

"live with intention.
walk to the edge. listen hard. laugh. practice wellness. play with abandon. continue to learn. appreciate your friends. choose with no regret. do what you love. live as if this is all there is."

Mary Anne Radmacher

News for October 2007

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Page Field Association

October 10, 2007 meeting

Attending

Mark Millar, Terry Voorhees, Larry Kirchner, Mark Twombly, John Fellows, Gary Duncan, Coleen Baker, Richard Fabro, Paul Yocum, Jim McClain, Bob Schultz, Scott Sheets, Rick Arnold

Presiding

Richard Arnold - PFA

Meeting Notes

Rick Arnold - PFA

Explained the officer-election process: A nominating committee is appointed to propose a slate of officers for 2008 at the November meeting of the PFA. At the December meeting the floor is open to other nominations, and the election is held. Arnold asked the president of the Cub Club, Sundowners, and EAA Chapter 66 to serve on the nominating committee, with past president Mark Twombly presiding over the committee.

Terry Voorhees - Cub Club

President of the Cub Club, reported that the club has seen an encouraging increase in members, most of whom who are active pilots. This has led to a 10-percent increase in hours flown in club airplanes. The club is renovating its offices, and plans to have all of its aircraft on display at Aviation Day.

Mark Twombly

Reported on progress of the Fort Myers High Aviation Club. The inaugural meeting for students is scheduled for Monday, October 22, in faculty sponsor Mary Robertson's classroom (B202) at the school. The first field trip will be to Aviation Day on November 17.

Gary Duncan - L.C.P.A.

Said the owner of the new Reserve cigar and wine bar on Cleveland Avenue (in the former Tony Roma's) has offered a room in the facility for PFA meetings. It was suggested that

the January meeting be held there.

Coleen Baker - L.C.P.A.

Said the work being done to construct the new taxiway on the north side of Runway 5/23 is nearing completion, and should be inspected by the end of October or early November.

Initial work on the ramp for the new transient terminal may begin early in 2008.

She responded to a question about the change in fuel providers from Exxon Aviatat to AvFuel by saying the change will take place January 1, 2008, and may result in a slight decrease in retail pricing for avgas. The Port Authority staff is considering implementing AvFuel's contract fuel program.



Time for a little clowning around at Page Field during WWII

Jim McClain

Said he has been in north Florida, and while there toured several general aviation airports. He reported that security at general aviation airports will become more of an issue nationwide.

Paul Yocum - EAA Chapter 66

Reported on activities planned to commemorate EAA Chapter 66's upcoming 40th anniversary. Some 97 people have made reservations for the dinner, and planning for the fly-by is complete.

Mark Millar - The Sundowners

Said planning and preparations for the Sundowners' November 3 dinner dance at the ACI hangar are going well.

Scott Sheets - L.C.P.A.

Is looking for a half-dozen volunteers to help with parking at Aviation Day.

FAA Exceeds Annual Goal for General Aviation Safety

October 29, 2007

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The number of fatal general aviation accidents declined by 5 percent this year, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced today.

The FAA's goal was to have no more than 331 fatal general aviation accidents during the 12 months ending Sept. 30. The actual number was 314. Fatalities in general aviation accidents also declined significantly, from 676 in fiscal 2006 to 564 in fiscal 2007. For these calculations, "general aviation" includes not only privately flown planes but also non-scheduled air taxi flights.

"This record is due to a dedicated commitment to safety by everyone in general aviation," said FAA Associate Administrator for Aviation Safety Nicholas A. Sabatini. "In particular, manufacturers are providing sophisticated technology like GPS and glass cockpits — and the training to go with them — and the FAA is vigorously encouraging adoption of these safety enhancements."

See the article

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