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Dear Customers and Employees,

This "Extra Mile" celebrates **Meridian Milestones!**

- Our **50th Anniversary** as an FBO at Teterboro Airport
- Our ranking as the **Top Teterboro FBO** on *Aviation International News* survey and #12 on its survey of FBOs in the US
- Our ranking as the **Top Teterboro FBO** on *Professional Pilot Magazine* survey and #20 on its U.S. survey as well as two Top 10 Best FBO Employee spots: Betsy Wines with a record holding #1 spot for the 11th consecutive year and Victor Seda #3, his second consecutive top ten position
- **The Hall of Fame Induction** of our founder, Ken Forester Sr., honored as a NJ aviation pioneer. Ken's lifetime career in aviation began in 1941 when he earned his civilian pilot's license at age 18. He joined the U.S. Army Air corps the next year. Ken was a USAAF test pilot from 1944 to 1946, flying most of America's WWII fighter, bomber and transport aircraft including the United State's



Ken Sr. 1943

first jet, the P-59 Airacomet, and the first operational jet fighter, the P-80 Shooting Star. While in the military Ken obtained an aviation mechanic's license.

Shortly after he was discharged he founded Mallard Air Service at Teterboro Airport in 1946. He went on to create General Aviation Company which was opened for operation in 1958. That company has evolved into the full-service Meridian Aviation Company of today.

We are proud of him and pledge to continue his legacy of hard work, honesty and dedication to our customers and employees.

Ken Forester

Positive Partnering

Honeywell

Meridian Jet Center has been selected as the new Teterboro Exchange and Rental Parts Depot for Honeywell. "We are very excited about partnering with Honeywell," said John Langschultz, VP Meridian Jet Center. "This new service will allow Meridian to better serve our customers."

The companies share a mutual commitment to providing New York and New Jersey customers with exceptional rental and exchange services.

Meridian Jet Center's FAA approved 145 repair station is located in their 40,000 sq. ft. hangar. Meridian's award-winning maintenance crew is available 24/7.



BOMBARDIER

Meridian Jet Center is proud to announce its recent designation as a Bombardier Warranty work center.

"Meridian has provided service for Bombardier products for a number of years;" said John Langschultz, VP Meridian Jet Center, "to be recognized by Bombardier further demonstrates our commitment to quality."

If you are AOG at Teterboro, you need to call Bombardier's Customer Response Center (CRC), Hartford Service Center, Field Service Representative or Regional Manager for warranty work support.



KANHAI NELSON

ART DISABUNJONG

“As a ramp coordinator you have to stay focused at all times...”

Ramp Coordinator

Meridian's ramp coordinator position, created this past year, has greatly improved efficiency, communication and customer service. The busy Meridian Teterboro ramp brings daily challenges. The ramp coordinator determines aircraft priority and anticipates and organizes the needs of the customer.

Ramp coordinators Kanhai Nelson and Art Disabunjong see the value of the role they play in keeping Meridian's operation running smoothly. Together, they bring 14 years of line service experience to the job. Kanhai, who was first promoted to the position, explains “As a ramp coordinator you have to stay focused at all times and be able to make decisions quickly.” According to Art, most recently promoted to the ramp coordinator position, “The biggest challenges are handling the Airinc radio, line-service radio, and the calls from customer service ... it's a lot of multi-tasking.”

All facets of the Meridian operation benefit from our ramp coordinators, who keep us in line. The seamless process helps us achieve our unifying goal: To leave the customer well cared for and confident they made the right choice.

“The Gulfstream IV has been such a big part of our success...”



Meridian Air Charter Adds Gulfstream IVSP to Teterboro Fleet

Meridian Air Charter has added a Gulfstream IVSP. The premium, large cabin Gulfstream is luxuriously appointed and has the long range of 4,350 nautical miles (8,060 km). It is available for charter.

“The Gulfstream IV has been such a big part of our success,” said Director of Charter Sales and Client Services Andrew Ladouceur, “and now adding a fourth to our fleet is exciting. The 2001 G-IVSP will provide Meridian's clients a modern and efficient corporate aircraft.”

Enriched with deep mahogany and leather seating for 12, the Gulfstream IVSP has redefined private jet travel. The in-flight service staff can accommodate passengers in the fully equipped galley, and travel time can be spent efficiently with 110 volt outlets and an in-flight phone with fax and data capability. The flight's status can be monitored with Airshow®. The state of the art entertainment system includes DVD and CD capabilities in the main cabin. The Gulfstream provides fast and efficient travel, though no one seems to be in too big of a hurry to leave its accommodations.



INTERIOR OF MERIDIAN'S
NEW HAMPSHIRE BASED,
16 PASSENGER GULFSTREAM IV.



