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WATCH THIS SPACE FOR PIX OF A FIRST

PAPA At Chicago Executive marked a first this month. At the request of the Mayor of Prospect Heights, and with the generous donation of a yellow bi-plane mock up, we will be joining in the Prospect Heights Independence Day parade.

Public Relations Chair Mike Schab and Secretary Rusty Stevens have spearheaded the project and many of us will be gathering to join in.

JUNE SAFETY MEETING A SUCCESS

Rob Mark of Jetwhine.com and a long time PAPA member presented an interesting and very different safety talk. He did a comparison of the flight characteristics and controls of the Airbus A380 and the light aircraft most of our members fly. Safety remains of paramount importance in any size aircraft. Rob was lucky enough to fly the A380—but we all have the opportunity to be the best we can be—safely.

Approximately 40 members and guests enjoyed the video and the discussion.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS NOW DUE.

You have received a bill and a survey via regular mail. Please mail in your payment to 1005 S Wolf Rd Ste 106, Wheeling, IL 60090 or pay online with PayPal. \$30.00. Thank you!

WHAT PAPA DID IN JUNE

PAPA members met on June 18 for the regular monthly Board meeting. We conducted our regular business, including selecting a Nominating Committee to identify next year's Board and Officers. New volunteers are always welcome. You could help!!! Please volunteer—be a part of it.

PAPA members attended the June meeting of the Chicago Executive Airport Board and the GEA meeting and BBQ hosted by the Airport manager. We continue our strong commitment to providing a flow of information from the pilot community to the Chicago Executive Board and from them back to the active pilot community.

The June 16th breakfast at the new Pilot's Lounge in the northeast Tees was terrific. Coffee, juice, donuts, bagels and hangar talk. Thanks to all who joined us.

Join us in making a commitment to excellence - in safety education, in representation of the CEA pilot population, in working for improvements at KPWK, and in providing scholarship opportunities for worthy aviation students.

PAPA members fly for business and commercial purposes, give flight instruction, take flight instruction for recurrent training and for new ratings, fly for breakfast, lunch and/or dinner, and just fly for fun.

Did you fly this month?

FAA Safety Team | Safer Skies Through Education

Moving Away From Paper - The use of MedXPress is mandatory beginning October 1, 2012

Effective **October 1, 2012**, pilots must use FAA MedXPress to complete an electronic application for an Airman Medical Certificate or Airman Medical and Student Pilot Certificate, FAA Form 8500-8.

As many of you know, the Federal Government is taking steps across the board to become more efficient and to reduce costs, and our move to electronic records is consistent with those initiatives.

One of the significant enhancements will establish a tracking program so that pilots and AMEs can query the system and electronically determine the status of applications.

Future enhancements will also transition air traffic control specialists (ATCSs) to MedXPress, after internal FAA coordination and some modifications to the ATCS certification system. Why wait for the October 1, 2012 deadline? We encourage you to begin using MedXPress today. MedXPress is located at <https://medxpress.faa.gov/>

If applicants have any technical issues with MedXPress, they may reach MedXPress Support at 877-287-6731.

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PAPA 2011 EVENT SCHEDULE

All Board Meetings are held at Atlantic Aviation in the Conference Room at 7:00 pm

JULY	16	Board Meeting
AUGUST	13	Board Meeting
	22	Membership Picnic/Expo Scholarship Presentation On airport location—T.B.D.
SEPTEMBER	17	Board Meeting
	26	General Safety Meeting Aircraft Propeller Services Tour and Seminar Wolf Road Facility
OCTOBER	15	Board Meeting
NOVEMBER	12	Board Meeting
	14	Annual General Meeting CEA Mgr Dennis Rouleau State of the Airport Election of Officers Crowne Plaza Hotel
DECEMBER	3	Board Meeting
	12	Holiday Party
	15	Santa Toy Drop

NEW PAPA MEMBERS IN MAY



None
Invite someone to join us!

PLAN ON A FUN EVENING AT PWK!

We will have a different menu and an interesting war bird on display, courtesy of Chuck Greenhill.

We will be presenting our winner(s) with the Annual PAPA Scholarship.

We will have food, fun, friendship and hangar talk.

August 22nd, Hangar 13, 6:00 pm

PAPA SEZ is published monthly by PAPA At Chicago Executive. PAPA was formed in 1986 as a forum for the users of Chicago Executive Airport (formerly known as Palwaukee) and a means to act as a conduit for information from the users to the governing body and from the governing body to the users. PAPA's mission is to promote the safety of operations and continued development of Chicago Executive Airport in a fraternal environment with the pilots, users and community. Membership in PAPA is open to any user of Chicago Executive Airport. Membership dues are \$30.00 annually and include a subscription to PAPA SEZ.

Letters to the Editor, Feedback, Concerns and Questions and any articles submitted for publication must be received by the 15th of the month, will be printed on a space available basis, and may be edited for style, length and appropriate content. Send text as a Microsoft Word file attached to an email to 99mjm@sbcglobal.net. Any files not electronically transmitted, please make prior arrangement with the editor.

