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The July 14, 2009 meeting of the Bolivar Chapter of the Missouri Pilots Association was held at Jack Reynolds' hangar. We enjoyed provided deli sandwiches, and many salads and desserts were brought. Weight and balance issues may ensue due to the many delicious dishes.

Present were: Jim and Mary Shawley, Duane and Kay Smith, Don and Pat Baker, John and Ann Bennett, Rex and Linda Smith, Robert Eckert, II, Bob Anderson, Dean Jefferis, Wendell Jones, Wally and Nita Edwards, Kerrick Tweedy, Frankie and Gwen Stretesky, John and Nancy Savage, Marc Popejoy, Kelly Grant, Gene Engledow, Rex Warren, and Jonathon Rimington. We also enjoyed four guests! Don Baker brought his friend Bill Boyd, who has, at this time, left his 140 in Florida with his son; Jack Reynolds' guest is his new student pilot, Rob Parsons; Shaun Matney learned of us in Springfield, and visited us tonight; finally, Kerrick Tweedy brought his daughter Kyla. We welcome all four!

The June minutes were approved as read; there was no treasurer's report.

Flyouts/flyovers: After we had been given the privilege on June 12 of performing a flyover of the Bolivar Relay for Life marathon, we enjoyed the opportunity of flying the students of the "Released Time Christian Education program Saturday, June 20; several are planning to attend Airventure in Oshkosh; meanwhile we are planning to fly to Turkey Mountain on Saturday, July 18, meeting at M17 at 8:00.

WINGS: Many attended our WINGS proficiency training on June 13, with some of us getting our BFRs signed off.

Congratulations to Robert Eckert, III who has successfully earned his Private Pilot's Certificate! On July 1, Dave Baldwin, who was himself being checked by an Oklahoma FAA representative, concluded that Robert was proficient. The FAA examiner who rode along declared Robert to be more than sufficiently qualified to receive that special plastic card featuring Wilbur and Orville's hologram.

Jonathon Rimington updated us on the latest confusion ☺ on Missouri's Use/Sales Tax saga; we are appreciative of the efforts by the state MPA representatives, as well as the AOPA, in seeking a resolution of this thorny issue.



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Frankie Stretesky is our new hospitality committee chairman, and he solicited us for both committee members and ideas on keeping the Bolivar Chapter active and alive; his fellow members are Pat Baker, Mary Shawley, and Linda Smith.

Following this the meeting was adjourned; we then were edified by a video featuring Barry Schiff explaining the importance of taking density altitude into account, especially at airports at higher elevations (it was noted that at times, the SGF ATIS has indicated a DA greater than 3,200 ft.). Following the video Both Jack and John emphasized the importance of not trying to pull our aircraft into the air until they are good and ready to fly.