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Conference Plans Progress

Make plans now to arrive in Billings for the 16th Annual Montana Aviation Conference being held March 2-4, 2000. The sponsors of this year's conference the Montana Pilots Association, Montana Aviation Trades Association, Montana Antique Airplane Association and the Experimental Aircraft Association are working very hard to ensure a fun, informative schedule for the three-day event.

Hang on! Thursday evening will feature Dr. Jerry Cockrell. Dr. Cockrell is a psychologist, 10,000+ hour airline pilot and one of the funniest speakers in aviation. His qualifications include B-737 Captain, CRM & Check Airman Instructor, B-737 Simulator Instructor, CFI and Advanced Ground Instructor ratings. Dr. Cockrell's PhD is in psychology and education. Jerry uses funny and amazing true stories (and some not so true) to teach safety, human factors and awareness. Folks laugh and enjoy themselves, then later realize they have learned a great deal and they remember the lessons. As one of the earliest developers of CRM and one of the foremost educators on the subject, Jerry serves as expert witness in the area of human factors in numerous aviation accident areas. Dr. Cockrell has traveled to all 50 states, England, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Mexico and Canada delivering his insightful and humorous presentations. He toured for the Air Safety Foundation (a division of AOPA) for many years teaching various pilot programs and flight instructor revalidation clinics. On the lighter side, Jerry's hilarious presentation is a favorite. Plan to join Jerry Thursday evening at 7:30 pm.

The conference will include something for each and every one of you with or without an interest in aviation. A variety of concurrent sessions will be offered.

Exhibit space has sold out! Exhibitors from across the country have reserved space for the trade show. These companies donate thousands of dollars in door prizes to be given away during the Conference. For

those of you who pre-register for the conference, a special drawing will be held – you must pre-register to be eligible.

A special spouse/guest program will be offered (see article) and students will be invited to attend an aviation aerospace career awareness session. Please invite or bring along your high school students to participate in this excellent aviation career program.

Registration fees are \$45 for an individual and \$60 for a family. This allows entrance into all sessions and includes drink tickets to a hospitality hour and luncheon on Friday.

Meal tickets are separate from the registration with the exception of the Friday luncheon and must be reserved no later than 48 hours in advance of each meal. Tickets for the kick-off luncheon must be reserved through pre-registration.

Again this year a TAKEOFF TO LANDING PACKAGE will be offered. Pay one price to all conference functions at a reduced rate.

Rooms for the conference have been blocked at: Holiday Inn Grand Montana (406)248-7701 at the rate of \$61; \$71 or \$91; Ramada (406)252-2584 at the rate of \$43.99; Billings Hotel and Convention Center (406)248-7151 at the rate of \$50; Kelly Inn (406)252-2700 at the rate of \$46 or \$56; and at the Best Western Billings (406)248-9800 at the rate of \$48 or \$56. Please be sure to let the motels know you are affiliated with the Montana Aviation Conference.

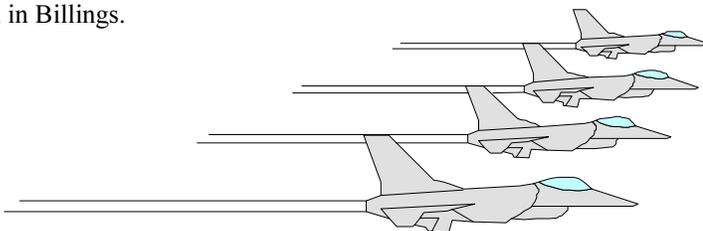
Book your room today! Register for the conference by completing the registration form inside the newsletter. We look forward to seeing you in Billings.

Special Spouse/ Guest Program - Montana Aviation Conference

The Montana Aviation Conference 2000 is just around the corner. If you haven't registered yet, be sure to do so soon. The committee planning this event has been hard at work for the past ten months. Part of the planning has included the annual Spouse Program on Friday, March 3rd.

Exciting guest speakers will start the day with presentations on "Safety in the City" and "Body Language and the Colors You Choose to Wear". The group will then board the comfortable Logan International Airport bus and participants will have the option to be dropped off at Rimrock Mall for the day, or they can choose to tour the Yellowstone County Museum (back by popular demand!), the Billings Gazette, and the KTVQ-2 television station.

