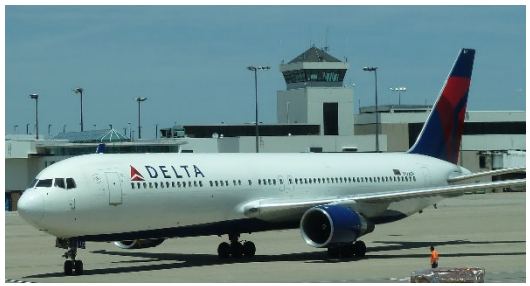
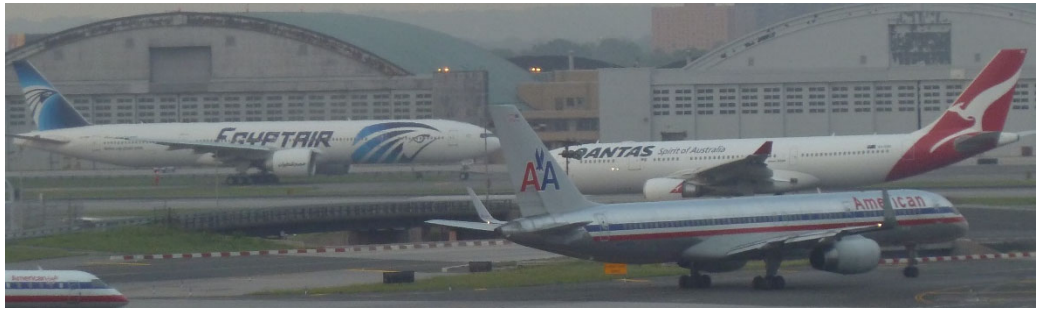
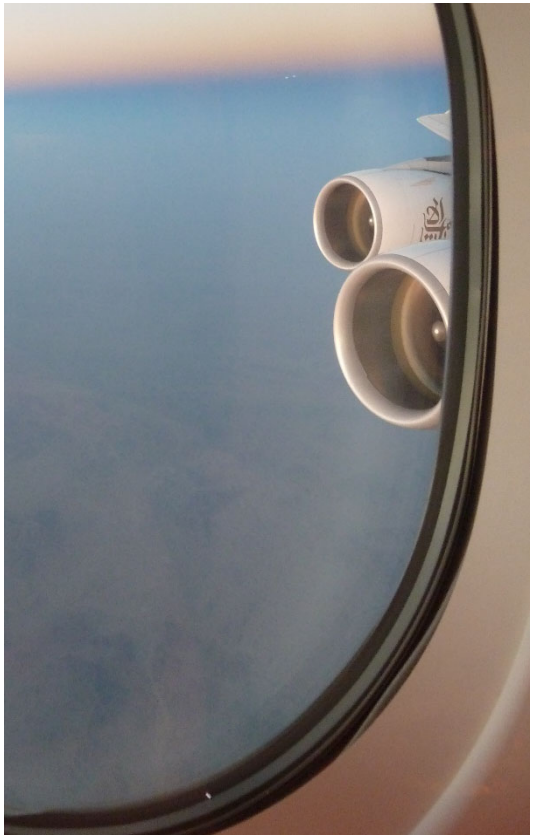
The early years at Arkansas: 2011-2014

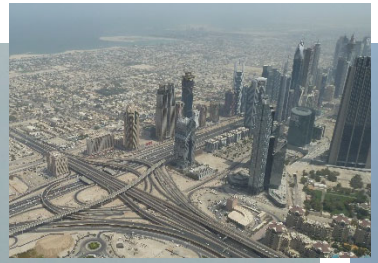
June 2011: XNA-ATL-JFK-DXB-ICN-PUS. From top left clockwise: my first picture at my new home airport (XNA) is a United ERJ145; my Delta B763 in ATL; next to JFK, a JetBlue “JETS” special paint scheme A320; JFK is BA’s second home with the A318 to LCY in the foreground; an Egypt Air B773, Qantas A330, and American B752; a South African A346 with an Avianca A330 in back and a Delta B763 taxiing; a LAN B763; and a TAM A330.

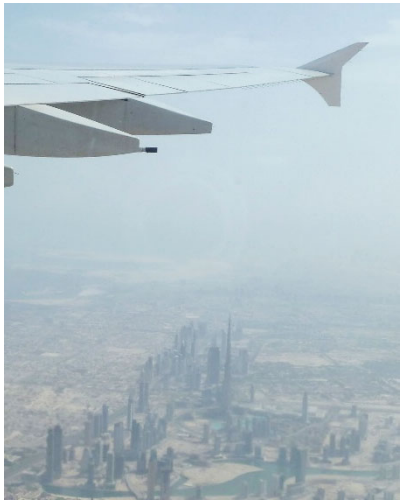




No question that we're in DXB now! From top left clockwise, a row of Emirates tails; an Emirates A345; and my seat view of my Emirates A388 engines. Note: Emirates allows you to leave the airport if you have a long enough layover, so I was able to go to Burj Khalifa, and enjoyed the view from the observation deck! Onto ICN: a Korean Air B744; my Korean Air A310 to Busan (PUS), and an Eastar Jet B738.

