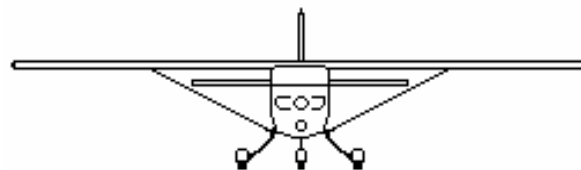


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Use this note as another reminder to mark your calendar. Don't be busy and don't plan anything else for the weekend of August 25th. The MERFI Fly-in is shaping up to be a major attraction at KMFD. Also, on the weekend of September 29th there will be a big P-51 fly-in and air show at Rickenbacker AFB in Columbus. You might want to put this event on you calendar.

S&S Coaches have busses that seat a little over 40 passengers for \$600-700 plus tax. That's only \$15 to \$18 per person. I am looking into a possible bus trip to Wright-Patterson AFB to visit the Air Force Museum. If you have any suggestions, please contact me at 419-756-0012.

Blue Skies, Mike B.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Pancake Breakfast was quite a success. After all bills have been paid we netted \$566 with the breakfast and the bratwurst/hotdog luncheon. The luncheon which is something new this year, was very popular. The brats and hotdogs sold out quickly. If we hold the luncheon next year, we might consider raising the price for brats and hotdogs. The potato chips went very fast so we might think of getting many more packages for next year. Thanks again, to all the members who helped out throughout the day.

The Car Coddlers Car Event was a big success and added to the success of our annual pancake breakfast. At this

writing, it is believed that they will return next year. The "Soccer Field" next to the MAC Picnic Shelter proved an ideal location for the car show, public parking and the pancake breakfast.

GFS FOODS

The Pancake breakfast reminds us of purchasing food supplies. This thought brings up GFS Foods located at 1310 Lexington-Springmill Road, Ontario. MAC recently registered with GFS for purchases. Every time anyone buys food products at GFS and uses the name of Mansfield Aviation Club – the club will receive credit and will be entitled to a rebate at the end of each year based on the total dollar amount of purchases made for the year. So, any time you are purchasing anything at GFS please tell them you are purchasing for Mansfield Aviation Club and the club will reap \$\$ benefits at the end of the year.

SEPTEMBER 1ST – LABOR DAY WEEKEND BRATWURST PICNIC

Please mark your calendars for September 1st as the Annual MAC Labor Day Weekend Bratwurst Picnic to be held at the Gorman's Hangar. Brats, corn and all drinks will be furnished by the Club. Please bring a covered dish and your own table service. Plan to eat at 6PM. Setup will be at 5:30PM. Those who can help setup tables and chairs come early.

"FLYBOY'S CAFÉ" AIRPORT RESTAURANT OPEN



Introducing the new "Flyboys Café" at 2100 Harrington Memorial Road, Mansfield, OH 44903. **Now open for business!** Manager Vickie West says: "Catch the spirit of aviation with great views of Mansfield Lahm Airport while enjoying great food!" Our hours will be Monday-Thursday 10:00AM to 10:00PM; Friday 10:00AM to 12:00 Midnight; Saturday breakfast 8:00AM to 12 Noon; Sunday breakfast and lunch 8:00AM to 2:00PM. Please join us for a meal and enjoy the view.

Vickie says "please call ahead if you have a big group so we can make sure we are ready for you!" **419-774-7900.** Looking forward to serving you!

Scott & Lisa Sparks- Owners
Vickie L. West – Manager

AIRPORT OPERATIONS REPORT

Mark Daugherty, KMFD Airport Operations Supervisor, reports that the airport drainage project is now completed. The contractor is to return in September to finish seeding and

cleaning some areas of the drainage project. Mark also reports that they are still awaiting word from the FAA concerning funding of the Runways 14/32 rehabilitation project.

A private firm was to be at KMFD on Monday & Tuesday August 6th & 7th to observe flight operations at the FAA tower. An e-mail was sent out August 5th to all member pilots to help participate by flying as many sorties as they can on the 6th and 7th.

Mark wants to thank Marge and Jim Gorman for donating time and effort in maintaining the flower beds in front of the Terminal Building. It's a big job to water all the flowers and keep the beds weed-free. When you see Marge or Jim, thank them for the beautiful flower beds that adorn the Tarmac Entrance to the Terminal Building.

Mark reports that Tony Salvaggio has his 1958 Cessna 175 and his hangar for sale – Asking \$38,000 for the package. Telephone 419-362-9808

T-Hangar "C" Row is now under new ownership: Jim McClead dba **Rocky Fork Ventures**. Telephone 419-892-3102

The 99's Organization repainted the Compass Rose in front of the Flyboy's Café in July. The City furnished the paint and supplies.

Wiring problems on runway lighting, touch-up painting and maintenance are being attended to during July and August in preparation for MERFI and inspections by the FSDO.

MAC TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY



The June 30, 2007 Bank balance was \$5,898.06. Deposits in July totaling \$2,127.88 were from the pancake breakfast/luncheon on June 30th. Disbursements in July totaled \$129.86. The check book balance at July 31, 2007 was \$7,893.08. A restricted amount of \$3,415.00 is set aside for the Garden of Heroes Memorial Fund. There was a total of \$4,478.08 in unrestricted funds available at July 31st.

EAA CHAPTER 148



You can build an Airplane. Let EAA teach you how!

Tom McFadden, MAC Member and President of the EAA Chapter 148 reports that the Chapter will hold a meeting on Saturday Evening, August 11, 2007. The meeting is for the purpose of amending the constitution and bylaws of the Chapter. The meeting is to be held at the McFadden campsite, Lot 48, Charles Mill Camp Ground and will begin at 6PM.

