



# The Ramp Page



**The Monthly Newsletter of the Sherman, TX EAA Chapter 323**

**September 2018**

## President's Mission Brief for September 2018

A special thanks to Paul Tanner for his presentation at the August meeting. "The Pliska" First airplane built in Texas. Paul personally had a hand in restoring this historic aircraft.



Well guys and gals, those lazy days of summer are almost over with the Autumnal Equinox heading our way soon. Time to do some fun flying in the cooler weather ahead. Lots of Fall flying activity locally for us.

Unfortunately the weather didn't cooperate with the balloon flight John Halterman was going to demonstrate this past weekend, but he's going to give it another go at The Simmons' annual Brushy Creek (69XS) Fly-In, October 6. If weather permits, a balloon launch in the morning, and tethered rides in the evening. A reminder to all officers and board members of our chapter that we'll meet for a board meeting that morning starting around 9 am. I suspect there will be some pancakes on the griddle.

Our sponsored Young Eagles flight will be Saturday, September 29 at North Texas Regional starting a 8AM. If you haven't committed to flying or assisting on the ramp, please do so by contacting John Horn our coordinator as soon as possible.

Texas Antique Airplane Association Fly-In October 12-13 at Gainesville KGLE. An Aviation Education Forums begin with AOPA Class "How to Start and Run a Flying Club" by Pat Brown at 9AM on Saturday.

Fort Worth Alliance Air Show, October 13-14. Always lots to see.

Cedar Mills Splash-In is October 19, 20, 21. Our Chapter always assists with facilitating this FAA Safety event. We'll cook a great pancake breakfast on Sunday morning.

Texoma Flying Club (in formation) will meet on Friday, September 21 at NTRA at 11 AM. (Though not an official part of EAA 323, many members of our chapter are diligently pursuing the formation of a flying club). Follow in Facebook.

On a different track. Rick Simmons and I flew cross country to Tulsa to pick up my grandchildren, Ellie Mae and Cross. This is how the flight went.....

Prior to Take-Off:



Ten minutes into the flight:



## Thursday Meeting Presenter, 7 PM @ SWI Terminal—Lt. Gen. John Campbell, USAF (Ret).

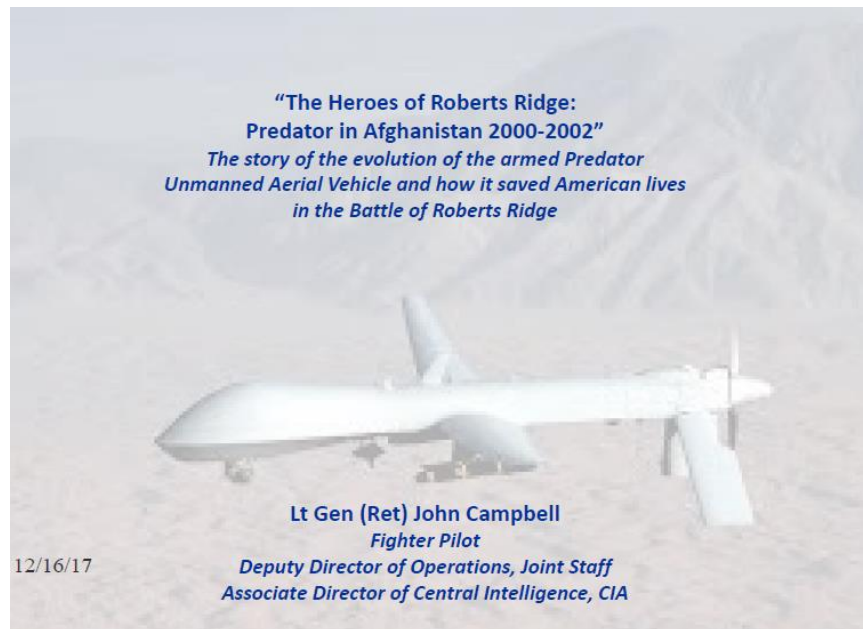
This Thursday, September 20 at 7:00 PM at Sherman Municipal, a very special guest presentation by Retired Lt General John Campbell Let's have a big Chapter turnout for this Mission.

Lieutenant General John Campbell retired from the US Air Force in 2003 after a 32-year career. In his last military assignments, he served as Deputy Director for Operations, Joint Staff, the Pentagon; and Associate Director of Central Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency, Langley VA.

Prior to his Washington assignments, he served around the world in a variety of operational assignments as an F-15 and F-16 fighter pilot and commander, including overseas assignments in Saudi Arabia, Iceland, Germany and Italy.

General Campbell is the recipient of numerous military and intelligence community awards, including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Air Medal, the CIA Distinguished Service Award, the National Imagery and Mapping Agency Award, the National Reconnaissance Distinguished Service Medal, and the National Security Agency Award.

General Campbell serves on numerous boards and community organizations. He is a resident of McKinney, TX. He and his wife, Marky, have three children and five grandchildren and are members of the First United Methodist Church of McKinney.



## A Brief History of a 150 (Mike McLenden)

Some of you may recognize this 150. It belonged to Danny Offil for over 30 years. Richard Jones purchased it last spring from Danny and used it to teach his granddaughter how to fly. She's licensed now and on her way in her career in aviation at Auburn.

And now N4594U is Mine!

Thanks to Richard for knocking off alot of that old rust buildup us aviators have from time to time. I'm current again and looking forward to many many hours of fun! (Sharon let's me think it is mine ☺).



## Uncontrolled Tower Operations

The FAA recently updated its Advisory Circular on uncontrolled airport operations. A link is below. It's a quick read, but, filled with lots of good information.

[https://www.faa.gov/regulations\\_policies/advisory\\_circulars/index.cfm/go/document.information/documentID/1032988](https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/advisory_circulars/index.cfm/go/document.information/documentID/1032988)

## Newsletter Editor's Note

I have enjoyed being your newsletter editor. At the end of this year, it will mark nearly 5 years as the editor of this chapter's history book. However, it is good to allow others to leave his/her mark on the club. At the end of this year, I will discontinue being the newsletter editor and am looking to find that person to pass the torch on to when we have our elections in November (even though this isn't an elected position...I think....). It is good to have new ideas brought into the club and rejuvenate ourselves every few years. Please consider being that next person to leave your mark. JFH

## Upcoming Chapter Events

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| Thursday September 20 | Monthly Thursday meeting at the Sherman Airport Terminal<br><i>Subject: Lt Gen John Campbell: "The Future of Warfare—USAF Drone Program"</i>                               |
| Saturday September 29 | Young Eagles Rally. 8 AM at KSWI. We need pilots and planes!   |
| Saturday October 6    | The Annual Brushy Creek Flyin! A Tradition for over 20 years!  |
| Thursday October 18   | Monthly Thursday meeting at the Sherman Airport Terminal<br><i>Subject: Airventure 2018 Recap</i>  |
| Friday October 19-21  | Annual Cedar Mills Fly-In<br><i>Annual Pancake Breakfast sponsored by EAA 323 on Sunday morning.</i>   |
| Saturday November 3   | Project Visit—TBD  |
| Thursday November 15  | Monthly Thursday meeting at the Sherman Airport Terminal<br><i>Subject: Flying and Medication—Do Those Go Together?</i>  |
| Saturday December 1   | Cavanaugh Museum Visit   |
| Thursday December 13  | <b>Annual Christmas Party hosted by the Richardsons</b><br><i>Note the date change to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday due to proximity of 3<sup>rd</sup> week to Christmas</i> |

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