

# FLINT HILLS FLYER



**October 2009**

## *Upcoming FHF Events*

**October 18**—Highway Pick-Up, meet at Leo's Place at 9:00 am. for our final trash pickup of 2009. We can go to Nelson's Landing for brunch afterwards.

**October 24**—GATTS movie night, "Memphis Belle" at 7:30 p.m. at the GATTS hangar. RSVP to Jason Wolcott (776.6676 or 313.7002 or sales@gatts.org) by October 22nd. We had a great time at the last movie, we hope to see you at this one.

**October 31**—Leo's Chili Feed at Leo's Place, 1:00 pm. We'll be making chili like Leo used to do — we'll also provide beverages, we ask you to please bring a side dish or dessert if you would like. And feel free to wear a Halloween costume!

**January 2**—Holidays Party at Nelson's Landing in Leonardville. 6 p.m. social hour, dinner at 7 p.m. We will meet in the new, big banquet room and everyone can order off of the menu. Please bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the Riley Food Pantry.

## **News Update**

by **Charlotte Doyle**

### **The Fly-in Was A Success!**

Dan's official count when people were eating was 164 people and 22 airplanes! We know there were more people who attended during the day, but I think the airplane count was pretty accurate since Jack McChesney took a picture of each of the planes (Thanks, Jack!). There are so many people who need to be thanked for making the day such a success: Jim Clark for loaning his giant flag to be displayed on our boom lift (it could be seen from miles away), Brian Corell for practicing his aerobatic maneuvers over Leo's Place, Paul Visser for providing a spectacular sky diving exhibition, and the guys (Lawrence Herr, Vern Hart, Ed Doyle, Wayne Van Sickle, and Larry Moon) who displayed older vehicles, Kent Foster and Frank Klein for meeting and parking the planes, Rose Shippy for being the official photographer and ribs server, Dick and Denise Clark for ParaBears (more about that later), and Dan Wild for putting it all together. The fly-in started Saturday morning with several people flying over to Mike Kozubek's Buena Terra Fly-in/hog roast. We all came back and Dan and several others started a bonfire and directed the erection of the teepee. Denise Clark served chili and I brought some beef stew and corn bread which was all cleaned up by the thirty or so folks who attended the movie (*Pearl Harbor*) and ate popcorn. Paul and Liz introduced the movie with a slide show of photos they had taken when the movie was being made in Hawaii where they were living at the time. Around fifteen people camped out that

## *Area Events*

**1st Saturday of every month**—Ponca City, OK and York, NE Fly-In Breakfast

**2nd Saturday of every month**—Beaumont Hotel All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

**3rd Saturday of every month**—Benton, KS and Alva, OK Fly-in Breakfast

**4th Saturday of every month**—Augusta, KS and Enid, OK Breakfast

**4th Sunday of every month**—Cottonwood Falls, KS Breakfast

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night; it looked a little like a KOA campground! The next morning breakfast was served to the campers so they would have enough energy to get everything ready for the day. In addition to the regular activities, Dick and Denise delighted the kids by rigging up a parachute that would drop a bear (a bunch of bears were later dropped out) and a piñata filled with goodies that was dropped out of Maurice Sharp's plane. It was great fun watching the kids scramble for these goodies! So much went on, I will try to add more in the next newsletter. If you were not able to attend, come to the Holidays Party to see Dan's annual DVD presentation!

### **Wild Saturday October 3rd**

People first started out at Onaga for their breakfast fly-in. Lois Loucks is a leader in that community! Then on to John Miller's hog roast at noon. In the meantime some people (Kent and Kathy Foster and Chuck and Ruth Hall) had their planes on display for the Smithsonian gathering at the Junction City Airport. Some people (like Al and Rose Shippy) made it to all of the events!

### **Holidays Party**

I kept saying that I would find a location for the Christmas Party as soon as the fly-in was over! Well, I waited too long and places I had in mind were all booked...so we are having a HOLIDAYS PARTY on January 2nd at Nelson's Landing in Leonardville. We can have their new, big banquet room and everyone can order off of the menu so you can spend whatever you want (and get the kind of food you want/need). They do have a special of ribs (full rack for \$12; half rack for \$9) that evening. Put it on your calendar. We will meet there at 6 p.m. for social hour and start ordering when you get there. We'll all try to be eating by 7 p.m. and, of course, a program! No RSVP's because we don't have to pay ahead.

### **The Amendment Passed**

The Hangar Amendment passed with 51 "yes" votes, 1 "no" vote and a few who did not vote. There will be more information later about this.

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# Flint Hills Flyers Fall Fly-In September 27



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# Journey Stories—Smithsonian Institution

*Journey Stories* is a traveling exhibition which examines how transportation and migration helped build our nation. As part of this exhibition, vintage airplanes were on display at Freeman Field in Junction City on October 3.



Above left, Larry Boehme's 1943 Stinson, and behind it Jim Clark's 1946 J-3 Cub. Above center, Chuck Hall's newly restored 1929 Inland Sport. Above right, Bob More with his 1940 Meyers OTW-160. Below left, the Fairchild sisters—Morgan (1936, owned by Kent Foster) and Gracie (1946, owned by Steve Quick of Wichita). Below center, a 1953 Cessna 195 owned by Chuck Hall and a 1948 Piper Stinson. Below right, a 1941 Vultee owned by Gerry Sibley, Terry Burger's 1949 Luscombe and Jim Clark's 1955 Piper Pacer.



Maurice Sharp flew in with his Rans (above). Other aircraft that flew in were a rare 1940 Stinson HW75 (more commonly called a Stinson 10) and a gyrocopter (below).



Above left, Dave and Dawn Messerla helped arrange Young Eagle flights in Dave's Piper TriPacer, above right, as well as in Jim Clark's 1929 Waco (below). At left, a windblown Jim Clark shook off the chill between flights.

