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FLIGHT CAPTAIN'S CORNER



Vice Flight Captain Jim Wilson (l) and Adjutant R. Austin Wiswell, former A-10 pilot.

The April meeting was officiated by the Vice, **Jim Wilson**. There was a discussion about holding the June meeting at the Aerospace Museum of California and inviting the Coast Guard. Since the proposal has not reached a consensus within the Executive Staff and Directors, the idea is shelved or placed on the back burner, your choice, until after our summer hiatus-no meetings in July and August.

Austin Wiswell had a very informative presentation on the A-10 or "Hawg" as it is called by A-10 pilots. Maneuvering with continuous 100% thrust, the A-10 operates at tree top level so as not to get tangled up with the helicopters that fly below that level. The aircraft was highly successful in the Gulf War and follow-on conflicts to the delight of the U. S. Army. Initially, the Air Force did not want the airplane.

Available on each luncheon table was a Battle Damage Summary on A-10 SN 76-540. This airplane suffered severe battle damage over Kuwait in January 1991. The pilot recovered at a forward operating field location where the aircraft received emergency repairs to return it back to the main operating base. The airplane did not fly combat again and eventually arrived at McClellan AFB where it was determined to be too costly to repair. 76-540 was donated to the Aerospace Museum where it now resides as a war hero.

The May meeting speaker, a general aviation pilot, cannot confirm by this flyer's deadline date due to his busy schedule. As a backup, if anyone has an interesting story, contact **Jim Wilson**.
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TREASURER

Annual Flight dues have not been received from the following members: **Chernay, Fowler, Griffith, Hinkle, Johnson M.L., Pierce, Retter, Thayer and Wahleitner**. If you have questions, call me @ (916) 962-1591.

Flight dues are \$15.00 per year, payable upon receipt of the Flight Directory which is mailed in January. If your check is in the mail, please forgive this notice. If your check has not yet been sent, please accomplish that upon receipt of this Flyer.

If there is anyone interested in serving as Treasurer, please contact me. I have served as Flight Captain (once), Adjutant (twice) and Treasurer (twice). I would very much like to give someone else a chance to serve the Flight.

I am planning to be out of country from 16 September through 28 October. If someone would step forward, I would like to transition my duties, after the June meeting, to a new Treasurer. That way the summer would allow for a comfortable transition and time to prepare the new Treasurer to carry the duties into the next year, assuming of course, that he would accept the nomination to serve in 2010. I have the Flight financial records on "Quicken", which has reduced the labor and time for the job significantly. If interested please call me.

Evans Warne

MAY 21 MEETING

Dante Club
1100—Attitude Adjustment
1200—Lunch
Chicken Marsala

RSVP with your call Leader or the Adjutant R. Austin Wiswell (530) 672-2390 or wizbec@comcast.net
NLT 2200 hours on Sunday, 17 May

Cost: \$19.00 per person

Guests welcome

FLIGHT CALENDAR FOR 2009

MAY 21, DANTE CLUB, LUNCH

JUNE 18, DANTE CLUB, LUNCH

JULY, AUGUST—NO MEETINGS

ANOTHER APRIL PICTURE



EVANS AND JIM LOOKING FOR THE WINNER.

DNIF. **Roland Sabourin** did not attend the April meeting due to a sudden trip to the hospital. He was released to his home after several days and is now doing very well.

Art White is in a Kaiser hospital at Vallejo. He can speak in a soft whisper and the plan is to soon transfer him to Sacramento for rehab.

Roland and Art are regular attendees at our meetings so let's shower them with some cards, encouragement and prayers.

MAY 21, 1937. Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan leave San Francisco in a Lockheed Electra on a round-the-world flight that ends on July 2, 1937 when they disappear in the Pacific.

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FOUNDER MEMBERS

(Editor's Note. The following column appeared in the November 2003 flyer. Here it is again for the new members).

The original constitution of the Order of Daedalians limited membership to those commissioned officers in the U.S. Army who held a rating of pilot of heavier-than-air aircraft prior to the Armistice of 1918. There were approximately 14,000 pilots commissioned prior to November 11, 1918 of which 1147 of these pilots became active Daedalians.

During research on my founder member, I discovered an article entitled, *The Final Resting Place*, by Charles Juroe in the *Cross & Cockade Journal, Winter 1964* issue which is published by The Society of World War I Aero Historians. In this article there is a table that represents the official listing of the dead of the Air Service of the AEF in World War I, obtained from the American Battle Monuments commission headquartered in Paris, France. The cemetery and location of the deceased concerned is depicted. If a name is not listed, it is because the next of kin requested the body be returned to the United States or left in the original burial site. Hamilton Coolidge is an example of the latter. Quentin Roosevelt holds the distinction of being the only American killed in WWI, to be moved to a place of honor in a cemetery for the dead of WWII. His remains are now in the Normandy cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach. He rests next to his brother, Brigadier General Theodore Roosevelt, who died of a heart attack shortly after landing on D-Day.

The American Battle Moments Commission is responsible for the permanent maintenance of military cemeteries and memorials built by the U. S. Government on foreign soil and certain monuments on American soil. After WWI, eight cemeteries were established in Europe. Fourteen additional sites were selected after WWII for permanent cemeteries to replace the temporary sites used during the war.

NOTE. In 2007 Daedalian Headquarters initiated a project to build a founder member's data base of information that will be available on the internet. The information I uncovered about my founder member has been forwarded to National.

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