These attractions are offered FREE to anyone registered to attend the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings, Montana. The Spouse Program begins in the Aspen Room at 8:00 a.m., Friday, March 3rd. Seating on the bus is limited, so be sure to get your name on the list early. You can sign up now by calling Bobi Allard at (406) 656-8242 or if you have access to email you can write to her at: GeneBobi@wtp.net. If your plans aren't definite yet, just look for the sign-up sheet at the Conference registration desk. Welcome!



Administrator's Column

APPRECIATE FLYING IN THE GOOD OLE U.S.A. -

Having just returned from a vacation to Central America, I can not tell you how good it felt when I crossed the border when flying back into the United States. I almost, and I repeat almost, felt guilty for criticizing our FAA for its many short comings and ridiculous proposals to change our system. I can tell you though, that we have it the best in the world from what I've experienced while flying private general aviation airplanes in South America, Central America, Europe, and even Russia. When you spend hours clearing into or out of a country dealing with cumbersome and time consuming governmental and airport bureaucracies it becomes not only expensive but frustrating. A user fee for this and a user fee for that. You expect to clear into a country but all of those countries also require that you clear out as well. Canada is the exception and even though they now also charge user fees, it is not cumbersome or time consuming to fly in Canada. Of the Central America countries I just visited, Costa Rica is the easiest and least expensive. It's almost like flying in the U.S. Honduras was not too bad either and although Belize is not too expensive, they do have a burdensome and time consuming bureaucracy to deal with. We did not fly into Guatemala but the last time I was there it was not expensive nor too bureaucratic. It was disappointing to learn that Mexico has added additional fees for each passenger entering the country. They even charge the pilots in GA airplanes. Mexico also has a new fee for ATC services which is a one time fee and supposed to be good for 30 days so long as you stay in Mexico. You have to pay both the passenger fee and ATC fee each time you enter Mexico. Their fuel is also very expensive, especially where they add a fuel surcharge (tax) and even though fuel is sold by the federal government, the price varies. I am more convinced than ever that we need to keep fighting our government to thwart off their attempts to implement an aviation user fee system in the United States. If this does happen, we will see general aviation as we know it today, slowly diminish. So we do need to stand up and keep fighting off those ridiculous proposals and not feel guilty. We now have it the best and we need to keep it the best.

CONGRESSIONAL ROAD SHOW FOR AIR 21 -

The U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee are taking a traveling road show around the country this month in an attempt to gain more support for their FAA reauthorization legislation referred to as AIR-21. They plan to visit airports that have suffered from interruptions in the Airport Improvement Program funding over the past year. The House overwhelmingly passed this legislation last year. However, the Senate has refused to accept certain provisions in the bill such as taking the aviation trust fund out of the unified budget so that this money can be spent for the purposes for which it is being collected and reinstate the general fund contribution for FAA operations. Last year a bill was passed which takes all of the FAA operations budget out of the aviation users trust fund. The general fund contribution has historically been about 25% to 30% and if this is allowed to continue it will eventually break the trust fund unless taxes are increased. These leaders successfully took a similar road show around the country when they were fighting to pass highway legislation that dramatically increased highway funding and dedicated the highway trust fund for their intended purposes. I recently attended a regional air service meeting in Denver where House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bud Shuster (R-PA) and ranking minority leader James Oberstar (D-MN) both spoke on the importance of the passage of AIR-21. We simply cannot keep band-aiding the FAA appropriations for 6 month periods if we want the aviation infrastructure to improve. Both Congressmen reiterated how important this legislation is for our country - that the money is there and it needs to be spent on these direly needed improvements. We just need to convince our U.S. Senators to quit "stonewalling" this legislation. Thus far the Senators serving on the joint House/Senate conference committee have been unwilling to compromise. Our Montana Senator Burns serves on this joint conference committee so you may want to contact him if you have any feelings on this legislation.



