

CHAPTER 938 CLOUD CHASERS

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August birthdays

DARWIN BERON AUGUST 3RD
LAVERN LEICHTY AUGUST 16TH
RALPH LUTES AUGUST 12TH
WARREN YODER AUGUST 14TH
BYRON SMITH AUGUST 21

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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.

NEXT Meeting WILL BE HELD AT
NAPPANEE AIRPORT ON AUGUST 4TH
AT 2:00 PM BRING YOUR FRIENDS

HIGHLITES OF LAST MEETING

LAST MEETING AT GOSHEN

MEETING WAS OPENED BY OUR VERY ESTEEMED VICE PRESIDENT RICH MEYER. WE HAD 15 MEMBERS AS WELL AS 2 GUEST IN ATTENDANCE.

OUR GUEST WAS JOE GAGLIANO AND HIS FRIEND, WHOS NAME I DID NOT GET. MOST OF US DID NOT KNOW THAT JOE HAD BEEN IN THE AIRFORCE AND FOR QUITE A WHILE WAS ON LOAN TO NASA TO ASSIST WITH TESTING ON THE SPACECRAFT AND SPACESUITS THAT WERE BEING DEVELOPED FOR THE UPCOMING MOON MISSION BACK IN 1969. HE GAVE US A PRESENTATION, WITH MANY PICTURES, ABOUT THAT VERY VALUABLE WORK. IT WAS THE BEST AND MOST INTERESTING TALK WE HAVE HAD AT CHAPTER 938, IN MY HUMBLE OPINION. I PERSONALLY WATCHED THAT MOON LANDING ON MY BLACK n WHITE TV IN 1969. IT WAS THE CULMINATION OF THE PROMISE OF THE LATE JOHN F KENNEDY TO PLACE A MAN ON THE MOON BEFORE THE END OF THE DECADE. THE RECOGNIZED HEROS FOR THAT MISSION WERE THE 3 MEN WHO MADE THAT TRIP, BUT IT COULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT PEOPLE LIKE JOE GAGLIANO, A REAL HERO IN MY OPINION.

FREEDOM FEST HAS COME AND GONE AND WAS QUITE A SUCCESS WITH ABOUT 25000 FOLKS COMING OUT FOR A GREAT AIRSHOW AND TO CHECK OUT ALL THE GREAT STATIC DISPLAYS, INCLUDING MANY OF OUR CHAPTER AIRCRAFT. I WOULD SAY THAT WHERE WE WERE SITTING MOST OF THE FOLKS AROUND US WERE FROM THE AMISH COMMUNITY. THEY DON'T FLY AIRPLANES BUT THEY LOVE EM JUST THE SAME. AND THEY WILL FLY WITH SOMEONE IF THEY GET THE CHANCE. GREAT FOLKS

AIRVENTURE

AS I AM PUTTING THIS NEWSLETTER TOGETHER, AIRVENTURE IS IN ITS FINAL WEEKEND AND MANY OF THE ATTENDEES HAVE BEEN STOPPING IN HERE AT NAPPANEE FOR FUEL. A FEW AIRCRAFT WERE NOT GOING TO OR FROM OSHKOSH BUT WERE JUST PASSING THRU. 1 FROM KOKOMO IN. TO TRAVERSE CITY MI. AND 2 FROM OSHKOSH TO. SARNIA IN CANADA. THIS MORNING (SATURDAY) A PIPER, A CESSNA AND A LONG EASY, ALL FROM OSHKOSH HEADED EAST TO PA. BEFORE 11: AM. THE LONG EASY DRIVER BUILT THAT PLANE 39 YEARS AGO. HE IS ALSO MANAGER OF A SMALL AIRPORT. GREAT WEATHER THIS WEEK.

UPDATES

PAUL AND TIM BEACHY ARE STILL HUMMING ALONG ON THEIR FALCNAIR, TIM DOING ALL THE PANELWORK AND HELPING PAUL WORK ON MANY OTHER PARTS AS WELL. THIS IS TRULY A SCRATCH BUILT PROJECT.

BOB UNSICKERS CHAMP WAS SOLD TO STEVE BOLINGER AND A FEW PROBLEMS CAME UP CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP. JOHN GRABER HAS AGREED TO HELP SORT OUT THE MESS. GOOD ON YOU JOHN.

NORM HAD A RECENT HEART PROBLEM AND WAS ABLE TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL ON HIS OWN AND GET THE HELP HE URGENTLY NEEDED. I THINK GOD IS LOOKING OUT FOR THIS GUY. BY THE WAY, CHECK OUT NORMS NEW RIDE.

TURNERS GEAR CONVERSION PROJECT IS SLOWLY MOVING ALONG AT A SNAILS PACE, BUT, JUST LIKE THE SNAIL, ITS GETTING THERE.

PARADE DAY FOR THE ONEX

