
Order of Daedalians

Frank P. Lahm, Flight 9

Sep 2019

SEPTEMBER MEETING:
**DINNER AND A MOVIE TO CELEBRATE
THE 72 ANNIVERSARY OF THE US AIR FORCE!**
FLYBOYS DELI
Third WEDNESDAY, 18 September
1730 Social, 1830 Dinner

FROM THE COCKPIT (FLT CAPTAIN'S LOG: 9 - 19): September's meeting at 1730 on **18 Sep (NOTE THE TIME AND DATE CHANGE)** will be a dinner meeting at **Flyboys Deli at the Mall at Fairfield Commons in Beavercreek**. We will be showing the movie "Flyboys". The film follows the enlistment, training, and combat experiences of a group of young Americans who volunteer to become fighter pilots in the Lafayette Escadrille, the 124th air squadron formed by the French in 1916. The squadron consisted of five French officers and 38 American volunteers who wanted to fly and fight in World War I before the United States' entry into the war in 1917. The film ends with an epilogue that relates the fate of each American pilot to the real-life Lafayette Escadrille pilot upon whom his character was based. **This is a dual event, and spouses are invited. Dress is casual.**

Menu: The menu will consist of a buffet with house salad, cole slaw, a variety of sandwiches (turkey, roast beef, egg salad, chicken salad, ham and cheese, Mini Cooper Sliders, Bulgogi (Korean BBQ Beef) with rice, cake dots, brownies, and coffee. There will be wine for toasting.

Reservations: Please call our Provost Marshall, Mel Gillespie at 937-426-4010 by noon on Monday, September 16th, 2019. If you prefer e-mail, Mel will take e-mail reservations at: mel.gillespie@att.net. If you make your reservation via e-mail, Mel will send you a confirmation. If you do not get a confirmation, call Mel to make sure your e-mail was received. Please include any guests in your reservation. The price for the evening is \$22 per person, and payment must be made by cash or check, **NO CREDIT CARDS**. Cancellations must also be made by COB, September 16th, to avoid being billed for the price of the meal.

STANDARD DEBRIEF ITEMS: PREVIOUS FLIGHT LEG (27 August 2019): Our August dinner meeting was held on the fourth Tuesday, August 27th, due to a scheduling conflict at the WPAFB Club. After a seated plated dinner was served, Lt Col Bryan Lowe, Air Vehicle Program Manager on the Combat Rescue Helicopter (CRH) program, gave us an update of the program status. They are approaching a Milestone C decision to begin Low Rate Initial Production on the HH-60W, and have 12-18 months remaining of combined Development Test and Evaluation/Initial Operational Test & Evaluation (DT&E/IOT&E). The presentation was well received, with many questions and answers





FLIGHT PLANNING (MISSION, PLANNED ROUTE OF FLIGHT, STANDARD ROUTE FIXES AND WAYPOINTS): APPROACH TO A FULL STOP:

Planned upcoming presentations:

Tuesday, 15 Oct – Founders Night! Dinner at Daedalians Room at WPAFB Club and induction of new members. The speaker will be Joe Zeis, who will give us a “State of Ohio” address from the Governor’s office with a military perspective.

Tuesday, 19 Nov - Dinner meeting at WPAFB Club with a presentation from the 711th HPW/RHA (Human Performance Division) on current projects directed at how the Warfighters learn and train for their various missions.

Tuesday, 17 Dec - Annual Christmas Party at the WPAFB Club.

NOTAMS:

Flight 9 Volunteers: We believe (and National agrees) that Flight 9 has run excellent programs (Scholarships, DFT, JROTC, etc.), but to continue this excellence, we need the help and support of the Flight members. We seem to be having a difficult time getting volunteers to serve as Flight Officers or Committee Chairmen. As detailed below, we have been trying for some time to fill the DFT Chairman slot, and we have been advertising for a Publicity Chairman for years without success. Most of the positions do not take a great amount of time, but do require a person in that position. Most of us are retired, and have the time to help out. Having Officers-for-Life may be convenient, but it can also lead to stagnation. We all did what we needed to do in our flying jobs, so how about helping out the Frank P. Lahm Flight now?

I will be stepping down at the end of this year from the Flight Captain position to spend more time with my aging mother and my kids that are getting near to graduation. The upcoming years will require even more of my time. Plus I'm still working and coaching various high school and recreational sports teams. On top of that I'm on the National Board of Trustees for the Daedalians. It's time to get some fresh ideas for the flight as I've been your Flight Captain for eight years now. I won't be far away and will still help out as needed. The rest of the team is extraordinary and will make the next Flight Captain's job very easy.

New Deputy Flight Captain: We are pleased to announce that Ed Mentzer has stepped up and volunteered to fill the position of Deputy Flight Captain! We greatly appreciate his willingness to serve again after 14 years as our Provost Marshall. Thanks, Ed!

