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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings fellow pilots and friends,

The October dinner meeting was an attendance success. Thank you all who responded to my request to come out and support the meeting. There were several new faces and some we have not seen in a while. I hope this will continue through our November meeting and the Xmas party. Please do not forget to bring a canned food for the holiday food drive at the November meeting. We are also signing up members for the Xmas party at the Quonset "O" Club. Please see any board member or send in your reservation coupon, which is in this issue of the Plane Paper.

On a sadder note, Paul Douglas was killed when his AirVenture Amphibian crashed in Lincoln October 29th. He was a newcomer to SFZ but we all began to recognize his airplanes noise by the colossal V-8 on top. He always had a smile on his face when asked about the airplane he built. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

See you at dinner. Paul.



HANGAR FLYING

Gary St Germaine and Gail, of Corporate Air Charter, did a wonderful job at the Harvest Hangar Party. Thank you Gary & Gail. The food and drinks stretched over 3 tables and none of the estimated 80 people that attended were allowed to leave hungry. Dee Scanlon supplied additional decorations, which set a very Harvesty mood.

Members brought wives, friends and there even were some costumed kids and members to keep things lively. It was a pleasant gathering of old and new friends. We thank all who brought food and/or treats and those that worked sooo hard putting this event together.



A view of the group at the Harvest Hangar Party. Note Bill Weedons little princess.
FrankO/pix



The Carroll's, the Cardon's, Phil Sargent and Roger enjoy the evening.
FrankO/pix



Korie Labrie, Frank Oliveira and Jan Mowry share a moment.

RHODE ISLAND PILOTS ASSOCIATION
DINNER MEETING – October 12, 2004

Paul Tocco, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at Chelo's Restaurant on Post Road in Warwick, RI. Dan Scanlon, Treasurer, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and we observed a moment of silence. After introductions of the 46 members and guests, Paul thanked Marilyn Biagetti and Dee Scanlon, the hosts for the night. A motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2004 RIPA dinner meeting was seconded and passed.

Dan Scanlon reported a balance of \$6,023.78 in the general account and \$1,845.39 in the Scholarship account. A motion to approve the report was seconded and passed.

Upcoming events include a Hangar Party on Saturday, October 30th at Corporate Air Charter (PVD) hosted by Gary St. Germain. Also, the 2nd annual RI Aviation Hall of Fame held in conjunction with the 38th annual meeting of the Northeast Aero Historians will take place on Saturday, October 23rd at the Varnum Armory in East Greenwich. The event is hosted by the USS Saratoga Museum Foundation and the Quonset Air Museum. In addition, the RIPA Holiday Gala will be held at the Quonset 'O' Club on Saturday, December 11th.

Frank Sherman, filling in for Rene Cardon, announced the slate of officers for the upcoming year. The officers are as follows:

President:	Paul Carroll
Vice President:	Bill Weeden
Corresponding Secretary:	Marilyn Biagetti
Treasurer:	Dan Scanlon
Recording Secretary:	Korrie LaBrie

The slate of officers was seconded and passed.

Paul updated members with new information from the local aviation community. Auto registration and proof of insurance will now be required for the auto gate key. Also, new security fences are being built around most general aviation airports in Rhode Island. In addition, the new hangar at North Central Airport is expected to be completed in January of 2005.

Marilyn Biagetti, RIPA Scholarship Chairman, spoke about the proposed amendment to the RIPA By-Laws. The amendment, added to Section II, as Paragraph F, is to facilitate establishing a nonprofit designation for RIPA scholarships. The amendment was seconded and passed.

Winners of the 20 week drawing for \$25.00 each are as follows: Jan Mowry, Martha C. Dunbar, John Hayes and Charles Shields. Door Prize winners were as follows: Frank Sherman (thermometer), Gilbert Veilleux (red wine donated by Rene Cardon), Roger Biagetti (red wine), Bob Danis (cleaning kit) and Ray Andracka (candle).

Cheryl Hanson was honored for her years as Recording Secretary for RIPA. She was presented with a plaque and a gift certificate.

