

Dave Stokes, our Chapter VP gave an excellent presentation of his service in Vietnam. Dave logged over 200 combat missions and three terms in country. Thanks Dave for your service and sharing with us many memorable events and some sad moments as well.

Dave is a retired Airforce Lieutenant Colonel



The weather was just fine.



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Kolin Stagnito - Thanks for all of your assistance to our Chapter and those many Young Eagles you have flown and the donated grill for our Chapter BBQ's. Come back to visit and the BBQ is on the house. (your grill)

Kolin is the AOPA news Editor and is moving to the Frederick Area.

Dave's Vietnam Pictures (cont. from page 1)



F-4 Phantom – huge powerful plane



Dave in Danang



Dave and Crew Mates



Turbo gun-4,000 rounds per minute



Squadron Insignia



Results of a night Rocket Attack

Chapter Fly-Outs



Washington Island Annual Fish Boil





Meadow Creek, Monee, IL

Future Fly Out contact information (provided by Josh Cannata) Those flying, needing a ride or weather updates Josh has provided a link for easy and quick contact information. A new link will be provided 1-2 weeks prior to each fly out. You will need to set up a Google Account to log in if you don't already have one. Josh requests everyone whether going or not to respond so that he will have a good idea of attendees. The monthly link will look similar to this: https://forms.gle/R1r9LUjtaWuN44fh7

"I fly because it releases my mind from the tyranny of petty things".

Antoine de Saint-Exupery

790 Young Eagles and Volunteers



September, 2021

Ceramic Coating of an Airplane

Aviation Consumer had a very favorable article on ceramic coating of aircraft. I contacted Midwest Aircraft Detailers and talked to Will Graves. I traveled to Bult Field in Monee, IL. And Will showed me several aircraft and cars that he had completed. The results were impressive.

I have a 1979 Piper Dakota that has spent 17 years in the Arizona sun for 6 months every year. Will and his assistant come out to my hanger and did an outstanding job of detailing just to get my plane prepared for the ceramic coating. It took two people eleven hours of detailing-toothbrushes, toothpicks, a steamer machine and a 5-inch buffer with rubbing compound just to clean around the rivets and get down to the painted surface. It was very labor intensive.

The cost was about \$1800-\$1900 depending on how much ceramic coating is used. Several weeks prior they did a Global Express. It took 8 people four days to complete the job. The process is Boeing approved.

If you want a copy of the Aviation consumer article, let me know.

Jed Lipinski

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I wanted to pass along a post from Gail Lapook that I saw earlier on Facebook. I'm sure many in the chapter know her and even have a certificate or rating with Gail's signature on it. She's celebrating 50 years since earning her private today. I'm sure there will be plenty of submissions for her to receive the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. Also included is a photo of myself with Gail after my private check ride 15 years ago.

Josh Cannata





50 years ago today I got my Private Pilots license! It has been a wild ride. From learning at a sleepy nontowered airport like Campbell to spending many years flying and instructing out of Midway to doing my job as a DPE for 31 years. I have flown all over the country and the Bahamas and Canada and Alaska. I have scared the crap out of myself many times but I have learned a lot along the way.

I have met and become friends with the best people in the whole world and am very grateful for each and every one of them. This would not have been possible if I hadn't followed this path. I might have ended up a dull spinster living with 14 cats and watching soap operas. Thank God that didn't happen!

I sure hope I have a few more good years to enjoy this lifestyle. I hate to see it end.



Chapter Calendar of Events

- Young Eagles Sept 4th Lake in the Hills Airport
- Fly Out Sept 18th, East Troy BBQ
- Fly Out Friday Sept 24th, Battle Creek Mi., Waco Museum
- Chapter Meeting Sept 28th
- Young Eagles Oct 2nd, weather permitting, Lake in the Hills Airport
- Board Meeting Oct 5th
- Chapter Meeting Oct 26th
- If anyone has any ideas on a hanger location for the 2022 Pancake Breakfast, contact Matt Van Bergen

Hanger for Rent

Ted Lipinski rents out his hanger while in AZ for the Winter. Rental dates are Nov through April. Price is \$360 per month which includes electricity (renter pays for heat) Location is P60 at Lake in the Hills Airport. Size is 42' by 40" (nice) If interested contact Ted at

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Below is the location of Ted's Hanger



"Life's not meant to be fair, only eventful " Retired PC from Blue Bloods

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NAME THAT PLANE



From the collection of Carl Geiger's Oshkosh Photos.

Contact the newsletter editor if you know the answer.

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