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MEETING Minutes **June 18, 2012** **Wheeling Illinois**

PAPA SAFETY AND SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION:

Meeting called to order: by President Jim Kwasek, present were Howard Levinson, Keith Miller, John Doerner, Barry Axelrod, Madeleine Monaco, Marty Kramer, S. Guru Prasad, Chris Pesche and Ken Riesterer

Approval of minutes – Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in last PAPA Sez

Treasurer's report – presented by Ken Riesterer current amounts in accounts reported

Committee Chair report – Mike Schab reports deadline is passed 3 apps received for PAPA college scholarship, none received for Turek flight training scholarship. Applications will be distributed to Board members for voting – packet will give guidelines and available funds. Must be return by end of June.

Gene Badal Scholarship – Madeleine Monaco reports remaining amount to be spent this month and checkride is planned for end of June

Adjourned 7:10 pm

PAPA A.C.E. BOARD:

Meeting called to order by President Kwasek at 7:10 pm Also present were Howard Levinson, Keith Miller, John Doerner, Barry Axelrod, Madeleine Monaco, Marty Kramer, S. Guru Prasad, Chris Pesche and Ken Riesterer

Approval of minutes – approved as published

Treasurer's report - Riesterer presented financial report 9677.76 Dues are coming in slowly

Committee Reports:

ASN/ATC/Corporate – Levinson talked to Sovereign last CEA Board Mtg They will partner with Hawthorne for 30,000 sq ft hangar another 10,000 sq ft bldg later Howard requested a report on amount of 100ll vs JetA sold on the field He wants to propose airport sells avgas. That would require a change to the minimum standards. The PAPA A.C.E. Board authorized Howard to continue

Newsletter Editor – Monaco still encouraging "How I Started Flying" articles

Membership – Riesterer No new members last month only 79 paid for new dues year

Safety and Programs – Pesche All plans are made for June 27 mtg Rob Mark on A380 Screen and projector will be present

Public Relations – New facebook page launched 6-16-2012 Go onto your Facebook account - Official PAPA at Chicago Executive in the search box – LIKE US! Mike will send meeting notices to news outlets

OLD BUSINESS:

NE T-Hangar Breakfast Special thanks to Dennis Rouleau Airport Manager and his staff for all of the hard work, and food and drink contributed. Attendance was light, but TFR may have kept people away, as well as the lack of notice getting out to members of flying clubs and flight schools on the airport. 20-30 attended

August Picnic Planning Keith Miller reported that Hangar 13 secured permit has been approved Food in the works possibly wraps, Italian beef, or chicken, 8-22 Prasad will take pix Ken will bring big check Mike will invite winner(s) of scholarship. Chuck Greenhill will bring a warbird. Volunteers needed to support Keith Miller Chair and Asst Chair John Hecker Please contact either one to volunteer

Nominating Committee Monaco requests a correction to Nominating Committee Board members not eligible Barry Axelrod and Guru Prasad will join Mike Schab (Nominating Committee chair) Kramer and Stevens relieved of duty

NEW BUSINESS:

Next Board meeting Monday July 16, 2012

Should PAPA have a FLOAT – JULY 4TH PARADE Airport has offered us their yellow airplane, has agreed to store it for us, has arranged a flatbed for it. Howard agreed to purchase banners for each side of truck bed. Madeleine will get candy to toss Board voted to participate (Mayor Helmer wants us to do this)

Adjourned 807 pm

Madeleine Monaco, Recording Secretary Pro Tem, June 18, 2012



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THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PILOTS.

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 Barry Axelrod takeoff95@aol.com or
 S. Guru Prasad GPrasad@northshore.org

The ByLaws of our organization require an election every year for the 5 Directors and every 2 years for the 4 Officers.

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Fuel Operations

By Robert Nordstrom As published in: [Airport Improvement Magazine - November-December 2011](#)

Burlington Municipal Airport (BUU) in southeastern Wisconsin is a rare breed: a self-sustaining general aviation airport that's turning a profit. And airport manager Gary Meisner and city administrator Kevin Lahner are proud of their feat.

"Small airports catch a lot of flak from taxpayers who perceive them as a rich man's toy," Meisner explains. "Times are changing and (we) have to figure out ways to generate revenue."

At BUU, self-service fuel sales are keeping local taxpayers off the hook and allowing the airport to add to the city coffers each year. But that wasn't always the case.

Back in 2003, like many small municipal airports, BUU was operating in the red. The FBO that managed the airport was struggling to generate flight training revenue after 9/11, and the \$5,000 to \$8,000 the airport received per year from its six-cent-per-gallon flowage fee didn't stretch far.

In 2004, the FBO left the airport, and the city hired Meisner as airport manager. Meisner had moved to Burlington in 2000 to consolidate his aviation businesses: Meisner Aircraft, Burlington Air Center and Knots-2-U.

