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The September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Bolivar Liberator Chapter of the Missouri Pilots Association was held at Jack Reynolds' hangar. We are all appreciative of his graciousness in hosting our meetings. Planning Committee member Pat Baker spearheaded the meal, which was catered by "Cookin' From Scratch," a local food service business. We enjoyed beefy enchilada, chicken fettuccini Alfredo, Caesar salad, carrot cake, chocolate cake and cookies! John Savage led us in saying grace, and Rex Smith led in the pledge of allegiance.

Present were: Jim and Mary Shawley, Rex and Linda Smith, Don and Pat Baker, Frankie and Gwen Stretesky, Bob and Sharon Pollard, Wally and Nita Edwards, Robert Eckert, II and Robert Eckert III, Sam Swihart, John and Nancy Savage, Kay Smith, Steve and Linda Marshall, Shaun Matney, Roni Burns, Nick Maas, Charlie Powell, Rex Warren, Jack Reynolds, Jonathan Rimington, Bob Anderson, Kelly Grant, Jim Raney, and Marc and Shari Popejoy. We were honored to have as guests Mel Volmert, Erin and Nadine Buskirk, and Dan Drewry.

The minutes for August were accepted as presented; there was no treasurer's report.

Fly-outs: Some of us enjoyed flying to KJLN, after which we enjoyed catfish sandwiches at Turkey Mountain. This Saturday (weather permitting) we will be flying the Bolivar High School Air Force JROTC students, followed by heading up to Lincoln for their fly-in. Other fly-outs/fly-ins include Turkey Mountain's September 19<sup>th</sup> Biscuits and Gravy as well as their October 31<sup>st</sup> Chili fly-in. We remembered that we have offered to co-host the state convention in conjunction with the SGF chapter this spring. Also, don't forget the bar-b-que at Les Featherston's Rebel Bluffs strip just north of Mount Vernon.

WINGS training was discussed; October 13<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting a WINGS seminar here in Jack's hangar.

Under Old business: Plans were discussed regarding our meeting dinner plans for the next few months.

There was no new business.

John Savage moved, and Jim Rainey seconded that the meeting be adjourned.



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Following the meeting, Jonathan Rimington gave us the latest “gouge” (an old Navy term) on the Missouri Use Tax.

After that, he shared some of his experiences learning to fly, and subsequently flying, in and around Johannesburg, South Africa, at an elevation greater than 5,500 ft. In light of the recent incident at FTT, he shared that it was normative for all take-offs and landings were performed in steep spirals over the airfields in order to avoid surface-to-air fire, ranging from .22 caliber to RPGs. His DPE (a former fighter pilot), upon assuring him that he had indeed passed his checkride, then proceeded to introduce him to terrain-following flight!

All in all, a most interesting time. Thank you, Jonathan.