

Freeman Flash

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FFFA Christmas Dinner at The Pines, Wed, 12/9, 6PM

Our traditional Christmas dinner and annual meeting will once again be held at The Pines restaurant on Rt. 31, east side of town, on the left, about a mile south of Rt. 50. We'll have cocktails at 6:00 (cash bar) and eat at 7:00. After we eat we will have a short business meeting followed by a door prize raffle. We expect to be all finished around 9:00.

The cost of the dinner is \$15 per person, same as last year, payable "at the door" (sometime during the evening). Those who owe dues for 2016 can pay them at the dinner. Dues are \$10 per year. Many members are paid one or more years in advance. The Treasurer (that's me!) will have a list of who is paid in advance.

The Christmas dinner is also our official annual meeting, with election of officers for the coming year. The 2015 officers have agreed to serve again for 2016. If anyone else wishes to serve as an officer or director; nominations will be accepted prior to the "vote". Self-nomination is accepted and encouraged. Current officers and directors are listed on page 4 of this newsletter.

Other FFFA News

The November meeting program was a talk by Nancy Warren about her experiences flying DC-3's. Back in the day it wasn't necessary to be type-rated to fly as co-pilot; all you needed was a commercial certificate with a multi-engine rating. Nancy got a whole lot of DC-3 hours flying that way. The meeting was lightly attended, but those who weren't there missed some good stories.

D's Diner Open

Located in the old Airport Café building, D's Diner opened for business on Nov. 2nd. The hours are 6AM to 6PM for now. Open time will be adjusted according to restaurant traffic and customer needs. The original idea



was to be open until after businesses closed in order to serve those who want to get food to take home for dinner. However, the owners report that nobody comes in after about 2PM. The afternoon hours may be shortened up soon.

D's has seating for about 30 people right now, which can be expanded to double that when their business grows. They can also go to cafeteria-style service if need be. Delivery service is available until 2PM. Breakfast is served until 11AM. The evening menu for take-out dinners is the same as the lunch menu. You can check them out and see the daily lunch special on Facebook at DsDiner2015. Call 812-523-3395 to order food or if you have any questions. Owners Denise & Carl Creech will be happy to talk with you. You can also FAX orders to 812-523-3375. A menu is included at the end of this newsletter. A revised menu will be available soon; you can already see the write-in items on the current one.

Airport News – Cell Towers

There was considerable discussion about cell phone towers during the airport authority meeting on 11/16. It all got started by a newspaper piece about a cell tower to be constructed almost on the centerline of the approach to runway 23, about 2 miles out. While it would not be a hazard in a normal approach, an airplane flying low with engine problems might hit it. Our engineering consultants strongly encouraged the authority to tell the zoning board that they should not approve the tower. The authority will do so.

It's not just one new tower. There are applications for two others. One of the firms came to the authority meeting and made an appeal for approval. While the appeal was a bit long-winded, that one will likely get approved. It has several things going for it. First, they came to the authority in advance. We didn't have to learn about it by reading the newspaper. The location is not anywhere near the approach or departure paths for

any of our runways. And, it's not very high; only something like 160 feet. The third tower has not yet officially been applied for, but the site is north of the airport, about in line with U18 (the ultralight grass runway on the northwest side of the airport).

BF&S, our engineering firm, recommends that the authority consider each cell tower application individually, on its own merits. However, towers proposed for location on or near the centerlines of approach and departure paths for any of our big paved runways should be opposed. Further, BF&S recommends that the authority should pass an ordinance governing the location, height and lighting/marketing of cell towers on or near the airport.

Treasurer's Report

For the period: , October 2015

Opening bal, all funds		10,634.40
Opening bal, chkg acct		3,620.17
Income		
Dues	30.00	
Other		
Total Income		30.00
Expenses		
Electric bill	10.94	
Sewer bill		
Water bill	14.87	
Food. 7/4 & 10/6	94.18	
Postage - newsletter	49.00	
Other		
Total Expenses		168.99
Transfer from MMF		
Transfer to MMF		
Closing bal, chkg acct		3,481.18
Mny Mrkt Fnd, opng bal		7,014.23
Checks written		
X-fer in from chckng		
Interest earned	1.11	
End bal, MMF		7,015.34
Net change, all accounts		-137.88
Grand total, all funds		10,496.52

Member News and Accomplishments

Marshall Grooms and wife Diane have sold their house in Brownstown and will be

moving to Phoenix, AZ around the middle of December. **Harry Knight** gone south for his annual winter stay in Englewood Beach, FL.

Museum Archives

Last month it was reported that while cleaning out the FFFA storage area Karen James and Larry Bothe came upon some WW-II era aviation navigation classroom training aids for VOR and ADF. They had been buried in the storage area in the hallway for many years. Karen and Larry decided the training aids would be a whole lot better on display in the museum than hidden away behind gas grills and fly-in paraphernalia.



After considerable discussion the museum displays committee decided that these items would be best displayed with the Link trainer in the museum annex. Cadets came to Freeman Army Air Field to learn instrument flight, and radio navigation was a big part of that training. We set the training aids up on easels, which we already had. The picture above shows the resultant display.

