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**Missouri Pilots Association  
Bolivar Liberator Chapter**  
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Minutes for December 12, 2006, meeting at the Airport Café at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President John Savage. After the pledge to the flag and prayer, guests were introduced. The following new members were greeted: John and Ann Bennett. All pilots in-attendance introduced their spouses to the group.

Barbara Mouse, and helper, Madelyn, were applauded for the WONDERFUL appetizers and meal. It was incredible! Adam Mouse was also thanked for all of his help to make this possible.

A special congratulations was given to Peter Hauer for his new IFR certification. Way to go! The two fly-outs of last week were fabulous. Pilots were thanked for their involvement. Extra guests flew along with pilots so that they could experience the joy of such an activity.

President John Savage introduced each officer with a motivational and sometimes quite comical title for each. John had asked each officer to tell what they were thankful for, and the following is a condensed version of all reports:

President John Savage was thankful that Jack Reynolds came to the rescue and took aboard some of John's guests. A special thanks to Jack for this act of kindness. One of the guests, Luke, saluted each of the planes as they went by getting ready for formation flying for the parades. The WINGS program was also well attended.

Vice President Roni Burns said that it has been an incredible year. He was thankful for John Savage kicking off the WINGS program so well and for all the learning that goes on to keep us safe and to become better pilots. He is also thankful for our new Bolivar Liberator Chapter Logo. No more mules.

Secretary Eric Moore and Geri are thankful for so many things: for organizations like OACAC which help those in need to have food and gifts, for so many in our group who meet the needs of the indigent during this season; for the mind, skills, education, and drive that our pilots have to be able to get up and do something, like build planes, for the skills and abilities that God has given us to help make this a better world a better place; for family and friends.

Treasurer Pete Mosca stated that it is a privilege to serve as treasurer to fellow pilots and friends and for those who help. He is thankful everyday (and was hopeful that some day he would have his very own fruitcake).

Scholarship and Chaplin Don Baker stated that he is thankful for all of the hoopla and tinsel and "frivolousness" -- all the stuff about Christmas, the commercialism, the parades. Is it displaced honor? It is our attempt to honor the Christ that we celebrate. It is the biggest thing all year. Kids get more days off for Christmas, we spend more during Christmas, we get better dinners. It is the celebration of the birth of Jesus.

Training Officer John Harris stated that a few months ago when he was asked to be the training officer, he thought that he should straighten out his act and get on the ball. He is thankful for the privilege and honor of

this position. He is also thankful to be married for 35 years come Monday. He also provided the chapter with a meaningful handout from Les Featherston.

Co –Captains of Communications Duane and Kay are thankful for all the scoundrels and their wives (Duane). Flying is fun and you are fun to be around. We as a group strive to keep the skies friendly. We may be few in numbers, but we are big in fun! Kay states that she is thankful for John Savage and all that he does with the WINGS program. She is also thankful for all the fly-outs and fly-overs and encourages the spouses to join in and see how much fun these actually are.

Flight Ops Pete Hauer is thankful to be associated with people of character and aptitude. He is thankful that his wife allowed him to spend two weeks in Lee Summit eating, breathing, and sleeping piloting. He is thankful for John Harris’ words of encouragement. He is also thankful to the communities which we do fly-overs and their words of thanks. We are planting seeds for younger pilots.

The voice of Aviation Jack Reynolds is thankful that this is a group of flyer flyers, not hangar flyers. It is a lot of fun promoting safety in this Chapter. As you get older you value safety even more. May you fly as serious as the Christmas season and take the Christmas Season as serious as flying.

Jim Shawley presented two matted B-24 planes pictures to the chapter. One photo went to Adam Mouse, new FBO and one to the Chapter to be hung on the M17 walls. These photos came from Mary’s dad’s collection who had been trained as a flier and was leaving on a train for the war when the war ended.

Peter Hauer, “you can get there from here”, used his talent on the guitar to lead the chapter in singing several Christmas Caroles as we proceeded into our crazy gift exchange. No lives were lost this year and no limbs were either. The dancing chicken got frozen rather quickly, Paul was looking for a romantic evening with all of those candles until Mrs. Hauer swiped them. And then the most sought-after fruit cake had its turn, but stayed with the biggest fruit cake in the chapter, ha! We laughed, we stole, we joked, we “strategized”, we just had FUN.

Next meeting is January 9<sup>th</sup> with Mr. Cline from the tower.

The hours to the Café are 7 days a week from 10:30-2:30. Breakfast Saturday and Sunday is at 7:30. The new phone number is 777-6800. Fuel is \$3.49 Jet A is \$3.55. Come out and support our Bolivar Air Center and Airport Café.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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