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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our October Meeting will bring our own Bob and Cindy Wolff. They retraced the Lewis and Clark Trip in their 182. Come and see the great presentation.

We will be presenting the Airman of the Year Award at our Annual Holiday Gala this year. Please bring any nominations to the October meeting. There is a nomination form in this issue of The Plane Paper. This is an opportunity to recognize an Airman that represents the best of our organization in Rhode Island. Please help us recognize that pilot. Nominations should be submitted at the RIPA meeting, or can be mailed to Marilyn Biagetti. We will accept nominations until October 11th. The ballot will be mailed in the November newsletter, and will be counted at the November RIPA meeting.

Fall is upon us, and the winter weather is just ahead. Now is the time to brush up on our awareness of winter flying conditions and how weather conditions can change quickly.

Paul Carroll



HANGAR FLYING

Rene Cardon made reservations for us at this unique Restaurant / General store in the middle of no-where. He has organized this get together ever year with great success. The food and service was very good, and the evening was enjoyed by all. The ride back to Greenville after dinner proved exciting for a couple of us dodging moose and deer on the road.

Saturday evening... 15 RI pilots and friends having dinner at a restaurant in Kokadjo, ME.



Jack Crouse, Bob Danis, Phil Sargent, Lowell Cornell, Jan Miele, Adrian Desillier and Cindy & Bob Wolff

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Bob Wolff, Ken MacDonald, Rene Cardon

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Our one and only beloved past President, Paul Tocco, relaxing with a glass of wine before dinner.

MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2005 Dinner Meeting

Bill Weeden, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM at Chelo's Restaurant on Post Road in Warwick, RI. Thirty-seven members and members and guests were in attendance.

Dan Scanlon reported a balance of \$865 in the general account and \$4,800 in the Scholarship account. A motion to approve the report was seconded and passed.

Frank Sherman reported that he will be coordinating safety seminars. He is currently researching locations to hold the seminars.

Marilyn reported that the IMAX Theater at Providence Place Mall had offered 75 spots to preview Tom Hanks' new film, *Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon in 3D*. The preview was scheduled to take place on September 21st.

The RIPA Board would like to coordinate a nominating committee for the Airman of the Year. In addition, the Board is requesting donations for windsocks to be placed at RI airports.

Ray Dunn from the Bridgeport FSS was our guest speaker for the evening. Mr. Dunn spoke about his years at the Bridgeport FSS. In addition, he discussed Lockheed Martin's contract to run the flight service station system.

The dinner meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Korrie LaBrie
Recording Secretary

SOLOS & NEW RATINGS

We would like to congratulate all who strive to maintain and advance their knowledge of aviation.

Lowell Cornell - WINGS XVI, 9/14 w/ Frank Sherman at SkyLANes

Iris Dewhurst - WINGS XIV 7/05, w/Chris Gibbs



Here are some of the activities on Saturday at Greenville.

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SAFETY SEMINARS

Gene Bielecki reminds you that RIPA sponsored Safety Seminars include coffee & donuts and door prizes.

Date: October 20, 2005

Time: Thursday, 7:00pm

Place: SkyLANes Lounge SFZ

Topic: The importance of communication and a review of the suggested format as outlined in the AIM.

Speaker: Frank Sherman

Date: October 25, 2005

Time: Tuesday, 7:00pm

Place: T.F. Green Airport

Mary Brennan Conference Room -

Topic: "CFI Workshop

Really Teaching vs. Teaching to 'Pass the Test'

Speaker: Paul Falzarano, Operations Inspector, Boston FSDO and Bob Berlyn, CFI and ASC

Sponsor: Boston FSDO

Date: November 10, 2005

Time: Thursday, 7:00pm

Place: CCRI, Warwick, RI

2006 Safety Seminar Schedule

Wednesday January 25th,

Thursday February 23rd,

Wednesday March 22nd

Thursday April 20th.

