

# **Missouri Pilots Association** May 25, 2017

Co-PRESIDENTs – Carl Sparks

Dan Maresh

VICE PRESIDENT – Jan Hoynacki SECRETARY – Joe Berman TREASURER – J.C. Zalog

The Ozarks Chapter of the MPA met May 25th at McFarlain's Restaurant for dinner and the monthly meeting. Co-President Carl Sparks opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Carl Sparks, reported that the original art work for our chapter logo has been found. It will be suitably mounted. And through the courtesy of Mr. Paul Bluto, it will be displayed in our meeting room at McFarlain's Restaurant.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Our treasurer J.C. Zalog submitted the Chapter balance sheet as of May 25, 2017, which is summarized as follows:

Balance in the 50 / 50 fund \$ 1,501.00 Richard Cooper Fund 880.00 Funds available for use 1,858.56

Total bank balance \$ 4,239.56

## **NEW MEMBERS and Guests:**

Sadly, there were no new members or guests this evening.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **WINGS**:

No chairman no report

#### CAP:

No chairman no report

# **USPA:**

In Jan Hoynacki's absence, Joe McNeil provided the following USPA report:

The USPA held its annual convention in Branson on May 18<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup> and it was heralded as a great success.

No one was arrested this year!

Joe was not suggesting this is a rowdy bunch, but they do know how to have fun.

He also relayed Jan's request for help in selecting future fly – out sites. So, if you would like to tell the USPA where to go......please email Jan.

And, of course, as members of MPA, which is affiliated with USPA, you are entitled and invited to participate in all USPA activities and to receive the USPA Email Newsletter.

So, suggest a fun destination, pack a bag and join the party.

Now is the time! They have plenty of bail money left!

The USPA motto is "Having Fun with Your Airplane".

And the do!

#### **SCHOLARSHIP:**

Bob Ryder, Chairman, presented not one but two scholarship candidates. The first presented was Ms. Kaitlin Greenwood and the second our very own Mr. Ray Davison. Their letters of request present a strong case for both candidates and are attached to the end of this newsletter.

Mr. Ryder recommended that each candidate be awarded a \$ 500.00 scholarship. To do this, the membership would have to authorize the transfer of \$ 120.00 of unrestricted money to the Scholarship Fund.

A motion was made to:

Transfer \$ 120.00 of unrestricted money to the Scholarship fund and...

Award a \$ 500.00 scholarship to each of the candidates.

The motion was seconded. A vote was called and both motions passed.

In Kaitlin's case, the funds will be sent to her school for her aviation benefit. In Ray's situation, the money will be paid to the Ava Flying Club for his aviation education.

#### **FLY-INS:**

Andy Anderson produces an excellent list of aviation events which he disseminates by email on a more or less monthly basis. It is recommended to all that you contact him via his email address listed below and asked to be put on the mailing list. He really does an excellent job.

andya@diamondcity.net

#### **AIRPORTS:**

David Davidson, Chairman

The Ava airport has fuel! But soon it will not have a runway.

The runway reconstruction is expected to start at the end of June or the first part of July. They airport will be closed a couple of months while this happens.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

S Strengths

W Weaknesses

O Opportunities'

T Talents

Ok, I think I have the acronym right this month. Dan, Carl and Bob Ryder are continuing their SWOT analysis of our organization and its members.

Mr. Paul Bluto, the owner of the Imax and our gracious host here at McFarlain's, has once again gone above and beyond to support our organization. The program "The Ozarks" now showing at the Imax is free to all MPA members per Mr. Bluto's generosity.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Bob Ryder heads the nomination committee to select the various candidates to become the chapter officers for the new fiscal year beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Bob announced that the official election will be held at the June meeting. And he urged everyone to attend. As an incentive, he pointed out that the best way to become president of the organization is to *not show up* for the June elections. Anyone not present to defend themselves may very well find that they hold a chapter office.

The nominations are:

President (Position Open)
Vice President Jan Hoynacki
Secretary Joe Berman
Treasurer J.C. Zalog

As you can see the President's position is open. I expect that the June meeting will be very well attended.

## **PROGRAM:**

There was no program this evening.

And that would have been the end of it. Except, that at the last moment, just before Carl was about to close the meeting Bob Ryder spoke up.

The membership, now cruelly deprived of an early evening, politely turned to Bob, silently praying for an outbreak of laryngitis.

Nothing against Bob, of course. He is a fine fellow. But you must realize that the aging pilot population can only focus on two things after 8 pm, neither of which is Bob. Rather than enumerate the two, I think decorum requires that I leave that to your imagination.

Bob, flush with his success as Noninations Chairman, took it upon himself to fill the void and impart pearls of wisdom as he did with his students in his teaching days. For you see Bob was the first Department Chair of the Aviation program at Delta State University.

Bob personally saw to it that they had the finest aircraft of the day:



He worked very closely with selected faculty members:



# And he loved being with the *Student Body*:



It was during this period of time that he personally developed a special approach for the University of Mississippi. Bob proudly called it the TLAR approach.

T That

L Looks

A About

R Right

Faculty and students that flew it knew it by a different name. They called it the "Ole Miss" by a mile approach.

The Orthopedic Surgeons of Mississippi still send Bob a ham for Christmas. And the law suits are all settled, mostly!

This approach was more recently, and successfully, made famous by Captain Sully Sullenberger.

Known today as the Miracle on the Hudson

Approach it has its roots in Bob's TLAR procedure.

Take a look a look at the approach plate attached to the newsletter and you will see what I mean.