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LEARNING HOW TO FLY

WEEK 1

1. Monday: Rain.
2. Tuesday: Rain.
3. Wednesday: No rain; no visibility either.
4. Thursday: Take instructor to lunch. Discover I don't know enough to take instructor to lunch.
5. Friday: FLY! Do first stall and second stall during same maneuver, cover instructor with lunch.

WEEK 2

1. Monday: Learned not to scrape frost off plexiglass with ice scraper. Used big scratches marker to set pitch.
2. Tuesday: Instructor wants me to stop calling throttle "THAT BIG KNOB THING." Also hates when I call instruments "GAGETS".
3. Wednesday: Radios won't pick up radio stations, so I turn them off. Instructor seems to think I missed something.
4. Thursday: Learned 10 degree bank is not a steep turn. Did stall again today. Lost 2000 feet. Instructor said that was some kind of record. - My first compliment.
5. Friday: Did steep turn. Instructor said I was not ready for inverted flight yet.

WEEK 3

1. Monday: instructor called in sick. New instructor told me to stop calling her "BABE". Did steep turns. She said I had to have permission for inverted flight.
2. Tuesday: instructor back. He told me to stop calling him "BABE", too. He got mad when I pulled power back on take off because the engine was too loud.
3. Wednesday: Instructor said after the first 20 hours, most students have established a learning curve. He said there was a slight bend in mine. Aha—progress!
4. Thursday" Did stalls. Clean recovery. Instructor warned me never to pick ex-fiance's house as point again.
5. Friday: Did pattern work. Instructor said that if downwind, base, and final approach formed a triangle, I would be perfect. More praise!

WEEK 4

1. Monday: First landing at a controlled Field. Did fine until I told the captain in the 747 ahead of us on taxiway to move his bird. Instructor says we'll have ground school too this week on radio procedures.
2. Tuesday: Asked instructor if everyone in his family had turned gray at such an early age. He smiled. We did takeoff stalls. He says I did just fine but to wait until we reach altitude next time. Three Niner Juliet will be out of the shop in three days when the new strut and tire arrive. Instructor says his back bothers him only a little.
3. Wednesday: Flew through clouds. I thought those radio towers were a lot lower. I'm sure my instructor is going grey.
4. Thursday: Left flaps down for entire flight. Instructor asked why. I told him I wanted extra lift as a safety margin. More ground school.
5. Friday: Asked instructor when I could solo. I had never seen anyone actually laugh until they cried before.

WYS Gets New Frequency -

The long outage of the West Yellowstone Remote Communication Outlet (RCO) has been corrected, at least temporarily. Great Falls FSS can now transmit and receive on 119.4, was 122.45. The older frequency was experiencing severe interference from a new FM broadcast station atop Sawtelle Peak, Idaho. The FAA is conducting a test on the new frequency (119.4) and will commission it when it is certain there is no potential for interference. It is also possible that 122.45 may return to service, so check the NOTAM's whenever you fly in that vicinity. Boise FSS also has a frequency in the same location, 123.62.

AERONAUTICS MECHANICS SEMINAR/ IA RENEWAL

The Montana Aeronautics Division is pleased to announce the 2000 Mechanics Seminar/IA renewal will once again be held in conjunction with this year's Montana Aviation conference.

The dates for the conference are March 2 - 4, 2000. The Mechanics Seminar will be held on Friday March 3 and continue through Saturday March 4.

We will once again be offering six hours of training on Friday and a full eight hours of training on Saturday. This worked out well in past years for those mechanics only wanting to attend on Saturday but still needing the training to update their IA for renewal.

Mechanics attending this year's seminar will be required to register for the Aviation Conference. The registration fee will be \$45.00. This allows you to attend all concurrent sessions, morning and afternoon coffee breaks with snacks, lunch on Friday and two drink tickets to a cocktail party held in the exhibit area Friday night.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS:

Engine Components Northwest - Roger Fuchs
Hartwig Fuel Cell Repair - Carl Hartwig
Garrett Aviation - Gil Ewan
Teledyne Continental Motors - Loren Lemen
Champion Aviation Products - Frank Gurko
B&S Aircraft - Dave Smith
Shell Oil - Paul Royko
Precision Airmotive - Allen Jesmer
Avantext - Matt Davison
Steve Jones & Staff - Helena FSDO
Denver FAA Aircraft Certification Office

Make plans now to attend, to discuss and learn the latest in aircraft maintenance.

