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CHRISTMAS PARTY FUN

Our Annual Christmas party at Bill Morrow's hangar at GLE was not only fun but we did a good deed for the needy in Gainesville.

I delivered the can goods on Monday to the Gainesville Food Bank and was very impressed by the way they distribute the food. The can goods donated by our members weighed 144 pounds and was very much appreciated!

Deiter Bros. provided a delicious meal of beef brisket, smoked turkey and all the trimmings. The tasty desserts prepared by members is always a great ending to a good meal.

We played a Christmas trivia game while we enjoyed our lunch. Lori Mitchell won a beautiful gift basket for getting the most correct answers. Bet you didn't know Rudolph's Dad was Donner! Many door prizes were given away and a good time was had by all!

We elected our officers for 2013 which was unchanged except for our new president Gary Sublette. Gary and his wife Becky live at Stagecoach Hills airport. Gary is a retired Captain for American Airlines.

I am stepping down as president but will remain on the board as past president. I was privileged to work with a terrific group of officers for our 50th year as a chapter! They all worked really hard to make our 50th anniversary October fly-in a very special event. We were all amazed at how members stepped up with cash donations and became sponsors of the fly in. Thanks for your support this past year!

Our January meeting will again be at Christie and Gene Bingham's Beacon Cafe on Hicks Airport. A delicious buffet will be provided for \$9.00 which includes drink and tip. Our special speaker will be Jim Kemper alias Orville Wright from the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field. He does a great job impersonating Mr. Wright which will make you feel like you stepped back into aviation history.

Our secretary Don Pellegrino is busy setting up meeting places for next year. Please call him if you would be interested in hosting a meeting. His number is 817-636-9066. See you at Hicks January 19th!

Phil



Photos by Terry Wallace





CHAPTER SERVICE AWARD

It's has been so special to hold this treasure for a year. It is time to pass it on.

No one has more enthusiasm than the person I picked to guard it next year. He's done so much for our group, but even more for aviation preservation in general. A few weeks ago, I waded in ankle deep water to talk to people at the Reklaw Fly-in about him. When I mentioned his name, they had a puzzled look on their face, but when I mentioned his camera, their faces lit up and they said, "Oh! The Brit. Everyone knows him." And it's that way at other places. In fact, you might say, "Where two airplanes are gathered, HE will be with them."

Maybe in part, this is because he is an archeologist and the purpose and goal of archeology and the Antique Airplane Association are the same: To have fun learning about the past, preserving it, and passing it on for future generations to learn from and enjoy,

By now you must know it goes to DENNIS PRICE.

Ona B. Reed □

"FLAGSHIP" AWARD OF THE TEXAS CHAPTER ANTIQUE AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

Being the latest recipient of the "Flagship" Award, I, as the Chapter Historian, thought it appropriate to list all of the previous winners. Trustfully, the Maya will be incorrect and this time next year the Antiques will still be flying and there will be a new recipient of the award. So until then, I will keep the bowl and plate polished regularly. Further, I will be taking notes on who is naughty and who is nice in order to determine the next awardee. It is truly an honour (yes, there is a "u" in my spelling of the word) to have received the award and I will do my best to continue serving the chapter. G. R.

Dennis Price □

- 1977 Ed & Jane McCracken
- 1978 Doug & Mary Sockwell
- 1979 Bob & Joan Baas
- 1980 Joe & Joy Haynes
- 1981 E. M. & Grace Johnson
- 1982 Jack & Pauline Winthrop
- 1983 John & Glenna Bowden
- 1984 Bert & Mary Mahon
- 1985 Pat & Margaret Patterson
- 1986 Ray & Willene Kidd
- 1987 Bert & Betty Mizdail
- 1988 Carl & Martha McLellan
- 1989 Bob & Iris Landrum
- 1990 Jim & Betty Austin
- 1991 Pat & Danny Doyle
- 1992 Nancy & John Whatley
- 1993 Billy & Jana Copeland

