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\*\*\*\* AGENDA \*\*\*\*

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GENERAL MEETING:

Friday, September 26, 2008 \* 7:00 P.M. \* Make-A-Wish Foundation \* 11926 Arbor St.

PROGRAM: Roaring Glory Warbirds DVD Presentation

BUSINESS MEETING: Wednesday, October 1, 2008 \* 7:00 P.M. \* Make-A-Wish Foundation \* 11926 Arbor St.

-ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETINGS –

# IT'S AUCTION TIME!

It's starting to get cool at night. The sun is going down way too early and your wife is digging in the closets to find the heavier clothes. That can only mean one thing. Its auction time!

That's right. It's time to dust off all of the old stuff you have laying around, bundle it up into lots and bring it out to sell. Or better yet, bring your checkbook and do some buying to get yourself set up for next year!

Once again the auction is being held at the American Legion post at 139th and L street on Sunday October 19. (see page 6 for all the details).

# SEPTEMBER MEETING AT MAKE-A-WISH

FRIDAY, SEP 26 7:00 p.m. 11926 ARBOR ST

Program: Roaring Glory

Warbirds

Raffle: Glow Fuel x 4

If you have never been to the Omahawks Auction, you owe it to yourself to go. This is one of the biggest and best R/C auctions in the Midwest. You will find all kinds of R/C related treasures from radios and airplanes to accessories and parts galore.

There is something here for everybody. The legion hall is a great room for the auction with lots of space and great amenities, including a snack bar and a restaurant on the premises that serves a great breakfast buffet.

The doors open for registration at 8:00 am, but people are needed before that to set up the room, get the computers going and prepare to register the items for the sellers.

This is a huge day for the club because it is our only source of money for events and other club activities. The money raised here pays for it all, all year long. Your help is needed to make this day a success. Whether you come to help for an hour, all day, or just come to buy and/or sell, make sure to be there. This is one event you don't want to miss!

- editor

# DON'T MISS THE UPCOMING MEETINGS!

Because the last Friday of next month is Halloween, The October meeting is being moved to the Friday before, Oct 24th.

Also, due to its proximity to the Thanksgiving holiday, it has been suggested that we move the November meeting up a week to the 21st. A discussion about moving it will be held at the meeting Friday.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ★ Sept 26 General Meeting
- ★ Oct 1 Business Meeting
- ★ Oct 8 Board Fun Fly
- ★ Oct 7 Float Fly
- ★ Oct 19 Omahawks Auction

## **THE MINUTES**

Nathan King, Secretary

#### Business Meeting......9/2/2008

In attendance:

Officers: E.J. Murphy, Ed Paasch

Board Members: Ralph Brown, Nathan Brown,

Skip Brown, Claude Weimer

General Members: Mike Berger, Bud Mitchell,

Bob Z., Steve Peck

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### Officer/Chairman Reports

? Treasurers Report – (Ed Paasch): Shows expenses and memberships. A copy may be made available, upon request. Ralph Brown motioned to accept the Treasurers report as presented, Skip Brown seconded. Vote to approve was opposed, only, by Ed Paasch. Minutes were accepted.

? Also, Ed suggested we discontinue paying for a porta-potty, when there is still one provided by the parks department. We will discontinue renting one after Sept. 30. If the parks department removes the out house, we will resume renting a porta-potty. The board



#### approved

? Steve Peck requested an itemized report of the Labor Day Air Show, for Make-A-Wish. This is in the event they need to provide anything to any taxation authority.

? Skip would like to have the club 'kick-in' whatever funds are necessary to increase our donation to Make-A-Wish, to round off the amount to an even \$3,000.00. This would be in association with the contribution by Double D Excavating, for their donated work on the parking lot.

? While on the subject of finances, Ed Paasch made a motion to allow club members to have the option of not receiving a paper copy of the HawkTalk newsletter. Claude Weimer seconded. The board approved.

