

January 16th Mentone Flying Club
Annual Banquet and Membership Meeting

Over 50 people, members and guests, met at the Rochester Meat and Deli, In the Manitou Banquet Hall for a delicious dinner prepared by Townsends Catering.

After Dinner, all Members introduced themselves, their guest, and were asked to tell a quick story about flying or the flying club. It was great entertainment.

The Mentone Flying Club Meeting was called to order at 8:25 P.M. By President Tom Flynn. Treasurer Bill Willard gave his financial report and said our aircraft logged 18 hours of flight time in December. And for the year 2008 flew a total of 746.8 hours.

Official Owner Certificates were presented to new members in attendance.

David Maenhout and William Clemmons were voted in as social members with the hope of becoming owner-members at our February meeting.

Member Lou Sanchez gave a brief safety talk.

Under New business Jim Ewen reports that we have an interested member wishing to purchase the Quick Silver Ultra light aircraft. Or possibly the members who own the Ultra light could sell it to the club.

With no other New Business President Tom Flynn recalled the Mentone Flying Clubs accomplishments for the year 2008..

THIS YEAR THE M.F.C. SPONSORED AN AIRCRAFT AT THE GRISSOM FLIGHT MUSEUM. WE HOPE TO CONTINUE THIS.

ALL THREE AIRCRAFT LOOK AND FLY GREAT.

WE HAD THE BEST WEATHER IN RECENT MEMORY FOR OUR JUNE 14TH PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE FLY IN BREAKFAST. WE

SERVED OVER 250 PEOPLE, AND TOOK OVER 30 MORE FOR FLIGHTS

ALL OF OUR FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS PASSED THE TSA TEST.
WE HAVE THE BEST INSTRUCTORS ANYWHERE.

WE CERAMIC TILED AND UPDATED THE CABINETRY IN THE MAIN HANGAR REST ROOM. A BIG THANKS TO JOHN BOENER.

THE NORTH HANGAR FACELIFT PROJECT SPEARHEADED BY BOB WILSON, DAVE LATTIMER, (OUR PROCUREMENT OFFICER) AND DON WALLS, WAS RE-WIRED, A NEW WHITE STEEL INTERIOR AND INSULATED. WE ADDED TWO WINDOWS AND A NEW STEEL DOOR; IT IS NO LONGER A DARK CAVE.

BILL WILLARD AND DON WALLS INSTALLED SAFETY SWITCHES ON ONE OVERHEAD HANGAR DOOR. THANKS BILL AND DON

BOTH HANGARS HAVE NEW RUBBER ROOFS AND SECURITY LIGHTS THAT WORK !!

A HEATER HAS BEEN INSTALLED IN THE NORTH HANGAR AS WELL AS NEW WEBBING FOR THE DOOR BY BILL WILLARD

OUR CLUB SPONSORED 20 HOURS OF FLIGHT TIME FOR ALLEN BARTON'S BEAR LAKE AVIATION CAMP.

OUR WEB PAGE HAS A NEW LOOK. THANKS TO DAN CHRISTMAN. CHECK IT OUT AT www.mentoneflyingclub.org

MFC MEMBER UPDATE

JILL HUDSON GRADUATED FROM KANSAS STATE SCHOOL OF AVIATION AND IS NOW FLYING FOR AMERICAN EAGLE OUT OF CHICAGO.

SHAWN BAILEY HAS GRADUATED OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL FOR THE AIR FORCE RESERVE AND SOON WILL BE FLYING RE-FUELING TANKERS OUT OF GRISSOM.

RON FEARNOW FINISHED HIS RV7A IT LOOKS GREAT,
IN MARCH HE FLEW IT !

TOM FLYNN WAS APPOINTED TO THE PLYMOUTH AVIATION
BOARD, AND IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS PRESIDENT.

SOLO'S BY; SAM WILSON AND MATT STREATER

WRITTEN EXAM PASSED BY: JOHN GAERTE... JOHN ALSO
PASSED HIS FAA ORAL EXAM IN OCTOBER.

PRIVATE PILOT LICENSE WERE EARNED BY: ALEXIA CLAY,
TROY BLOCHER AND SAM WILSON.

JOE MERSH PASSED HIS ORAL AND WRITEN TEST AND AFTER
WAITING ON THE WEATHER HE GOT HIS LICENSE.
ON JANUARY 15TH 2008. JOE ALSO TOOK HIS WIFE FOR HER
FIRST RIDE ON FEB 16TH, HE WAS GIVEN LOTS OF FREE ADVICE
BY CLUB MEMBERS.

MEMBER THOMAS FLYNN JR. IS A JUNIOR AT THE UNITED
STATES NAVAL ACADEMY STUDYING AERONAUTICAL
ENGINEERING WITH THE HOPE OF FLYING SOMETHING VERY
FAST SOMEDAY.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M. Followed by some spectacular
piano playing by Brent Prior. The next scheduled meeting will be held at the
Fulton County Airport on Friday February 20th at 7:00 P.M.
Until then, Fly Safe..