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Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will start at 1200 this Saturday, 7 December 2024. However, we will NOT be in our usual location. The meeting will be in the terminal building on the field at KDTO, next to the new fire station. We will not have a guest speaker. Instead, we hope to tour the fire station. Come meet the heroes who work to keep us safe and see all the spiffy equipment they have for that purpose.

Our Newest Officer:

Welcome to our new Vice President, First Officer, Number One, or Numero Uno, Dan Rogers. Dan stepped up when Mark Cohen had to step away from the chapter officer role. We want to thank Mark for all he has done for the chapter and hope he can remain an active member of Chapter 661.

Congratulations, Dan!

It's a Party!

Is it Christmas, Kwanza, Hanukkah, or the Winter Solstice? It's the Chapter 661 Holiday Party, and YOU are invited. Let's call it Festivus. Yes, that is from Seinfeld, and I really am that old. The party is going to happen on Friday, 13 December. Maybe the theme could be "The Nightmare Before Christmas." Nope! This is Festivus – a holiday for the rest of us. Here is what you need to know.

It will be at the home of our El Presidente, Janet Patton. It's a pot luck, so bring whatever holiday food you'd like to bring. We will gather at 1730 and plan to eat at 1900. Bring something for the gift exchange. Be sure to wrap it. You don't want to spoil the surprise. What shall you bring? What about

that G meter you took out of the T-34? It's been gathering dust in your hangar for long enough. Perhaps you could find something for less than \$25 in the aviation section at Ace Hardware. How about that thing you got from your Aunt Gracie? Aww, she'll never know. Hey, do you remember the last time someone gave you a gift, and you said, "Oh, you shouldn't have!" and you actually meant it? Bring that. The House of Janet is at the following address:

2227 Wood Hollow Road
Denton, TX 76208

For further clarity, it is located at 33 degrees, 11 minutes, 48 seconds north, 97 degrees, 2 minutes, 38 seconds west.

If you haven't been there before, give yourself a little extra time. It's a little off the beaten path. Also, pay no attention to that sign that says, "Haunted Forest. I'd turn back if I were you."

Please RSVP to Janet at her email address as listed above.

At The Last Meeting:

by Mark Cohen

Bill Goebel gave an interesting presentation on the restoration of a Beech 18 for the Vintage Aviation Museum at KFTW. The museum is open Friday through Sunday. You can also track progress on the project on Bill's YouTube channel, "HangaRatz."

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Does Santa have to file?

Last year, I published an instrument approach plate into the North Pole, specifically Santa's Workshop Int'l. However, does Santa really have to file an IFR flight plan to get in and out of his home drome at the top of the world? It's Class G airspace. Moreover, there is very little traffic of any type. During all of the flights I have been on over and around the north pole with the 55th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, we never saw another aircraft. Moreover, I never saw the airport or any other facilities. We didn't carry the aforementioned approach plate. The GPS system had not yet been deployed, so there were no RNAV (GPS) approaches at that time. It seems there is no Standard Instrument Departure (SID). In fact, a perusal of SkyVector shows no aeronautical facilities at all. Of course, I also note there is no information on that airport in Nevada. You know the one. Coincidence?