DENVER
ART
MUSEUM

MERIDIAN'S
DENVER BASED
FALCON 900B

On the NEW ENGLAND Front

The FACTS (Flight Attendant Crew Training Systems) set us apart. Meridian's Nashua-based Gulfstream IV team has just completed its training and is ready to safely serve.

Safety is paramount at Meridian, and the Gulfstream crew in Nashua, NH greatly benefited from the team-building experience. FACTS comprise a series of in-cabin emergency procedures conducted in a simulator that include emergency evacuation, first aid, and CPR.

MILE HIGH SOCIETY Sponsorship

Meridian recently took part in a silent auction sponsorship for the Denver Art Museum, neighbor to Meridian's Denver based Falcon 900B charter aircraft.

"The Art of Passion" valentine fundraising event was created to enhance the art awareness of the city's young professionals and to expand the museum's collection. "We were proud to be a part of the endeavor and look forward to opportunities that enrich the communities we serve," said Andrew Ladouceur, Meridian's Director of Sales and Client Services.

Based at Denver's premier corporate aviation facility at Centennial Airport, Meridian's 12 passenger Falcon 900B aircraft is available for charter by calling 800.882.2333 or email charter@meridianaircharter.com.

PLANE FOLK Phil Gonzalez

Phil Gonzalez has been the avionics specialist at Meridian Jet Center for almost two years. "Avionics is a combination of electrical work and trouble-shooting," according to Phil. "I look at what the pilots are looking at ... if they see a warning light, I have to diagnose it, know the system and try to simulate what they experienced." The job holds incredible responsibility and requires a lot of patience. Not everyone can perform this sort of work, but Phil welcomes the challenge and relishes its problem-solving nature.

Phil has wanted to work in aviation for as long as he can remember. He attended the Teterboro School of Aeronautics while working as a Meridian lineman; years later he returned to the school as an instructor where he taught a General Electricity course. He is also a licensed FCC operator. Phil worked many years in commercial aviation before returning to Meridian. His decision to return was based largely on Meridian's enhanced capabilities with the unveiling of its new 40,000 sq ft state-of-the-art hangar and renewed commitment to quality with 24/7 service and distinction as a Honeywell authorized line service center and exchange and rental depot. Phil was also drawn to Meridian's



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recent commitment to further growth. In the near future Meridian will be adding altimeter and transponder checks to its repair station certificate.

Currently Phil is setting up a RVSM program, which, in essence, ensures the safety of aircraft flying in a more compressed volume of airspace. He enjoys his diverse projects and being back. "Working at Meridian is like being a part of a family."

Paper Airplanes Take Little Boy to New Heights

Five year old Hunter Winship, wants to break the record for most paper airplanes received, a distraction from the rare form of Lymphoma he was diagnosed with this year. Meridian is helping to make the young cancer patient's dreams come true.

Active volunteer Erik Taylor, Meridian's Denver based Falcon 900B charter pilot, got the ball rolling and the Meridian team ran with it. The Teterboro headquartered staff made hundreds of airplanes for the boy in Buffalo, NY.

Hunter has collected over one million airplanes; a grand total he hopes will make the record books once the official count is complete. His prognosis is great and he continues to soar with the overwhelming support from his family and countless strangers.



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MILE MARKERS: Dubai



Dubai has a sub-tropical, arid climate with perfect weather for at least six months out of the year.

Meridian recently touched ground in Dubai. Dubai Culture is rooted in Islamic traditions that form United Arab Emirates Nationals lifestyles but is welcoming to foreigners who do not proactive the religion of Islam. They maintain their culture through a number of practices of their past including camel racing.

The official language of the country is Arabic however, most people communicate in English. The

official religion is Islam. Arabic cuisine comprises many types of cooking from countries like Morocco and Egypt. The UAE is a highly cosmopolitan environment. Dubai has a sub-tropical, arid climate with perfect weather for at least six months out of the year.

The Burj Dubai is the tallest building in the world. The structure stands an impressive 1,680ft tall.

New Hires
4th qtr 2007
David Albiero
Christopher Bogado
Raul Brito
Taryn Bruno
Keith Carlyle
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Donovan Cossia
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Moshe Kretchmer
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Elido Rodriguez
Jonathan Rodriguez
William Rowan
Helio Silvan
Sean Sin
Fabian Tubay

15 Years
Victoria Kushlak

10 Years
Heather DeRegis

5 Years
Jorge Cornejo
Andrew Ladouceur
Rosa Quinones

1 year
John Baldino
Murray Burke
Christopher Cerrone
Robert Doak
Crystal Fee
Philip Gonzalez
Michelle Guerra
Wieslaw Kulesza
Radmames Lopez
Colin Macleod
Michael Marion
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Jonathan Peebles
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