Just as Bob was winding up for a long excursion down memory lane, his wife Mary intervened, and the impromptu program came to an abrupt end.

As the membership filed out of McFarlain's I overheard some talk about erecting a shrine in Mary's honor.

Ps: What success can a Nominations Chairman have?

Well you many have noticed that since Bob has served in that capacity, he has successfully avoided being an office in the Chapter.

That my friends is true success.

#### **50/50 DRAWING:**

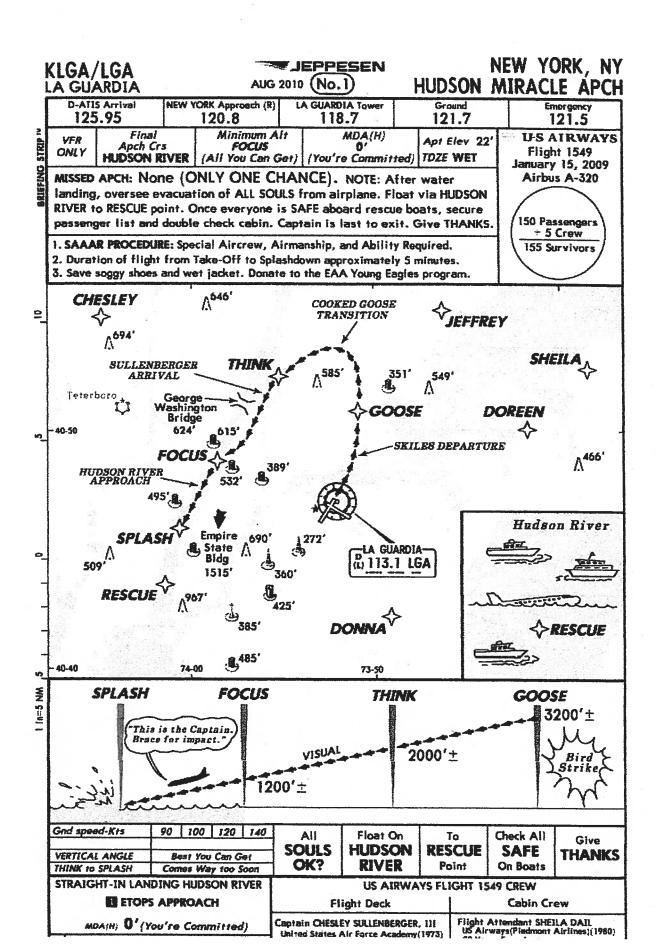
Mary Ryder's ticket was pulled from the hat but once again the Joker was not drawn. Accordingly, the pot grows another week.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

People gather for conversation and dinner at 6 pm followed by the meeting which will start when most folks are finished with their meal which is usually between 6:30 and 7 pm.

The next meeting will be held on 6-22-17 which is the 4<sup>th</sup>
Thursday of June at
McFarlain's Restaurant in
Branson Missouri.

Respectfully submitted, Joe Berman, Secretary



## March 2017

# MPA Ozarks Chapter

By the time I was about three years old I was climbing in the front seat of my grandpa's airplane to fly with him. He is a CFI and began to teach me to fly when I was about fourteen. On my sixteenth birthday I got to solo for my first time and a few months before my nineteenth birthday I passed my check ride and got my private pilot license. Flying has always been one of my favorite hobbies so I am excited to be able to turn it into a career.

I am 22 years old, graduated from Forsyth High School. Presently, I am at a senior at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, MO. I am a Aviation Management major with an emphasis in Flight Operations and am currently working on my instrument rating.

I hope to someday have the opportunity to travel to as many places as possible, exploring and observing all the different cultures, and admiring the incredibly diverse landscapes. My ultimate goal would be to find a career I can combine my passion for flying with my lust for traveling. Aviation is my opportunity to invest in a career for myself filled with such passion and enthusiasm that it inspires other people, much like other pilots have inspired me; one particular pilot being Richard Cooper, who took me on my first aerobatic ride. I fell in love, how exhilarating!

My attraction to the industry really began when I started exploring all the different career paths aviation offers, from being a commercial airline pilot to a crop duster, or flying military aircraft to being a bush pilot. Although I have not decided specifically what I want to do in the industry; I just know I want to fly.

Pilot training as everyone knows is pretty expensive. I have a professor that always asks the question "what really makes an airplane fly?" and answers it with "money." I need to take advantage of all of the scholarship and funding sources available. Any form of support to help with flying lessons is appreciated and I want to thank you for your time reviewing my application.

Sincerely,

Kaitlin Greenwood 252 State Hwy 176 Forsyth, MO 65653 417 545-1107 kag52700@ucmo.edu My name is Ray Davison I am one of your fellow Missouri Pilots and would like to be considered for your Missouri Pilots Associations Scholarship.

I have been associated with your group for several years now and during that time was able to solo and then complete my Pivot Pilot certificate. I am now working on my IFR certification and plan to continue on to complete my Commercial and then Instructors Ratings. I would very much like to be considered for your scholarship to help me be able to complete these ratings.

If I were to receive the scholarship I would use the money to continue my training. In return I will give the Missouri Pilots Association an extra bang for their buck. Upon completion of my Flight Instructors Certification I will give free flight lessons to students designated by your chapter in our local area for the same amount as the amount I would receive from you. I too would like to see more people be able to complete their dreams of becoming pilots and I hope to be able to be a key component in that adventure.

Thank you again for your time and consideration in this matter.

Ray Davison

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