- 1994 Robert & Gayle Brewer
- 1995 Tom & Penny Richards
- 1996 Mike & Tammy Mitchell
- 1997 Roy & Bernie Skelton
- 1998 Ron Whisenant
- 1999 Marge & Leonard Richey
- 2000 Harold Fields
- 2001 Don & Ann Pellegreno
- 2002 No recipient
- 2003 Glenda and Stan Price
- 2004 Dan Linn and Jim Dougherty
- 2005 Linda and Ken Robbins
- 2006 Maria Dougherty
- 2007 no recipient, bowl was misplaced
- 2008 no recipient bowl was misplaced
- 2009 Terry Wallace
- 2010 Don and Shirley Swindle
- 2011 Ona B. Reed.

□

HIGH WINDS

High winds out of the west, making a cross-wind at most local airstrips, held down aircraft numbers at the December Fly-In and Christmas Banquet. Although a little chilly at noon, it was nice and warm by the end of the festivities. At least six aircraft did fly in for the event.

Dennis □

Following photos by Dennis Price



CHAPTER CHATTER

One of our chapter's members and his wife are crazy! That is, crazy about hosting the biggest fly-in/camp out in Texas. This was the 28th year for the Reklaw fly-in. Dave and Marcia Mason host the most unbelievable fly-in. The unofficial count of airplanes this year is 420. This is twice the size of our usual chapter fly-in and more than at Blackesburg.

The fly-in/camp-out starts on Friday. Yet Thursday night there were 125 aircraft tied down. Some of the campers arrived on Tuesday, with some of the work party campers being in place the week previous to the fly-in. There may have been a little scud running on Friday morning, but the real fly tap opened about noon with some good weather.

My planned arrival was for Saturday morning. The luck of the Irish failed me, and I did not get to land at Mason's for the fly-in. The field was closed when a Starduster went over on its back. It was pulled off the runway upside down and the field reopened. Having landed at Cherokee airport, I had a cup of coffee until a tele call mentioned the field was open. I fired up the bird, and as I taxied out, a returning pilot mentioned the field was closed again. Not wanting to shut down again. I said the "h*** with it" and flew back to 7ts0. Come to find out the second closing was not another accident like I thought, but the product of some State Trooper having an ego fit. He drove down the center of the runway and declared the field closed after the Strduster had been removed. I heard that someone throw a cat-fit and just about got the works. Hats off to her!

The meals for Friday night as well as Saturday noon and night were catered. EAA chapters 2 (Houston) and 972 (Longview) did the breakfast duties. Students from La Tourneau University in Longview provided the radio advisors duties. The students are enrolled in an air traffic control program.

The two individuals in the upside down Starduster were released and walked out of the hospital with a clean bill of health. The previously rolled runway had to be rolled again after the emergency vehicle and ding-bat drove down the center of it.

Sorry to say, our chapter did not give a chapter choice award. It was purchased like the two previous years, but no one did the duty. We could make it up by giving three or four chapter choice awards next year. Opinions welcome.

Sometimes it is fun to do a low high-speed pass down the runway even in a Cub. A low slow pass, however, gives you time to look in everyone's backyard.



SCHEDULE YOUR MEETING!

Want to do something fun for the Chapter ? Please consider hosting a monthly meeting at your hangar in 2013.

All you have to do is clean out enough space for tables and chairs and we will do the rest.

If you are interested, please call me at 972-989-3234 or e-mail me at jpcookie1@verizon.net.

Also, if you have a suggestion for someone interesting to speak at a future meeting let me know.

Thanks,
Phil



So, do a low speed pass through the names listed below, and kind of look in their backyards. These are the airplanenutz who provided money support for the chapter's fiftieth year fly-in.

The most fun for me doing a slow pass was looking at all the airplane junk Jerry Pockrus has in his backyard, good stuff. Jerry is back home from the hospital and protecting it all and usually eating peanut butter cookies. The backyard of old boy R.L. Taylor is a real maze. No, I did not get lost in the maze. Put you finger on each of the names and do your own slow pass. During my slow pass, I could not see the backyards of 12 of the 48 because I could not connect a face or airplane with the name. Guilt will have me track them down.

