



CRASHCRONICLES!

Where's our waiter anyway?



coveted frozen finger trophy. This year winner, (or should I say loser!) was none other than Joe Synal. There was plenty of fun(?), some warm food although not enough. I wasn't expecting 22 plus or minus a few people showing up. And as always there was plenty of B.S. I think the only person complaining about the weather was me. I'm one of those people that don't appreciate flying in anything less than 50 degrees. But I did get a kick out of the folks that actually tried. Most of the time I couldn't tell if the flying machines needed trimming or if their fingers were shaking that much. Either way, they still flew better than I do on a warm summer day.

Now here this Now here this.... This is your captain speaking. Hey you, what da ya mean **can it!** It's my ink, I'll write whatever I want... so there!

No really, I hope that everyone's holidays went as planned and that everyone had an exceptional year. Welcome 2006, and I hope that all your plans exceed your expectations. By now you know that our Christmas banquet has come and gone. If you missed this banquet, you missed some mighty fine food and more. Next years banquet will be on December 10th, so mark your calendars now. I don't want to here any excuses.

Our first event was also held on January 1st. The FROZEN FINGER FLY. This year participants braved the cold, and attempted to fly to receive the



Only Dan Nocher would be reading a Tech manual at the dinner table.(or is that the wine list?)

Some day I might actual try flying in this *#^!. Who knows, maybe I'll have too much fun to complain! (naaaahhhh, not me....never!) Anyway, if you haven't tried it and you stand up to cold better than your Bahamas dreaming Prez try it, you might be asking for some skis next Christmas.

WANTED DEAD or ALIVE

(Preferably Alive!)

The 107th squadron is in need of an assistant news Editor. I say assistant because I think I have a news Editor on the hook and I'm reeling him in. But I did tell him I refuse to let him do it without help. I was news letter Editor for the M.A. club for several years and I can tell you it wasn't exactly easy. As your new Prez, I don't want to turn any position (including mine) into a job. If it's not fun, it makes it real hard to do. Just asked some of the people that have left a post that they volunteered to do. They started out trying to give back to the club they joined. But without help from other members, it really turns into a chore.

Now hears my plea to you all. When I accepted the position of your Prez, I asked myself, how do I improve the club? It didn't Take to long to realize that the main stumbling area (at least in my opinion) was communication to members. I realize many people have different schedules and obligations. Many people can't make meetings and or some events. The one way to insure that everyone is aware of meetings, happenings, and news is through a news letter. I did not count the amount of times, but there were many times when someone said that the didn't know about a meeting, event, or trip.

If interested, duties would be defined by yourself and the news Editor. I don't want to dictate how to do something you volunteered to do. Pay is minimal (\$.00) and the most I could offer you is a badge for your hat and a lot of praise! (And coming from me that's pretty good!).



Some of the boys at the Frozen Finger Fly.

22+people,decent temps, hot chili. Judging from this photo, your Prez can't wait to hit the porta potty!

Photo courtesy of Scott Mertens
Banquet photos courtesy of Bob Boen

**THE NEXT 107TH MEETING WILL BE HELD AT
THE BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CENTER
JANUARY 9, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Survey Results

The questioners that were collected at the Christmas banquet had some interesting answers. I'm not going to go through the results here, but I will discuss them at the next meeting. Besides, it'll give me something to talk about. I will tell you that the survey did tell me what you folks want from your club and what direction you may want to go. I don't want to change a good thing, I want to improve it. Without your support, I can guarantee that nothing will be changed. This is **YOUR** club, I'm just trying to steer it in the direction that **YOU** want it to go. This means that **YOUR** input, issues, and ideas are critical. I hope that you all get my drift.

Going Once, Going Twice.....Sold

It's never too early to start planning. April 7th, 8th, and 9th will be Toledo 2006. I attended this event and I can honestly say that it's one of the best shows I've been at. Not only can you purchase items directly from the manufactures, but there is a auction Saturday evening after the show. Some good things can be had usually for a fair price. I'm telling you this far in advance so that you can get together with some of your club buddies and plan your first road trip of the year. If you have never been to this show, I guarantee its worth the trip.

Club dues are now being accepted. Contact Ron King preferably at our club meeting or contact him at to make other arrangements.

