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September Meeting**

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IMPORTANT MEETING NOTE:

**Awards Night,
Tuesday, October 14th
Catered dinner at 6:30
in Faculty Dining
room, Student Center
Tulsa Tech Riverside
Campus. Everyone
needs to be there.**

The Faculty dining room is adjacent to the student cafeteria in the classroom building

MEETING MINUTES For Sept 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Executive Officer Col. Bill Forrester, and the flag salute was led by Col Kennedy. Members and guests were introduced.

Col. Tom Voytovich read July minutes and they were accepted by the membership.

INFORMATION UPDATES

Finance Report

Finance Officer Col Alan Meeks presented the finance report . Motion was made to accept the Finance Report, was seconded and then accepted by the membership.

Col Forrester thanked Andy Franks for contributing refreshments for the meeting , and then Robby Franks showed his RC model Spitfire to the group, sharing a story of painting the model and learning that krylon paint and Styrofoam don't mix!

PT-19

Col Fred Kumpf led the discussion of PT-19 related activities. The tail wheel has been reworked by Col Dagg and the cadets and now appears to be in fine working order.

Col Kumpf also reported that the squadron has made a deal to purchase a Ranger engine from source in Winter Haven, FL . This engine was reasonably priced and recently overhauled. Procuring this engine will speed up the completion of the PT-19 and allow the squadron

to rebuild the existing engine at it's leisure. Someone will be going to Florida in October to pick the engine up.

Col Kumpf has also recently ordered more wire which will allow the electrical work on the PT-19 to continue, and Dennis Sprague has begun work on the instrument plumbing for the pitot static system.

B-24

Col Jim Gentry noted that Lil is on the road and is performing well.

Lil was in Okmulgee on September 9th for a quick analysis of the #3 engine. Everything checked out fine, and Lil departed the same day to Garden City, KS with Col Whiteman aboard as Flight Engineer. Lil will be making four stops this week in Garden City and Amarillo.

Col Gentry also reported that both Lil and Fifi will be in Tulsa the week of November 3rd and that Lil will be present for the Celebrate Freedom Dance.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Col Forrester received a letter from Col Graham Robertson of the OKC wing regarding staff elections, reminding Spirit of Tulsa that all Colonels can vote either in person at AIRSHO or via absentee ballot. Col Forrester noted that Oklahoman Tom Rush is on the ballot.

Col Gentry also reported that there is an unassigned PT-19 in Midland that might be available to our squadron. It is possible that this PT-19 could be a flyer pretty quickly. Col Gentry led a discussion of the status of the Celebrate Freedom effort and a discussion took place regarding stocking the PX prior to the dance. Also discussed were ideas for recruiting and the plans for holding a media event on Thursday prior to the dance. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

PT-19 UPDATE

The new engine is still waiting for us in Florida. It hoped that we will be able to send someone down the weekend of

the 17^h of Oct. to get it.
More later

The restoration crews have been busy these past couple of weeks preparing the PT for display at the forthcoming hangar dance.

The Pitot static system in the cockpit area is complete, but it appears that we will have to send the front airspeed indicator out for overhaul. We will also send out at the same time the compasses and turn and slip indicators for rebuild as well. The nose bowl has been painted to the red color requested by the membership and is ready for installation. Work continues on the electrical system also.

B-24 UDDPDATE

Diamond Lil and FiFi will be arriving at Tulsa International on Monday November 3rd. They will be parking at United States Aviation on the North end of Tulsa International. On Thursday or Friday of that week Lil will fly over to Riverside Airport in preparation for the Hangar Dance.

Attention:

CELEBRATE FREEDOM Dance Tables!!

If you want to reserve a table for you and your friends at the dance please get the money and reservation to Karen Dagg as quickly as possible. Each table seats 10 people. A General Reserved Table is \$150. A Special Reserved Table, with your name listed in the program, is \$200. And a Corporate Table is \$500.

Please contact Karen before October 25th to have your name in the program.

You can call 224-6293 or 224-6879. Or order by mailing check or Visa or MC information to Spirit of Tulsa Squadron, PO Box 158, Jenks, OK 74037. Or payment can be made directly to Finance Officer Alan Meeks, if you see him first.

CELEBRATE FREEDOM

The Decorations committee will work on

Friday, November 7th during the day at Tulsa Tech from about 9am-6pm. We will need help cutting table cloths, blowing balloons, etc. We will have to work around the classes being held at that time. We will also have many jobs to do on Saturday morning, so plan to come and help.

OTHER NEWS

If you have not been to the Tulsa Tech hangar recently you really should. Being worked on there is a really beautiful B-25, by the name of Pacific Raider. She is to be leased to Tulsa Air & Space Museum to replace Old Glory which was recently sold. If you stop out, be sure to bring a polishing rag with you, as the airframe is bare metal and can use some elbow grease.

SQUADRON LEADERS NOTES

I hope to see everyone there next Tuesday night. We have many awards and citations to hand out and hopefully good news about our hangar dance and other

things pending as well.
See you all there.