

January 2017

Chapter 732



January Meeting

January 15th
Arkansas Air Museum
2:00

Bring a snack and the
chapter will provide drinks!

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A Note from Randy

Well, like it or not, we are in 2017! Hopefully 2017 will be a great year for flying. Today (Tuesday) not only was it in the 60's (way better than the single digits we had a few days ago) but it was also announced that the Third Class Medical Reform will go into effect on May 1st, 2017. I would imagine that quite a few in the chapter are glad that this will finally be in place.

It seems that our meeting is coming very early this month but the third Sunday is this coming Sunday. Hope to see every at the museum on Sunday!

Thanks,
Randy Resh

Steve Bray Project Update

I'm making good progress on the fuselage as you can see from the photo and log. As of today I have 418 hours logged on the build.

My online build log is at:

<http://www.mykitlog.com/users/index.php?user=sbray72732>

Steve Bray



The House that Jack Built by Charlie Heathco

I had been concerned about not seeing our long time member Jack (can't remember last name, he is not on web site) for last 2 or 3 meetings. He has had a long time project "BD-5". I had gotten a description of approx where he lived near Powell, Mo. from him some time ago, and had found his place on google maps. Well I thought I would take a run up there and see if he was ok. His place is a big round underground house on the edge of a really big creek. I banged several times on the door, and I could see a tv on in back corner of the place, so I went around and banged on the back door, nothing. Then I saw him out front thru the huge windows on south side. (Jack is a little hard of hearing) I went back around and at first I don't think he recognized me, but then he did. First thing was to go in the huge garage/shop and have a look see of the BD-5. It is a very short coupled narrow plane. It looks pretty much complete except for under carriage which I think, but didn't think to ask, is retractable. Wings look done but in another room. Engine is installed, If I remember, think it is a Hurst but Jack said he had never run it. He plans to come to Jan meeting, so maybe we could try to encourage him to finish it. He needs to take it to Neosho to assemble wings. I want to tell a little about the house that Jack built, very impressive. He designed it, cut the timbers from his trees, and did much of the work with help from this family. (his wife passed I think he said 8 yrs ago) The house is round, 2 levels, and all underground. (big) The beams are massive, and he actually had a big cat dozer running around on them while covering with dirt. He has an indoor pool on south side behind a big bank of windows. There is a deck on east side overlooking a deep part of this creek, which looks like a small river actually. Don't remember when, but there was a big flood which filled the lower level about 4 ft up the walls. I have designed and built several houses, and have studied underground building a good bit, but Jack's place was a major undertaking, Much more so than anything I had seen or read about. I am sure he would be happy to show any one around if you have an interest in seeing it and of course you would get to see the BD-5. (I don't think I would have the courage to fly it tho, once it was complete) Looking forward to seeing my fellow member friends at Jan meeting.

...Charlie

In November we were reminded, families who build together fly together!



In December we were thankful our college gals were home!



Food, Friends, Family, Fun & One Pepper Dog



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We are Thankful for Randy's Service To Chapter 732!

