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A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADER

Col. Ron Norman

We need to give ourselves a great pat on the back for having another successful hangar dance this year. It only happens through the hard work and dedication of our members and volunteers. Again we need to thank Col. Jim Gentry for taking on the leadership role of Event Director. Thanks again for a job well done.

Now it is time to get the PT-19 into the sky!

We will have election of officers at the next meeting. And we will discuss plans for a Squadron Christmas party.

Season's Greetings to all.

DUES Squadron dues are either \$25 per year or \$15 per month to the Hangar Fund. Pay Col. Doug Ritter.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2007 at the TTC Student Center Cafeteria, at 7 pm. It will be a potluck dinner, at 6:30. The main course will be sliced ham. We would like everyone to come and bring your spouses and families. Please try to bring two food dishes to share. So we will have a better idea as to how many tables to set, please try to call Karen at 224-6293, leave a message, by Monday evening

to let us know how many you will be bringing. But if you forget don't let that stop you from coming. We will be electing Squadron Leader, Adjutant, and Safety Officer.

SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFASTS

Saturday morning for breakfast at "First Watch" at 82nd and S. Lewis. Meet at 7 AM then go to the CAF Hangar to work.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE November 13th MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Col. Ron Norman. The flag salute was led by Col. Bill Kennedy. Thanks to all who brought food for the dinner. Financial Report was given by Col. Doug Ritter. The report was approved. Col. Karen Dagg read the minutes of the October meeting, they were approved.

Visitors. Our guests were introduced: Fred Stowell, Ken Sciog, Andrew Donohue, Berry and Jenny Bisch, and their son Jamie who are going home to England tomorrow.

PT-19 Report. Ron Norman stated that our primary focus must now be on the PT-19. It must be flying by April at the latest.

Hangar Storage. Col. Jim Dagg has found some extra heavy duty steel shelving at a reasonable to purchase for the Hangar. It will increase and simplify some of our storage problems, because they are very tall. Our next project may be purchasing and rebuilding a forklift so we can use the shelving.

Hangar Dance: Event director, Jim Gentry was unable to attend the meeting, but the information from the Hangar Dance comment cards was discussed. Col. Jack Wells also reported favorable comments from the 13th Jungle Air Force about the event.

Nancy Brian will collect information from all Dance Chairpersons with detailed instructions for what to do if someone is unexpectedly absent from the event. She will call the manual Hangar Dance for Dummies. Col. Tom Brian will be asked to help Col. John McNulty with Rosie's Canteen next year.

Chamber of Commerce Report. The October Jenks Chamber of Commerce meeting was attended by Tricia Demarest, Jim Mills, Jack Wells, and Karen Dagg. The Squadron donated two Hangar Dance tickets as a door prize.

New Business Ron Norman announced that July 3rd & 4th will mark the 50th Anniversary of Jones/Riverside Airport. Our Squadron will participate with PX, recruiting booth, marshalling, etc. He will be in touch with Kent Faith at Roadhouse Aviation to coordinate our activities.

We will have no work sessions next week, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

The meeting was adjourned.

Col. Karen Dagg

NEW MEMBERS We would like to welcome new members Col. Charlie Hoy, ham radio operator; Col. Fred Stowell, ballroom dancer and former Lil volunteer; and returning member Col. Mickey Snelson. We appreciate your willingness to share your time and talents with our Squadron.

We may also have visiting prospective members at our Saturday work session and December Squadron meeting please make them feel welcome.

HAM RADIO NEWS from Charlie Hoy "We had a great day on Saturday for Celebration Freedom. We established a "HF" radio for long-distance communication and we were very successful operating from our C-47 mockup.

In total we had 9 contacts across the US spanning from the East Coast to the West. Notable contacts included the *USS Midway (NI6IW)* anchored in San Diego harbor, the *USS American Victory (W4REX)* anchored in Tampa Bay harbor, *NASCAR (K7R)* at the Phoenix racetrack, *ARRL (Amateur Radio Relay League) (W1AW)* in Connecticut, and HAM station *NL7QT* on Wrangell Island in Alaska.

What a great start to our newest HAM station. Thanks to all who helped set up and we look forward to many more contacts in the future!"

Charlie Hoy - W5HOY
Peter Mann- KF5RD
Rick Leach - KE5EMT
Kristi Leach - KE5EII

HANGAR DANCE EXTRAS

I think we need to give a great round of applause to Juli Gentry for making the Silent Auction the most successful in our history. But there is a way to make it even better next year. **SHOP NOW!** Since most of our items are purchased why not pick up a few extra items now during the pre Christmas and after Christmas sales. I have seen many items already at half price and many fall items are at 75% off. What a great time to help the squadron. Also keep your receipts for your taxes, and leave the price tags on so Juli and her team will know how to price the minimum bid for the item. If we are all savvy shoppers, we can have the Silent Auction ready to go long before the dance.

On the same note, before we store away the last of the hangar dance decorations we will cut the tablecloths for next year. See me at the next meeting and we will probably set a time for the following Saturday.

Karen Dagg

Hangar Dance Photos Please submit your photos to be included in the online photo gallery for the Hangar Dance. They may be sent to Karen Dagg, email below, or Jim Gentry at jjgentry@cox.net

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter by e-mail, rather than receiving a hard copy, please let us know at daggwoods@sbcglobal.net
Thanks, Karen & Jim

Cover Photo
Hangar Dance 2007



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NEXT MEETING:
Tues. Dec. 11th
at the Tulsa Tech Student Center
Cafeteria, Jones Airport



6th Annual Celebrate Freedom Hangar Dance



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