decade!
- ✓ Chris Hansen, from NBC "Dateline"
- ✓ John Goglia, NTSB Board Member (Keynote Speaker for Saturday Evening).
- ✓ David Evans, Editor of "Air Safety Week," a weekly publication widely respected for the objective reporting—news is based on first hand information and meetings observed.
- ✓ Tom Shephardson, Founder of Disaster Mortuary Operation Response Teams - DMORT.
- ✓ Brian Bell - Editor AirJet@AirlineBiz.com (Electronic Newsletter)
- "The Power of the Internet to Facilitate Change"
- ✓ Dan Rupp - Editor of "Air Safety Online" (Electronic Newsletter) and NADA/F's Webmaster
- "Locating Air Safety Information on the Internet." Learn more about how the Internet has impacted air crash reporting, record keeping, and communicating with each other.
- ✓ Dr. Alex Richman - Welcome Alex and Shifra, from Nova Scotia, Canada, Founding Members who lost their son on USAir 1493, 1991. Alex will share his research.
- "Prevention: The Search for Precursors of aviation disasters: Using FAA data to find safety warning signs before the next plane crashes!"
- ✓ Diana Fairechild, former Flight Attendant and author of "Jet Smarter: The Air Traveler's Rx"
- ✓ Dr. Bill Kauffman (Aerospace Professor Univ. of Michigan) and Jim Hurd (TWA 800) will share information from "Inside the FAA: Fuel Tank Inerting." Bill and Jim represented NADA/F members for the past year on this important Working Group. The meetings were closed to the public. A similar industry group met in 1999 and announced that it was "too expensive" to fix the fatal design flaw of exploding center wing fuel tanks, that caused the explosion of TWA 800. Bill, Jim and others will share information about how NADA/F's members are making a difference on the 2001 Fuel Tank Inerting Group. (See cartoon Page 5).
- ✓ Updates on NADA/F Family Support Team - FST
- ✓ More guests to be announced! Our members also have so much to share with each other!

Questions? Suggestions? Contact the Annual Meeting Co-Chairs:
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BOOKS...

NADA/F is accepting new and used book donations for the Book Sale at the Annual Meeting. We are particularly interested in books on helping with bereavement, as well as informational books about the airline industry.

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NADA/F represents survivors and those who have lost loved ones in over 80 aviation disasters. Four of those crashes were on Halloween. On October 31, 2001, please remember our friends from the following:

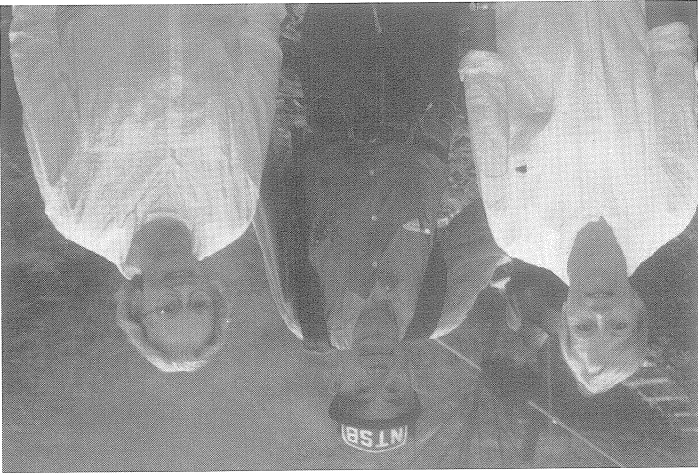
Singapore 006, October 31, 2000
Taipei, Taiwan, 747-400, 83 fatalities, 96 survivors.

Egyptair 990, October 31, 1999
Nantucket Island, MA, 767-300ER, 217 fatalities.

American Eagle 4184, October 31, 1994
Roselawn, IN, ATR-72, 68 fatalities.

Western Airlines 2605, October 31, 1979
Mexico City, DC 10, 98 fatalities, including 40 people on the ground, and those who died later from crash injuries, and 12 survivors.

August 12, 2001 - 16th Memorial for JAL 123



Gail Dunham, Dr. Kawakita, and Mary Schiavo

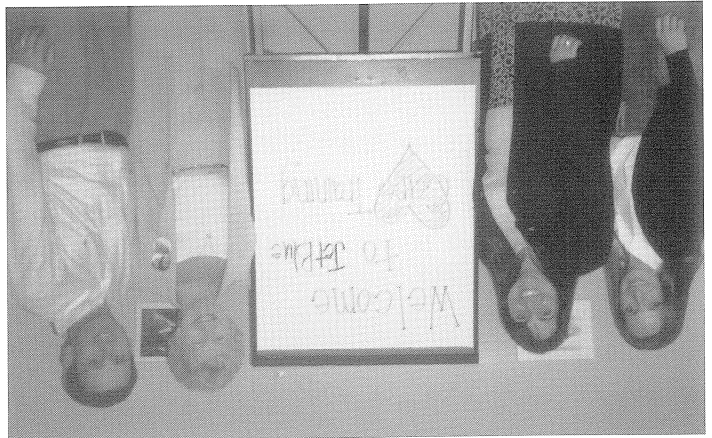
We noticed the following on a stone memorial marker as we walked up Mt. Osutaka:

"As I climbed up that mountain, I had a spiritual experience. As we walked up the mountain, we were alongside the water all the time, and I had the sense that the water was almost talking to us, encouraging our climb. It is my hope that the memories of those who died on that mountainside and every other crash site across seven continents will forever water our efforts to prevent these things from happening."

Jim Burnett, 1991, former NTSB Chair

(Burnett returned in 1994 to dedicate the marker that had been engraved with his words).

NADA/F at Jet Blue "Care Team" Training...



From left to right: Kristal Anderson - Family Assistance, Penny Neferis - Mgr. of Safety, Joan Pontante, (VP NADA/F), and Chris Collins - JetBlue VP System Operations.

"August 2nd I attended a JetBlue Care Team Training Session, and talked about my experience of losing our loved ones (family of five) on NW255, and about the work that NADA/F is doing for support of victims' families. It was great to share the day with the JetBlue Care Team employees, and learn more about how well organized and dedicated they are. I can't thank them enough for the warm welcome that I received and for the great job that they are doing."

Joan Pontante

NADA/F members have volunteered and helped with Care Team Training for a number of the airlines. Our survivors and family members share a wide range of experiences from over 80 air disasters, some recent, to air crashes 50+ years ago. We always look forward to working with the airlines. The airlines cover transportation expenses, and NADA/F welcomes the opportunity to participate.

ANNUAL MEETING EVENTS INCLUDE...

- Special Guest Speakers and Air Safety Panels
- Updates from our members on air safety issues and support for victims' families
- Presenting our four Awards:
 - * Air Safety Award
 - * Journalism Award
 - * NEW! Broadcast Journalism Award
 - * NEW! ASA 529 Triumph Award to honor someone who has made a difference
- Adopting Goals 2002
- Election of NADA/F Officers and Board Members for 2002
- BOOKS Table
- And much more...