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No News Is Good News?

Airport News

Well, your editor hopes no news is good news. I attended the airport authority meeting on 2/19, and while they transacted several items of business relative to the industrial park, there was nothing directly of interest to pilots. I asked both Dan and Diane if there was anything for pilots I could report in the newsletter, and they both replied that there wasn't a thing.

FFFA Meeting

Our February meeting featured a presentation by Joe Clegg about his time working in California on the Space Shuttle in the 1980's. He created a Power Point slide presentation and told us about a lot about the inner shuttle workings, and some of the engineering problems he helped solve. As a person who has been through the Kennedy Space Center twice, Mission Control in Houston once, and seen one space shuttle launch (3rd to last) up pretty close, I found Joe's talk very interesting and informative.

The program for our March meeting has not yet been decided. Karen says she is working on it. Your editor is no help. I didn't create a new aviation Power Pilot presentation for 2018 so I have nothing to try out on the unsuspecting FFFA membership.

Don't forget to pay your 2018 dues. There are still 17 of you out there who have not yet paid. Guido will be around to see you soon!

Museum Archives

News of the Freeman Army Airfield Museum



The Freeman Army Airfield Museum is a completely separate entity from the Freeman Field Flying Association. Some of our board members (L. Bothe &

B. Grant) overlap. The FFFA on occasion supports the museum with gifts of money for worthy projects.

FMI www.freemanarmyairfieldmuseum.org.

The museum is pleased to welcome Tim O'Connor as our newest board member. Tim replaces Allen Morrison, who found himself too busy with work and family obligations to continue with the museum.

We are very busy with 3 projects to enhance visitor experience. Here's a quick recap of the status of those projects.

Room usage changes: Our room changes are nearing completion. Basically, we swapped chairs and movie screen out of the Library Room and put them in the Diorama Room, with the pull-down movie screen in front of the diorama. With the chairs out of the library we were able to move the glass display cases in the entry room down to the library. That in turn allowed us to expand our gift shop area. And now, when a group comes, we can have them step right into the diorama room and show our introductory video. We no longer have to try to herd them down the hall to the library.

Book cataloging: All the real hard-cover books are entered into the library software. The 91 wartime issues of Life Magazine we have are sorted and placed in protective sleeves. Now we're dealing with all the other stuff (big mess!) that has accumulated in the library over time.

Flight simulator: The simulator project is moving forward at a decent pace. We raised enough money to do the project. Our used gaming computer has been brought up to speed and will do the job. The video card that will operate the 3 monitors necessary for a wrap-around view has been installed. So has the simulation software. Next we need to buy three 27" monitors. Then we order the remaining aircraft control modules (control yoke, rudder pedals, etc.) and put it all together.

The museum was fortunate to receive a grant from the Seymour Redevelopment Commission that allows us to make three important capital improvements. In 2018 we will pave the driveway at the annex building where the fire truck goes in and out, put a 100%-flake epoxy coating on the annex floor, and replace the ancient carpet in about half of our main building. We also expect to get two engines from the National Air & Space Museum. 2018 is shaping up to be a very good year for the museum.

Louisville Soaring Club News & Views

Provided by Maggie Hettinger, LSC Board
FMI www.soarky.org

Nothing from Maggie this month. Cold and rain is not conducive to a fun soaring experience.

Member Accomplishments

The Gullions march forward! **Mindy Gullion** passed her Private Pilot checkride late last month, and **Monte Gullion** passed his IFR knowledge test on 2/23. Congratulations to both of them. They are going to get a lot of use out of their Cherokee 180.

Two new people, **Judd Foster** and **Tyler Armour**, have begun flying lessons at Cherry Hill Aviation. We hope they will become FFFA members in due time.

