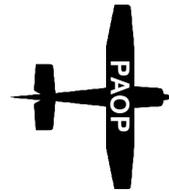


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Regular Monthly Meeting

The March meeting will be held on Thursday March 28, 2013. The meeting will be held at Copperfield's (594 West Ridge Pike, Limerick, PA, 484-938-7082). Dinner and Drinks at 6PM and the meeting will be held at 8PM.

Flyout

Diversion to a different destination

From the time we were student pilots, we learned that there are times when we can't get to where we planned to go, and had to change plans. It's even a task on the private pilot practical test. This time, we find that the restaurant at our originally planned destination, Georgetown, DE is closed for renovation, in preparation for new ownership.

Since adverse weather kept us from our planned destination last month, as well, we are going to try again to go York, PA, the land of the Harleys. What's more, we're going to do it on a Saturday, in response to many folks who have wanted to participate, but couldn't make our trips on Sundays.

From its founding as part of the earliest westward expansion of William Penn's colony to today, when it hosts the world-famous Harley Davidson assembly plant, York has been a commercial and industrial center. It also played important parts in the American Revolution and the Civil war. York considers itself the "Factory Tour Capital of the World." It might even be true; the web site lists 24 tours, from violin making to pretzel baking.

The York Airport (KTHV), actually in Thomasville, PA, is a friendly place with a 5,188 foot long runway and inviting restaurant. On March 23, following a scenic,

63 nm jaunt across the farmlands of Lancaster and York Counties, we'll enjoy brunch at the Kitty Hawk restaurant in the FBO building at the north end of the airport. Use your GPS to get there or just use the old-fashioned way—follow US 30 which passes the field. Either way, if you land short on Runway 35, it's a long "drive" to the facilities at the north end. However, the rising terrain lets you skim the runway until the asphalt rises to meet your wheels, at which point there's still plenty of length left to slow down and minimize taxiing. There's lots of brunch traffic, as well as flight training, so maintain your outside scan.

We'll gather at Penn Airways at 0930 for 1000 takeoff. Bring a friend or bring a student pilot (or bring a friend who is a student pilot). Contact Gene Poppel at 610-647-1332 or genepoppel@comcast.net if you want a ride or have an available seat in your plane. These flights can be used to give student pilots a chance to plan and follow a cross-country flight, without having to simultaneously fly the plane—a good step in their training.

From the Prez

Springtime, the Italians call it Primavera, either way it's a wonderful time of year when the trees are budding, flowers are poking their way up through the ground, and the frost is gone from the windshields of both automobiles and airplanes.

Our first Springtime dinner meeting is Thursday, March 28 at the Copperfield Inn. This is the last of our meetings to be held there. We will be signing people up to help us with cleanup and renewal at the roost, as well as the opportunity to join one of our

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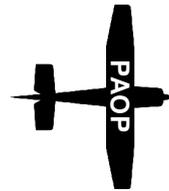
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committees and make the rest of 2013 that much better for PAOP and the membership.

Already our calendar is filled with activities and events, as it always is at this time of year: the April Pasta dinner and Auction (4-26) will be held at the airport, Airport Community Day be May 18th and member volunteers are needed to make that a success, we have cleanup day at the roost scheduled for April 13th with April 27th as the backup or finish up day, and of course our monthly dinner meetings at the ROOST starting in May. Please join us and bring a friend along for the monthly breakfast or brunch fly outs as They are always fun.

We had a follow-up meeting on Wednesday, March 20 with the airport management and representatives from the 99's, EAA 1250, and Fare Share to continue planning the airport community day. Plans are moving forward for another fun event. PAOP will be raffling off an Ipad Mini, and tickets should be available at the March dinner. The one man band will be back providing music. EAA Chapter 1250 will be showing off some Experimental Airplanes as well as their project plane. Fare Share will be providing pretzels and water. The Civil Air Patrol is being asked for their help in parking. The 99's will be offering the Pennies a Pound program (Saturday and Sunday), and PAOP will be cooking and providing hot dogs, aviation information and general help. We are looking into PAOP shirts to sell as well.

Our Vice President, George Yarzabek will be hosting the March 28 dinner as I have a previous engagement to attend, so please sign up for the dinner and support George and the PAOP. You can also sign up for our committees now that we will be back in business at the Roost.

We are still looking for auction items for the pasta dinner and auction, give me a call at 610 996-7345 or send me an email. I'm looking forward to a fun 2013 see you at the airport.

The airport is working on renewing the runway marking as well as runway maintenance.

You will be also getting posters by email to print out and distribute at your house of worship, community center, local stores and diners for the Community Day event. The more coverage we have the better the turn out will be.

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2013 PAOP Event Calendar

Date	Event	Comment
1/9/13	Board Meeting	
1/27/13	Flyout—Millville, NJ (KMIV)	Brunch
1/31/13	Annual Meeting & Elections	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
2/6/13	Board Meeting	
2/23/13	Flyout—	
2/28/13	Monthly Meeting	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
3/6/13	Board Meeting	
3/24/13	Flyout—	
3/28/13	Monthly Meeting	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
4/3/13	Board Meeting	
4/26/13	Monthly Meeting	Friday-April 26, 2012 Spaghetti Dinner
4/28/13	Flyout—	
5/3/13	Board Meeting	
5/18/13	Airport Community Day	
5/18-19/13	99's Pennies a Pound	
6/1/13	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	Hot Dogs and Hamburgers Saturday Afternoon at the Airport
5/28/13	Flyout—	
6/5/13	Board Meeting	
6/27/13	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	Chicken*
6/30/13	Flyout—	
7/10/13	Board Meeting	
7/25/13	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	Steak
7/28/13	Flyout—	
7/31/13	Board Meeting	
8/24/13	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	Saturday August 24, 2013 Luau
8/25/13	Flyout—	
9/4/13	Board Meeting	
9/9/12	Annual Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast	
9/26/13	Monthly Meeting @ The Roost	Lobster*
9/29/13	Flyout—	
10/2/13	Board Meeting	
10/27/13	Flyout—	
10/31/13	Monthly Meeting (Halloween)	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
11/6/13	Board Meeting	
11/21/13	Monthly Meeting	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
11/24/13	Flyout—	
12/4/13	Board Meeting	
12/14/13	Monthly Meeting – Christmas Party	Cutillos
12/29/13	Flyout—	
1/8/2014	Board Meeting	
1/30/2014	Monthly Meeting	Copperfield Inn at Lakeside
1/26/2014	Flyout—	

* Steak is also available at these meeting

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