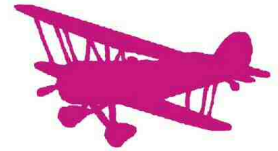




# OX5 NEWS



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OX5 Scholarship Program

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**In this issue we are emphasizing the OX5 Scholarship Program And Tim Pinkerton, our President, expresses his thoughts on this important outreach issue. This is where it all starts!**

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**Why should we have a scholarship program? There are many reasons, so here are a few for the membership to think about!**

One of the main focuses for the OX-5 Pioneers is to get the word out about the engine that we love. As you know, it was very important to the early years of aviation. Like many things that I am worried about is the future of our beautiful hot water V-8. Who will be the caretakers of these engines and keep the work we have started going when we can't?



I was talking to Bob and Patty Wagner this morning. We talked about how we started in aviation. (Bob's Story will be a book sometime.) Anyhow, as I sit here writing this I was thinking how this all ties together. So here is a bit of my story:

I was in high school when I started hanging out at a small airport 6 miles from my house. The owner asked me one day if I wanted to learn how to fly. I told him I would love to but I am saving to go to college and couldn't tap my funds to fly. He asked can you drive a tractor? (It helped to grow up on the family farm.) Well, I need someone to mow the runway once a week. We can trade your time for flying time.. And the rest is history for another day.

So what is the point of the story. We all have had that kind of start where someone has sparked the fire that became a passion.



We need to give young people a little help, maybe a push or a kick in pants! Get them out to the airport, explore the area behind the 6 foot chain link fence! Let us help open that gate for the future caretakers.

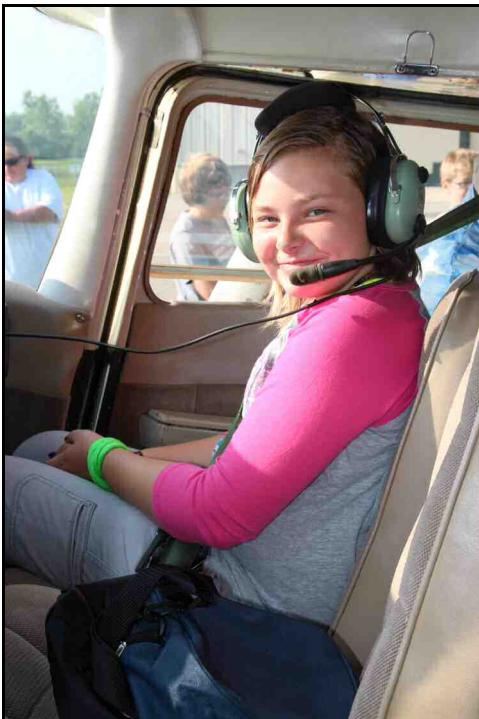


Now about last year's scholarship students. We received letters from most of them and they told of how they used the money. One is using her money for flight training. By the way, she just found out she is Salutatorian of her senior class and plans a career in aviation. Another used his money to help pay for the laptop he needed for his Aviation Tech class. He wants to be an A/P. This is just one more way to get the word out about OX-5. By the way, they are members of our club.

(Scholarship Program Continued)

The program for 2017 will be similar to the one offered in 2016. The 2017 **Education Scholarship** will be for an amount up to \$1,000 and the 2017 **Discover Aviation Learning Through Fun Scholarship (For ages 12 - 16)** will be for amounts up to \$250. Last year the OX5 Scholarship Committee received many highly qualified applicants for the Education Scholarship Award. Because of this, it was decided to award one \$1,000 scholarship and 5-\$200 scholarships to support these fine young people in their quest for more aviation training and schooling. We have included copies of the Scholarship Program application forms in this Newsletter for your convenience so that you can pass them on to any interested parties. Additional information can be obtained by contacting President Tim Pinkerton at OX5 Aviation Pioneers, PO Box 769, Troy, Ohio 45373 or by email at [wacopinky@aol.com](mailto:wacopinky@aol.com)

During our 2016 Reunion Membership Meeting, the attendees discussed the issue of trying to get more younger folks involved in the Organization. It was recognized that it is very difficult or even impossible for these younger members to attend an OX5 Reunion during months when their school classes are in session. The By-Laws provide for the Reunion to be held as early as the month of August and possibly this should be considered in future years. If we are going to provide Scholarships for these folks, then we should schedule the Reunion so that they can attend.



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**Attention OX5 Wings And Other Interested Members:**

Tim Pinkerton is seeking offers to help host the 2017 Annual Reunion and Membership Meeting. The National Organization always plays an important role in putting together the event, but we require the assistance of a Wing to provide the location. Please contact Tim Pinkerton at OX5 Aviation Pioneers, P.O. Box 769, Troy, Ohio 45373 or [wacopinky@aol.com](mailto:wacopinky@aol.com)



# Message From The Officers



## President's Message:

Hello from Ohio. Where you can get a sunburn one day and have two inches of snow the next. The National Office is back, up, and running thanks to Patty Wagner. She is working hard to get everything back in ship shape. The last few months Janet was trying to keep things going for OX-5 and working on her health at the same time. Her untimely passing left many things that needed attention. Then Patty steps up to the plate ready to go! She brings a wealth of knowledge and many years of experience. The National Office is in good hands.



