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Airline Pilots' Shining Images

ALPA members look at their profession through a camera's lens.

Members' participation in the Association's 2005 photo contest was outstanding. More than 600 photos were received from 132 pilots—twice the number entered in the 2004 contest.

The photos present the power, excitement, turmoil, and beauty of the piloting profession.

A panel of seven judges conducted the difficult selection process, and each photo was judged on the visual impact and the power of the story each photo told.

From the many outstanding photos, three winners emerged:

• "Big Boys' Toys," by Capt. William Houston (Air Wisconsin), depicts the intensity of a nighttime landing.

• Capt. Larry Decker (Northwest, Ret.) created "Ask for 20 Right," using three photos he took on the same flight with Capt. Gordon Burgess (Northwest), and combining them using PhotoShop.

• The photo "Long Night Ahead," by First Officer Monte Wedl (FedEx), shows FedEx pilots preparing for flying the back side of the clock, with a key supply—coffee.

The three winning photos will posted through August 12 on Crewroom.alpa.org, and all members are invited to vote for the Best in Show award. The final winning photo will be announced on line on September 1.

In addition to these three winners, several other photos won Honorable Mention. These include the following:

• In "Final Flight," Jesse Black's photo shows his father, Capt. Christopher Black (Delta, Ret.) as he walked away from his final flight.

• "Last Night" was submitted by Capt. Gwen Alletag (Comair).

• "Intake" was submitted by First Officer Russell Johnson (Delta).

• "In Line for Deicing at CVG" was submitted by First Officer Mark Saltzman (Delta). ♂

WINNER—"Long Night Ahead," by F/O Monte Wedl (FedEx) (right)



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