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### A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEADER Col. Ron Norman

We have another generous donation on the horizon. Col. Bill Kennedy has agreed to sell the BT-13 and donate the profits to the Spirit of Tulsa Squadron. We will take pictures on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, and the plane will go on sale shortly thereafter.

Col. Kennedy had previously planned to donate the BT-13 to the Squadron. But he decided, because of the extensive and expensive rebuild which would be required to bring the BT-13 to flyable condition, to sell the plane in hopes of

more quickly helping the Squadron to finance a flyable aircraft. Thank you Col. Bill!

### DUES

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

### NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10, 2007 at the CAF hangar, at 7 pm. It will be a potluck dinner, at 6:30. Bring what you can.

### 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 June 12<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Col. Ron Norman. The flag salute was led by Col. Tom Brian. Thanks to all who brought food. The

minutes of the May meeting were read by Col. Karen Dagg and approved.

Col. Doug Ritter was absent so no financial report was given. Ron Norman did announce an unexpected donation from the Howerton Foundation. We are very appreciative.

**Tug Report:** Col. Chuck Heick said the tug work is coming along nicely.

**PT-19 Report:** Ron Norman said that we have been side tracked by other things but we really need to push hard on the PT-19 now. Col. Jim Dagg reported that the center wing skin is ready to be glued on, this Saturday. The wood work will be basically finished. After checking to see if it mates with the fuselage, it will be ready to cover. Col. Gentry is working on the vertical stabilizer.

**B-24 Report:** You go to [www.warbirdinformationexchange.org](http://www.warbirdinformationexchange.org) Gary- what's the plan? to see pictures of Ol'927. The B-24 is going to Oshkosh this year, but the headquarter staff is riding. Jack Wells reported that The Warbird Magazine now has pictures of Ol'927.

### **Old Business: Helicopter**

**Parts:** Ron Norman reported on the sale of the helicopter parts.

The buyer, Sterling May, from Dallas, will also have an airplane engine built, in California, for the Cadets to work on. It should be delivered in about 6 weeks.

The aluminum was sold for scrap. They also took 3,280 pounds of junk to the dump. The workers also thanked Juli Gentry and Nancy Brian for their bean lunch after the last trip to Inola.

**Hangar Dance:** John McNulty is currently looking for a new cater for the Hangar Dance dinner, the company we used last year is no longer in business. If we serve Bar B Q for the evening dinner, then Donna Mills will probably change the lunch menu, so we don't have to eat Bar B Q twice in one day.

**Special Events:** Jim Dagg told of a video by the French television about the Liberty Jump Team, jump in Normandy, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting a surprise birthday party was held for Jerry Edwards who turned 50 in May and for Jim Dagg who turned 60, the previous Friday. Others celebrating birthdays were Beth Dagg, June 11<sup>th</sup>, and Carl McGuire, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,  
Col. Karen Dagg, Adj.

### **HAPPENINGS:**

#### **Speakers at the TASM:**

Next Speaker David Faulkner, Rocketplane-XP, Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>.

August 5<sup>th</sup> will be Bob Golan, on the Spartan Boys

September 2<sup>nd</sup> Amelia Earhart & Louise Thaden/Ride into History

October 7 Kim Jones, WWII, Why don't we all go in costumes and uniforms?

November 4, Doug Watson, Will Rogers.

#### **Road Trip:**

On Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, Squadron members will take a road trip to visit the Arkansas Air Museum, Fayetteville, AR, at Drake Field. Times will be announced at the June meeting.

**Diamond Lil**, excuse me, **Ol'927** will be with us at

Tulsa Tech, around September 9<sup>th</sup> for a few days, selling rides, etc. We will probably need volunteers to do various jobs. More information later.

**Tulsa Military Vehicle Group 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Rally**  
Bristow, September 28-29, Friday and Saturday. We usually have the PX there and marshal the aircraft, so we will need volunteers. [www.tmvg.org](http://www.tmvg.org) for more information

**CAF Airsho 2007,**  
**Midland, TX on September 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Saturday and Sunday.**  
[www.commemorativeairforce.org](http://www.commemorativeairforce.org) for complete information.

**Walk Back In Time!**  
(Last weekend in September, also.) Mexico, MO, north & west of St. Louis.  
**Google:** Walk Back In Time, Mexico, MO. They will also have an Air Show,

August 18<sup>th</sup> at the Mexico Airport.

**HANGAR DANCE NEWS**  
At the time of our upcoming meeting, we will be exactly 4 months away from our big fundraiser, on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

It is time to find out what you can do to help. While donations and these extra moneymakers, i.e. the sale of the donated helicopter parts, help our greatest revenue is generated by the CELEBRATE FREEDOM, Wings & Things day event, and the Hangar Dance.

Now is the time to buy or find a donor for at least 3 Silent Auction items. Now is the time to find reliable volunteers. Now is the time to decide what you will volunteer to help with during both the day and the evening events.

Now is the time to start talking the event up to your friends, family, clubs, civic groups, church groups, and co-workers so they will want to attend.

Now is the time to try to find a company you deal with or know the owners of to be a corporate sponsor, or to at least purchase a corporate table. Now is the time to talk to your friends who do historical displays or own warbirds to come to our event.

This will be our 6<sup>th</sup> year for this event, but it doesn't magically happen by itself. We need everyone's help to make this year a success.

**ATTENTION: On Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup> we will temporarily mate the PT-19 center wing section with the fuselage. We need everyone's help be there by 8:30am!!**

### Photo Gallery\*Cover Photo Surprise Party





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**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Tues. July 10<sup>th</sup>**  
at the CAF Hangar, Jones Airport

