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PRESIDENTS CORNER

I am sitting here flying 38,000 feet above the crystal blue Caribbean waters, on an American Airlines flight back from St Thomas. Rhode Island made national news these past two days with historic floods. Usually these types of "natural disasters" occurs somewhere else to someone else. It is weird to be on the outside looking in at your home town dealing with this type of situation. Maybe it's a reminder to us that we can and should do more to help those in need.

One way to combine our love for flying with charity is to join a group such as Angelflight, which provides transportation to people in need such as cancer patients, burn victims, and transplant recipients. Another way is to provide outreach to kids in school who may be interested in flying careers or picking up flying as a hobby. Our scholarship program is certainly a step in that direction. But I think that as an organization that we can do more. I mentioned the idea briefly at our last dinner meeting of going into K-12 schools to talk to kids about flying. My gut feeling is that we have some members within RIPA, particularly retirees with some time on their hands, that would enjoy the opportunity to talk to some kids about their experiences flying aircraft, whether their experience is from a commercial aviation career or just flying to lunch in their own plane or a rental. I think the kids would get a lot out of it, and I think it would be rewarding for the person giving the talk as well. Please let me know you or someone you know is interested in this idea, and we will try and make it happen. We will need volunteers to setup the outreach by making contact with one or two local school districts, and pilots to share their experiences with the kids.

Bill Weedon
President, RIPA



HANGAR FLYING

Weekend Flying

March came in like a typical New England seasonal transition. One day it's snowing and then its 70 degrees. That just made for interesting flight planning, like, preheat or not, dress in layers to be comfortable and how windy is it for real. All this didn't stop the "SFZ Fly to Lunch Bunch". We managed to continue to enjoy our love for flight using the excuse of, the need for food. On Saturday, March 6th, a bunch of us flew up to Keene, NH (EEN) to attend a free BBQ sponsored by Monadnock Aviation which Paul will write about.

Now that Daylight savings time has given us more daylight at the end of the day and it's getting warmer, we have started our Thursday evening flights again. So if anyone is inclined to brush up on their night time flight, here is your excuse. You are more than welcome to join us.

Fly Safe.....Frank Oliveira



That's Paul Carroll in the middle of the picture in front of Monadnock Aviation, Keene NH. Pix/FrankO

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MEETING MINUTES

Dinner Meeting
February 9, 2010

Bill Weedon, Vice President, called the dinner meeting to order at 7:00pm at Chelo's in Warwick. After the Pledge of Allegiance we observed a moment of silence. There were 49 members and friends present at the meeting. 7 more joined us later for the Safety Seminar. A dinner recess was called after table introductions.

The Secretary's Report was accepted as written in the Plane Paper.

Dan Scanlon, Treasurer, reported that there was \$2570.59 in the General Fund and \$2657.98 in the Scholarship Fund, The report was accepted.

Announcements:

St Andrew's St Patrick's Day brunch on Block Island is cancelled for lack of volunteers.

Our 401 3c status is still being worked out. The Board of Directors has been assisting with needed documents and information.

We are forgoing the bartender at the meeting in order to hold down costs.

Bill Weedon would like to see an Outreach Project begun focusing on young people at schools, scout troops, etc. He wants members to speak about flying as a career or as just a pastime.

Stephen Grata, FAAS Team Program Manager, would like to establish a Rhode Island Safety Team that includes Frank Sherman and John Sulyma.

John Sulyma will be holding monthly Safety Seminars on the last Saturday of the month. This month's speaker on March 27th will be Bob Adelizzi from Boston TRACON.

Door prize winners were Brian Salisbury, Linda Demaine, Jan Sherman, Richard Demaine, Francine McVay, and Dan Scanlon Jr.

Frank Sherman spoke on "**Proper Tower Communications**"

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm

Respectfully Submitted
Marilyn Biagetti
Acting Secretary

I was flying with a friend and his 7-year-old nephew a few weeks ago. After take-off, I was talking to departure control and was given numerous vectors and altitudes in the busy DFW airspace. After a few minutes, the youngster piped in with, "Would you please stop talking on your phone and pay attention to your flying?"

CLASSIFIED ADS

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Located in Rhode Island at SFZ

- TT: 3712 as of 10/2009
- Always hangared since recovering (Stits)
- Owned 20 years
- 150 HP Lycoming O-320
- 1581 SMOH
- \$39,000 without or \$44,000 with camera rig

For more details and pictures

<http://www.ripilots.com/classified/Citabria.pdf>

Beech BE-55 Baron for sale. 9869 TT, 202 SMOH/760 SNEW. GAMI injectors, Air Wolf remote oil filters, leather seats, 136 gallons fuel, century III AP, KLN-94 GPS, HSI w/slave compass, 70 A alternators, deice boots, Whelan strobes, EZ-heat engine preheaters, NU-lite panel lights, speedslope windscreen, plumbed for oxygen, complete logs, fresh annual, more. Asking \$77,995. Listed with Tsunami Aircraft Sales, Westerly. Contact Bill Weedon 401-474-8082. (check details at www.RIPilots.com/classified)

USED C172 PARTS FOR SALE:

-Complete original **exhaust system** for a Cessna 172M, (O320 engine) in good condition. This system was removed so as to install a Power Flow Exhaust System. Asking \$800

-Two sets of **McCauley main wheels and brake calipers** from a Cessna 172M. All in good condition. They were replaced with Cleveland wheels. Asking \$125 and \$75 per set.