Chapter 148 next regular meeting will be August 12 at the Air Park, beginning at 1330 hrs. Coffee and doughnuts will be available. The program subject is "Weather to Fly" facilitated by Gene Berger.

The 148th will be holding "Leaf Flights" in October on Thursday evenings and some Saturday Mornings so that pilots and passengers can see the North Central Ohio tree leaves change into Fall Dress.



Vendors and sponsors continue to register for the MERFI two-day event August 25-26. The program has grown into a 44 page full-color booklet. UNBELIEVABLE!!! There will be hundreds of aircraft and static displays to see and various forums to attend when you visit the fly-in. Please visit the WEB site at www.merfi.info for all the details of the upcoming event.

As a "Kick-off", MERFI will host *Business after Hours* from 5 to 7 PM Thursday August 23, 2007 at the Jim and Marge Gorman Hangar. Pam Fonseca requests that all aircraft owners display their aircraft on the ramps near Gorman's hangar. Plan to park the aircraft by about 4PM on August 23rd so the public can have a better idea of what goes on with General Aviation at KMFD.

MERFI vendor locations, aircraft parking and camping sites are being established. Volunteers are still needed for a few responsibilities in helping with the Boy and Girl Scouts and with the Pancake Breakfast held at the Flyboy's Café.

MERFI meets at 1330 Hours the first Sunday each month at the KMFD Terminal Building Conference Room. Those who are interested are welcomed to attend the meetings.

NEXT MAC MEETING



The next MAC Board meeting will be **September 1, 2007**. All members and guests are welcomed to the meetings. The meetings begin promptly at 9AM in the KMGD Terminal Second Floor Conference Room. Free coffee, tea and doughnuts (along with some hangar flying) will be available. A note to the board members: after our meetings and when we finish using the Terminal Building Conference Room, the last one out please make sure all lights are turned off (including the restrooms) and all the doors are locked. Your help will be appreciated.

P-51 MUSTANGS

This should have been on the front page: The weekend of September 27th-29th are the dates for the 60th Year Celebration for Gathering of P-51s/Legions at Rickenbacker AFB in Columbus. Over 100 P-51s are expected to participate in the Celebration. The Blue Angels are to have an air show on Saturday also. MAC President Mike Broderick is organizing a bus trip through S & S Coaches to take a bus load of members and families to Columbus on Saturday August 29th. Plans are still in the works so more information will be forthcoming. It is expected that the round trip bus fare to Rickenbacker will be around \$25 per person. Approximately \$20 entrance fee at the gate will be in addition to the bus fare. Please call Mike at 419-756-0012 for additional information. There also is a WEB site: www.GML.com, which you can pull up to gain additional information.

COMING EVENTS

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- Aug 11 – August Fly-Out?
 - Aug 23- “Business After Hours”
 - Aug 25-26 – MERFI Fly-In
 - Sep 1 – Monthly MAC Mtg
 - Sep 1 – Bratwurst Picnic-Gorman’s Hangar
 - Sep 8 – Galion Aviation Day @GQQ
 - October 6 – Monthly MAC Mtg
 - October 6 – Young Eagles Flts
 - October 13 – Fall Fly-Out?
 - November 3 – Monthly MAC Mtg
 - November 10 – Last fall Fly-Out?
 - December 7 – MAC Christmas Party
 - December 7 – Election of officers
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NORWALK AIRPORT

Tom Root reports that plans are afoot to attempt to close the Norwalk Airport (5A1). Some interested parties want to build a Regional Airport with a 9,000’ Runway near Plum Brook to accommodate the NASA Facility there. Tom feels that the Norwalk Airport is too nice a facility so there will be lots of opposition to closing Norwalk and building a new regional airport

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 23-26

From Thursday August 23 to Sunday 26 the Mansfield Area is going to be the real “FUNCENTER OF OHIO”! The following are some of the events:

Midwest Regional Fly In (MERFI)
 Aug 24-26 – Mansfield Lahm Airport. Historic, experimental and unusual aircraft demonstrations and much more – 7:00AM to 5:00 PM
WWW.merfi.info.

NASCAR Bush East Series Aug 25 – Mansfield Motorsports Park. Spectacular NASCAR short-track racing .7:00PM.
Mansfieldmotorsportsonline.com

Urban Arts Festival – Downtown Mansfield’s Historic Carrousel District – Aug 25. Go global with this multicultural celebration of arts and food from around the world. 11:00AM to 9:00 PM CarrouselDistrict.com

Heart of the City Cruise In – Historic Downtown Mansfield–Aug

25 with live music from the National Recording Artists, Music Explosion. More than 600 gorgeous vintage and unusual cars. Mansfieldtourism.com

TubaDubJam III Aug 24-25 – Ohio State Reformatory (OSR). Extravaganza of vintage and modern Porsches and WVs with food and classic music from the 70s & 80s. Prison tours and daily showings of the cult movie favorite Shawshank Redemption – filmed at OSR. Tubadubshank.com

“Friday at Five” After Work Party – In the Historic Carrousel District – Friday Aug 24 – in the Temple Court Alley West of Main Street. Wind down after a stressful week with live music and specialty beers – 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. CarrouselDistrict.com

FUNNY?

One Sunday Morning, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small American Flags mounted on either side of it.

The seven year-old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, “Good Morning, Alex.” “Good morning Pastor.” he replied, still focused on the plaque. “Pastor, what is this?” he asked.

The pastor said, “Well, son, it’s a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service.”

Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Finally, little Alex’s voice, barely audible and trembling with fear, asked, “Which service, the 8:30 or the 10:45?”

That’s all this Month, Folks!!

