

Delta Golden Wings, Inc.



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Membership of Delta Golden Wings, Inc.:

As we endeavor to bring to each member a new reprint of the *Delta Golden Wings History* through the St. Louis reunion of 2009, I want to include the name of each person that has served this organization as Historian. To my knowledge, there has never been a written job description for this position, but as we read back through the many past newsletters, the Historian has had many varied tasks. Let each of us thank each of these dear members for the work they have done in recording and saving photos and written materials from the beginning. Here are the names of those that have served:

<i>Historian O. G. (Bud) Carmichael</i>	<i>Appointed at 1968 founding; resigned November 15, 1969</i>
<i>Assistant Historian Mrs. Dodie Croft</i>	<i>1968 Founding until later appointed a Reunion Planner</i>
<i>Historian Fritz J. Schwaemmle</i>	<i>November 1969 to September 1980 reunion</i>
<i>Historian James R. Dalton</i>	<i>September 1980 to October 1996</i>
<i>Historian Freddy Miller</i>	<i>October 2, 1996 to December 28, 2006 death</i>
<i>Historian Rollin Jackson, Jr.</i>	<i>October 7, 2007 ></i>

Let us remember that the first History was compiled and printed by Historian Freddy Miller.

The **HISTORY OF DELTA GOLDEN WINGS, INC. 1968 - 2009** is the latest printed edition of our organizational activity. The membership is reminded that there are saved letters, newsletters and photographs that are stored at Delta Air Lines Headquarters for member use and/or perusal and for display at each DGW reunion. If any member has an item of interest that you think should be saved with the other DGW memorabilia, please submit it to the DGW Secretary/Historian for review and storage.

It is my hope that the reading of this history will bring back many names and fond memories of your career with Delta Air Lines or one of the other many airlines that have been folded into Delta via merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rollin A. Jackson, Jr.".

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DGW Secretary/Historian

RETYPING OF VARIOUS PAGES OF ORIGINAL DGW HISTORY BOOKLET

"A History of The Delta Golden Wings 1969-2006", previously typed by Historian Frederick W. Miller, Jr. (deceased) had the following pages retyped to correct errors in spelling, mostly names, from earlier historical records: pages 2, 3, 4, 9, and 11.

Retyping was done by current Historian Rollin A. Jackson, Jr. after corrections made by former Delta Scheduler Doris Davidson, now retired and an Honorary Member of Delta Golden Wings. My personal thanks go to Ms. Davidson for taking the time to review the History and make corrections. There was probably no one more qualified to do this as she spent 55 years working at Delta where she had frequent pilot contact.

There may be some slight differences in the typed content due to use of different computer word processor formats of the original and retyped content.

The reunion histories held from 1987 through 1991, known as "the missing years" were not included in the original history provided by Historian Miller. They have been added to the current, and latest, edition with information taken from DGW Newsletters from that time period. Some of the material mentioned in this section was published before the actual reunion for that year so the tense of some typed material may vary.