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OX5 AVIATION PIONEERS KANSAS WING

NOON LUNCHEON LARKSFIELD PLACE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2017

Larksfield Place 7373 E 29th St North Wichita, KS 67226

Meeting: The meeting will be held at Larksfield Place in the Auditorium 3:30 PM Saturday December 2, 2017. Park in the lot west of the main entry. Come in the welcome door, make a 'U' turn to the left and you're at the auditorium – or come into the front reception door and be directed, as necessary to the auditorium.

Program: The program will be a presentation of Master Pilot Awards by the FAA'S James Lamb, FAAS Team Program Manager. Recipients will be those who have been nominated and accepted by the FAA. Doug Moler has talked to several who have been qualified, nominated and accepted.

President's Message:



age: Jay McLeod gave an excellent presentation at our September meeting. His knowledge of aviation history, airplanes and their engines was well apparent.

The National OX5 reunion has been held in Dayton, Ohio in October. The results will be a major part of the next National newsletter. Dayton, and that general area are very aviation oriented.

We look forward to a great meeting and presentation of Master Pilot Awards by FAA's James Lamb. I'm sure that we'll hear interesting stories by the recipients.

Bobbie and I have moved into Larksfield Place into an independent living appartment The date was November 7-8, and we are still unpacking and getting acquainted. Our new address: Harold & Bobbie Walter 7373 Ezst 29th St North Wichita, KS 67226

Phone: 316-733-2377

It is time for 2018 nominations to our Board of Directors.

Harold Walter, President KS Wing OX5 Aviation Pioneers

Secretaries Report: Because of the timing of the Walter's move there has not been time for a board meeting. The information presented in this newsletter will serve in place of the Board meeting. Harold Walter for Jay McLeod:

Jay McLeod, Secretary KS Wing OX5 Aviation Pioneers

TREASURER, JoAnn Bailey: Please mail or see JoAnn Bailey to pay OX5 Kansas Wing annual dues of \$10. Please note that the fiscal year begins on January 1.

> JoAnn Bailey 1736 S. Emporia Wichita, KS 67211

JoAnn Bailey, 316-258-4956

OX5 National dues are \$30. Make check payable to *OX5 Aviation Pioneers*, and mail to:

OX5 Aviation Pioneers %Janet Barnard, OX5 Treasurer PO Box 769 Troy, Ohio 45373 **Tenth Annual Ultralight fly-in**: Doug Moler's hangar at highpoint airpark fly-in occurred Saturday November 4. It's always great to see those so-familiar faces and the great camaraderie. Doug and Sabrina's fly-ins are always fine events.







Jay McLeod gave an excellent program presentation about airplanes he has flown or had a lot to do with. He knew the specific engine, including model number, of the engines and also airplane specifics. **OX5 member, Walter Dean House:** Walt was well-liked by all, and had genuinely helpful knowledge of aviation, aviation history and museum projects. On November 11, Walt was awarded the Kansas Governor's Aviation Honor Award. Well earned, Walt.

Walt once said that an airplane landed near where he lived when he was very young. He was told by his parents that if he rode in it he would get a spanking. He rode in it and said, "The spanking was worth it."





Jack J. Pelton: At the Kansas Aviation gala "*An Evening with the Stars*", Jack Pelton received the the Kansas Aviation Hall of Fame Award. Mr. Pelton had a lot of Aviation experience, including Cessna President and CEO. There are many other aviation events in his life. He is now Chairman of the Board and CEO of the Experimental Association.



Walt is survived by his loving wife, Carol, who accepted the award for him.

Beech Starship: Tom Carr gave an excellent presentation of the Starship and



its development, etc. at EAA Chapter 88's annual fly-in in October. Tom was a Beech Test Pilot for the aircraft.

I, Harold Walter, was an aerodynamicist on the Starship project. I went along on several flights to observe results of mods made to the airplane. Watching Tom's presentation reminded me of one interesting event. I was with test pilot, Tom Shaffstall, on a test flight. Returning to Beech Field, we were on a long base. I noticed a Bonanza on a long final approaching the field. I could see that maintaining our heading that we would turn onto final only a short distance behind the Bonanza. I said to Tom, "There's a Bonanza on long final straight ahead." Tom said, "I don't see it."

Tom turned closely behind the Bonanza. Our normal approach speed was about 120 knots, and the Bonanza's about 80 knots. Tom pulled the wheel all the way back to the stop, and we continued to overtake the Bonanza. Tom began "S" turning with the control remaining on the stop, in order to stay behind. Tom said, "What other airplane can you do this with?"



The Matterhorn in Switzerland, taken from a Cessna T210N, photo courtesy of Edwin Brenninkmeijer, a colleague of Peter Herr.

Your Editor gives special thanks to the Members and Officers for their support of our OX5 organization.



Approach to runway 25 at Sion, Switzerland (LSGS), with castle on final, "about to be hit by a Beechcraft King Air 250 winglet" Sion is located in a valley surrounded by mountains and requires special pilot training. By courtesy of Peter Herr.



Subject: Russian Knights SU-30M aerobatic demo team at Dubai Air Show, 13 November 17,