

IN MEMORY OF RAY AND BILL

WHEN TOMMOROW STARTS WITHOUT ME
WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME, PLEASE
TRY TO UNDERSTAND, THAT AN ANGEL CAME AND
CALLED MY NAME, AND TOOK ME BY THE HAND; THE
ANGEL SAID MY PLACE WAS READY, IN HEAVEN FAR
ABOVE, AND THAT I'D HAVE TO LEAVE BEHIND, ALL
THOSE I DEARLY LOVE, BUT WHEN I WALKED
THROUGH HEAVENS GATES, I FELT SO MUCH AT
HOME, FOR GOD LOOKED DOWN, SMILED AT ME,
AND TOLD ME WELCOME HOME. SO WHEN
TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME, DON'T THINK
WE'RE FAR APART, FOR EVERY TIME YOU THINK OF
ME, IM RIGHT THERE I YOUR HEART.

BIRTHDAYS JERRY HOSTETLER JUNE 16TH

Meeting WILL BE HELD AT NAPPANEE AIRPORT ON JUNE2ND 2:PM BRING A FRIEND OR AN ENEMY, WE WELCOME EVERYONE.

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DUES ARE PAYABLE BY JAN 1 OF EACH YEAR AND ARE 20.00. THAT'S GETTING A LOT OF GOOD FRIENDS CHEAP.

HIGHLITES OF LAST MEETING

OUR LAST MEETING WAS AT JAKE AND DONNIES ANNUAL LUNCH PIGOUT AT JAKE AND JEFF,S HANGAR AT GOSHEN. IT WAS A LITTLE COOL THAT DAY, BUT THE TURNOUT WAS VERY GOOD ANYWAY. FUNNY HOW WE ALWAYS HAVE A MORE OF A CROWD FOR THESE EVENTS THEN WE DO REGULAR MEETINGS. COULD IT BE THE FOOD? VERY MUCH MISSED THIS TIME WAS RAY AND BILL WHO WE LOST IN AN ACCIDENT SEVERAL DAYS AGO. OUR HEARTS GO OUT TO THEIR FAMILYS. THEY CAME TO ALL THE MEETINGS AND EVENTS. THE FUN WE HAD WITH THESE GUYS WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTON.

WE ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHECK OUT TWO PROJECTS THAT JAKE AND JEFF ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON. THE CROTCH ROCKET, (LITERALLY) AND THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED FISHER BYPLANE. THESE GUYS ARE NEVER STANDING STILL FOR LONG. LOTS OF CHATTER AMONG THE CROWD DURING AND AFTER THE FOOD FRENZY. OUR THANKS GO OUT TO ALL WHO HELPED DONNIE AND JAKE WITH YHIS EVENT, GREAT JOB FOLKS.

OTHER NEWS AND COMING EVENTS

FREEDOM FEST AT GOSHEN THIS YEAR WILL BE ON SATURDAY JULY 13
DON'T FORGET FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH AT GOSHEN ON JUNE 7TH. AND ON
FRIDAY THE14TH AT SMITH FIELD
FRIDAY THE 21FST AT DECALB COUNTY (AUBURN)
FRIDAY THE 28TH AT LAPORT MUNICIPAL
LOOKING WAY AHEAD TO FRIDAY AUG 30TH AT NAPPANEE, AND THEN OUR 3RD
ANNUAL FLY IN BREAKFAST THE VERY NEXT MORNING ON SAT THE 31FST
IF ANYONE IN THE CHAPTER WOULD LIKE TO HOST A MEETING AND GET TO
SHOW OFF THEIR PROJECT OR TO JUST ENTERTAIN THE GROUP WITH YOUR
STANDUP COMEDY ROUTINE. IM SURE WE WOULD ALL BE EXCITED TO BE THERE.

ONE THING I FORGOT TO MENTION LAST MONTH WAS THE PASSING OF DICK RUTAN, THE BROTHER OF BURT RUTAN. DICK WAS AN EXTREMELY CAPABLE PILOT. HE WAS A JET FIGHTER PILOT AND TEST PILOT AND FLEW MANY OF BURTS DESIGNS, INCLUDING THE ROUND THE WORLD NONSTOP NONREFUELED FLIGHT IN THE STRANGE LOOKING BIRD CALLED CHALLANGER. HIS COPILOT FOR THIS EVENT WAS JEANA YEAGER. I WAS FORTUNATE TO SEE AND HEAR HIS DISCRIPTION OF THAT FLIGHT IN PERSON AT OSHKOSH NOT LONG AFTER THE EVENT. HE WAS A GREAT SPEAKER AND THAT FLIGHT, AND DICK WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.

ALSO A QUICK UPDATE ON THE TRIGEAR CONVERSION OF MY ONEX. THE GEAR HAS NOW BEEN INSTALLED AND ENGINE REINSTALLED. THE FUEL SYSTEM AND WIREING ARE GOING BACK IN PLACE. THE CARBURETOR HAS BEEN REINSTALLED. STEERING CABLES HAD TO BE ADDED WITH NEW SPRINGS. THE FIREWALL HAD TO BE COMPLETELY REARANGED AS MOST ITEMS COULD NOT GO BACK IN THE SAME LOCATION BECAUSE OF THE NEWLY INSTALLED SUPPORT FOR THE NOSE GEAR SHAFT. STILL TO COME IS REINSTALLING COOLING BAFFELS, SMOKE TANK, SEAT METAL AND SEAT CUSHIONS, REMOVAL OF TAIL WHEEL AND INSTALATION OF SKID BAR, NEW BRAKE SYSTEM WITH HAND LEVER CONTROL ON JOYSTICK. THEN WHEEL OUT AND STARTUP, TAXI AND BRAKE TEST, STEERING CHECK. THEN AFTER NEEDED ADJUSTMENTS, COWLING INSTALL, WEIGHT AND BALANCE CHECK, MORE TAXI RUNS ON THE RUNWAY. GUTS TO MAKE THAT 1FST FLIGHT. STAY TUNED PS. A STEP MAY NOW BE NEEDED TO GET ABOARD THIS THING.



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