Calendar

January 28 - 30 - Winter Survival Clinic, Helena.

February 4 - 5 - Flight Instructor Refresher Clinic, Helena.

March 2 - 4 - Montana Aviation Conference, Billings.

March 9 - 11 - 11th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, Memphis, TN.

New Service at Gallatin Field

Beginning in February, Denver, Detroit and Billings will join Minneapolis/St. Paul, Salt Lake City, Seattle/Tacoma and Butte as non-stop destinations from Bozeman.

Northwest Airlines' non-stop to Detroit will mark the first ever scheduled non-stop flight from Montana to a city in the eastern time zone. This flight initially will be a seasonal one day per week flight and will introduce one-stop connections to more than 30 east coast cities. (Service begins February 13).

In addition, on January 31, Northwest will introduce the, first ever, scheduled Airbus A320 service to the state of Montana with twice daily service from Bozeman to Minneapolis/St. Paul. This "new generation" aircraft is one of the quietest aircraft flying and seats 150 passengers.

Big Sky Airlines' non-stop service to Billings and Denver will be a welcome addition by adding non-stop service to both the largest city in the state and reintroduce non-stop service on the very popular Bozeman-Denver route. (Service begins February 14).

The new services compliment the already exceptional services from Bozeman to Salt Lake City on Delta and Skywest and to Seattle on Horizon

Passenger boardings at Gallatin Field increased again in 1999 as 222,767 passengers boarded airline flights. This represents a 2.13% increase over 1998.

Gallatin Field serves Bozeman, Southwest Montana and Yellowstone National Park.

Opposition

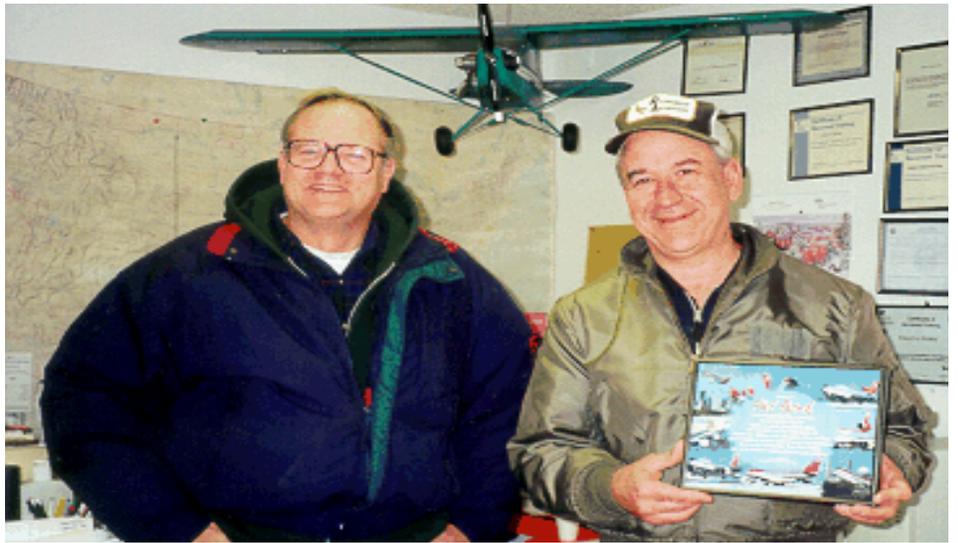
When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