The dinner meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Korrie LaBrie Recording Secretary



FrankO/pix ...the last RIPA cook-out of the year held on October 2nd. It was held at SFZ instead of BID because of IMC weather. It was a fine turn out just the same and a good time had by all. Dan Scanlon did fly in to join the party after being rerouted by Hawthorne @ Block Island.



Dan Scanlon presenting a plaque expressing our appreciation for Cheryl Hanson's many years of service as Recording Secretary and Events Chair.

SAFETY SEMINARS

CHECK EVENT SCHEDULE

To receive your Safety Seminar schedules online please subscribe by going to the following links:
<http://www.faa.gov/region/ane/flightstandards/> <http://faasafety.gov/>

FROM THE e-MAILBAG

Frank has started his Memory Jogger Safety Seminars once again.

Hello Memory Jogger Fans,
Summer is over Autumn is here and it's time to start Memory Jogger's again.there will be a Memory Jogger at SkyLANES Lobby from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. on Thursday



Dan had a little Birthday Surprise for Dee

NOTAMS

THANKSGIVING DINNER MEETING

We will once again make up a food basket to remember those less fortunate.

HOLIDAY GALA

Join the festivities at the Quonset "O" Club. Reservations are now available for our Holiday Gala. Members can use the included coupon or let us know via Email.

AIRMAN OF THE YEAR

In order to reconstitute enthusiasm for the nominating process for Airman of the Year, the Board has decided to skip one step and just select the most popular nominee. The Board will reserve the right to approve. Included in the newsletter is a ballot to be returned by November 9th by mail or bring it to the meeting.

BOARD MEETING

The Board meeting was a busy place. Before the meeting Frank & Jan Sherman and Dee Scanlon joined us to assemble the renewal mailing.

Our Presidential (Paul Carroll) and Vice Presidential (Bill Weedon) candidates attended to get an idea of our inner workings. They offered ideas and listened to suggestions. One important point brought up was members must make more of an effort to welcome new comers at meetings and functions. A list of possible guest speakers was proposed, designed to interest members. Suggestions are always appreciated.

Plans for the Harvest Party at Gary St Germaine's Corporate Air Charter were coordinated.

Reservations for the Holiday Gala are being offered at last years rate. The Officers Buffet was selected as the best varied for the money. Music is being arranged. Coupons will be in the newsletter. It sounds like a grand time in a classy place.

Scholarship Chair, Marilyn, will have the applications available for mailing and on the Web page in November.

The Thanksgiving dinner meeting menu was selected. Rene Cardon suggested a recipient for our annual Food Basket. We ask members to bring a nonperishable food donation.

Rene reported that our stock of windsocks needs replenishing. The association's goal of having a windsock at each end of each of the state's airport runways has brought in many compliments. If you can donate or know of a needed replacement, let us know.

An Airman of the Year nomination ballot will be included in the newsletter. If we get an appropriate response, we will honor the person with the most ballots.

You know it's election season when...

Heard on the Green Bay ATIS broadcast: "...advise on initial contact that you have information Bravo. I'm Green Bay Ground Control and I approved this ATIS."

EVENTS

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Saint Andrews to Host Holiday Bazaar

Kick off your holiday shopping by stopping by St. Andrews Parish Center, Spring Street on Saturday, November 20, 2004 from 11-3 pm. The annual Christmas Bazaar once again promises terrific luncheon treats and baked goods, plus a variety of craft and gift selections. Our silent auction will have gifts certificates from many of our local businesses and restaurants. Come and see the newest and latest in island made crafts.

This annual fund-raiser is organized by the Ladies Guild and is highlighted by a raffle, which offers a first prize of \$300.00. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 12 for \$20.00

So whether you want to join in the fun of the silent auction or enjoy the chatter over a fine luncheon, make St. Andrews Holiday Bazaar your stop to begin the season's cheer! Thank you, Sandra Kelly pskelly@cshore.com

CLASSIFIED ADS

Seeking partners: Private or Sport, to share in the use of a 1946 Ercoupe with a fresh annual, 50 SMOH, Xponder & Comm, new mags & tires. Qualifies for Sport Pilot use. Home base flexible, but anticipating OQU, but perhaps WST, 08R or maybe even UUU. Aircraft will require careful use. Jim at 401-789-7170 or jim@jbrennan.com

