



## The Flyer

*July 2008*

**Officers:** President: Gary Fox; Vice President: vacant; Secretary: Jan Handley; Treasurer: Terrie Jo Fox; **Directors:** Ralph Schmude, Al St. Germain, Frank Taylor, Penrod Turk, Jeanné Willerth and Past Presidents. **Chairpersons:** Wings Program : Penrod Turk; Safety: Chris St. Germain; Membership: Open; Meeting Arrangements: Terrie Jo Fox; **Temporary Editor:** Penrod Turk

**PRESIDENTS MESSAGE** - A small crowd either flew or drove into Warrensburg for our chapter picnic at Skyhaven on June 21st. Our hosts were KC Chapter members Doc Bailey and Frosty Hoeffler. They are attempting to make a light sport aircraft center on the airport and have chosen two aircraft to kick it off - - - the Storm Rally, a LSA total carbon fibre construction and the UFO Enforcer. Due to the inclement weather in the southern part of the US the actual planes were held up in Tennessee - but Doc vows to ask us to return or make a presentation at one of our meetings. Hot Dogs and hamburgers were enjoyed by all along with side dishes brought by attendees. I was especially appreciative of Doc's master chef capabilities as I didn't have to cook - thanks Doc. \*\*\*\* In case you haven't been keeping up on the news, AOPA President, Phil Boyer, officially announced his retirement effective Dec 31, 2008. Effective Jan 9, 2009, AOPA member and 40 year flying veteran, Craig L. Fuller will be assuming the helm. The two will be working together for the rest of the year to make a smooth transition. We all owe Phil a debt of gratitude and I think a flood of thank-you notes would be very appropriate. \*\*\*\* Please check your NOTAMS and continue to be mindful of the on going improvements at LXT - remember, that F-15 pilot that you think might be waiving at you really isn't. \*\*\*\* Never let an airplane take you somewhere your brain didn't get to five minutes earlier. \*\*\*\* \*\* Gary Fox



**COMPASS ROSE POSTPONED** - Due to LXT Airport improvements, the compass rose project has been postponed until Spring/Summer of 2009.

**PROGRAM FOR JULY 23** - Chapter member, Jim Stears will grace our podium reminiscing the "Alaskan Experience" in his 1946 Aeronca 7AC. This is a terrific Video.

**DINNER RESERVATION INFORMATION** - Our next regular meeting will begin with social time at 6:00, dinner at 6:30 sharp on Wednesday, July 23, 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. Our menu will be: Marvin's Famous Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Vegetable, Salad, Bread/Butter, Coffee/Tea, Dessert.

**RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST** so please contact Terrie Jo by noon on Monday, July 21, 2008 by e-mail: [terrie@foxware.com](mailto: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.

July 23 -- \*\*\* Flight to Alaska in a Champ, Solo. Jim Stears will show a video of his flight.

**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!

**NEXT KC CHAPTER BOARD MEETING - June 3rd**

**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*

**JOINT PROJECT** - We are tentatively planning a joint project with the 99s in the Spring of 2009. We will paint a compass rose at LXT. MPA is funding the materials and the 99s are supplying the woman power. All will be invited to help. We will try to have it on the day of a Young Eagles program and pancake breakfast. *Jeanné*

**WINGS** -- There's been a change to the WINGS program. Participants can go on-line, go to the Wings Pilot Proficiency Program, and select Airman Profile. There is a new block at the bottom that allows entry of Superseded Wings Phase. This is a one-time opportunity to add the Phase of Wings that an airman held in the old Wings program. The options are phase 1 thru 20. Some people were issued certificates for Phases above 20, but 20 was the official highest Phase that could be held so don't enter anything higher than 20.

Once an entry is made, it can't be changed. The Phase entered will appear on the My Wings page in the Superseded Wings Program box. This is just a way of acknowledging the accomplishments of airmen who qualified for Wings in the old program. If the airman allows external review for a 3rd party, the information will be available. Likewise, it provides a record that demonstrates an airman's "positive attitude about safety" which can be helpful in some situations. \*\* Fred P. Harms, Central Region FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) \*\*

**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](http://www.MidwesternPilot.com), or the State News Letter at <http://www.mopilots.org/flyouts.htm> . Tell us where you want to go..

### **DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:**

July 28 thru Aug 3, 2008 - Oshkosh 2008 Adventure

August 9, 2008 - "Youth Day" at MKC with kids activities and Young Eagles program - pilots needed, contact Pam Ratliff for information: 816-358-1458

August 23 & 24, 2008 - Kansas City Aviation Expo at MKC, volunteers to help EAA at Expo can contact Pam Ratliff: 816-358-1458

September 20, 2008 - Pancake breakfast and Young Eagles at LXT

October 18, 2008 - Pancake breakfast and Young Eagles at LXT

**SAFETY SEMINAR** - No current schedules

### **USEFUL WEB SITES -**

Missouri Pilots Association Web Site for all chapters: [www.mopilots.org](http://www.mopilots.org)

Kansas City FSDO: <http://www.faa.gov/about/office%5Fforg/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](http://www.flykc.com)

Super Cub website is very popular [www.supercub.org](http://www.supercub.org)

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