To receive your Safety Seminar schedules online please subscribe by going to the following link: <http://faasafety.gov/>

Call Gene Bielecki, Pilot Examiner, for information 231 6229

NOTAMS

Nominations for RIPA's Airman of the Year will be accepted at the November dinner meeting or ballots may be mailed.

Nomination for Office will be accepted from the floor.

Donations of non-perishable food, for our annual Thanksgiving Basket, will be accepted at the October and November dinner meetings. If you have a special organization that you feel would use the donation, let us know. Remember those less fortunate

Gary St Germaine of Corporate Air and RIPA will hold the annual **Harvest Party** October 29. Bring your friends and family.

Frank Sherman will be arranging RIPA's **Safety Seminars** with Gene Bielecki's assistance. He is consulting with the FAA for 5 seminars. The FAA Safety Seminars will be held in the Lincoln Council Knights of Columbus hall which is on route 123, Jenckes Hill Road, one half mile East of the main entrance to North Central Airport. Pickup for pilots flying into SFZ can be arranged.

Frank has been conducting a very popular series of Memory Jogger seminars at the SkyLANES Lounge at SFZ for a number of years. Aimed at recalling long stored information and keeping pilots up to date, Frank encourages interaction among the attendees.

We thank Jeff Soules and Roger Biagetti for their contribution to the Windsock Committee and Peter Hull for his contribution to the Scholarship Committee,

20 Week club winners for August, Steve Nelson, Peter Hull, Fred Schid, and Ed MacDonald
September- Vincent Confreda, Kate Oynesko, Ken MacDonald, Kater Starry
Dinner meeting door prize winners are:
Bob Wolff - Oil Additive, Mrs. Laurenzo – wine, Peter Dewhurst – Coffee mug, Lowell Cornell - Coffee

Robert Berlyn recently earned his Master CFI designation. Bob is the operations director and chief CFI for Horizon Aviation (www.HorizonAviation.com), a Part 141 flight school (PVD) in Providence. He also serves in the CAP and is a safety counselor for the Boston FSDO.

There are approximately 87,000 CFIs in the United States. Fewer than 500 of them have achieved that distinction thus far. The last ten national Flight Instructors of the Year were Master CFIs while Bob is the first and only Rhode Island aviation educator to earn this prestigious "Master" title.

To publicly recognize these individuals and their noteworthy accomplishments, NAFI will be hosting its "Meet the Masters" breakfasts, to which Bob will be invited, during EAA's AirVenture in Oshkosh and Sun 'n Fun in Lakeland. Any support that can be provided will be appreciated.

G Alexander Hill, MCFI Nat'l Association of Flight Instructors

NOTAMS

BOARD MEETING 9/27

Frank, Marilyn, Paul, Dan and Bill had to make some difficult decisions at this meeting. Dan explained that the need to isolate the scholarship money in order to gain a charitable status has made it necessary to be more prudent with the operating expense budget, since it's main income is from dues.

A membership drive would also serve to make our impact with state and Federal officials more potent. Improving attendance at dinner meetings would help greatly, as meeting expenses would be covered.

A serious effort will be made to trim and/or hold steadily rising expenses.

A telephone report from Rene Cardon assured us that the needed windsocks are on the way.

Frank Oliveira reports that the RIPA website is improving day to day. Members can view and download the newsletter, membership application and scholarship applications, check on updated events or view color pix. We thank Jan Miele for her continued support and effort to keep the site growing. Pay us a visit.

Members are reminded that they should update their address changes in the RIPA yahoo/group. Join the group and keep up with the latest news.

Remember to make your plans to attend RIPA's **HOLIDAY GALA** December 10th.

RI Aviation Hall of Fame President, Frank Lennon, invites all to the induction at the Varnum Armory in East Greenwich on Saturday October 22nd. (See *Email Bag*) Call 831-8696 for reservations

AeroServe, a new FBO at SFZ, will be holding an open house some time in October.

