



The Flyer

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IN MEMORY

It is with deep regret that I inform you of the passing of Bonnie L. Donovan. Bonnie was born in Oklahoma in 1923 and received her RN in 1944. After moving to Kansas City she married Warren Donovan in 1956 and spent the rest of her life in the KC area. Nursing was her career and she worked as a surgical nurse, office nurse, industrial nurse and was Chief Nurse for TWA for the fourteen years prior to retiring in 1983. She enjoyed flying with Warren and traveling extensively. You hopefully remember being greeted by Bonnie and Warren whenever the chapter had picnic's at Rainbow Air Village. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Garden Valley Manor, St. Therese Catholic Church or the American Parkinson's Foundation and condolences can be mailed to Warren at 6118 NW 79th, Kansas City, MO 64151.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE - A very Happy New Year to everyone and may good health and prosperity be with you today and throughout the year. "Crabby Night" was an overwhelming success - the food was outstanding. Comments included "the best crab legs I've ever had". The weather was a little iffy so a few were kept away and regrets to Lyle who wandered around Lee's Summit to no avail - hope you, at least, got a PBJ when you got back home. **** While it was encouraging to hear US Sen. Bill Nelson (D-Fla.) say that, in his opinion, "user fees are dead" - we all know that when it comes to politics it's not over until the final vote. Phil Boyer reminds us that "The airlines haven't given up on user fees and more taxes on general aviation ♦." The Senate is scheduled to return to work Jan 22nd, and meanwhile, congress extended the previous FAA budget and aviation excise tax to pay for it until Feb 29th. **** In Missouri there still seems to be some questions regarding HB 1270 which "requires that all gasoline sold as of January 1, 2008, in Missouri be fuel ethanol-blended gasoline". "Any exemptions made by the EPA as well as bulk transfers between terminals are exempt from the provisions in the act and

certain gasoline types are exempted from the requirement including aviation fuel and automotive fuel used in aircraft, premium gasoline, and E75 and E85 gasoline". Many thanks to Bob Dickens and state board members who lobbied relentlessly in Jeff City to keep that exemption. **** Speaking of politics - the 2nd Annual Missouri Aviation Day will be Wed, Feb 20th in Jeff City. Please check your monthly state newsletter for details. **** Mark your calendars now to attend the February 27th meeting at the DAV featuring "Staying ahead of the airplane". **** Takeoffs are optional - landings are mandatory - so try to keep the number of landings equal to the number of takeoffs.***** Gary Fox

JANUARY HOLIDAY DINNER - Our holiday dinner at the 'Jumpin Catfish' was a great way to end the festivities of the season. While most enjoyed the Alaskan Snow Crab legs, others ordered their favorite from the menu. Whatever you wanted, seafood, chicken or wild game, it was there for your enjoyment. Of course the main thing was the camaraderie of fellow pilots telling their "War" stories. We are looking forward to next year.

A BIG thanks to Terrie Jo for the many hours spent arranging this GREAT party.

PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 27 - Our February 27, 2008 meeting is "Staying ahead of the airplane". From day one of flight training, pilots are told to stay ahead of the airplane. In this thought provoking new program, Richard L. Collins from Flying magazine, examines situations where pilots are most likely to "get behind" the airplane, triggering a chain of events that could lead to an accident or incident.

DINNER RESERVATION INFORMATION -Our next regular meeting will begin with social time at 6:00, dinner at 6:30 sharp on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at the Disabled American Veterans, 8787 Old Santa Fe Road, KCMO. Take I-435 to 87th Street exit, (Missouri !!) go east on 87th Street 1.1 miles, turn right on Old Santa Fe Road, 0.2 miles to DAV on your left. OR, west from Blue Ridge Boulevard onto 87th Street, immediate left on Old Santa Fe Road, 0.2 miles to DAV on your left. The menu will consist of : Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Vegetable, Salad, Coffee/Tea, Dessert. RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST so please contact Terrie Jo by noon on Monday, Feb 25, 2008 by e-mail: terrie@foxware.com or 795-7233. The cost is \$11, including gratuity, and DAV reservations must be made and kept.
Terrie Jo Fox.

MEETING DATES FOR 2008: Please mark your calendars now so you won't forget any meetings.

February 27 -- Staying ahead of the airplane.

March 26 -- Pending

MPA CHAPTER BOARD MEETINGS - All chapter members are invited to attend board meetings. They are normally held on the first Tuesday of the month, excluding holidays, at Executive Beechcraft, Downtown Airport, at 7 PM. We always welcome your advice and assistance, and the coffee pot is on!

MPA STATE BOARD MEETINGS - Any MPA members may, and are invited and encouraged to, attend the state board meetings. Check the *MPA News* for meeting dates, times and locations.
Gary Fox

NEXT KC CHAPTER BOARD MEETING - February 5th

WINGS -- Congratulations To JEANNÉ WILLERTH for earning Phase 10 WINGS and PENROD TURK for earning Phase 14 WINGS.

THE NEW WINGS PROGRAM is now in effect! It is the responsibility of each chapter WINGS Chair to keep track of all their WINGS participants. So -please- keep Chapter Wings Officer, Penrod Turk, informed upon the completion of any phase. (4 West 112th Street, Kansas City, MO 64114-5304) Questions? PATurk@att.net.

CHAPTER FLYOUT INFORMATION - We will be flying to only 3 or 4 close airports in 2008 due to gas prices, and to increase our flying and members' participation. (Non-flyers welcome!) With a new chairperson, we hope to provide e-mail notification the week before. Please volunteer. Info on flyouts can be obtained at www.MidwesternPilot.com, or the State News Letter.

DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

SAFETY SEMINAR - No current schedules

EAA Chapter 91 hosts a pancake breakfast @ LXT on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

USEFUL WEB SITES -

Missouri Pilots Association Web Site for all chapters: www.mopilots.org

Kansas City FSDO: <http://www.faa.gov/about/office%5Forg/field%5Foffices/fsdo/mci/>

NASA Callback <http://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/>

Missouri 2005-2006 Airport Directory & Travel Guide. This has views of the latest airports & information updates. <http://www.modot.state.mo.us/othertransportation/airportdirectory.htm>

Missouri State Senate Web Site: <http://www.senate.state.mo.us>

This website is a pilot to pilot information exchange: www.flykc.com

Super Cub website is very popular www.supercub.org

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