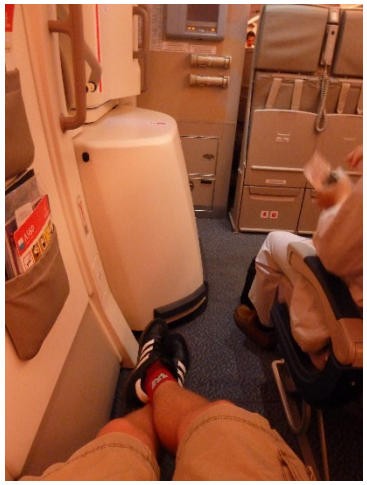


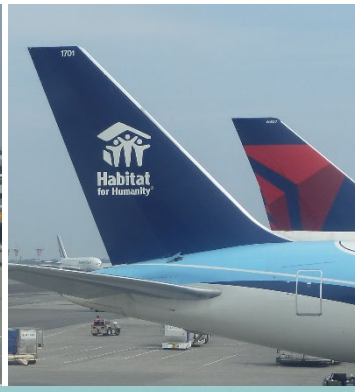




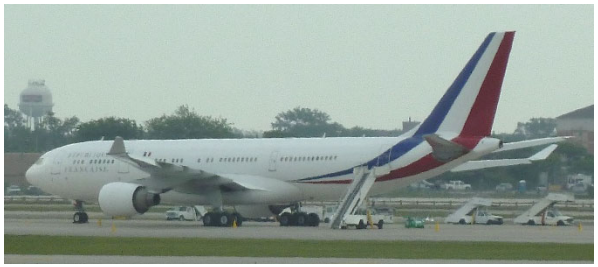
I took full advantage of my 3 A388 legs. Left, taking off over Dubai, right, landing at DXB. Below left: My A388, ICN-DXB with fantastic legroom! At JFK, the Star Alliance Singapore Airlines B744, and the Delta Habitat for Humanity B763. What a great trip from ICN back to XNA!

Bottom row: when driving to and/or from Wisconsin, a stop at ORD is in order; on the left is a beautiful shot of a United B788 in November 2012. March 2013: an American B772 at ORD in the center, and on the right, a Midwest E190 at MSN.





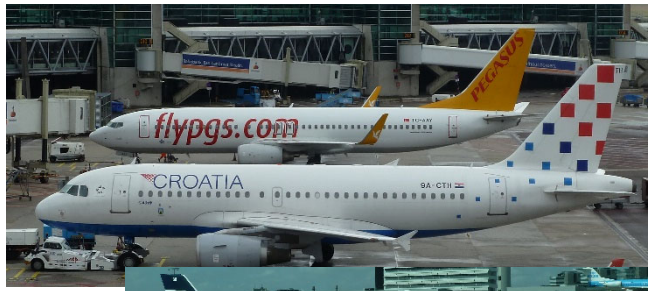
Back in time a bit. May to June 2012: XNA-ORD-LHR-PVG-HRB-PVG-LHR-AMS-ARN-AMS-LHR-DFW-XNA. ☺
Top: At PVG – Garuda Indonesia A333, Hong Kong Airlines A332, and a Mahan Air A310.
Second row: At LHR – British Airways A319, French Republic (French Air Force) A332, British Airways A319.



At LHR, clockwise: An Emirates A388, two Qantas A388, a British Airways B763 and B744; a Cathy Pacific B744, a Thai A346, and a Malaysia B744. What variety!

June 2012: Spotting at AMS with Eshan! Clockwise from upper left: Government of the Netherlands Fokker 70, Austrian Arrows Fokker 100, me in a DC-10 engine, KLM B773, KLM 744 and KLM MD-11, KLM MD-11, with three KLM 744 and one B772 in background.

Below, clockwise from upper left, from the fantastic viewing deck at AMS, accessible outside of security: Bulgaria Air A320, Air Serbia B733, Croatia Airlines A319 and Pegasus Airlines B738, Iran Air A310, Belarusian Airlines B735, Corendon Airlines B738, Tunisair B735 and El Al B752 (with more KLM planes in the background!).



June 2013: In LA for a conference, so of course, spotting at LAX is in order! Top left, a Virgin Atlantic A346 over the Pacific, a Royal Jet B737, a Southwest Airlines B737 (Maryland One livery). On the left, from the fabled In-N-Out Burger, a Virgin America A320 with the San Francisco Giants World Series livery, and an Air China B77W.

Below, from Imperial Hill: a Lufthansa B744 and American B737 with the Theme Building, a United CRJ-200 in the midst of giants (Emirates B773, Air Tahiti Nui A343, Aeroflot A330, Asiana B77W, Swiss A343), and a Delta 752 in Skyteam livery with the Goodyear Blimp passing overhead. Bottom: the conference included a plane-side tour of the airport, we saw a Lufthansa B748 takeoff, and a Singapore Airlines, Air France, and two Qantas A388s!

To Bogotá, Colombia Feb 2014. XNA-ORD-MIA-BOG-MIA-DFW-XNA. Top left, clockwise. Slightly different weather in ORD (AA E175) versus on my American Airlines B752 in MIA, next to an Iberia A330. In BOG, the old and new Avianca livery (background A319 old, foreground A320 new), a TACA A319 and Avianca A320, a Copa Airlines B738, and a Colombian Air Force (Fuerza Aerea Colombiana) Fokker F-28. Right – a Surinam Airways B733 and Cayman Airways B733 in MIA.

To Hebei, China, March 2014. Left clockwise at ORD: an American B772. At PEK: a Lufthansa A388, an Austrian B763, an Air Macau A321, and a China Southern A388.

On the left, more flying with my brother-in-law in Oct 2014. From the top: landing at Paine Field (PAE), and two views of PAE from the air, with a line of grounded B787s and B747/B777 in various stages of production. Next, many B737 at Boeing Field (BFI), and the B789 and B788 test frames resting between flights. On the right, spotting with my nephews at Sea-Tac (SEA). A Delta B752, British Airways B772, Delta B763, Alaska Airlines B738 (with a lei on Chester), Hainan Airlines B788, Alaska Airlines Q400 in the SDSU special paint scheme, and at the bottom, a Frontier A320 with “Yukon the Caribou”. I love spotting at SEA, especially when the sun is out with family!