When the city promptly tasked Meisner with making the airport self-sustaining, he identified fuel sales as the only hope. Land leases were BUU's only other source of revenue, and hangar space was already maxed out and the airport's few open acres were already being leased to farmers.

Red to Black

Given the landscape, Meisner suggested that the city take ownership of the airport's fuel farm. The existing underground tanks were removed, and two 5,000-gallon aboveground tanks were installed (one for Jet A; one for 100 low lead). Initially, BUU hired a person to perform fueling operations, but it eventually switched to a 24-hour self-service system, which allowed the airport to lower its per gallon prices.

In 2008, the airport hired Interstate Pump & Tank to upgrade the fuel farm. The 5,000-gallon tanks were replaced by a pair of 12,000-gallon double-walled, epoxy-lined tanks. Three custom-designed cabinets from Sparling Corp. and an upgraded QT Technologies 3000 Site Minder Credit Card Reader were also installed.

Upgrading from 5,000- to 12,000-gallon tanks allowed the airport to begin taking full truck loads of fuel, which saved it 10 to 15 cents per gallon over the partial loads the smaller tanks were capable of taking.

The city, specifies Meisner, paid for only 2.5% of the \$250,000 fuel farm project. Federal Airport Improvement Program funds took care of 95%, and the state paid the other 2.5%. The city owns the fuel farm, buys the fuel and marks it up 50 cents per gallon. Lately, its 50-cent-per-gallon profit has amounted to between \$35,000 and \$50,000 per year.

"The pot is growing," notes Meisner. "We've got a revenue surplus that we can use for projects when they pop up. We have the funds to pay for our share of a project."

Not surprisingly, Lahner considered the fuel farm project a "no-brainer."

"If you're going to get a project 95% paid for, while being able to reduce your costs long-term, it makes complete sense," he explains. "We're just taking advantage of the tools available to us."

According to Meisner, competitively priced fuel has doubled traffic at BUU over the past four or five years. Of late, the airport has pumped about 80,000 to 100,000 gallons of 100 low lead and 40,000 to 50,000 gallons of Jet A per year.

"We have aircraft coming in specifically to refuel," he reports. "We're usually close to a dollar cheaper than any full-serve airport in the area ... and also competitively priced with other self-service fuel in the area."

Lower Expenses = Lower Prices

Not surprisingly, BUU's fuel prices have drawn criticism from nearby airfields. Lahner, however, believes such criticism is unjustified.

"Some FBOs feel threatened by our system, and we've been accused of doing something wrong by charging lower prices for fuel," he explains. "But it's just simple math. We have cut our operating costs, so we're able to charge less. We sell more fuel, and that puts the airport in the black."

"Cities are struggling," he continues. "What we're doing is not rocket science. From my perspective, cities with a small airport should take a look at our model because it really does work ... If you have a service that isn't self-sustaining, you really have to take a close look to see how you can make it a more self-sustaining enterprise; or you have to consider whether you need to provide that service."

Meisner, too, is proud of the airport's ability to support itself and not be a burden to taxpayers: "We don't take any services from the city. They don't do our plowing or mowing; we contract those services out. As far as I know, we're the only strictly general aviation airport in the state that is self-supporting."

PRIESTER AVIATION HOSTS CHARITY EVENT FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



Priester Aviation and Joe Mangi cordially invite you to participate
in a FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN Packing Event.

Friday, August 17, 2012

Session 1: 11am - 1pm

Session 2: 2pm - 4pm

Priester Aviation is hosting an event that will warm the hearts of all participants and save the lives of millions of children throughout the world. In a two hour session, volunteers will assemble and pack specially formulated ingredients into packets that will feed children who are literally days away from starving to death. (It is estimated that in the world, around 18,000 children die of hunger and hunger related causes every day!)

The non-for-profit charitable organization - Feed My Starving Children - will organize this event using their mobile packing site expertise and equipment. With the help of 566,000 volunteers, this charity in 2011 packed 133,270,920 million meals that were sent overseas to 70 different countries.

Given that the Chicago Executive aviation community has a big heart, a packing event at PWK Priester hangar # 9 (1061 S. Wolf Road) is being planned for Friday, August 17th. Feel free to bring friends, spouses, siblings, etc. There will be two, 2-hour packing sessions - one beginning around 11:00 am and the other around 2:00 pm.

There is no monetary commitment - but feel free to make a donation on site or via their website (www.fmssc.org). Please note that Feed My Starving Children has achieved the highest (4-Star) Charity Navigator rating for the last seven consecutive years. Only 2% of charities have achieved this exceptional designation. Only 7% of donations are used for administrative expenses with 93% going back into the feeding program!

To register, simply click on the blue "Register" button at the top right of this page. Be sure to specify which session you would like to attend - 11:00am or 2:00pm. Please visit the website www.fundraising.fmssc.org/PriesterAviation to learn more about this event. If you have any questions or would like to register by phone, call or e-mail Joe Mangi at (847)850-5440 or joem@priesterav.com.

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