

# MAC News

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## Regular Meeting

The next meeting of Mansfield Aviation Club will be April 5<sup>th</sup>. Regular meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month at 0900. MAC meets in the conference room on the second floor of the Mansfield Lahm Airport terminal building. The annual meeting and Christmas Party replace the December regular meeting. This year's annual meeting will be held the evening of December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Sons of Herman Annex.

Please try to attend the April meeting. For the past several months we have scheduled a brief work project after the regular meeting. Our MAC room on the end of the hangar row is in serious need of spring-cleaning. With lots of members to help, it will take only a short time.



## Coffee Pot??

We have had many members hunting for our prodigal coffee pot. If you are one of the members searching for the lost urn, you can call off the search. It has been located. Thanks for the help.



## New Computer

Mansfield Aviation Club sends their sincere thanks to The Gorman Rupp Company for the donation of a more modern computer at the airport.

Randy Swihart from The Gorman Rupp Company delivered and installed the "new" computer including a 15" monitor and an HP 660 color printer at the Pilot. Lounge in the KMGD Terminal Build-

ing. DUATS is installed and ready to go. The new machine replaces the old machine that has served the same purpose for many years but had become hopelessly obsolete. The addition of a printer will allow pilots to print "weather to go."



## More Weather

While you are in the pilots lounge, don't forget to check out the DTN weather as well for additional weather information and graphics. If you haven't taken the time already, sit down for a few minutes and get familiar with what is available. The motion-enhanced weather maps are very helpful in creating an overview of the weather you might encounter on your flight. Make it a point to get comfortable with the system before you need to get data for a flight.



## Young Eagles



Pilots and aircraft and ground personnel will be needed the first Saturday in May. MAC will move the regular meeting to 0800 to allow the Young Eagles briefing to begin promptly at 0930. If you will be participating in the Eagle Flights you need to attend this briefing. Pilots will receive their "eagle number", squawk codes, and flight routes. Safe handling of Young Eagles and their parents will be one of the important topics discussed. FAA tower personnel will also be attending the briefing to help with planning and answer any questions.

Bob Staight advises that he would like to extend our flying time for these Eagle flights till 2:00 PM. Several families have expressed interest that cannot participate due to the original 12:00 PM end time.



## Meet The Chief

Oops, it didn't happen this month as we expected, but it's on the schedule for April's meeting. Our new Air Traffic Manager is to visit with MAC members at the April meeting. Here is what we know so far:

James R. Call started his career in the FAA at Miami, FL in the early 80s. For the past nine years, he has been a Supervisor at the Lexington Blue Grass Airport Control tower in Lexington, KY. Jim is a pilot with a CFI rating.

Find out more by attending the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.



## Valentines Day Party Recap

The 179<sup>th</sup> went out of their way to host our Valentines Day Party in a time of heightened security. We appreciate their efforts.

Those of you that attended certainly went home with some nice door prizes as Bob Staight did his usual top notch job. Every member left with at least two or three items from the prize table. Thanks for the excellent work Bob.

Here are a few snapshots from the event in case you missed it!

President Parrish and Keith Alves



Bob Staight Drawing the Prizes



Jeff and Keith draw the 50/50 Winner



Rudy Says, "That's MY number!!"



By the way, don't forget to mail back your "thank you" cards. Every prize came with an attached post card pre-addressed to the donor of the item. Bob's job is so much easier when potential donors remember that they actually

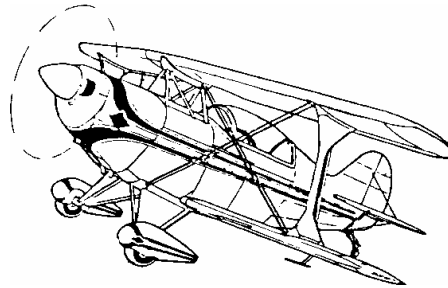
got a card thanking them for their donations in years past.

The Valentines Day event marked the first time we have held a 50/50 drawing since we decided to donate the club's 50% to the "Dream of Flight" statue project. In addition to sending Rudy home with some cash, another \$62.00 was donated to the fund.

President Jeff Parrish made the contacts for MAC and recruited Keith Alves a retired controller from Cleveland Hopkins to speak after dinner. Keith gave an entertaining recap of some serious and some humorous events from his career. We had a great kick off for our 2003 events schedule. If you didn't get to attend, reserve some space on your calendar for next year's Valentine party.



