

## **2016 Post Fly-In Newsletter**

*By Kim Garlick*

*Happy summer, everyone. Another successful fly-in is now behind us, where does the time go? The folks at Cub Haven would like to thank everyone who took the time to come and enjoy "The Journey". We are happy to report that enough money was taken in to make it possible to hold another fly-in next year. This would not be possible without you all. It was so nice to see the variety of aircraft that showed up this year. The beautiful Waco, Stinson and Fairchild were crowd pleasers for sure, just to name a few. Of course, The Spirit of Freedom is always a favorite. A big thank you to Tim Chopp and his crew for their eagerness and offer to be on static display for the week. Tim tells us this is their favorite fly-in. They were really happy to see Ed prior to the fly-in, because they were able to convey that to him, and with his help, make it happen. We hope you all took the time to go through their traveling museum, as it certainly has a story to tell. Another thank you to the men and women of the United States Army who flew in the CH-47F Chinook helicopter, which was sitting on static display right beside the Spirit of Freedom. What an awesome sight that was. Thank you very much for your service to this great country of ours.*

*Three years ago on Labor Day, our dear and crazy friends Tom and Elaine Huf stopped in Lock Haven on their way home from the Blakesburg fly-in, fueled up and headed home. Unfortunately, they never made it home. For the past three years, our staff has taped off their favorite parking spots during the fly-in, in their memory. This year the tape came down and the spots were filled! Not with just any aircraft, but with none other than Tom's Yellow Rat and Elaine's Pink Panther. Charles House flew the Rat to Lock Haven a couple days before the fly-in, and drove back home due to work obligations. He left the Rat*

*parked in its old spot during the entire fly-in, so everyone could see it once again and remember the crazy good times we've shared with Tom and Elaine. Well, it just wouldn't be the same without the Pink Panther. A few days later we look up, and what to our wondering eyes did appear? Twas the Pink Aeronca... Together again! Yes, there were some squeals, and even some tears, but we couldn't have been happier having them here. Thank you, Eric Lunger and Charles for the kind gestures and for making our week. Know that those spots will be taped off for you next year.*

### ***Let the Party Begin***

*The party began Monday evening at Cal's new pad, on the island. To change things up a bit, "John Spencer and gang" decided to roast a pig. If you've never been to a pig roast and tasted it fresh off the coals, you're missing out. I doubt there were any left-overs! Phil Reeder & his fellow musicians were the entertainment for the night, along with a couple of guest appearances by none other than Ian on guitar, and Jon on drums. Ian is the teenage son of Tracy, one of the Lindy Sisters, and Jon is one of our insurance reps and fellow FUBAR brother. Who knew Jon would blow us away with his rendition of Mustang Sally! Good work guys. Thank you Cal and John for your hospitality and great party.*

### ***A Glance of the Week***

*Opening ceremonies were Tuesday morning, with the Color Guard presenting the colors and The Lindy Sisters singing The National Anthem. Those ladies never hit a sour note...if they do, they hide it well! Thursday night was their night to shine on our "stage". They took the time from their very busy schedules to travel the whole way from California just to sing their magic for you for 3 hours. They definitely are a favorite among our guests.*

*After a nice, relaxing day of flying or 'airplane watching', the evening*

*ended with music to sing and dance to, provided by Deb Whitman and Phil Reeder.*

*On Wednesday morning, the Missing Man formation flew by to honor those friends and members who have gone west. It was quite a sight to see, as three of the planes in the formation were beautiful, army green Taylorcraft L-2's, with the missing man being a bright yellow Piper J-3. Thank you to the 4 pilots who graciously made it happen.*

*The auction of airplane memorabilia that was scheduled was cancelled because the auctioneer had a back injury. He hopes to be back next year with a lot of items for you to bid on. Dick, we wish you well, and hope you are feeling better. Wednesday evening was capped off with Chris LaRose entertaining us on his guitar, with his diverse selection of music.*

*Thursday was the spot landing competition that you all practice soooo hard for during the rest of the year! The winner was William Lipscomb, who managed to put that PA-12's landing gear right on the middle of that line...all caught on camera! Good job, Bill. And good job, Shooter, for capturing the shot!*

*During the evening, the QB's enjoyed a nice dinner at the Piper Museum, then returned in time to listen to the sweet sounds of The Lindy Sisters.*

