



Club
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

By: Dave Starnes

Happy Thanksgiving!

Hello everyone. I hope you all have plans for a long weekend of food, family and fun.

Our maintenance crew is starting their week by readying N64477 for an annual. I'm sure they could use another pair of hands in getting it ready and putting it back together.

Thanks to a donation from one of our members both C172s will soon have new carpet installed.

We have two new members since our last newsletter: Welcome to Beecher Eaves and Rick Dudas.

The kerosene heaters are ready to go; the engine heaters are plugged in; and the cowls are under their winter blankets. The planes are just waiting for you to bundle up and head to the airport to enjoy a fall flight.

See you at the airport.

Dave

Next Club Meeting
Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM.
Join us at Joe Cook's Midwest
Video, 1515 Souter in Troy
(Maple and Rochester).

From the Flight Surgeon

Flu season is here. Fever, chills, coughing and sneezing. Sometime diarrhea and vomiting come too not to mention the body aches. You can for the most part avoid this nastiness by getting your flu shot. The H1N1 vaccine is built into this year's flu shot. A good idea is to wait at least 8 hours after an immunization before flying an aircraft in case of adverse reaction to the shot. Mild side effects like injection site tenderness and some very mild cold symptoms for a day after the shot are not uncommon and are usually quite transient. Don't lose the few good days of winter flying we get by spending it in bed out for the count!

Fly healthy!

Gregory Pinnell, MD
Senior AME/Flight Surgeon USAFR
www.OK2FLY.com

Dr. Scott Grant , TOPS member, can now provide examination services for your aviation medical. Dr. Grant is located in nearby Birmingham (Maple and Old Woodward). His contact information is:

Birmingham Medical
180 East Brown
Birmingham, MI 48009
248-645-1000

Same day appointments are possible. Make sure you mention that you are a TOPS member.

Miscellaneous



Member Dick Moy submitted the following on October 29th:

“Today, I was fortunate enough to help celebrate his 98th birthday by flying him to my favorite destination, Dalton AP (3DA) in Flushing, Michigan. This is his actual birth date.”

Local Events

DECEMBER 3 Oakland County International Airport (PTK) 7:00 - 14:00

Operation Good Cheer - Pilots needed

<http://www.cfsm.org/OperationGoodCheer.htm>

http://www.youtube.com/watch?NR=1&v=9Wm8s_yRGEA

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ak--phoaOj4>

DECEMBER 7 Kalamazoo/Battle Creek International Airport 7:00 PM

"Leaving Human Error on the Ground"

Seminar will be held at the Air Zoo Flight Center. 5808 Willoughby Drive Portage, MI 49002

Sponsored by EAA Chapter 221, the Michigan FAAS Team and MDOT.

DECEMBER 11 Marshall Brooks Field (KRMV)

Seminar held at Schuler's Restaurant 115 South Eagle Street Marshall, MI 49068

Christmas Brunch & Pilot Safety Seminar "What the Pros Do & We Should Too"

Brunch is \$25/person at the door and will be served at 1:00pm, the seminar to follow. Must RESERVE ahead by Friday, December 9. Call Brooks Field Aviation Assoc at (269) 419-0332.

Free Shuttle Service: 12:30pm pickup to/from the airport and restaurant.

MAY 18-20 Ann Arbor Municipal Airport (ARB)

Pinch Hitter Course. Designed for the flying partners of pilots to be able to land safely in the event of an emergency.

Sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the 99s. Call Rosemary Sieracki or Jennifer Phillips at 734-276-4181 or 734-419-3676. www.michigan99s.info.

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LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ MI _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ MARITAL STATUS M S SPOUSE'S NAME _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____ WORK _____

IN AN EMERGENCY PLEASE NOTIFY _____

PILOT CERTIFICATE TYPE _____ NUMBER _____ DATE ISSUED _____

MEDICAL CLASS _____ DATE ISSUED _____ ADDITIONAL RATINGS _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP: SINGLE _____ FAMILY _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MEMBER # _____

REFERRED BY: _____