

NOTES ON THE SEP 8, 1967 INCIDENT

Hi Gary,

You and Bob did our pilot group proud by the professional manner in which you handled that emergency. I can't remember who your Stew was (Linda Lane?) but as I recall there were 11 passengers and it was the 1st week in September 1967.

Bob was one of the Best of the Best I ever flew with. Likely, I would not have passed my probation check were it not for his tutelage. The company, as you may recall, had terminated several probationary pilots at their 1st anniversary check. A lot of guys were snagging extra "sim" time in the 580 over in DEN. I was in SLC and on reserve for the most part. So, I really lucked out flying all those SLC-RKS-RIW turns with Bagshaw. Then he and Bill McChrystal flew to DEN with me in the back of the 727 as they were getting a PC as well. Both, tried to soothe my frazzled nerves to no avail. I showed up at the 580 sim, and being next in-line, entered the back and watched Stan Shaw royally screw-up his check ride. I thought then "...poor ol' Stan - he's history!" But, Jack Gardner and Roy Williams not only passed him, they didn't say much about what I thought were obvious "busts!" Well, shit! I knew I could do better than that! I relaxed and to this day have never performed a better check-ride.

That was a real turning point in my career. I never was nervous again and never sweated a check-ride. But, I always remembered the great mentoring you and I had from those great SLC stalwarts. Some, like Bagshaw were more pleasant than others to be around. But, on a base-by-base comparison there was no other base even close to having as good a group of captains as SLC. I was based out of SLC-DEN-PHX-MKC-MCI-BIL>F. So, I did have a basis of comparison. Damn, we were lucky to have been SLC based at least in our very junior years...

-Billy Walker

(2/21/11)

Hi Billy,

Great photo of "Captain Bob Bagshaw's aircraft...145". And thanks for the scale model info of the same with SN 145 on the side. Both Bobbie and I purchased one thanks to you. The last I had heard of 145 it was with Sierra Pacific Airlines, but that was from a list from about 2004 that said it was sold for parts. I attached some photos of the landing taken just after the foam settled. Also see my two page statement of the incident attached.

I still have the original FAL brown trip envelope of that day. Flight 504, SLC-RKS-RIW-DEN. At RIW, and the fly-by the tower and when our company flight 503 joined along side to confirm 'up and no doors', I don't remember who the crew was, but when they confirmed no gear, they said "I think we have a problem". BB and I laughed thinking it was not theirs but our problem. And about two hours to worry it thru plus a lot of nervous trips to the blue room.

The stew was Linda Schudel. When Bobbie told her that we have an emergency and we were landing with wheels up and get the pax ready, she, without question, or anxiety said "OK" and did a fantastic job. She was at our SLC reunion about three years ago. I hadn't seen her since the incident. At that time she was working for Frontier in a office secretary position.

It was 8 Sep 67 (I won't ever forget the date because it was my son Greg's 3rd birthday)...and yes Bobbie did an outstanding job. After the incident, the pax and crew assembled together, and one female pax said that when Bobbie came back to brief them on what to expect, she said "it was just like John Wayne from the High and Mighty movie".

The Company wanted to send us to PHX or TUS for a week, but my wife was expecting our 3rd son Guy in Nov, so I asked if we could delay until after the first of the year and go to Hawaii instead and we would cover all the expense over and above. We did go the end of Jan to Hawaii and the company covered everything, including first class on United over and back. I was on reserve that day and covered the trip for Al Harris. After the trip to Hawaii for a week, Al told me I stole his Hawaii trip. That's what he gets for being sick. We all did have fun in Hawaii, alas without Al.

We all didn't know what a great company Frontier was until we all went our various ways after the end. And yes, the pilots in SLC were the best to fly with.....great memories from days long gone but always remembered as

probably our best flying days.

Thanks again for forwarding the info and accolades.

-Gary Winn

Old person with clipped wings.

(2/21/11)

Hi Lynda,

Were you on the 9/8/67 CV580 that bellied in at DEN with Bob Bagshaw and Gary Winn? Check out our Old Frontier Airlines page at Facebook if you're on there.

-Jake Lamkins

(2/25/11)

Thanks Jake,

Yes, I was with Bob and Gary that day. I remember it well! I was Lynda Schudel then and had been flying not quite 10 months when that happened. I will try to see if one of my friends on Facebook will let me look at it. I may just have to join Facebook myself to check it out.

Thanks for letting me know.

-Lynda Schudel Lane

(2/25/11)

Hi Lynda,

Thanks for the reply and the great job you did that day.

Here's some stuff about it I just got that will bring back memories.

-Jake Lamkins

(2/25/11)

<Forwarded info from Gary Winn.>

Facebook:

I just verified Lynda Schudel Lane was the flight attendant on the flight. She had 10 months seniority. Lynda works for the new Frontier these days.

-Jake Lamkins

(2/25/11)

Jake,

Thanks so much for that information It sure does bring back memories. Gary forgot to mention that all the trips to the blue room were for him and Bob, the passengers were fine. Of course I had stowed all the loose items from the cockpit and cabin in the blue room so had to empty it each time one of them had to use it over the 2 + hour time frame. At one point I told them that if I had to empty the blue room one more time I was going to bring them each a paper cup. Bob just looked at me and said "Young lady, if you think I am going to land this airplane with no gear and a full bladder you are out of your mind!" Needless to say we all three had a good laugh out of that!

I will have to email Gary to say hey and remind him of that. Nor did Gary say how he and Bob insisted that I also get an all expenses paid trip with my parents. When we were flying to DEN for the debriefing (in those days with the CAB), Bob and Gary asked me where I was going on my trip. I said that I had not been given a trip and they said "well you will". Next thing I know I was told by the Chief Stew (Roberta Lenahan) that they had spoken up and said I also deserved it and so it was.

I really appreciate you taking the time to gather this info and send it to me. It is great nostalgia, especially since it all turned out so well.

-Lynda Schudel Lane

(2/25/11)