AI Spalding has been in Kent County Hospital. Hope all is well.

Written flight tests can now be taken at Newport.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Wanted: Aircraft Mechanic Trainees. Up to an \$8,000.00 cash bonus, the Montgomery GI Bill and Kicker, plus a Student Loan Repayment Program, limited time only, don't miss this opportunity. The RI Air National Guard has several openings for C-130 Crew Chiefs, Aerospace Propulsion Technicians, Avionics Technicians, Fuel Systems specialists, plus more. Paid technical training, travel, college education, and retirement benefits. - For more information contact Col Matt Dzialo or Capt Ron Cloutier at (401) 886-3549

FOR SALE: Ocean State Oil is offering current members a discount on AEROSHELL(cases & drums). SHELL Flight Jacket, plane care products are now available. 1339 Davisville Road, Quonset 1800 554 4557

Free Classified ads of current members for aviation related items.

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

Construction Update

September 12, 2005

WST

Phase I is complete.

Phase II will be completed on September 16, 2005. This includes the area from (and including) the vehicle gate to Reeves Aviation hangar on the North side of the ramp.

Phase III will begin on Monday the 19th. This will include the South side of the ramp area adjacent to that of Phase II. This is scheduled to be completed on October 10th.

Phase IV includes the complete removal and replacement of RWY 7/25 and Alpha. Both will be closed during this time and are scheduled to start mid October and reopen towards the end of November.

FAA is currently in the process of installing REILS and PAPI's on RWY's 14-32 and it will be completed prior to the closure of RWY 7-25 so that airport can remain open at all times. All closed areas are marked with cones and flashers.

OQU

Phase I and II are complete except for some surface markings. The tie-down area is complete and all aircraft may now be parked in their normal space. If your aircraft is not already in the correct spot, as you fly, simply taxi back to parking.

As they finalize the tie-in to the RWY, this will affect TWY A and this portion of alpha will be closed. Back taxiing will be needed during this time frame. Verify NOTAM's.

RWY 5 will also need to be closed while they tie-in TWY W at the approach of RWY 5.

The new run-up area at RWY 5 is completed and painted.

NOTE: The old Whiskey TWY west of the hangars will remain but it will not be used by aircraft. Old Whiskey TWY beside the ramp is being resurfaced and will remain part of the ramp. Aircraft may use this to taxi out to the active Taxiways but it will not be part of the taxiway system.

There will be TWY entrances along the ramp so that you can taxi from the ramp over to the new TWY W. These entrances and the TWY W itself will be lit. This should all be completed by November 1st, 2005.

All closed areas are marked with cones and flashers.

SFZ

Phase I and II will be complete and painted by September 16.

Phase III, IV and V including the area in front of the Hawthorne bulk hangar and Aero Serve will be completed in early October.

Finally, the completion date has not been set for the ramp area in front of the terminal building and our tie down area.

RWY 5-23 and TWY B are scheduled for closure and construction next Spring May 2006.

Nate Pickel Training Manager Quonset Airport

FROM THE e-MAILBAG

Subject: October Memory Jogger **Date:** 9/29/05 **From:** fjbsherman@cox.net

Hello to all,

I hope all of you have had a pleasant Summer, it surely went by quickly for me, doesn't seem possible it is Fall already.

Anyway it's time for the first Memory Jogger of the season and it will be on October 20th 7:00 P.M. in SkyLANES lobby. You faithful attendees try to bring someone new who you think will enjoy the camaraderie.

At least the first part of the program will be on the importance of communication and a review of the suggested format as outlined in the AIM.

