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Chapter Meeting September 18 at Blackhawk Airfield



Our next regularly scheduled monthly meeting will be held at our Blackhawk Airfield clubhouse on September 18. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. Discussion topics will include a brief recap of the Heavy bomber event, an overview of the Chapter 93 annual banquet, set for October 5, a presentation by Pete Buffington on proper aircraft marshalling techniques and a video (time permitting). Please plan to attend this meeting!

- Rob Tweed

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Happy Anniversary!

In a recent newsletter I highlighted the wonderful time Jill and I had attending Lowell and Ruth Ann Zirbel's 60th wedding anniversary party. It sure was fun to join their family and friends and help them celebrate their love for each other. Then, not long after that newsletter was distributed, Dan Payne informed me of his big news. He and his wife, Jean, celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 29. Congratulations to Dan and Jean!

While Jill and I have a ways to go to reach Dan and Lowell's big anniversary milestones, all of our anniversaries are unique in a different way. Such as in an aviation theme... We were married 28 years ago on August 1st. So, where did we spend our honeymoon and where have we spent every anniversary since? You guessed right if you said Oshkosh! Now really, how many new brides would be fine with spending their honeymoon at AirVenture? Not many, that is for sure!

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Maybe it was watching Jill in action at our Heavy Bomber Event or it could have been her friendly smile and compliments to the members of the Air Force honor guard drill team at Oshkosh. Or maybe it was her willingness to set her fear of flying aside and fly with me to Lone Rock for breakfast recently. Whatever it was, I found myself counting my

> blessings much more this year as we celebrated our



anniversary together, again, at Oshkosh.

You see, quilting is Jill's thing, not flying. And Jill has many unfinished quilting projects sitting on shelves in the basement. Yet here she is, year after year, wandering around Oshkosh with me. I consider this true love and I am blessed to have such a supportive partner.

So, to all of you Chapter 93 members with special spouses that support our aviation pursuits I suggest you give them a warm embrace and let them know how lucky you are; because we are VERY fortunate. Happy Anniversary to all our Chapter 93 couples, whenever your special date may be.

Now, when is that annual national quilting convention in Paducah? Time for me to get moving on that...

- Rob Tweed

Chapter 93 Annual Banquet

Chapter 93 members should plan to attend our annual banquet, scheduled for October 5 from 1-4 pm at Rex's Innkeeper in Waunakee. We will enjoy a delicious deluxe buffet with shaved prime rib, turkey, 3 cheeses, relishes and dip, chicken wings, meatballs, egg rolls, shrimp cocktail, pasta salad, fruit and assorted bars for desert. Those of you who have attended in the past know how good the food is !!!

The cost of the banquet is \$18.00 per person.

Door prizes will be distributed to lucky winners.

Our guest speaker will be Mr. Warren Webster, a veteran of WWII with 50 combat missions in the Republic P-47 Thunderbolt while stationed in France near Paris. Warren is 99 years young and has a very interesting aviation background. You won't want to miss meeting Warren and learning about his flying experiences.

Please contact Scott Nolinske at scott.nolinske@gmail.com, phone: 273-2586, and let him know that you are planning to attend!!!

- Scott Nolinske

Buddy's Honor Flight

Hi all,

Bud has been selected to travel on the Saturday, October 18, 2014 Badger Honor Flight to Washington D.C. to visit Arlington National Cemetery, the WWII Memorial, Korean War/Vietnam Memorial, etc.

The veterans will have a **surprise** "mail call" on the return flight. They are asking family and friends to write cards and letters showing appreciation for the Veteran's service to our country. Each Veteran's name is called and the letter packet is delivered. Please have all the cards and letters addressed to Bud, but sent to Brian Rogers, 2909 McConnell Road, Stoughton, WI 53589-2737. Put the Veteran's full name in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope so it can be readily identified. The deadline is NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 27, 2014.

There will also be a Homecoming Celebration at the Dane County Airport to meet the return flight that evening. They are asking everyone to be at the airport by 8:00 p.m. The flight is scheduled to arrive home at 9:15 p.m. There will be Badger Honor Flight volunteers directing where to go.

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- Marilyn Rogers

Congratulations Jack!

One of the highlights for me at this year's Heavy Bomber Event was watching Jack Jerred take a ride in his old friend from his days as a young Army Air Corps cadet. Yes indeed, Jack boarded the rear seat of the BT-13 Vultee Valiant (or Vibrator as it is affectionately known) and took to the skies with his CAF pilot. Congratulations Jack!



- Rob Tweed

Chapter 93 Membership Coordinator

Don Ripp has informed the Chapter 93 board of directors that he would like to step down from his position as Membership Coordinator. We were quite disappointed to learn this news as Don has done a tremendous job as Membership Coordinator for our chapter. We appreciate the many communications he has sent to our members alerting us of important upcoming events. Don's follow up with prospective new members has been great as well. He has also done an excellent job of maintaining membership records for Chapter 93. We will miss you in this role, Don, but we understand your need to make this change. On behalf of our Chapter 93 board and our entire membership base, thank you very much for all of your support!

I am pleased to announce that Jeff Plantz has agreed to serve as Chapter 93's new Membership Coordinator. Jeff has been a dedicated Chapter 93 member for many years and I am very confident he will effectively handle the responsibilities of this position. Please join me in welcoming Jeff aboard in his new role. Thanks Jeff!

- Rob Tweed

Fred's P-51 Mustang Ride

Fred Leidel got the chance to get a ride in a P51 Mustang at AirVenture in Oshkosh! Congratulations Fred!





- Jonie Fobes Photos

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