



Mentone Flying Club



NEWSLETTER OF THE MENTONE FLYING CLUB

What Our Members Are Doing

Shawn Bailey – ATP License



In May I went down to Dallas to complete steps one and two in obtaining my ATP (Airline transport license). I went to Higher Power Aviation and completed 30 hours of ground school and 10 hours in a simulator. (The simulator was pretty cool... a Boeing 737-800) I also passed the written exam, which was step two. Step three (the final step) is taking the practical test in an airplane with an examiner, which I hope to complete before the snow flies. I will probably go to Alabama for that.

The pictures from the jet are from a three ship formation I was part of down at Grissom a couple weeks ago. I was number three and we took off

Calendar

Sept 15:

- Monthly fly-in lunch at the Rochester FBO. Lunch is provided free of charge, runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and there's always homemade ice cream! See page 2 for other airports you can fly to on Fridays!
- Annual Club Cookout at Jim Ewen's. Click [here](#) to sign up and to get directions!

Free Ground School

- Every Tuesday night at the Rochester FBO. 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Congrats!

Dan Pine took and passed the Private Pilot Knowledge test!

**Kevin Morrison &
Jayson Slabach**

Are our newest flight instructors!

Jake Marohn

Passed the Commercial checkride!

Jessica Richardson

Passed the Commercial knowledge test

Friday Lunch Fly – Ins.

The Fulton County Airport has teamed up with four other airports to offer free lunch on Fridays!

First Friday: Goshen (KGSH)

Second Friday: Smith- Field (KSMD)

Third Friday: Fulton County (Us!!)

Fourth Friday: LaPorte (KPPO)

Fifth Friday: Elkart (KEKM)

Lunch will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at each airport. Be aware of Central and Eastern time zones!



together with 30 second spacing. We rendezvoused with three B-52 bombers for air refueling for a total of six in the formation at that time. In the first picture you can see Tanker One and Two out in front. In the second picture you can see the bombers approaching while our bomber closes in on us as well.

Not the best pictures, but I only had my iPhone. I was just thinking... We had 36 engines total during air refueling... Thank you taxpayers! :-)

- Shawn Bailey



Young Pilots Aviation Camp

We had 17 middle schoolers join the first Young Pilots aviation camp on June 5 and 6! They enjoyed airplane rides, a tour of Samaritan's helicopter, built and shot off rockets, and more! You can view LOTS more pictures at the Young Pilots Facebook page [here!](#)



Ready to launch their rockets. The Kalamazoo Air Zoo came down and taught the rocket class. I was very impressed with how well they kept the kids interested, organized, and engaged!

- Jessica



(Above) Grant (in the front seat) went from being terrified of heights and not knowing if he wanted to take the airplane ride, to talking non-stop about it and announcing he was going to be a pilot when he grows up!

(Left) Purdue flew up in one of their airplanes and talked to the kids about the many ways they could be involved in aviation.



MFC Annual Pancake Breakfast

Our annual pancake breakfast was a success...we had about 250 show up and made a profit of \$618 :) We lost track of how many airplanes flew in!



Airplane wash day



Fourth of July Cookout

July 3rd, Ted Cox hosted a cookout at Hangar 5 before the fireworks! Emeric Szalay and his brother cooked and provided some delicious hamburgers and brats :)



Third Friday Lunch Fly-Ins

The response to the Friday lunch fly-ins is steadily increasing here at Rochester. This month we had 14 aircraft fly in and 50+ people came in for lunch :) See page 2 for a list of the airports that are putting on this program!



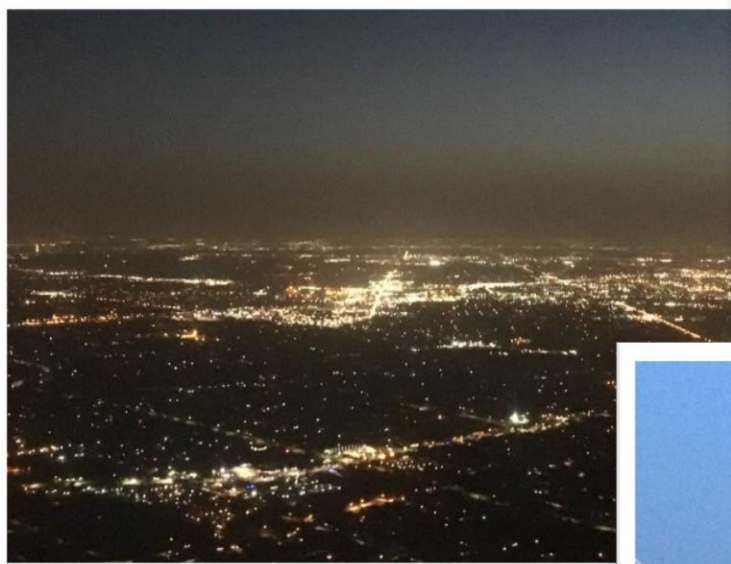


69T Goes to Texas

Because I have **A)** Always wanted to do a “real” cross-country, and **B)** have friends who live in Texas, plus **C)** needed to build time for my Commercial certificate, myself, Sharon, and my sister Leah flew down to Texas the last week of July.

I was grounded in Tulsa for a night on the way down due to thunderstorms, I flew on top of the clouds at 9,000 feet, went into Bravo airspace for the first time and learned how to fly arrivals and departures, called Flight Service more times in one week than I have in the last two years, and all around had an amazing time! Also, did I mention...it was very *HOT*?! -Jessica

Leah, Sharon, and myself



(above) Dallas at night!

Took our friends flying...as you can tell, they were not excited at all :D The boys declared that the plane smelled old (which they thought was awesome), and they were sure that the GPS was from WWII! :D



Air Race Classic Stops at Indy

The annual Air Race Classic is a women's air race that started in 1929 as the Women's Air Derby. It's a race across the country and a race against your own airplane's best time.

On June 21st, KMQJ (Indy Regional/Mount Comfort) was supposed to be a quick stop, where the racers would fuel up and head out again as quickly as they could, but a line of thunderstorms came between us and the next stop at Decorah, IA. As a result we had 30 teams and about 60 racers who had to stop overnight in Indy.

It was fun to meet the racers...some who I already knew like Keegan Starkey who is part of my Ninety-Nines chapter, others who I previously only knew on Facebook, and famous pilots like Ariel Tweto :)



My job was to find and coordinate timers to time the racers as they sped across the timing line, and did we have a lot of FUN watching the racers cross that line at full power and only 200 AGL :) Can't wait to be IN the race next year ;) -Jessica

At the timing line with all the timers!



American Huey 369
Membership
Flights Available



ROTORS OVER MENTONE

Bring the Family
out for lunch,
Tour the Museum
See helicopters up
close, Take a ride



Helicopter Rides
begin @ 10AM
By Goshen Helicopter

Saturday, August 26th 2017
10am- ?pm

VIETNAM DIARY



OF A DUSTOFF PILOT

PHIL MARSHALL

Special guest speaker
Phil Marshall
Vietnam pilot and
author. Phil will be
sharing his and others
experiences flying
non-armed rescue missions
in Vietnam.

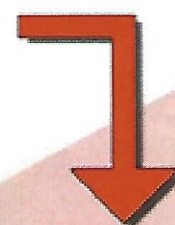
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TRUE STORIES OF
DARING HELICOPTER
RESCUES AS TOLD
BY THE MEN WHO
FLEW THEM

PHIL MARSHALL



Program
begins
@
11:00

The American Red Cross will be
accepting donations beginning @ 10AM



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