Wanted: Aircraft Mechanic Trainees. Up to an \$8,000.00 cash bonus, the Montgomery GI Bill and Kicker, plus a Student Loan Repayment Program, limited time only, don't miss this opportunity. The RI Air National Guard has several openings for C-130 Crew Chiefs, Aerospace Propulsion Technicians, Avionics Technicians, Fuel Systems specialists, plus more. Paid technical training, travel, college education, and retirement benefits. - For more information contact Col Matt Dzialo or Capt Ron Cloutier at (401) 886-3549

FOR SALE: Polo Shirts w/ RIPA logo (\$26) can be personalized. RIPA pins(\$4) and decals(\$1). At meetings, events.

FOR SALE: Ocean State Oil is offering current members a discount on AEROSHELL(cases & drums). SHELL Flight Jacket, plane care products are now available. 1339 Davisville Road, Quonset 1800 554 4557

Classified ads are free to all current members for aviation related items. Call Marilyn Biagetti at 568 3497, Fax to 568 5392 or email biagettim@aol.com

MEETING NOTICE

Call 782 4743 or email RIPaEMAIL@AOL.COM by 4:00pm Friday November 5, 2004 to make your reservations.

Date: Tuesday November 9, 2004

Time: 6:30pm Cocktails

7:00pm Dinner

8:00pm Meeting and Speaker

Place: Chelo's in Warwick

Airport exit off Rte.95 to Post Rd south,
500ft on right

Menu: Buffet of a traditional turkey dinner, with all
the fixings

Mixed Desserts, Coffee and Tea.

Price: \$20 per person

\$5 just coffee and dessert

PLEASE CALL TODAY!!!!!!

This is our Thanksgiving Dinner meeting and we remind members to bring a nonperishable food donation for our annual Food Basket. Remember the less fortunate in this time of thanks giving.

Feel free to join us by 8:00pm if you wish to attend just the meeting. There is a \$5.00 charge for coffee and dessert.

Members wishing to fly into PVD can call any Board Member to arrange transportation to and from the meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER

Laurie Cullen, A. A. E. the Senior Vice President for Planning, Engineering and Environment of *RIAC*. Cullen, a long time Rhode Island resident, was previously employed at Massport for ...fifteen years in various capacities with extensive experience in program management for capital programs at Logan, Hanscom and Worcester Airports. In addition to design and construction management, Cullen has a strong background in airside planning and environmental management. At Massport she participated in the preparation of Environmental Impact Statements for major transportation projects and worked with environmental agencies on mitigation programs for runway safety improvements. *(From a RIAC press release)*

EVENTS SCHEDULE

**11/4 - Safety Seminar CCRI Lincoln
Homeland Security and Flight Training**
This was not posted on the FAA calendar

11/9 – Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting

11/20 – Christmas Bazaar BID

11/23 –Board Meeting Hangar #1 PVD 7:00pm

12/2 – Safety Seminar, CCRI Lincoln

12/04 – Christmas Stroll on Nantucket

12/11 – Holiday Gala Quonset “O” Club

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biagettiM@cox.net



Come one come all to RIPA's

Holiday Gala

December 11, 2004 at "O"Club, Quonset Point
6:00pm Cocktails 7:00pm Dinner

Officer's Buffet: Steamship Round of Beef, Chicken Piccata, Shrimp, Scallop & Crab Sauce,
Penne Pasta, Salad, Dessert & Coffee
Music, door prizes, bar

\$30.00 per person

Number Attending: _____

Name(s): _____

Remit check payable to RIPA to:

Dan Scanlon,
1199 South Road,
East Greenwich, RI 02818

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2004

AIRMAN OF THE YEAR

Nominating Ballot

I wish to
nominate: _____

As RIPA's 2004 Airman of the Year

Members Name: _____

-Nominee receiving the most appropriate ballots will be honored

Return by November 9, 2004 to: RIPA AOTY Ballot
c/o Marilyn Biagetti, 104 East Ironstone Road, Harrisville, RI 02830