Henry Ford

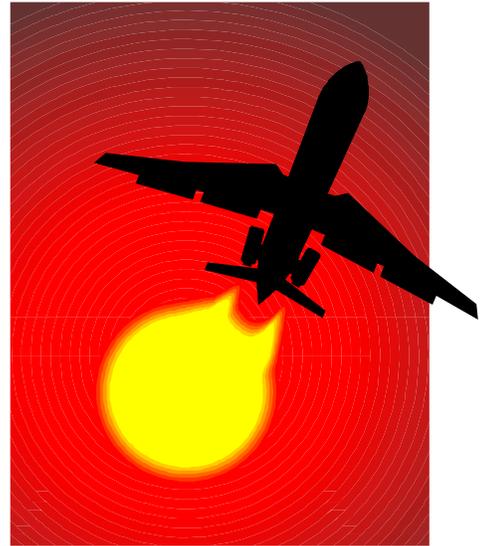
PHIL PETRIK HONORED

Senator Conrad Burns and Northwest Airlines honored Phil Petrik of Richland Aviation at Sidney recently. Senator Burns presented Phil with a United States Senate plaque and placed a tribute to Phil in the Congressional Record. Senator Burns said, "Your valor and compassion for a fellow aviator exhibits all the best attributes of what it means to care for our fellow man...I want to say thank you for your courage and strong sense of humanity."

Northwest Airlines presented Phil with a certificate for a one-hour ride in a simulator at the Northwest Airlines Flight Training Center. The certificate was signed by Gene



Above, Loren Smith presents Phil with the certificate for simulator time compliments of Northwest Airlines. Phil will also be provided with travel expenses to Minneapolis to collect this prestigious reward. At left, Pam Crisafulli, Senator Burns' Field Representative from Glasgow read a congratulatory letter from Senator Burns and presented a United States Senate Plaque. Below, traveling to Sidney for the surprise presentation were Pam, Loren, John Maxness and photographer Mike Ferguson.



L. Peterson, Vice-President of Flight Operations for Northwest Airlines. Northwest honored Phil for "exemplifying the attributes of a professional pilot. Safety, courage, communication and strength are the foundation of Northwest Airlines and our pilots. Your selfless act of assisting a fellow pilot in need demonstrates these same hallmarks...you are to be forever commended for your actions."

Phil listened to a conversation between a pilot and the Williston, North Dakota airport. The pilot was on top of the clouds and unable to find a hole to descend. Phil jumped in his own plane and flew to approximately where the plane in distress should be and found the aircraft. Phil had the FAA clear the airspace and started down through the clouds guiding the other pilot. The other aircraft landed safely with approximately 1½ minutes of fuel on board.

Phil was recognized by the FAA for his valiant act of selflessness at the 1999 Montana Aviation Conference.

Thanks to Phil for his courage and compassion toward fellow aviators.



Missing: Montana Aeronautics slide projector and a carousel of important aviation slides, in a brown projector carrying case.

If you have seen these items please call Montana Aeronautics at (406) 444-2506

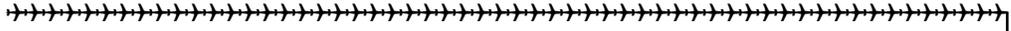
Thank You

“Challenge Aviation with Education 2000” a workshop for teachers!

An aviation/aerospace workshop designed especially for teachers will be held in conjunction with the annual Montana Aviation Conference on March 3&4, 2000 in Billings, Montana. The teacher workshop will feature two top notch aviation/aerospace professionals; Frank Hughes, who just retired from NASA last May, where his position was Chief of the Space Flight Training Division at the NASA/Johnson in Houston, Texas and Doris Rotzoll, a meteorologist with NOAA who is assigned to NASA/Johnson Space Center for shuttle meteorological forecasts.

The aviation/aerospace workshop on March 3rd, Friday, at the Grand Montana Holiday Inn, will give teachers the opportunity to use space and aviation sciences and weather technology in their classrooms. The afternoon portion of the workshop will feature an aviation careers panel with professionals from the aviation industry who will present a panel discussion of the aviation jobs of today. On Saturday, March 4th, teachers will meet at Lynch Flying Service where they will visit a fixed base operations, preflight an airplane, fly a simulator and take a flight in an airplane (weather permitting).

Teacher renewal credits through the Professional Development Inservice. For further information contact: Jeanne MacPherson, Safety and Education Bureau, Montana Aeronautics Division (406) 444-2506, Email: jemacpherson@state.mt.us or mail the registration form in today.



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Please type or print:

Name _____

School _____ **Grade you teach** _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____

Teacher Workshop fee @ \$15.00 make checks payable to Montana Aeronautics Division.