Clues to some! Likes to polish. Hangar full of good junk. Planeless. Has a nice boy friend. Oldest guy. Photo bug. Takes you to the cleaners. Jet owner/pilot. Ex-Governor pilot. Nuts and bolts guy. A "too" pilot. Squawks like one. Okay, I'll stop, but don't you stop until you join me with a big THANK YOU.

Charles Webb	Lynn and Ann Hearn
Donald Staats	Jim and Bruce Putney
Dick Ramsey	Maury Seitz
Clare Wright	Michael Clark
Donald James	Tom and Pam Schad
Joetta Reetz	Betty Austin
Ona B. Reed	Jim Austin
Stephen Sokolich	Tom and Penny Richards
Margaret Cook	Brian and Sharon Sanden
Dennis Graham Price	Bobby and Kathy Jones
Harold Stieber	Gary Sublette
Robert and Vickie Sims	Bobbie and Sandra Edgington
Stan Price	Roger Tollefson
Jack Weiland	Randy
Dan Linn	TDM Sales
Al Hinton	Larry Tippit/Dana Gibbons
Ken and Susan Jannerth	Joy Haynes
Jerry Pockrus	James Rice
Haire Aviation	Heroes Forever
Bob Jolley	James Ayers
Lewis Shaw	Doug Green
Mike nd Terri Reed	Charlie Davis III
Charles Jackson	Scott Sackett
Ed Parrott	Bob Taylor

Yes, there are many just plain nice folks in our group who just happen to be airplanenutz. Being with them or thinking about them makes me feel normal. No comments from the peanut galley!

CHEERS don

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Effective with the January 2013 Newsletter, Texas Chapter Newsletters will be sent to members as an email attachment. This will take the place of paper copies previously sent by US Mail. You may also obtain the Newsletter from our chapter website at www.txaa.org. It is very important that if you change your email address, you must notify us of the change.

For those members who desire to continue to receive the Newsletter by US Mail, you must notify Richard Ramsey at (972) 986-9690 or Terry Wallace at (817) 706-3173 prior to December 31, 2012.

The above changes were made as a result of recommendation by the Board of Directors and approval by vote of the Chapter Membership.

TRANSITION YEAR TO OCTOBER DUES PAYMENTS

The Changeover to paying dues in October and the prororation of dues was the result of Board approval and vote by Chapter Members.

The change from paying dues in any month, to all dues being payable in October each year, may cause some confusion during the transition year. This chart may help you decide what is due for your current expiration month or anyone joining during the year. These payments will carry your membership thru Sep 30, 2013. Adding \$25.00 to any of these will carry you thru Sep 30 2014. If you are in doubt about your expiration month or amount of your dues, call Dick Ramsey at 972-986-9690 before sending in your membership/renewal form and check.

Month paid	Good till Sep30 2013	Good till Sep 30 2014
Nov 2012	\$22.00	\$47.00
Dec 2012	\$20.00	\$45.00
Jan 2013	\$18.00	\$43.00
Feb 2013	\$16.00	\$41.00
Mar 2013	\$14.00	\$39.00
Apr 2013	\$12.00	\$37.00
May 2013	\$10.00	\$35.00
Jun 2013	\$8.00	\$33.00
Jul 2013	\$6.00	\$31.00
Aug 2013	\$4.00	\$29.00
Sep 2013	\$2.00	\$27.00

SECRETARY REPORT

The December 15th meeting was more of a Christmas party than a meeting. There was no Treasurer's report nor were last month's minutes approved. There was an election of officers for the coming year.

