



***WE MOVE INDOORS WITH
DINNER AT THE FAIRWAYS OCTOBER 29***

Fall Indoors

PAOP's tradition is to meet during the winter months in a friendly restaurant, and always one with service of adult beverages. The new owners at the Fairways are making us welcome. The Fairways is the latest incarnation of what we all knew as the Airport Hotel, later the Airport Inn (and a few other things along the way), at 3347 W. Ridge Pike, just east of the Pottstown-Limerick Airport (itself sporting a new name, Heritage Field). The manager has offered us a choice of private rooms, with the selection depending on the attendance.

We'll order from a extensive menu of dinner selections and pub fare. There's a full bar and an wide selection of beers (some out of the ordinary) on tap. While the name and menu suggest a golf theme, you'll still see ceiling fans that look like the noses of World War II fighters. For more info on the restaurant, go to www.fairwayspub.net.

The program is just some hangar flying and camaraderie among our members and friends. This will also be another opportunity to discuss your ideas for the future of PAOP.

Come for dinner at about 1800 or just to hang with the group at 2000. Call for reservations at (610) 495-7626 and tell them you're with PAOP.

More Bad Luck on Flyout Weather

The scheduled September 27 flyout to Johnstown, PA, was a washout. Just a few of us made it to the Limerick Diner for the usual breakfast.

Up the Turnpike to the USS Intrepid

It's been several years since PAOP visited and toured the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum at New York's Pier 86. Centered on the famed aircraft carrier, the museum commemorates the service of men and aircraft since World War II. Since our last visit, the ship has been repaired and restored, reopening in November, 2008 with some new exhibits and some familiar ones. On deck and in the hangar deck, you will find many examples of both experimental aircraft, like the A-12 prototype for the SR-71 Blackbird, and aircraft operated by all the uniformed services. There are also a couple of foreign examples. There's even an ex-British Airways Concorde on display on an adjacent barge, as well as the nuclear-armed submarine, Growler, which

carried the Regulus missile. Check out www.intrepidmuseum.org for history and details.

PAOP and friends will travel by private, chartered motorcoach to the museum on Sunday, October 25. The cost is \$50 per person, including transportation and gratuity, snacks on the bus, and admission to the museum. For lunch, take advantage of several facilities aboard the ship or around the museum, or even stroll to a nearby restaurant or bagel shop.

We depart the parking lot at Pottstown-Limerick Airport at 0730 and is expected to be back at 1630. All reservations must be received, with full payment, by October 17. Send your ticket request and check to PAOP, PO Box 140, Devon, PA 19333.

The flyout to Cherry Ridge, originally scheduled for that date, has been cancelled.

Capping the PAOP Experience

Many of you have noticed some attractive, new caps sporting the PAOP logo. They were on sale at the fly-in breakfast and at the summer meetings. You can get yours for only \$15.00. These durable, comfortable hats are available in several combinations of colors. Make one yours at the next PAOP event, or contact Dennis Galvin.

Safety Matters

While the Wings program underwent a substantial overhaul in late 2007, it's still an effective way to keep up your proficiency and avoid the need to take your biennial flight review. Instead of the old, familiar blue card, all record-keeping is online. The program still calls for a combination of flight and knowledge qualifications. Contact your nearby friendly flight instructor, or check out the FAASTeam's web site.

The FAA Safety Team continues to sponsor seminars and participate in aviation events where you can increase your safety knowledge and enjoy the company of other pilots.

We're getting into icing season. Ice on your aircraft in flight can ruin a perfectly nice day. Learn more about icing at the upcoming seminar, "Managing the Hazards of Aircraft Icing on Takeoff and Landings." It's at the American Helicopter Museum in West Chester, October 28 at 7 PM. Go to faasafety.gov for more information.

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