True Dedication

The air traffic controller was walking on the ramp one day and happened to run into an airline employee he recognized. While the employee emptied a tank that was obviously from the toilets from a nearby B727, the controller engaged in the usual pleasantries with him. A few minutes into the conversation, he asked the man how long he had been emptying these “honey buckets.”

The man thought about it for a moment and said, “Over twenty years now.” Curious, the controller asked why the man hadn’t tried to better himself or perhaps get a job that paid more. The man replied, “What, and get out of aviation?!”

Wild Kingdom

Ground: “Three-four-Alpha, turn right on hotel, taxi to parking. Bear left, disabled aircraft on the right.”

Three-four-Alpha: “Roger we have the disabled plane in sight... looking for the bear.”

Pilot becomes walking testimonial for handheld backups

Dan Rockwell from Alabama is probably going to buy stock in the Energizer Bunny. Rockwell’s Cessna 210 had a total electrical failure shortly after takeoff. In the dark, and with a cloud cover, he used his flashlight, handheld radio and GPS to find the airport, Bates Field just west of Mobile, Alabama, and he landed safely. Rockwell, a pilot for 28 years, commented, “It was lucky!” To which we add, “and a fresh set of double – A’s.”

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**IMPORTANT REMINDER:
DON’T FORGET AIRCRAFT
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CONTACT THE AERONAUTICS
DIVISION (406) 444-2506.
THANKS.**

Scholarship Opportunities.....

ALOA Scholarships

A Love of Aviation (ALOA) Scholarship established in 1993 by an anonymous donor and joined by a second donor in 1997 will once again be awarded in 2000.

The \$250 flight scholarships offered to Montanans are to be used to help defray costs of flight instruction and will be presented during the 2000 Montana Aviation Conference in Billings.

Awarding of the scholarships will be based on a letter explaining the reasons for applying, future career goals, past aviation experience, if any, and any outstanding achievements.

Letters of application should be sent to Montana Aeronautics Division, P.O. Box 5178, Helena, MT 59604 or call 444-2516 for more information. Letters must be postmarked on or before February 4, 2000. Aeronautics Division at 444-2506.

Aviation Appreciation Scholarship

The fifth annual Aviation Appreciation Scholarship will be presented at the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings.

The scholarship is offered by Jeff Morrison, retired former owner of Morrison Flying Service, currently Exec Air in Helena.

Jeff has established the scholarship as a token of appreciation to the aviation community and increased the award this year to \$300. The scholarship is designed to help a young person seeking a career in aviation.

The scholarship recipient will be selected based upon a Montana resident explaining in a letter the reasons for applying, future career goals, past aviation experience, if any, and any outstanding achievements.

Letters of application should be sent to the Montana Aeronautics Division, P.O. Box 5178, Helena, MT 59604 or call 444-2506 for more information. Letters must be postmarked on or before February 4, 2000.

Blue Goose First Generation Flight Scholarship

Kathy and Joe Kuberka, owners of Blue Goose Aviation, will be awarding the third annual \$250 scholarship to a first generation pilot to assist with flight training. This scholarship is designed to assist a person who has a love of aviation, yet had limited exposure to aviation, someone from a non-aviation background/family. The recipient may be a new student

pilot or an individual working towards an additional rating.

The scholarship recipient, a Montana resident, will be selected based on a letter explaining the reasons for applying, future career goals, and any outstanding achievements.

Letters of application should be sent to the Montana Aeronautics Division, P.O. Box 5178, Helena, MT 59604 or call 444-2506 for more information. Letters must be postmarked on or before February 4, 2000.

Montana Pilots Association Junior Award

The Montana Pilots Association is seeking applicants for its Junior Pilot of the Year Award. The recipient is chosen for outstanding interest in aviation, citizenship within their community and demonstrated academic achievement. New pilots are frequently chosen for this award, but don't let the Junior fool you, this award can be given to any deserving age group. This person is most likely pursuing a professional aviation career.