I hope to see some of you at Sun-in Fun. I will be there at the beautiful OX5 Midwest Florida Wing building Thursday and Friday. Now where are those mittens...

POTNOX-5 Tim Pinkerton  
National OX5 President

## Secretary's Message:

Greetings to all of our OX5 Members. I want to thank everyone for checking and updating their personal information for our Master Membership List. We do our best in making changes but it is almost a full time job trying to keep this list correct. Life Members did not get a new Membership Card for 2017 so if you need a replacement card, please request it from me. Regular Members get a new Membership Card following the payment of their dues each year. A big thank you to everyone who provided a donation to your Organization. These funds are used to support our Scholarship Program and other outreach projects. Have a great summer season and Happy Memories.



Don Voland  
National OX5 Secretary



# New Members



## Welcome To Our New Members:

Robert H. Belter, Carmel, CA #23195  
(He was a career TailHook Naval Aviator, and enjoyed his life.)

Edward Allan Kornfield, Anchorage, AK #23196  
(He has been in aviation both as a pilot and mechanic for over 40 years.)

Charles (Chuck) Allen Griffey, Gig Harbor, WA #23197  
(He is a retired United Airlines Captain and a Docent at the Museum Of Flight also a Check-Pilot Examiner for the Civil Air Patrol.)

Ernie Morris Lynam,, Smithville, TN #23198

Keith Krewson, Charlton, MA #23199



# Donations



**We appreciate the donations from all of you - Many Thanks!**

Calvin J. Arter	Robert G. Bailey	Wayne Baker
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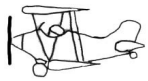
# Folded Wings



**It has been reported that the following members have Flown West:**

Name	Membership #	Wing	Date
James Torphy	23072	Midwest Florida	25-Mar-15





## Folded Wings - Continued



Dean Tilton	L-20034	Midwest Florida	28-Dec-16
(Dean S. Tilton, born 11-14-1919 in Sydney, Maine; peacefully flew to the arms of Jesus on 12-28-2016. He restored many planes for the Sun'n Fun Museum and was able to restore the replica SE-5A that was donated for the Lakeland Terminal dedication in 2001 and is still hanging inside. Dean Tilton has been enshrined in the OX5 Aviation Hall of Fame - Jim Beisner L-20517)			
Fred C. Ellsworth	L-20589	Washington	28-Dec-16
(Courage and Hope - Nothing gives us more courage and hope to face life's uncertainties than to remember our moments of glory - and we've all had a few. Fred Ellsworth has passed on - now he is in heaven - Family of Fred C. Ellsworth.)			
Col (ret) Ralph H. Saltsman	L-13640	At Large	July-12
Bonnie Hawkins	22041	Michigan	Unknown
Lester W. Hendrickson	L-13285	Maryland	11-May16
Robert Jensen	L-20219	Glenn Curtiss	Unknown
Donald Nordlund	L-20395	Minnesota	02-Apr-13
W.B. Stewart	L-21891	Alaska	25-Dec-16
Carroll D. C. Bernard	L.-13207	Midwest Florida	Unknown
Darrol D. Rippeteau	L-8845	Glenn Curtiss	08-Feb-16
Joe C. Fouts	22002	Alaska	05-Jan-16
Harold R. Sanders	L-12255	Southern California	Unknown
George Jackowski Jr.	21763	Midwest Florida	14-Feb-15
Thomas C. Ostermann	21345	Florida	05-July-16
(Flew off into the sun on July 5, 2016. He is free now - in the clouds - "slipped the surly bonds of earth." Please think of Tom whenever you hear an aircraft overhead and rest assured that he is reciting the specs and history of the aircraft and possibly its pilot. He is at home with his heartbeat. - Carol Hague)			
George A. Levis	1641	Maryland	16-Feb-17
(George A Levis was 107 when he died. Up until this last year or so, he had been living on his own and going to Ireland where he was from, every year all by himself. Unfortunately he fell a couple of times, and his daughter put him into a care center that did not work out well for him. At that point, his health declined significantly. I do not have enough information on all the work he did in the aviation field to write a proper notification. For me, he was a true and wonderful friend, and so kind and generous to all his fellow kind. Sylvia L. Cook L-22766)			