*Friday was dubbed William T. Piper, Sr. and Sons Day, and started out with free coffee for everyone, provided by Phil and Sharon Hoy. A big thank you from everyone who took advantage of their generosity. I, for one, had a delicious cup to start my day. And what a busy day it was. The annual trip to tour the Lycoming Engines factory went on without a hitch, and was enjoyed by all who took the tour. A big thank you to our transportation crew, Katie Bell from Lycoming, and Bill MacIntyre for the use of a van.*

*The ever - so - popular poker run had a good number of participants, as*

*usual. Congratulations to Ron Cooke for his winning hand. Ron and Carol flew down from Corbeil, Ont. Canada, in their 1946 Piper J-3. Glad we could be of help with offsetting their fuel bill! Thanks go out to the FUBAR brothers and sisters for their hard work and generosity in putting on this event.*

*Ruth Ann Bell and her brother, Neil Baughman won the bomb drop, with an impressive 2 inches away from the target. Past winners at Sentimental Journey, it's obvious this was not their first rodeo! The Bells and Baughmans don't come here to sit around, they come here to fly. And fly they do! For those of you who haven't been blessed to hear Neil's wife, Amanda's musical talent on the bag pipes, you have surely missed out. A very difficult instrument to play, she has certainly mastered the art. Thank you Amanda, for sharing your talent. The silhouette of you on the tower at night, and that awesome sound, will be forever etched in our minds.*

*As a grand finale to the competitions, we saved the biggest pot for last. Once again, every attendee was given a chance to purchase a golf ball throughout the week. On Friday afternoon, we loaded up six planes with a total of 13 cans of golf balls and dropped them out, one can at a time. The golf ball that came the closest to the bullseye was purchased by Tom Eure. Every ball was sold, and Tom definitely went home happy!*

*The winners of the spot landing competition, the bomb drop, the poker run and the golf ball drop were all very surprised and happy to learn they won not only the usual 50/50 take, but also a very nice Kershaw pocketknife that was engraved with the Sentimental Journey logo and the contest they were awarded for. Dennis "Shooter" Smith and his wife, Sheila had them engraved and gifted them to us, for the winners. We can't thank Shooter and Sheila enough for everything they did for us this year. Not only did they donate the knives, but they also gave us those can cozies that were in each pilot pack, and the STOL Aircraft*

*carrying bags the pilot goodies were stuffed in. The big banner that was hung above the entrance to the vendor building was also a gift from STOL. They just celebrated the two year anniversary of their aircraft magazine, STOL. A BIG congratulations to them for that accomplishment. If you haven't read their mag yet, you should get yourself a copy. It's of high quality, with few advertisements and lots of good stories, both helpful and entertaining. The staff at Sentimental Journey are incredibly grateful for the pages of advertising and the stories STOL blessed us with. Thank you Sheila and Shooter, for everything you did to promote our beloved fly-in...the list goes on! Friday night ended with a local band, LIXX as the entertainment for the night...rock on!*

*Of course, the famous corn boil sponsored by Fred Jackson, was a hit Monday thru Friday. The children were also kept busy doing crafts throughout the week, thanks to Jessica and Megan Spencer. They ended the week with a paper airplane project, open to everyone. After making their airplanes, pilots flew them from the tower, with the winner taking home a little cash. The plane that traveled the farthest was piloted by Levi Bell, the youngest of the Bell boys! Good job, Levi.*

*On Saturday, Ed Watson, the airport manager, coordinated the Young Eagles program, with the assistance of Eric Cipcic, Dr. Tom Forker and Geoff Knauth. The Young Eagles program is open to children from the ages of 8 thru 17, and is geared towards introducing young people to the world of aviation. The kids get to learn the basics of the aircraft and how it's flown. They get to take a flight and at the end, they get their Eagle Wings. It's a great program to get them interested in flying, and we'd like to let Ed, Eric, Tom and Geoff know they are appreciated for all their efforts.*

*The week ended with the awards banquet, catered by Donna and The Furst Corner. True to form, Betsy did a very nice job organizing the*

*dinner, and Donna's crew served up one delicious feast. Chiz Rider wowed us with his performances on the trumpets. Once again, we were very blessed to have Phil and Sharon Hoy offer to sponsor Chiz. His talent is amazing. He can play two trumpets at the same time...who does that? Ben Coleman, our safety director, was Master of Ceremonies, full of humor! We thought it was Pick on Kim Day. Our good friend and huge supporter, Dennis Smith, AKA Shooter, so graciously accepted the challenge of guest speaker. Shooter's presentation was about STOL aircraft and what they are capable of, and was very well received. He shared some pretty impressive take offs and landings for those of us who attended. After it was all said and done, we were convinced they did have a conspiracy going...it was definitely Pick on Kim Day!! Thank you both, for your good humor and a job well done.*