## Air Events



### APRIL

5 **MAC Regular Meeting**

### MAY

3 **MAC Regular Meeting**  
3 EAA Young Eagles (MFD)

24 **Memorial Day Party**  
(New Picnic Pavilion)

### JUNE

7 **MAC Regular Meeting**

### JULY

4 **Pancake Day**  
4 Freedom Festival  
5 **MAC Regular Meeting**  
?? **Kelleys Island Flyout**

### AUGUST

2 **MAC Regular Meeting**  
30 **Labor Day Brats & Corn**  
(Gorman Hangar)

### SEPTEMBER

6 **MAC Regular Meeting**

### OCTOBER

4 **MAC Regular Meeting**  
4 EAA Young Eagles (MFD)

### NOVEMBER

1 **MAC Regular Meeting**

### DECEMBER

5 **Christmas Party**  
(Sons Of Herman Annex)

### MAC Events shown in boldface

\* Indicates a rain date. If you know of an event that should be included on our calendar please let us know at the meeting or call Jerry at 522-4936.



## Pictures

In the past, the limits of the printer and copier have prevented us from running pictures smaller than two columns wide. All the detail in smaller pictures was lost. With a new laser printer and a more capable copier online this MACNews contains some snapshots of the Valentines Day event. If you enjoy them let us know. If they don't seem clear enough to bother, let us know that too! I'll send the same pictures along to Mike Broderick, MAC's webmaster so you can log on to our web page and see them larger and in color.



## Dues are \$12.00

We have received a few dues payments for the wrong amount. After brief consideration of sending all the officers to Tahiti with the overpayments we discovered that they wash out with the underpayments and a better plan of action might be to just put the correct amount in the newsletter again and hope for the best. If your dues for 2003 are paid your address label will show DEC 2003 or later. If you paid them recently, it might not be reflected on the label yet. Give us a call if more than one newsletter has shown the wrong expiration date.



### Statue Fund

As you recall, MAC is helping to raise the funds to purchase the Dream of Flight Statue. MAC kicked off the fund raising last year with a \$700.00 donation matched by the identical amount from the Air Guard. Since that time, the fund has grown to almost \$2900.00 of the \$6000.00 needed. At this time we would like to thank the generous folks that have supported the fund raiser so far:

Listed alphabetically

- Atkeson, Dennis J.
- DRM Productions
- Galion Pilots Association
- Hall, Curtis H.
- Halter, John
- MAC (50/50 Project)
- Manairco
- Otcasek, Charles
- Root, Thomas
- Schmidt Security
- Staight, Robert
- Vulture Number Twenty

Bob Staight volunteered to handle this fund raising effort for MAC, and he is doing a great job. If you would like to make a contribution of any size, contact Bob at (419) 529-2241. If you know of anyone that you think might be interested in making a donation get that information to Bob as well. Bob has as-

sembled an excellent presentation book that he can show to potential donors. They can see exactly what the statue will look like and the plans for how it will be incorporated into the new aviation related public areas of the Guard's expansion project.



### Pavilion News

By now, you have all seen the new pavilion that was built to replace the "roadside" rest that MAC has maintained for many years. We hope to use this new area for some of our outdoor events around the airport this year, and we are looking forward to a great Pancake Day at the Mansfield Freedom Festival this year. Electric service is still an ongoing project that we expect will be resolved as the weather improves. Discussions continue on how or if a permanent water connection will be available on the site. We have just gotten some grills that we will be installing at a later date. No pancakes for these grills. They are good old charcoal cookers for use at MAC events and available for public use throughout the year. We will be rededicating the pavilion to Lloyd Amato sometime this year. The original dedication sign was removed and saved before the old pavilion was demolished and will be restored

to good condition before it is installed on the new structure.



On reaching his plane seat a man is surprised to see a parrot strapped in next to him. He asks the stewardess for coffee whereupon the parrot squawks, "And get me a whiskey right now." The stewardess, flustered, brings back a whiskey for the parrot and forgets the coffee.

When this omission is pointed out to her, the parrot drains its glass and bawls, "And get me another whiskey you twit." Quite upset, the girl comes back shaking with another whiskey but still no coffee.

Unaccustomed to such slackness, the man tries the parrot's approach. "I've asked you twice for coffee. Go and get it now, or else!"

Next moment, both he and the parrot have been wrenched out of their seats and thrown out of the emergency exit by two burly stewards. Plunging downwards the parrot turns to him and says, "For someone who can't fly, you're pretty rude aren't ya?"



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