## 83<sup>rd</sup> Air Capital Flight Order of Daedalians

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#### \*\*\* NEXT MEETING \*\*\*

Tuesday, June 9, 2009

## >>Robert Dole Center <<

Social Hour	1800
Dinner	1900
Program	2000

#### \*\*\* RESERVATIONS \*\*\*

Element # 1: Aenchbacher – Croisant Lead: Mark L. Carter 788-2609 Element # 2: Davies – Hansen Lead: Dave Donoghue 734-9400 Element # 3: Harvey – Jones Lead: J.R. Riley 788-2560 Element # 4: Kaufman – Parker Lead: Bob Hagan 794-2164 Element # 5: Parks – Spaulding Lead: Mark Spaulding 733-7059 Element # 6: Stone – Zollinger Lead: Jack Wolf 733-4731

#### \*\*\* SPECIAL NOTE \*\*\*

Reservations are normally finalized on Friday prior to our meeting. If you have not been contacted by your Lead, please give him a ring and let him know you'll be attending along with the number of guests that will be joining you as early as possible.

Membership Chair: Joe Zollinger Bulletin Editor: Chuck Dawson Supply Officers: Pappy Longsworth and Hal Pluenneke

# **Captain's Corner**

Daedalians,

Thank you, Keith, for providing us an update about the TSA and your continuing role in it. So, I want to continue to encourage you all to bring your histories forward—we still have our speaker's lists to fill.

The Base and Wing have been very gracious to us in working with us about the Club and our continued participation in the life of the Base. They are proposing that we use the past Officer's bar as our meeting and heritage room. They have also continued to reassure us that we are a valued and appreciated member of team McConnell.

I salute you all, friends, Volabamus Volamus

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"There are only two types of warriors in this world. Those that serve tyrants and those that serve free men"

Special Forces NCO Stefan Mazak

"Nothing is as strong as the heart of a volunteer."

LTC Jimmy Doolittle, WWII

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#### 2008 Officers

Flight Captain **Lionel Alford** Vice Flight Captains Jack Wolf Nancy Bozzer Adjutant **Ed Goss** Treasurer Pete Giroux Vice Treasurer Mark Carter Provost Marshalls Jake Thompson **Frosty Sheridan** Chaplain **Bill Beaver** Scholarship Chairmen **Frosty Sheridan Keith Osborn** 

#### \*\*\*Know Your Sponsor\*\*\*

Founder Member Mark A. Penick entered the service from Quincy, Illinois and received his training from University of Illinois School of Military Aeronautics in 1918. He was rated a Reserve Military Avaitor (RMA) and during World War I, served as a pilot with the Air Service. Mr. Penick also served overseas with the 141st Aero Squadron. Mark A. Penick's Daedalian number is 2120.

### \*\*\* This Month's Menu \*\*\*

Salad

**Dinner Rolls and Butter** 

**Smothered Steak** 

**Garlic and Herb Pasta** 

**Roasted Veggies** 

German Chocolate Cake

**Price \$19** 

- -- THE SENILITY PRAYER: Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

## E-mail Deadline for Input to July Newsletter *Noon, June 30, 2009*

Send inputs to:

chuckdawson@cox.net

# Adjutant's Report

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Air Capital Flight Order of Daedalians was called to order at 1900 on May 12, 2009, by Flight Captain Alf Alford with 28 members and guests present. The meeting was held in the Signatures Lounge of the Robert Dole Center, McConnell Air Force Base. Bill Beaver delivered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Traditional toasts were led by

Provost Marshal Jake Thompson. Special toasts: McConnell brothers by Jim Riley

Kathy Clothier by Frosty Sheridan

Designer of the new Presidential gold coinswho retained the words "In God We Trust" in the design- by Toby Elster.

A post dinner break commenced at 1950 and the meeting reconvened at 2000.

Old Business:

- Chuck Mansfield gave a report on the national convention which he attended. There were more than 125 in attendance. It was a very good convention.
- Meeting room- The club wants us to continue meeting in our regular room. Discussed having a room as a Daedalian heritage room where memorabilia could be kept.
- New Business:
  - 1) \$1000 scholarships were approved for cadets

Lemoine Davis of Kansas State University and Evan Bergstrom of the University of Kansas. It was reported that both recipients were outstanding and deserving young men. Our amounts will be matched by our national office. Cadet Davis anticipates entering flight training in 2010.

- Jared Allen discussed having a Daedalian Flight for the forward-deployed pilots. If a separate flight is not possible, perhaps one could be established as a branch of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Air Capital Flight. Food for thought.
- Robert White was inducted into the 83<sup>rd</sup> Flight of Daedalians. The ceremony was led by Jack Wolfe. The ceremony reminded us all of the promises we made when we

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became Daedalians and the heritage which we have.

Our speaker was one of our own, Keith Osborn. Since retirement from the Air Force in 2001, Keith has been in charge of the Transportation Security Administration for the State of Kansas. TSA's responsibilities include airports, railroads, pipelines and urban transit, including highways. TSA employs a risk based approach to security. It employs random and unpredictable security measures.

Interesting Bits and Pieces:

- 1) Have behavior detection officers- highly trained observers of people and their behavior..
- 2) Play it cool- The TSO's do not want confrontation. They want to do their job which is to PROTECT YOU.
- 4) No jokes- This is serious business- not comedy central.
- 5) Know what is allowed in carry on bags.
- 6) Do not wrap gifts.
- 7) Passenger imaging technologies enable TSA to screen passengers.
- 8) When in doubt-leave it out.
- 9) TSA has 600 dogs at 79 airports. Used mostly in cargo areas.
- 10) Not sure about an item clearing the checkpoint-Put it in checked baggage or leave it home.
- 11) Yes, we still do shoes. Remember the shoe bomber.

Thank you, Keith, for an excellent and informative program.

The wine winners were Jim Riley and Jack Wolfe. The meeting was adjourned at 2108.

Ed Goss, Adjutant

#### **Editor's Notice**

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#### Accident Brief dated October 1917

Major W. de Kitkag-Watney's Neuport Scout was extensively damaged when it failed to become airborne.

The original court of Inquiry found that the primary cause of the accident was carelessness and poor airmanship on the part of a very experienced pilot.

The Commandant General, however, not being wholly convinced that Major de Kitkag-Watney could be guilty of so culpable a mistake ordered that the court should be re-convened.

After extensive inquiries and lengthy discussions with the Meteorlogical Officer and Astronomer Royal, the Court came to the conclusion that the pilot unfortunately was authorized to fly his aircraft on a day when there was absolutely no lift in the air and could not be held responsible for the accident.

<u>Remarks</u>: The Court wishes to take this opportunity to extend congratulations to Major de Kitkag-Watney on his reprieve and also on his engagement to the Commandant General's daughter, which was announced shortly before the accident.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Fellow Daedalians

Chuck Mansfield returned from the convention with a rebate check for \$97 from National Headquarters. We qualified by meeting various criteria such as timely submission of quarterly reports. Every little bit helps!

In May, we had two members pay dues and one no show. We asked the three individuals who made reservations but failed to attend to share in covering the shortfall. Please make and honor your reservations. We have very little, if any, flexibility.

Assets: as of 4 Savings 328.8 Checking 5,466 Cash for change 50.00 Total 5,844 Pete Giroux, Treasurer

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