? Membership Report – (Ralph Brown): Current count as of September 3, 2008 is 135.
 ? Event Report: Steve Peck reported on the Labor Day Air Show. As most of us were there, we know the weather played a large

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part in this year's show. The sunshine and temperatures were comfortable. Although, the wind kept a few aircraft grounded, the crowd seemed to enjoy it. Mike and Molly worked hard in the raffle booth. Roger Brodd and his crew kept the concession stand running smoothly. Besides the donated hot dogs from Stoysich, we also had baked goods donated by Dorie Sterling and Patrice Murphy. Early calculations are just over \$1,600 in funds to be presented to Make-A-Wish.

? Hawk Field Report: Claude Weimer contacted Chuck Sigerson, concerning flyers at the soccer fields. He was redirected to a gentleman named Dean Miller. The response Claude received was not very acceptable. The city feels that it would be too costly to the city to post signs, at all the city's parks. Also, their rationale was that if signs are posted only at the facilities nearest to Hawk Field, and a mishap were to occur at a non-posted park, the city could face litigation, because there were no signs posted at that specific location. Old Business

? Ed Paasch is in the process of publishing a club directory. There is, also on-going discussions concerning the distribution process for these directories. We are looking for the most cost effect process for the club.

New Business

? The Omahawks Auction is scheduled for Sunday, October 19. Ed Paasch has graciously stepped forward to coordinate the Auction, this year. Thanks a lot, Ed. Brad Shaink is also, assisting. Kevin Hyde is doing his best at long-distance help. There may also, be some assistance needed pre-auction. If you can help, please contact Ed, Brad or E.J.

? The October and November General meeting dates fall on the calendar at times that are not very acceptable. As the October meeting would fall on Halloween, Skip made a motion to move the October General meeting date to October 24, 2008. Ed Paasch seconded. The board approved.

? The November meeting would fall on the day after Thanksgiving. (Why does that always happen to us?). We will discuss changing that meeting date, at the General meeting.



Minutes presented by E.J. Murphy

## OMAHAWKS' NEWEST PILOTS







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(sorry, I couldn't resist this one - ed)









## MY NEW, NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

OK, this last month has been a wild ride for me. Many computer problems have forced me to make changes again to my e-mail. On my new e-mail reported here last month (mrberger352@kaptnkarl.com), I managed to get on someone's spam list and despite my best efforts, I am receiving from 45 to 50 junk emails every day. And some new anti-virus and spam software I put on my computer is completely blocking my email from my previous e-mail (mrberger352@excite.com).

So, I have created yet another e-mail address just for the Hawk Talk and other Omahawks business. If you have one of the other addresses on your contact list, please change it to this new one so I can stay in touch and not miss anything.

Please send your comments and submissions to:

omahawks@kaptnkarl.com

## A LETTER TO THE CLUB FROM JEAN OLSON

Our family would like to thank the Omahawks very much for the beautiful flowers for the service at the church. I know Olie would have been very pleased that so many attended. Also, I appreciate the many memorials cards and phone calls that I have received.

Olie always had an interest in Make-a-wish and the Labor Day Air Show. I hope it will be very successful and I know he would want to support it so I am enclosing a donation for the event. Sincerely,

#### Jean Olson

Editor's note: This letter was supposed to be included in last month's newsletter. Due to a totally unexcusable oversight on my part, it was ommited. Sorry - ed

# DON'T MISS

the

Float Fly

Tuesday
October 7
9:00 am

Standing

## **Bear Lake**

We're coming to the end of the year and there aren't many more (if any) of these left!

If you haven't been to float fly yet, be sure to get to this one. You'll be glad you did!

# Labor Day Air Show



Labor Day 2008 dawned bright and sunny. Unfortunately, it was also windy. Real windy! But that didn't stop the Omahawks from putting on a great show.

Sure, some of the festivities were limited by the breezes. Fred Wilke's flight of the flag was spectacular, if not entirely successful and some of the lighter planes had a tough time of it. But the die hard fliers wouldn't let a little wind stop them and the show went on

without much trouble.

Pete Rosas and Jim Thurman wowed the crowd with their synchronized flying and 3D stunts. Joe Cole flew his gyrocopters and helis. Many others flew as well and there were no major crashes to speak of.