I hope to see you on Thursday the 20th at seven, Frank

Subject: [ripa] New member of RIPA Yahoo group

Date: 9/23/2005

From: frank172@cox.net

Greetings to all,

Keith Salisbury is a student pilot, flying at SkyLANES, SFZ. Welcome aboard Keith. We're pleased that you could join us. Wishing you clear skies with tail winds. FrankO

Subject: [ripa] Re: New member of RIPA Yahoo group

Date: 9/26/2005

From: papakeith@cox.net

Thank you for the welcome. Glad I found the site. Kei

Subject: Wind Socks **Date:** 9/15/05 **From:** bmichaux@hawthorneri.com

Good Afternoon,

Would you kindly have the person that would be in charge of replacing the RIPA wind socks at our airports contact me at their convenience. The following airports will require replacement: OQU / UUU / BID / SFZ 2 and WST (*Rene Cardin was notified and is making the arrangements*)

Subject: Hall of Fame selections **Date:** 9/29/2005 **From:** [Saratoga Museum](http://www.saratogamuseum.org)

We will induct four people..., in addition to honoring Jennifer Murray and Admiral Stockdale.

Top vote getter was CDR Harold Brow... *made the first-ever night landing on a carrier and was the first skipper of the Quonset Point Naval Air Station.*

Tied for second place were George Armitage "To George Armitage we give full credit for the design and building of the first power-driven monoplane in Rhode Island." and CDR Richard Cevoli *graduated from LaSalle Academy and URI in 1941 and had a very distinguished Navy flying career.; in fourth place was CAPT Archibald Douglas commanded "Sara" USS Sarasota during WWII.*

Frank Lennon, President RI Aviation Hall of Fame

MEETING NOTICE

Call 782 4743 or email RIPaEMail@aol.com by 4:00pm Friday October 7, 2005 to make your reservations.

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2005

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:00pm Dinner

8:00pm Meeting and Speaker

Place: Chelo's in Warwick

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

Menu: Chicken Florentine, Meatloaf and Baked
Scrod, vegetables, potatoes
Mixed Desserts, Coffee and Tea.

Price: \$20 per person -or-

\$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 for coffee and dessert.

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

GUEST SPEAKER

October - Bob and Cindy Wolff will speak to about their trip along the Lewis and Clark Expedition Trail.

November – Air Traffic Controller/Pilot, John Crowley will brief us on our mutual problems

President: Paul Carroll – 861 1830, AMPRINTRI@AOL.COM

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EVENTS SCHEDULE

October 11 - **Dinner Meeting**

Nominations for AOTY

Nominations for Office

We will start our Thanksgiving basket

20 – Memory Jogger Safety Seminar

The importance of communication

SFZ Skylanes 7:00pm

22 – RI Aviation Hall of Fame induction

Call Frank Lennon 831-8696 for reservations

25 - Safety Seminar 7:00pm

CFI's Mary Brennan Room PVD

25 - Board Meeting, PVD

Hangar #1, 7:00pm

29 - Harvest Hangar Party,

6:30 Hangar 1, PVD

November 8 - **Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting**

Bring a donation for the basket

10 - Safety Seminar CCRI Warwick 7:00pm

29 - Board Meeting, PVD

Hangar #1, 7:00pm

December 10 - **Holiday Gala,**

Quonset "O" Club

Airman of the Year presentation

Reservations needed

RHODE ISLAND PILOTS ASSOCIATION

2005

AIRMAN OF THE YEAR Nominating Ballot

I wish to
nominate: _____

As RIPA's 2005 Airman of the Year

Members Name: _____

Return by October 11, 2005 to: RIPA AOTY Ballot
c/o Marilyn Biagetti, 104 East Ironstone Road, Harrisville, RI 02830



Come one come all to RIPA's

Holiday Gala

December 10, 2005 at "O"Club, Quonset Point
6:00pm Cocktails 7:00pm Dinner

Officer's Buffet: Steamship Round of Beef, Chicken Piccata, Shrimp,
Scallop & Crab Sauce, Penne Pasta, Salad, Dessert & Coffee
Music, door prizes, bar

\$32.50 per person

Number Attending: _____

Name(s): _____

Remit check payable to RIPA, mail to: **Dan Scanlon, 1199 South Road, East Greenwich, RI 02818**