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CHAPTER MEETING MAY 8TH 7:00 PM COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Vietnam Helicopter Pilot Chuck Carlock To Speak At May Meeting



Chuck Carlock is a Certified Public Accountant and Director of Taxes for the Bass Family in Fort Worth. Here is what Chuck sent us about his background and what he'll talk about at our May meeting:

"I was a helicopter pilot in Vietnam and served with Ken Weigand (AKA - Terror of the Asian Sky). I had four helicopters shot up the first day of the TET offensive in 1968 while Ken, who was leaving Vietnam, drank beer and encouraged me to go get shot up one more time.

I have written two books and have a third coming out soon. My first book, <u>Firebirds</u>, is about flying helicopters in Vietnam and has been published by three publishers - Summit, Doubleday, and Bantam. It was the book of the month in the Military Book Club. My second book, <u>History Of The Tenth Texas Cavalry (Dismounted) Regiment</u>, is a Civil War book about my Great-Granddads unit.

I have at my home seven Vietnam Helicopters owned by my unit's Military Association. The British Broadcasting Company for the History Channel filmed reenactments and interviewed me for a documentary on Vietnam Helicopters. It plays on the History Channel about once a month.

Another Great Chapter Fish Fry!!

The weather, preparation, food, and turnout were all fantastic for Chapter 1246's 4th annual fish fry, held at TKI on Saturday, April 26th. Thanks to **Tom Mitchell** and **Roy Matheny** for a great job organizing the fish out, the **Ackerman family** for a super job with the food planning and cooking, and **Tom Ferraro** for the use of his hangar. Thanks also go to **Jim Wilson** and **Pete Huff**, who took pictures of the event. You can see their work on pages 2 and 4 and on the chapter web site. Thanks also to all the chapter members who helped with set up and clean up.





Chapter 1246 Pilot Profile

by Susan and David Wilson

Name: Max Probasco

Nickname: My employees have many of them

but won't share them with me.

Place of birth: Lubbock, Texas

Family: My Wife Karen, and the boys, Brady,

Tyler, and Austin

Occupation: Design consultant

If I had a different job, I'd be

I became interested in aviation because/ when: I was always interested in flying and the space program. I would always tell my wife when driving to West Texas that some day I was going to learn how to fly so I wouldn't have to make the drive anymore. She signed me up for ground school and the rest is history. The ironic thing is we were

blessed with triplets and when Christmas rolled around for the past few years I still have to DRIVE to West Texas because the Bonanza can't hold all their stuff!

I fly a 1974 Beechcraft Bonanza V35B.

If money were no object, I'd fly a P51 Mustang.

My favorite place to fly for a meal is Lake Murray, OK for dinner with my wife at Fireside.

If I had a week off, I'd fly to Alaska.

On my fantasy flight around the world, my 3 guests would be my Father and my two brothers, Mitch and Mark.

The last book I read was a software manual – Now Up to Date Contact.

My hero is my Father.

My greatest aviation experience was flying south of McKinney one day (the weekend of the Dallas Air Show) and a B2 Stealth Bomber flew overhead about 500 feet above us. It was the most awesome sight I had ever seen.

The thing people don't know about me is that I was the Grand National Go Kart Champion and race all over the US and raced cars

EAA Airventure 2003

The EAA AirVenture 2003 Notam book has been placed on the EAA web site and is available for downloading in PDF format at http://www.airventure.org/2003/flying/index.html.

The printed version of the EAA AirVenture 2003 Notam book will be available on or about the 1st of May - call EAA's Membership Services Department at 1-800-564-6322 to reserve a copy. The Notam books will be mailed as soon as they are received from the FAA printing office.

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For additional information go to: http://www.airventure.org/2003/news/notam.html.

4th Annual Chapter Fish Fry



!!Chapter Employment Opportunities!!

Program Coordinator - in this high-paying position you will work with the members to get and follow through on ideas for presentations at our chapter meetings

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The **EAA Chapter 1246 monthly board meeting** was held on April 17, 2003. Attending the meeting were Larry Spears, David Norman, and Dick Flunker. Following are the minutes from the meeting.

- 1. Larry reported that Christopher Cormier is interested in hosting a fly in at the Flying T ranch on Saturday May 10. Larry will contact Christopher to discuss further.
- 2. Larry reported that Gary Kirby has represented the chapter at a Runway Incursion Review meeting conducted by the tower.
- 3. Dick reported that we have Pike Hall reserved for 7/10, 8/14, and 9/11.
- 4. Upcoming programs Jeff has the program set for the May meeting, and Dick has arranged for meterologist Dale Foster to speak at the July 10 meeting. Dale is with South-West Airlines. At this time we are not aware of a program lined up for June.
- 5. Flyouts May flyout is SWRFI on May 16-17. June flyout is the Poker run on June 21. A destination is needed for July 19th.
- 6. Chili Cookoff Dick will reconfirm the October 11 date with Chapter 168 and proceed with filing the event notice (for insurance) and request the Sport Aviation listing.
- 7. Distribution of the rooster was discussed regarding privacy considerations. David will solicite members desires regarding distribution of addresses etc.
- 8. David reported financial activity and status.

Rich Graham

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Calendar of Events

(Items in **bold** are chapter events)

May 3 Chapter 983 Fly-In, Pecan

Plantation (0TX1)

May 8 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM

CCCC, McKinney

May 15 Chapter Board Meeting, 7:30, TKI

May 16-17 Chapter Flyout - SWRFI

New Braunfels, TX (BAZ)

Jun 12 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM

CCCC, McKinney

Jun 17 Chapter Board Meeting, 7:30, TKI

Jun 21 Chapter Poker Run 9:00 AM

TKI-?-?-TKI

Jul 10 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM

CCCC, McKinney

Jul 29 - Aug 4EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, WI

Wittman Regional (OSH)

Aug 14 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM

CCCC, McKinney

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