Does anybody remember where the training aids originally came from; who donated them? All I can recall is that they turned up sometime in the early 2000's. The museum has already noted on the explanatory display sign that the items came to the

museum from the FFFA, but it would be nice to acknowledge the original donor as well.

The museum acquired a corner computer desk when Marshall Grooms donated it as he downsized in preparation for his move to Phoenix. Here's museum secretary Marty Schwab at the new desk.



Interesting Aviation Links

Staunch military advice given by some great military minds! Great photos and military humor. From Mike Breuckmann, 11/??/15 Ed note: I have seen all of these at some time in the past, but never all in one place before. Thanks, Mike.

<http://www.doyletics.com/tidbits/militaryadvice.pdf>

B-2 bomber refueling from a KC-135.

This is the closest you will get to see a B-2. Watch in *full screen mode*. From Joe Clark, 11/16/15.

[Click here: LiveLeak.com- Close Up Footage of Stealth Bomber Refueling](#)

Join FFFA: Dues are \$10 per year. Send a check, payable to FFFA, to Larry Bothe, 1082 Governors Ln, Seymour, IN 47274-1135. Include e-mail address and phone number. ½ price after the 4th of July.

Freeman Flash issues going back to 1999 are available if you contact the editor. A website archive is planned.

Airline Merger History

Robert Wilmoth sent along an interesting chart showing how many small airline

companies joined to form the 3 large "legacy" airlines we have today. A reproduction of that chart is on page 5 of the newsletter.

Local Event Calendar at a Glance

Dec ???; FFFA Christmas dinner, location, date and time to be figured out.
Jan 5, FFFA meeting, movie night, *Dolittle Raiders*, provided by Berl Grant.

Freeman Field Flying Association meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00, FFFA Bldg
Airport Authority meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:15 PM, terminal building conference room.
Museum Board meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6 PM, main museum building library room.

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Sell – Buy

Have something you want to sell or buy? FFFA members get a free ad. Contact the Editor, Larry Bothe, 812-521-7400, or e-mail LBothe@comcast.net to place an ad.

Cliff Robinson Aerobatics

Open cockpit bi-plane rides in 500HP Stearman Acro and tailwheel training in Super Decathlon
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Red Star Pizza Company

Located 1515 W Tipton, Village Center, near Goody's. Hours are Mon thru Sat, 11-9, Sun 4-9.
Call 519-2068 to place an order. \$2 delivery fee..

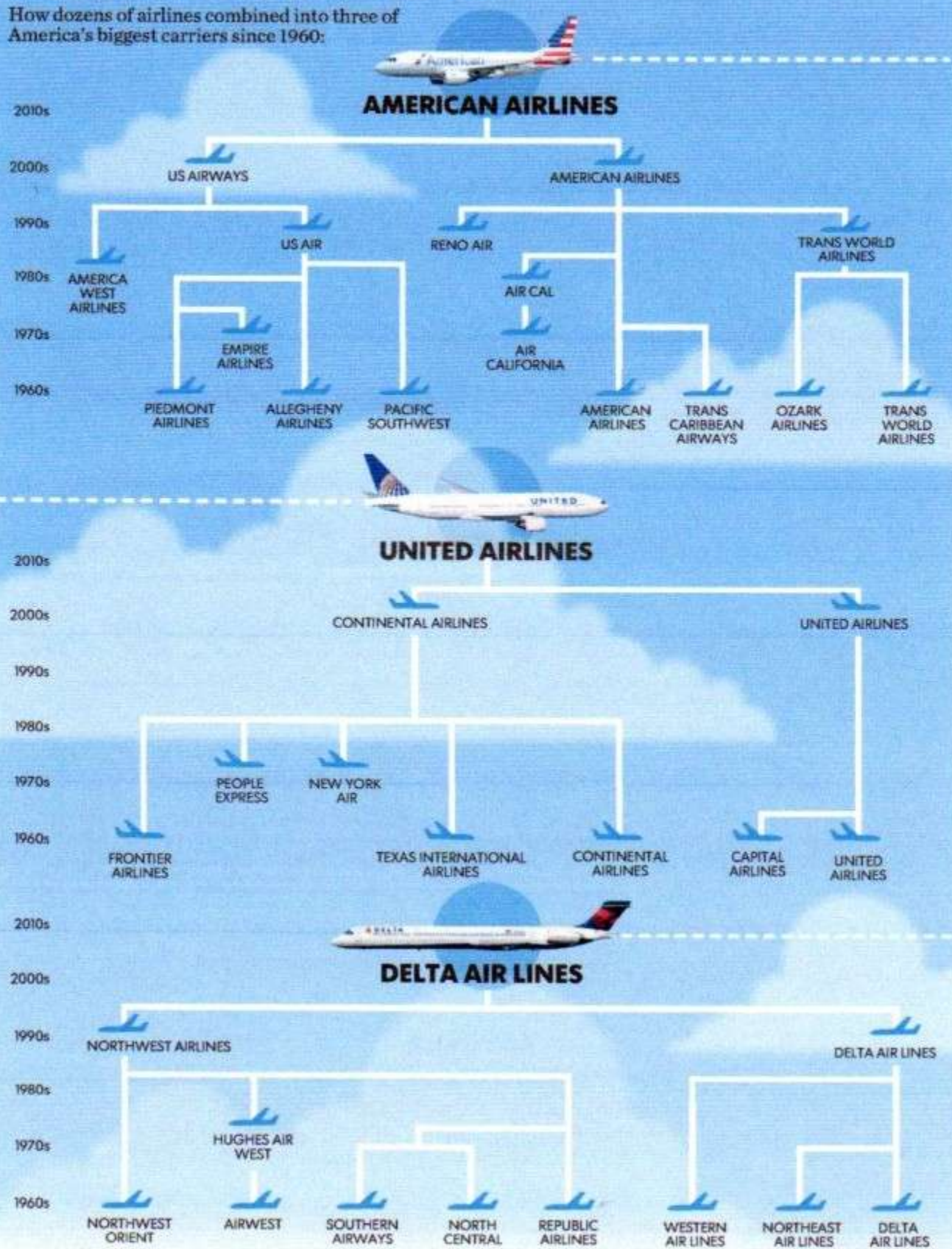
Beer now available!