Interested applicants must be a resident of Montana and previously soloed. Preference will be given to younger applicants who are new pilots. However, other applicants pursuing a profession in aviation may be considered. Applicant must submit a letter explaining their interest in aviation. It should also outline their community or school involvement as well as academic and other achievements.

Letters of application should be sent to the Montana Aeronautics Division, P.O. Box 5178, Helena, MT 59604 or call 444-2506 for more information. Letters must be postmarked on or before February 4, 2000.

99s Scholarship

The Montana Chapter of the Ninety Nines will award the eighth annual Esther Combs Vance/Vern Vine Memorial Flight Training Scholarship at the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings. The scholarship is to aid in the financing of a female student pilots flight training or any Montana female interested in learning how to fly.

Applicants must reside in Montana and receive flight training in Montana by a Montana registered CFI.

Interested applications must submit an essay of 500 words stating the reason for wanting to learn to fly, including where your interest began and plans for obtaining your

private pilot certificate together with other application materials. Improperly submitted applications will be disqualified.

Applications must be mailed to 1214 W. Crawford, Livingston, MT 59047 and postmarked on or before February 10, 2000. If you need more information please write to Tina Pomeroy at the above address. Requests for applications should be sent to the above address, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope or call the Aeronautics Division at 444-2506.

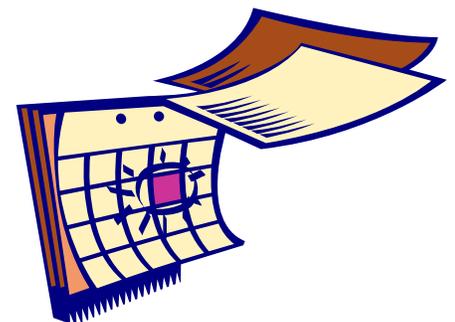
Parrott Family Scholarship

The Parrott Family will award a fourth annual aviation scholarship in 2000 to a Montana high school student. The scholarship will pay \$1,000 and is to be used over a one-year period for pilot training programs for students enrolled in the Rocky Mountain College (RMC) aviation program. The funds may be used for tuition in the RMC aviation program, and/or flight training expenses leading to a Private, Commercial, or Flight Instructor Certificate, and may include Instrument and Multi-engine ratings that are required by the RMC aviation curriculum. Eligible expenses include aircraft rental, flight and ground instruction, simulator training, and the purchase of aviation-related educational materials and related supplies.

The award will be made by a selection committee and will be based on overall character, academic qualifications, seriousness of purpose, past aviation-related activities, if any, or any other criteria it determines to be appropriate.

Applicants need to send a letter of application to the Montana Aeronautics Division, P.O. Box 5178, Helena, MT 59604. Letters must be postmarked on or before February 4, 2000.

The award will be made at the Montana Aviation Conference in Billings in early March.



STC Workshop

The Denver Aircraft Certification Office (ACO) will be conducting a one day workshop on How to Obtain a Supplemental Type Certificate (STC).

The workshop is being held in conjunction with the Montana Aviation Conference and will be held at the Billings Holiday Inn Convention Center on March 2, 2000. The session will start at 4:30 pm and end approximately at 6:30 pm. There will be the opportunity for additional questions on March 3, 2000, at the FAA's Information table.

This will be the perfect opportunity for you to obtain the skills necessary to apply for and complete the process for an STC. You may need to obtain these skills if the policy that the FAA has adopted for Field Approvals changes.

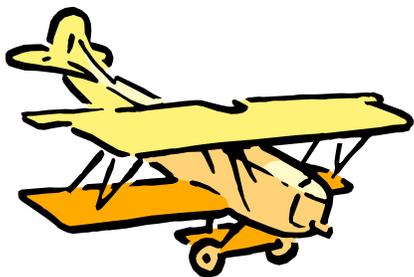
This will be your only opportunity to attend such a workshop in the state. This workshop is not part of the IA refresher training and does not count toward IA renewal. It does meet the requirements for the two hour FAA training towards the AMT awards.