### **Award Winners**

**Grand Champion:** Paul Gagnon, 1950 PA-20 Pacer, CF-GAG

**Reserve Grand Champion:** Dale Berger, 1957 PA-22 Tri-Pacer, N87NM

**Best Experimental:** Kevin Enders, 2007 Stretch Pacer, NX994E

**Best Military:** Bob Larson, 1952 PA-18-105 Special, N116T

**Best Piper Replica:** Kurt Gubert, 2014 Wag-A-Bond, NX4484H.

**Best Antique:** Dan Wilkins, 1941 Waco UPF7, NC32141

**Best Original Long Wing Piper:** Howard Van Bortel, 1947 PA-12 Super Cruiser, NC4030M

**Best Modified Long Wing Piper:** Jennifer Player, 1946 PA-12 Super Cruiser, N2342M

**Best Modified Short Wing Piper:** Raymond Senf, 1948 PA-15 Vagabond, N4534H

**Best J-3 Cub:** Nils Mantzoros, 1946 J-3 Cub, NC 98227

**Best Classic:** Bradley Bane, 1948 Piper PA-11, NC4981M

**Len Buckel Piper J-3 Long Distance Endurance Award:** Les Gaskill

**Doc Conway Award:** Phil and Sharon Hoy

**Special Appreciation Award:** Fred Jackson

**Special Appreciation Award:** Stewart Ramm

**Special Appreciation Award:** Ed Nestlerode

**Special Appreciation Award:** Tim Farris

**Volunteer Appreciation Award:** Barb Barger

**Volunteer Appreciation Award:** Paul Babcock

**Volunteer Appreciation Award:** Rich Revoir

**Volunteer Appreciation Award:** Scott Revoir

**Spot Landing:** William Lipscomb, PA-12

**Bomb Drop:** Ruth Ann Bell & Neil Baughman

**Golf Ball Drop:** Tom Eure

**Poker Run:** Ron Cooke

### **Memberships**

*Sentimental Journey welcomed several new members during the fly-in.*

*If you would like become a member, visit the web site:*

*[www.sentimentaljourneyfly-in.com](http://www.sentimentaljourneyfly-in.com), go to forms, then select*

*membership application. It can be downloaded. The address to send it*

*to: Sentimental Journey, P.O. Box J-3, Lock Haven, PA. 17745. If you are*

*a member, please make sure your membership is up to date. We are in the process of updating the list, and will be sending out notices and reminders. Those who no longer choose to be a member, will have their names removed from the list. We value your support and membership, and thank you all for that.*

### **Gift Shop Items**

*The gift shop did very well this year, so there are very few items left. If you would like a 2016 souvenir t-shirt, sweatshirt, etc. please email us at: [j3cub@kcnet.org](mailto:j3cub@kcnet.org) or call: 570-893-4200, and we will be glad to help you.*

### **All You Can Eat Breakfast**

*Don't forget to mark your calendars for Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. The Fall breakfast will be held at the Piper Memorial Airport ( KLHV ), in Hanger 1, from 8-noon. The menu will be: Delicious buttermilk pancakes with a variety of syrups, including Pennsylvania maple syrup, sausage links, biscuits with sausage gravy, eggs, hash brown potatoes, fruit cups, orange juice, coffee, tea & water. The cost is: adults-\$ 8.00, children 6 thru 17- \$ 4.00 ages 5 and under-free. Single members receive \$ 1.00 discount, family membership- 2 person limit on discount, and corporate member- 4 person limit on discount. Memberships can be purchased or renewed at the breakfast. Discovery Flights with AV Sport will be offered from 9am-2pm at a cost of \$75.00 for a 30 minute flight. There is a 250 lb. weight limit. The Piper Aviation Museum will be open from noon till 4pm. We encourage everyone to come out and get your money's worth...remember, it's All You Can Eat!*

### **Closing Remarks**

*In closing, we would like to say thank you all for your support, whether it's by volunteering, memberships, donations, word of mouth, or simply*

*by attending one of our events. We owe the success of the fly-in to you. If you attended the fly-in this year, we hope you had an awesome time and will be back...with friends in tow! The 32<sup>nd</sup> Sentimental Journey to Cub Haven is planned for Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> thru Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to practice up for the spot landing contest & bomb drop. Good luck with that! Until we meet again, be good, be kind & be careful.*

*Blue skies & safe flying,*

*Kim ( aka Bill's Girl )*