Lots of people showed up to watch.

They bought lots of food and raffle tickets and gave generously to support our cause. It was another memorable Labor Day and we managed to raise about \$3000.00 for Make-A-Wish of Nebraska.

- editor







# thrills the crowd!













# Omahawks R/C 2008 Auction Sunday October 19th, 2008



American Legion Post 374 4618 S 139th Street Omaha, NE 68137

Doors open at 8:00AM Bidding begins at 10:00AM

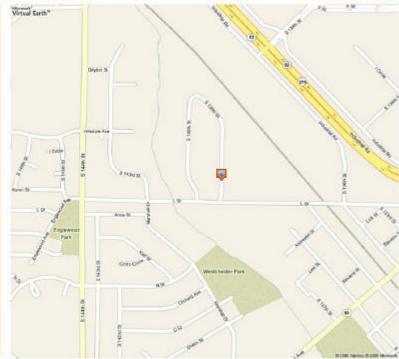
Admission is free, a \$5.00 registration fee will be required for buyers/sellers

Concessions will be available

Radio Control aircraft, ARFs, kits, radio systems, engines, building tools, flight line accessories, and much more will be offered at bargain prices

Turn your unused R/C items into cash

Super fast computerized checkout



<u>Auction Rules</u>: \$5.00 Buyer/Seller registration fee. Items will be sold in the order received. The seller may protect himself by designating a minimum selling price or by making <u>one</u> bid. Seller will be assessed a 10% selling fee on all items sold and a \$2.00 fee for each unsold item. The minimum bid will be \$20.00. Group your small items accordingly. Payment will be by cash or check only.

Visit http://www.omahawks.org for more information or contact Bd Paasch (402) 510-8730 with any additional questions

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# THE BIG WINNERS!

Here are the winners of the prizes at the Labor Day Raffle. Many thanks are due to all of the people who bought tickets as well as the many who donated money and prizes. This year's raffle was very successful and I sincerely thank all those who made that possible. This year's big winners were: Avistar RTF - Rob Lyman DVD Player - Rob Lyman Soldering Gun - Ryan Keysuhr Estes Rocket - C Keysuhr Visible B-17G Model - Zach Gray

R/C Dragonfly—C Keysuhr P-38 Model—Rob Lyman A-10 Model Kit - Dan Schorg F-14 Model Kit - Rob Lyman

Many other people won the smaller prizes in the hourly raffles, as well.





# THE PLANES OF LABOR DAY

After all, it is all about the planes!



Nathan tunes up



Sweet P-51B









Where's the lake?









See the Hawk Talk on-line at www.omahawks.org or www.kaptnkarl.com/omahawks

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Please note:
The October
general meeting
has been move
ahead one week
to October 24th.
Don't miss it!

# **AAAAAARGH!!!!**

#### A rant from your editor

OK, this past week has not been a fun one. It has held surprises and catastrophes galore for your humble editor from beginning to end. As you have no doubt guessed, the newsletter is not just late, it's really late and it just seems like everything that has happened lately has been set up to prevent it from ever getting done.

First of all, I have been studying in preparation for getting my pesticide applicator's license. That required a lot of study time and prevented me from working much on the newsletter. But I still had the weekend since the test was on Friday.

But last Tuesday, disaster struck. My computer was "invaded" by a very aggressive pop-up advertiser who basically took over my computer, forcing me to stop everything and deal with that problem. I got that cleaned up and installed some software to prevent further attacks. But, if anything, the new software was worse than the ad attack. I lost my internet connection, then I couldn't get my email. And on top of all that, this wonderful "efficiency" software made my computer

run so slow that it was impossible to accomplish anything.

I have finally got my computer working, I passed my pesticide test, and now at work, the fall fertilizer is rolling in and I have

had to work a couple of late nights unloading rail cars full of fertilizer.

So, the newsletter is a little late, sorry, a lot late. Oh, well. I can only hope things are calming down just a bit. Fall is here and it's time to relax.... Until harvest.

- editor



Even my cat managed to distract me.