Gary Sublette President
Stan Price Vice President
Terry Doyle Activities Chairman
Darrel Irby Fly-in Chairman
Joetta Reeze Treasurer
Dennis Price Historian
Don Pellegreno Secretary

Others much involved with doing for the chapter are Barry Wallace, Terry Wallace and Dick Ramsey. And of course, y'all that help unload and load the tables and chairs.

The chapter's 2012 Service Award was given to Dennis Price for outstanding service to the chapter. The 2011 recipient, Ona B. Reed, selected him. It was the silver platter and bowl that has past winners names engraved on it. Numerous individuals received door prizes of T-shirts and flowers. Laurie Mitchell won a beautiful gift basket for getting the most correct answers in the Christmas trivia contest. Can goods and other food items (144 lbs.) brought by chapter members were donated to the Gainesville Food Bank.

Don

AIR SPEED - Speed of an airplane. (Deduct 25% when listening to a retired fighter pilot).

CALENDAR OF EVENT

January 2013

January: The January 19th meeting will be at The Beacon Café at Hicks Airport. Our speaker will be from the Frontier of Flight Museum, Orville Wright as portrayed by Jim Kemple. Jim tells the story about Orville just as he is him, dressed like him as well. He comes highly recommended. The lunch will be a French Dip sandwich, winter vegetable soup, and drink (\$9.00) tip included.

Flying: The best arrival method, especially if in a tail dragger. Hicks Airport (T67) is close to AFW. The AFW tower (135.15) and is friendly in terms of clearances. The Unicom frequency for Hicks is 123.05. Can be a busy place at times. Parking in front of the café.

Driving: From I35W head west on Bonds Road. After a number of turns, you will turn right on to the airport. You can drive down the taxiway and park by the cafe. Don't be a grumpy because you did not fly.

Antiquers,

Our friend and long time chapter member Jerry Pockrus is finally home after spending many weeks in the hospital. His wife Barbara was right there with him the whole time. He is still weak from the spleen surgery and chemo treatment but is much improved. He starts another and hopefully last round of chemo therapy Wednesday for leukemia. Please remember he and Barbara in your thoughts and prayers.

Phil

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Aircraft Type: _____ National
AAA No. _____

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Please submit the above information with correct payment to Texas Antique Airplane Association, 5209 Glen Canyon Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76137. If paying by check, please make payable to: Texas Chapter of the Antique Airplane Association.

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FOR SALE - 1941 Fairchild 24, 15 hours on a 185 Warner, with an Airomantic or Curtis Reed prop. Beautiful airplane, good fabric. Asking 85K with 185 Warner or 65K with 165 Warner. Also low time Warner and Ranger engines with some accessories. Contact Tom at (817) 790-3190 1/13

FOR SALE - 1959 Cessna 150 for sale. An inexpensive time builder that runs great. 230 SMOH, 4430 TT, always hangared, last annual 10/12 Original logs signed by Cessna test pilot on first flight. \$18,000.00 OBO. Terry Wallace, wallacete@cs.com or cell (817) 706-3173. 1/13

FOR LEASE- 3 miles from Bird's Nest Airport/ Austin Executive Airport off FM 973: Large workshop, 25' x 65', double doors, abundant windows for a good cross-breeze. Two separate rooms at one end for office/storage, Ideal for restoration projects, wing building, hobbies, etc. Contact Bill and Shirley Girard at Shirley@mudflap-aviation.com 1/13

FOR SALE- 1931 American Eaglet, very original, low engine time, new fabric on fuselage, wings like new, extra prop and many engine parts included. The most fun airplane to fly there is. I'm getting too old to get in and out of it. \$28,000 OBO Gene Morris (817) 491-9110 1/13

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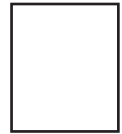
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NOTE: Membership expires on Sep 30 each year. Send dues and address changes to TXAAA Treasurer, 5209 Glen Canyon Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76137.

The Texas Chapter supports and encourages membership in the National Antique Airplane Association.

For Information about joining the National AAA, Visit their Website at www.antiqueairfield.com or Email antiqueairfield@sirisonline.com or you may write:
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