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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

In this year, our 100th anniversary of powered flight, we would all take a moment to recall and thank the people who's accomplishments have improved our flight today. There have been pioneers in flight since time began, and more will be born in the future. We have gone from stabilizing an arrow in flight to sending men and women into space and returning them to earth. The technological improvements are almost beyond comprehension to most of us. Today's materials, engines and avionics systems were things only dreamed of and read about in Buck Rogers Comics.

Dreamers are the heart and sole of aviation. Accomplishments, however, do not come without costs. We as aviators have lost many colleagues to testing aircraft, systems and materials so the following generations could be faster, safer, and have more dependable aircraft.

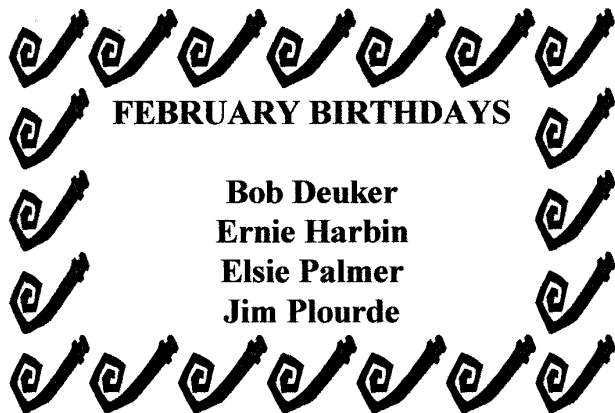
In the space program alone we have suffered three major catastrophies in the Apollo and shuttle programs. Aviation has always suffered setbacks and has returned with better ideas. The shuttle program will rebound with more advancements and safety. Think of all these pioneers in your prayers.

Fly safely, Bill

Chapter 77 meets the second Thursday of each month, except January, at 7:30 P.M. in the hanger at Dalton Airport. Board meeting are 8 days prior to the regular meetings at 7:00 P.M.. Please come!

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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BANQUET A SUCCESS

Thanks to all of you who attended the annual banquet at Broadstreet North on January 18th. I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. As usual, our members chipped in to accomplish a classy affair. We have many to thank—Sid Peacock and his friends for wonderful musical entertainment before dinner, Shelly Carlson for the beautiful centerpieces, Sandy Matthews for our table treats, Hoyt Petty for arranging for our excellent speaker, Kerry, Les, Dave, Tim and Debbie for helping get everything set up, Wayne Cole for printing our programs, Tim Talhelm for running the 50-50, and Rod Curtis for offering the invocation. I sure hope I haven't missed anyone! We kicked off the new year with a bang! Keep up the good work friends. Our sincere congratulations go to Art and Kay Johnson, the winners of the Howard Warren Award.

THIS BROUGHT A CHUCKLE

Bill and I took a trip west in September. Our main purpose was to hike in the National Parks in Nevada, Utah and Arizona and we did do that. It will come as no surprise that we also had to check out a few airports to see how they do things and find any good planes for sale. I found the following list of rules from the USA War Office posted in one of them and got a laugh from them, I hope you do too:

REGULATIONS FOR OPERATIONS OF AIRCRAFT COMMENCING JAN. 1920

1. Don't take the machine into the air unless you are satisfied it will fly.
2. Never leave the ground with the motor leaking.
3. Don't turn sharply when taxiing, instead of turning sharp, have someone lift the tail around.
4. In taking off, look at the ground and the air.
5. Never get out of a machine with the motor running until the pilot relieving you can reach the engine controls.
6. Pilots should carry hankies in a handy position to wipe off goggles.
7. Riding on the steps, wings, or tail of a machine is prohibited.
8. In case the engine fails on takeoff, land straight ahead regardless of obstacles.
9. No machine must taxi faster than a man can walk.
10. Never run motor so that blast will blow on other machines.
11. Learn to gauge altitude, especially on landing.
12. If you see another machine near you, get out of the way.
13. No two cadets should ever ride together in the same machine.
14. Do not trust altitude instruments.
15. Before you begin a landing glide, see that no machines are under you.
16. Hedge-hopping will not be tolerated.
17. No spins on back or tail slides will be indulged in as they unnecessarily strain the machines.
18. If flying against the wind and you wish to fly with the wind, don't make a sharp

turn near the ground. You may crash.

19 Motors have been known to stop during a long glide. If pilot wishes to use motor for landing, he should open throttle.

20. Don't attempt to force machine onto ground with more than flying speed. The result is bouncing and ricocheting

21.. Pilots will not wear spurs while flying. (this is my personal favorite!, Jan)

22. Do not use aeronautical gasoline in cars or motorcycles.

23. You must not take off or land closer than 50 feet to the hanger.

24. Never take a machine into the air until you are familiar with its controls and instruments.

25. If an emergency occurs while flying, land as soon as possible.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE 2003 CHAPTER 77 EVENTS

APRIL 1-4	CHAPTER GOES TO FUN-N-SUN
MAY 13	YOUNG EAGLES
MAY 15	YOUNG EAGLES
MAY 20	YOUNG EAGLES
MAY 22	YOUNG EAGLES
JUNE 14	YOUNG EAGLES
JUNE 15	FLUSHING DAWN PATROL
JULY 13	CHESANING DAWN PATROL
JULY 29	OSHKOSH BEGINS (THROUGH AUGUST 4)
SEPT	HANGER DANCE(DATE TO BE SET)

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

Don't forget that this is the time to pay your dues. I know many of you have already done this, thank you. You can see Wayne Cole, membership chairperson, at the meeting Thursday, or you can mail your dues: \$12 single, \$18 couple:

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HOWARD WARREN AWARD WINNERS SAY THANKS

A big thank you from Kay and myself! We take great pride in our club and we don't mind the cleaning. We hope all who come to the club to visit will find the EAA a clean, nice place to visit. Also Kay and myself really do enjoy helping at the Dawn Patrols and meeting all the folks who come for breakfast. It is a fun time for us. The September hanger dance is a time I look forward to; decorating in our Country's colors and watching all the people enjoy the music, food and dessert yummys. Kay says the best time she has had is at the parades. They always bring memories of Al Lancaster. He enjoyed the children and talked to them of the Angels. So for me, June is the month I look forward to the most.

Thank you again for all your thoughtfulness and kindness in thinking of us for this great club award. Art and Kay