



### Special points of interest:

- **Wednesday August 23—Dinner Meeting**
- **Tuesday September 5—NO Chapter Board Meeting**

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## President's Message "Future of ATC"

Oshkosh, Solar Eclipse, late summer and fall air shows, there are many events of interest to keep us flying as we look forward to cooler temperatures and school starting again. ADS-B and NextGen are here or just over the horizon.



The item you should be active in understanding and educating non flying legislators about, is the proposal to fund Privatization of ATC with landing fees. Two hundred dollars per landing is often mentioned, while that won't break the bank for an airline flying hundreds of passengers per plane, it would bring flight schools to an immediate halt. Business aviation will be greatly curtailed and the hundred dollar hamburger would become three hundred dollars. Will pilotless commercial vehicles

(drones) be forced, by poorly written legislation, to contribute as well? I want to believe that an intelligent solution will be reached. That will be more likely if we all make our plight known to our elected officials. Please take the time to write your views to your representatives. When an NPRM is generated, respond, or forever hold your peace.

Enjoy the Eclipse.

(no, you can't log it as night  
VFR)  
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## August Program "Oshkosh" Speaker: Jim Fricke



### Jim Fricke Bio

Graduated in 1975 from University of Missouri-Rolla with BSEE.

Various jobs including training with Schlumberger to do oil well logging in South America.

1979 started working for myself. Operated a number of ComputerLand franchise stores in the Kansas City area. Worked with, of all people, Gary Fox (and his son).

Opened a restaurant, Tatlers Café and Bar, in Overland Park in about 1985. For me it lasted only 3 long years before I learned my lesson.

I had been working with Data Freight, a ComputerLand customer since 1980 doing software development and computer support. The manager there and I bought the company in 1986 and have worked together as

partners ever since. We have been in Lee's Summit near LXT since 1994.

I was given a First Flight package by my wife, Cindy, in 2008. went to Air Associates at OJC to check it out. First, I visited the plane to see if I could even fit in it. So far so good. Then I was asked if I had a flight instructor, which I didn't. They sized me up and said they had the perfect one – Jeanne Wilerth. I solo-ed in 2009 and passed my check ride in 2010. I had to because she wouldn't sign me off for any more solos.

Bought nice Cessna 182 in 2011. My wife and I have flown to Florida for Valentine's day a few times.



This summer Jeanne and I flew up to Oshkosh and I will be talking about that at the MPA meeting next Wednesday.



**Menu:**

Taco Bar

Cheesecake

Coffee (I'll bring tea)

**Reservations:**

Email Terrie Jo,  
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 by Monday Aug. 21,  
 2017

**Future Meeting Dates**

August 23 —*Membership Dinner Meeting— Oshkosh*

September 5— Board Meeting at Downtown Airport

We are looking for suggestions of speakers for upcoming meetings. You suggest, we invite and all will enjoy

**Calendar of Events (## indicates KC local)**

**## Aug 23(4<sup>th</sup> Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## Sep 27(4<sup>th</sup> Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## Oct 25(4<sup>th</sup> Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## Nov 15(3<sup>rd</sup> Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## DEC 6 or 13 (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed) Holiday Party**

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