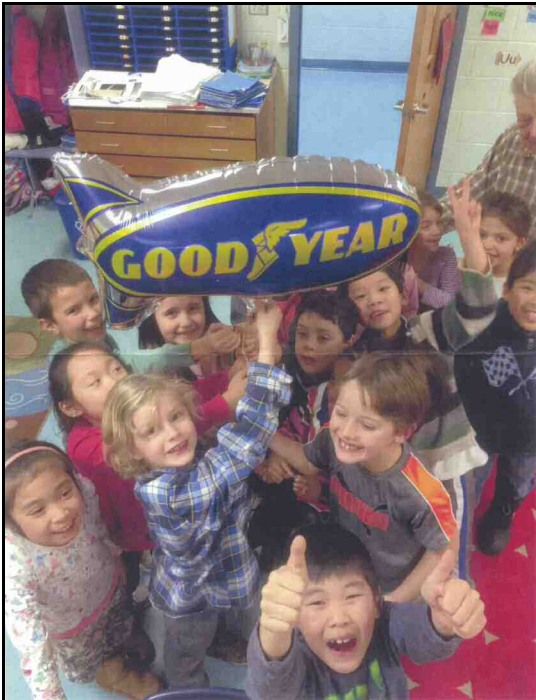


# Wing Struts



## Capital Area Wing:

Charlie Schuck reports that "I'm not doing much for aviation except visiting the 1<sup>st</sup>. & 2<sup>nd</sup>. Graders in our local school & giving them flags & airplane stuff and reminding them of their American Heritage & the good things about airplanes & being a pilot." (Charlie Schuck, DOB Aug. 5, 1919 - Member #12001)



## Ohio Wing:

I hope to attend more events this year now that I am retired. The Newsletter is great. (Jim Jet Thompson - Member #21486)

## Texas Wing:

Keep up the good work! (Gene Morris - Member #20459)

## Glenn Curtiss Wing:

Come visit the Curtiss Museum in Hammondspport. Happy Landings. (Jon W. VanDerhoof, Treasurer GHC Wing - Member #22676)

## Kansas Wing:

Harold Walters, President - Member #21855 reports "At our December meeting, OX5 member, Dale Krebbs gave an excellent presentation of airplanes that we all would like to fly. There was good audience participation, as those who had had personal experiences with a particular airplane made a comment. Dale is an excellent photographer. Thank you, Dale, for a great presentation."





# OX5 Members Offering Services



John Gaertner of Earlysville, VA - Member #23149 - has notified us of the following information:

I would like to be placed on your OX5 engine rebuilders list. We have rebuilt - overhauled 4 OX5 engines for our customers. We rebuild Dixie and Berling magnetos too. We have full aircraft building - restoring services including CNC and casting. Please add my company's contact information to your list.

Thank you,

John Gaertner  
Owner  
Blue Swallow Aircraft, LLC  
[www.BlueSwallowAircraft.com](http://www.BlueSwallowAircraft.com)  
(434) 295-7177

Lyle D. Bobzin of 19233 Edgecliff Dr. SW, Normandy Park, WA 98166-3827- Member #5302 - has passed on the following information:



# OX-5 Aviation Pioneers 2017 Education Scholarship Application



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**OX-5 Sponsoring Member:**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Member Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Wing \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

School	City/State	Years Attended	Degree or Diploma	GPA

**Pilot Certification (if any):**

Private	Com mercial	Rati ngs	Fl ight Hours

On separate paper, please respond to items listed below. Put your name on the top of each sheet and refer to the items by the appropriate letter (A, B, C).

**A. Accomplishments in or out of school**

Indicate honors, awards, performances, clubs, etc.

**B. Aviation Activities**

List aviation activities in which you participate, membership in aviation organizations and any aviation related employment.

**C. Goals**

Tell us about yourself and your goals. Write a statement about your educational and career goals. State how you first became interested in aviation and your future goals with aviation. Specify certificate, rating or education goal you will be obtaining with this scholarship.

**Letters of Recommendation:** Two are required. At least one must be from a person knowledgeable of your aviation goals.

**Application due by July 15, 2017**

Funds are made possible, in part, from the generous gifts from the Colorado, Georgia, and Maryland Wings.

**Send application materials to:** OX5 Aviation Pioneers, Scholarship Program, PO Box 769, Troy, OH 45373



**OX-5 Aviation Pioneers**  
**2017 Discover Aviation Learning Through Fun Scholarship (Age 12 - 16 Years)**  
**Application**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Brth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s)/guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**OX-5 Sponsoring Member:**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Member Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Wing \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

School	City/State	Year s Attended

**Extracurricular Activities:**


On separate paper, please respond to items listed below. Put your name on the top of each sheet and refer to the items by the appropriate letter (A, B, C).

- A. State why you desire the aviation scholarship and for what purpose you plan on using the scholarship funds.**
- B. Accomplishments in or out of school.**  
Indicate honors, awards, performances, clubs, etc.
- C. Goals.**  
Tell us about yourself and your goals. What experiences have you had that developed your interest in aviation? Why do you want to do this aviation activity? Do you have any future plans that include aviation?

**Letters of Recommendation:** Two are required. At least one must be from a teacher that you have had within the last two years.

**Application due by May 15, 2017**

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**Attention Regular OX5 Members** - The annual dues year started January 1, 2017 and extends to December 31, 2017. Regular Members who have not paid their dues by April 1, 2017 will be considered as “not in good standing”. Regular Members who have not paid their dues for the past two years will be removed from the Master Membership List.