House Painting, Interior & Exterior

Call Jeff Kleber at 812-525-2042 for an estimate.
Clean, neat work by a full-time professional painter at a reasonable price.

MAKING THE CONNECTIONS

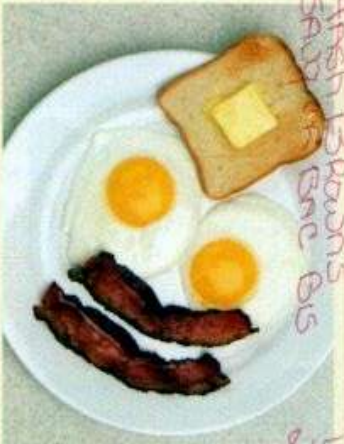
How dozens of airlines combined into three of America's biggest carriers since 1960:



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Breakfast

Biscuits & gravy full order	\$3.50
1/2 order \$2.50	
Egg sandwich or biscuit with bacon or sausage & cheese	\$3.99
3 egg omelets made your way. Add home fries \$1.00	\$5.99
D/S specialty platter home fries with scrambled eggs, cheddar ch topped with sausage gravy	\$6.99
3 Large pancakes	\$4.25
3 slice French toast	\$3.99
Home fries add gravy for \$1.00 more	\$2.50
Toast or biscuit. Rye toast \$2.00	\$1.50
3 strip bacon	\$1.95
2 sausage patty	\$2.50
Side of gravy	\$1.00
Juice	\$1.95
Coffee	\$1.89



Breakfast Platter \$5.99
 Fresh Biscuits \$1.95
 Sausage \$2.80

Lunch

Burger	\$3.00
Cheese Burger	\$3.50
Bacon cheese burger	\$4.59
Patty melt 1/2 pound ground sirloin grilled on grilled rye bread & sautéed onions	\$4.99
Breaded tenderloin sandwich deep fried to a golden brown.	\$4.69
Codfish sandwich deep fried to a golden brown	\$4.69
Reuben	\$4.99
Grilled hot ham and cheese sandwich on your choice of bread	\$3.99
Chicken tenders 3pc	\$3.99
Tuna salad sandwich on your choice of bread	\$3.99
Chet Salad served with ham, turkey, cheddar cheese and egg	sm \$4.95- Lg \$5.95
BLT sandwich on your choice of white or wheat bread	\$3.99



Sides & Beverages

Call and ask about our daily special	\$6.99
French fries	\$2.20
Onion rings	\$2.45
Mac & cheese	\$2.20
Cole slaw	\$1.75
Potato salad	\$2.00
Cottage cheese	\$1.95
Real mashed potato's with gravy	\$1.95
Side salad	2.69
Pie	\$3.25
Hushpuppies	\$2.20
in season hot chocolate	\$1.89
Coke products	\$1.89
Ice tea	\$1.89
Lemonade	\$1.89



D'S Diner: A Great Place to Gather

We want to become your go-to spot for a fun environment and delicious food. You know, that place in the neighborhood where locals gather to kick back and take a day off from cooking. We truly believe we've created something with this restaurant that you can't get anywhere else in the area. Our wait staff is dedicated to providing friendly and personalized service. Want to know what their menu favorites are? Just ask! Want something special added or taken away from a burger or other dish? Just ask. They are here to make sure that you have an excellent experience each and every time you come by.

Please join us for an exceptional day out.

Hours

Day	Hours
Sunday	Closed
Monday	6:00am - 6:00pm
Tuesday	6:00am - 6:00pm
Wednesday	6:00am - 6:00pm
Thursday	6:00am - 6:00pm
Friday	6:00am - 6:00pm
Saturday	Closed

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Please call or fax your order one hour before pickup to insure hot and fresh meal



D'S Diner

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