How to obtain a Supplemental Type Certificate (STC)

Presentation and Workshop Features Include:

- *Advisory Circular 21 – 40
- *Guidelines for:
 - Certification Checklists
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- *Designees
- *Conformity/Compliance Findings and Inspections
- *Samples for applicants to use including:
 - Airplane Flight Manual Supplements
 - Compliance Checklist
 - Instructions for Continued Airworthiness
- *Examples
- *Question and Answer Session

Contact the Helena FSDO at (800) 457-9917 if you plan to attend.



High school students interested in Aviation are invited to attend the Montana Aviation Conference

The Montana Aviation Conference to be held in Billings, Montana, at the Grand Montana Holiday Inn, will host an afternoon for high school students interested in aviation. Friday, March 3, at 1:45 PM there will be an aviation careers panel with professionals from the aviation industry who will present a panel discussion of the aviation careers for today and the future. The FAA will have a flight simulator available to fly, and students are invited to tour the aviation exhibition booths at the conference.

For further information and to reserve a place for the high school aviation day please call Jeanne MacPherson, Safety and Education Montana Aeronautics Division (406) 444-2506 or email at jemacpherson@state.mt.us

AVIATION CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

NAMES OF PARTICIPANT(S) (for name tags) _____

ADDRESS & PHONE _____

Your Organization Affiliation:
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PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING
RESERVATIONS

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EAA___ AMAA___ CAP___
MSPA___ OTHER_____

NOTE: Meals tickets must be
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___ @ \$145/PERSON/SPOUSE \$ _____

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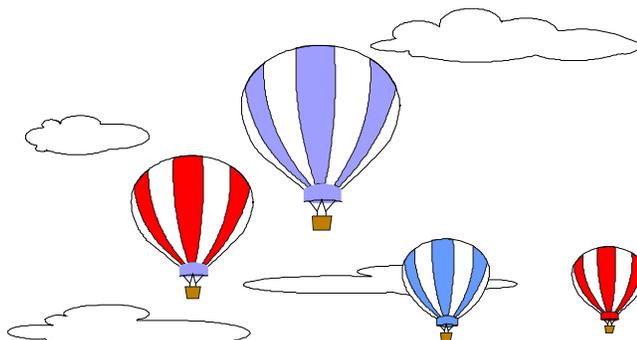
Friday Luncheon___ @ FREE \$ -0- _____

Saturday Luncheon___ @ \$10 \$ _____

Saturday Banquet___ @ \$25 \$ _____

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EAA Scholarship Applications On Line

Students interested in pursuing aviation studies can now learn more about up to \$67,000 in EAA Aviation Foundation scholarships and receive applications through a new service on the EAA World Wide Web site (www.eaa.org).

These scholarships, which range from \$500 to \$25,000 recognize, encourage and support excellence among individuals studying the essential technologies and skills of aviation. The awards assist outstanding students demonstrating a financial need to accomplish their goals.

EAA Aviation Foundation scholarship applicants should be well-rounded individuals, involved in school and community activities as well as aviation. Their academic record should indicate that they can successfully complete the course of study described in the scholarship.

To reach the scholarship page, connect with the EAA website then click on "aviation education" or type in the page address (www.eaa.org/education/scholarships).

New AFSS Manager

Don Caruthers is the new Air Traffic Manager (ATM) of the Great Falls AFSS. Don is also the ATM of the Great Falls tower, and has overall responsibility of air traffic services for all of Montana. Randy Rogers, the former ATM at the AFSS, now manages the AFSS in Denver.

It's all in your point of view:

On the Friday after Thanksgiving it was very foggy in Billings, Montana. The RVR was between 800 and 1,400 feet all morning. Delta, NWA and UAL flights were waiting for departure and on-frequency requesting frequent updates about the RVR and the overall weather picture.

One captain asked if any dramatic improvement was expected. I responded, "I don't think the weather's going to change much, but I expect a dramatic improvement in about an hour...when my shift ends."

CESSNA SOARS

Cessna delivered the 2,000th single-engine aircraft from its Independence, Kan., factory last month. The facility opened in 1996, and deliveries began in January of the following year. It builds versions of Cessna's C-172, C-182 and C-206 piston-powered general aviation aircraft. The production rate at Independence this year is expected to exceed 900 aircraft.

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