-Sigtronics **Intercom**, SPA-400, w/ installation manual. Asking \$100

-ARC **Nav/Com** RT-385A with IN-385 indicator and tray. (24V). asking \$500

-ARC **marker beacon receiver** R-402A (24V). asking \$75

-**(NEW) Rapco vacuum instrument filter:** #RA 1J10-1, \$10

-Cessna 172 **Parts Manual**, 1963 - 1974, \$25

-Cessna 172 **Service Manual**, 1969 - 1976, \$25

-3 sealed cans of **AVBLEND** oil additive. \$45

Call Frank...days 401-787-2338 or evenings 401-727-2580

FOR SALE: Ocean State Oil is offering current members a discount on AEROSHELL(cases & drums). SHELL Flight Jacket, plane care products are now available at 123 Ocean State Dr. No. Kingston, RI 02852 1800 554 4557

Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.

Marilyn: 568 3497, Fax:568 5392, email biagettim@cox.net

The Flying Food Hound

The Flying Food Hound is taking a break from reviewing a restaurant this month. Instead I am going to tell you about a terrific fly-in BBQ a bunch of us went to on the first Saturday of March. This BBQ / Open House event is a recurring one which is why I chose to highlight it for this month. We flew to Monadnock Aviation, an FBO and flight school, located at Dillant-Hopkins Airport (EEN) in Keene New Hampshire. I had the Floridian as my back seatter and the Girlie Girl up front with me. FrankO took up the Booonnnannzzza driver and some of his posse, and a newcomer, Phil Murphy. No nickname for him yet but I am working on it. A few others were Ed K, John S, Hector (the breaker of horses), NOOORM!!, and Tony Palumbo. What a great time we had. There was so much food there we ate like Vikings. The fare included mostly homemade foods. Pulled pork, mac salad, beans, dogs and burgers and a real tasty dish called Hamburg-Macaroni Soup. For dessert they had a local favorite, sugar on snow. It is warm maple syrup poured on crushed ice. The Floridian liked it (Buz can hardly wait for the ice cream stand at Jaffrey to open). Donations are welcome.

The folks up there are laid back and very accommodating. They even had a "best looking plane" competition. FrankO won for his Cardinal. Yeah, no kidding. They gave him a navy blue Monadnock Aviation T-shirt. Very nice. I went to buy one but they had only large. I tried one on but looked like a blueberry being squeezed out of its' skin. As I said, there was a lot of food there! This event is advertised in the Atlantic Flyer. The couple, Rick and Beth that run the FBO does this two times a month so keep an eye open for it. Maybe you too could win a T-shirt and look like a concord grape. Monadnock Aviation also has self serve 100LL at a relatively low price.

The Hound

RIPA's sponsoring businesses

Roger Biagetti
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<http://thepilotshop.com/>

NOTAMS

MASTER PILOTS AWARD

RIPA is again willing to help members, qualified to receive the Master Pilots Award, with their application. An information guide and application is available at faasafety.gov. You must log on and go to awards.

There will be applications available at the dinner meeting or you can contact any board member.

Board Meeting

Dan Scanlon, Rene Cardon, Marilyn Biagetti and Beth Tetreault were joined by Dee Scanlon, Frank Oliveira, and Paul Carroll at Landmark's conference room at North Central Airport. The large table allowed plenty of room for the 20 Week Club mailing.

Without an official meeting agenda we just covered the basics and spent the rest of the session talking about the rain and flooding, while stuffing, labeling and sealing envelopes.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Landmark for making their conference room available to us, even after hours.

eMAIL BAG

In a message dated 3/5/2010
phillipjmurphy@yahoo.com writes:
Hello fellow RI Pilots, Is anyone flying out to breakfast tomorrow that might have room for me ? I haven't been flying in a while and was wondering if I could just tag along. See you guys/gals in the morning, I'll be the one trying to bum a ride :)
Thanks -Phil

In response:

Phil; I am sending this Sunday evening so it's a bit late for this week end, We meet at Landmark at north central about 9:30 or 10:00 am and decide where to go. There is usually room for someone, if they are there. So just show up on a Saturday or Sunday and give it a shot. Make sure you say something about wanting to go.

To join RIPA'S YAHOO Group go to
www.RIPilots.com/join.

***This is the final newsletter
for members that have not
renewed their membership
for 2010.***



MEETING NOTICE

Make your reservations today by calling 568 3497 or via email at RIPAemail@aol.com by April 11, 2010.

Date: Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:00pm Dinner

Place: Chelo's in Warwick

*Airport exit off Rte.95 to Post Rd south,
500ft on right*

Buffet of: Baked Salmon
Grilled Steak Tips
Meatballs and Penne Marinara
Garden Vegetable Medley, Baby Carrots,
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Rice Pilaf
Garden Salad w/house dressing

Fresh Bread

Assorted Cake Slices

Coffee and Tea.

Price: \$25 per person

\$45 per couple

\$5 just coffee and dessert

PLEASE CALL TODAY!!!!!!

Feel free to join us by 8:00pm if you wish to attend just the meeting. There is a \$5.00 charge if you would like just coffee and dessert.

Members wishing to fly into PVD can call any Board Member to arrange transportation to and from the meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER

April – **Paul Carroll** will speak about the art of formation flying and fourteen years of flying into Oshkosh with 100 other airplanes in formation. He will describe what is required by the regulations to fly in formation and how to do so safely.



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Harrisville, RI 02830

EVENTS SCHEDULE

April 13 - Dinner Meeting

April 27- Board Meeting

May 11 - Dinner Meeting, Tower Tour
Scholarship Award

May 25 - Board Meeting

June 8 - Dinner Meeting

Master Pilots Award

September 14 - Dinner Meeting

October 12 - Dinner Meeting

November 9 - Dinner Meeting

December – Holiday Gala

Air Man of the Year Award