FFFA Treasurer's Report

For the period: January, 2018

Opening bal, all funds		8,894.36
Opening bal, chkg acct		1,812.88
Income		
Dues	210.00	
Other		
Total Income		210.00
Expenses		
Electric bill	55.24	
Sewer bill	9.14	
Water bill	20.11	
Jubilee Flowers & Gifts	88.00	
Freeman Fld Flying Assn.	1,000.00	
Rumpke, porta-potty svc	27.93	
Stamps	50.00	
Other		
Total Expenses		1,250.42
Transfer from MMF		
Transfer to MMF		
Closing bal, chkg acct		772.46
Mny Mrkt Fnd, opng bal		7,081.48
Checks written		
X-fer in from chckng		
Interest earned (3 mo.)	18.87	
Closing bal, MMF		7,100.35
Net change, all accounts		1,021.55
Grand total, all funds		7,872.81

Interesting Aviation Links

49-plane formation flight over Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City. This flight took place several years ago, after the "sequestration", I think. The military quit doing stadium fly-overs for a while, so civilians took over. Submitted by reader Floyd Hollandbeck, 1/23/2018.

[Arrowhead Stadium, 49 plane flyover -](#)

Wonderland; huge miniature model train layout in Hamburg, Germany. There is a large model international airport component that is really neat. Wonderland is open to the public and has over 1,000,000 visitors a year. Video, about 5 minutes. Worth the watch. From Bob Butterfield, 1/24/2018.

[Wonderland](#)

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.

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Ask an Instructor/Airline Pilot

Do you have a question about some phase of aviation? It could be about pilot certification, logging flight time, FAR's, how airlines do things, instrument flight, or anything else. Send a message to Adam Springmeyer at adam.springmeyer@gmail.com and receive a personal reply directly in your e-mail.

Editors note: Thanks to Bryan Swank, President of EAA Chapter 1328 at North Vernon, for sending along a list of area aviation activities for 2018. They are incorporated into the Local Event Calendar below. Most are within reasonable striking distance of Seymour. Also, Cliff Robinson sent along his tentative air show schedule for 2018. Those events/dates are shown below as well.

Local Event Calendar at a Glance

Mar 8, FFFA meeting, 7 PM, TBD, Meeting in the museum ???

Mar 15, EAA 729 meeting, Atterbury-Bakalar museum media room, 6:30 PM, **Larry Bothe** gives presentation *Fly the Easy Way, 21 Tips & Tricks I have Learned in 44 Years of Flying*

Apr 10-15, Sun 'n Fun 2018, Lakeland, FL

Apr 14, Purdue Aviation Day, Lafayette, IN

Jun 9, Columbus, IN Airport Day (tentative)

Jun 10, Sinful Sunday at Lee Bottom

Jun 15-16, Aeronca fly-in, Middletown, OH

Jun 23, Museum Airplane Ride Day, Seymour

Jun 30, Pancake breakfast, OVO, 0700-1030

Jul 7, Anderson fly-in & air show (AID)*

Jul 8, Sinful Sunday at Lee Bottom

Jul 17 (yes, it's a Tue), Hagerstown Flying Circus

Jul 23-29, AirVenture 2018, Oshkosh, WI

Aug 12, Sinful Sunday at Lee Bottom

Aug 25, Mattoon, IL, fly-in & air show (MTO)*

Sep 1, Marion, IN (MZZ) fly-in & air show*

Labor Day Weekend – Red Stewart fly-in

Sep 6-8, Midwest LSA Expo, Mt. Vernon, IL

Sep 22, North Vernon Airport Awareness Day*

Sep 29, Madison Air Show (IMS)*

Oct 5-6, AOPA fly-in, Carbondale, IL

Oct 6-7, Red Bull Air Race, Indianapolis

(Bold items are FFFA meetings/activities)

*An asterisk means Cliff Robinson will be performing aerobatics at that event.

Freeman Field Flying Association meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM, FFFA Bldg. or at the museum. No meeting in July. Christmas dinner in December.

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, 6:15 PM, main museum building map room.

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.

Local Aircraft for Sale

½ share of 1963 Beech Musketeer

Mark Kendall's brother-in-law lost his medical.

Aircraft is IFR-equipped and the annual was recently completed by Cherry Hill Aviation. Call

Mark for more info, 812-216-1147

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