DFT Chairman Needed (Help!): Although Ed Mentzer is filling the position of Deputy Flight Captain, we are separating the Daedalian Flight Training (DFT) into a separate committee, and we still NEED A CHAIRMAN FOR THAT COMMITTEE! **Many thanks go out to Dick Brubaker and Chuck Poore for stepping up to help run the DFT program this year. But, I still need a volunteer to run the DFT program. Please consider volunteering and these gentlemen can help you learn the ropes for next year.** For most of the year the DFT Chairman does not have to put too much time into the DFT program. The chairman will receive the DFT applications, conduct a DFT Selection Committee meeting, notify the winners, monitor their progress, and coordinate with the Treasurer and the Commercial flight instruction facility. Flight 9 has run excellent programs

Article Writers (Publicity Chairman): Do we have any writers out there? We really need some help writing articles about our monthly meetings to post in the National magazine. How about putting your creative mind to work and help us out? We do a lot of wonderful things in the flight and it would be nice to share them with the other flights. National is also always looking for stories and articles for their newly named "Aviator" magazine. In the January electronic newsletter there were two articles pertaining to Flight-9. Check it out! They still have the Daedalus Flyer magazine (longer with more and different topics) available at <http://daedalians.org/programs/daedalus-magazine/>

Presenters Needed: Many of our flight members (you) have worked with extremely interesting aviation-related programs and/or missions. We would like to invite you to be a speaker at one of our monthly meetings. You just have to prepare a 30-40 minute presentation. If you are not a PowerPoint person, we would be glad to help you prepare any slides you would need. It's nice to hear from people on the outside, but it would also be great to hear from our own members about their experiences. If you would be willing to be a presenter, just contact our Programs Chairman, Jazz Jannazo at flt9programs@gmail.com. Thanks!

Glider Incentive Flights (Repeat): Do you know of any deserving student with aspirations to become a military aviator? This is your Daedalian organization, so please feel free to nominate someone for a glider ride who dreams of becoming a military aviator and may not have a local JROTC program in which to participate.

Flight 9 Website: Have you checked out our Flight 9 website at <http://flight-9.weebly.com/>? On the home page you will find a new video each month. In 2019 we are featuring videos from the Vietnam War, to commemorate the start of that conflict 65 years ago. You can check out all of the other videos and pictures we've uploaded to the site at: <https://flight-9.weebly.com/videos-pictures.html>.

Aviation Blog: The following are links to articles currently on the National Aviation Blog webpage. Each month we plan to update this list so that you may select any article that piques your interest. I really enjoyed the article on re-winging of the A-10:

<https://daedalians.org/meet-the-first-female-marine-f-35b-pilot/>

<https://daedalians.org/first-operational-loss-replacement-hh-60g-pave-hawk-delivered-to-the-u-s-air-force/>

<https://daedalians.org/flightplan-military-transition-to-commercial-aviation/>

<https://daedalians.org/airbus-delivers-200th-uh-72a-to-army-aviation-center-of-excellence/>

<https://daedalians.org/air-force-completes-a-10-re-winging-to-keep-iconic-aircraft-flying-for-years-to-come/>

<https://daedalians.org/military-to-have-2936-aircraft-with-ads-b-out-by-jan-1-air-force-says/>

<https://daedalians.org/heres-why-the-marine-corps-is-losing-experienced-pilots-and-what-it-can-do-to-fix-it/>

<https://daedalians.org/air-force-stemmed-its-pilot-crisis-chief-says/>

<https://daedalians.org/vr-based-simulators-trimmed-syllabi-how-vance-is-meeting-the-need-for-more-pilots/>

<https://daedalians.org/exclusive-as-more-troops-head-to-the-u-s-mexico-border-drones-designed-for-war-could-be-going-too/>

Got Any Old Fying Pictures (Repeat)? A number of you have sent us photos to include in the dinner slide show, but we would like more. We would really like are some pictures of our members with any of the airplanes they flew (e.g., from UPT, first ops mission, etc.). You can get them to us one of three ways:

1. If you have them digitally, you can email them to Jim DeStout at flt9adjutant@gmail.com.
2. If they are too large for email, you can upload them to our Pcloud "Daedalian Pictures" cloud folder by going to: <https://my.pcloud.com/#page=puplink&code=UC6Z5GWsYR7pF9bc1wL4TV8Y3QSzTXIk>
3. If you have paper photos and need them scanned you can bring them to a meeting or mail them to: Jim DeStout, 2499 Brown Bark Dr, Beavercreek OH 45431

If you have any questions, you can call Jim DeStout at 927-426-2999.

Facebook: Don't forget to check out our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/DaedaliansFlight9>
 Also you may want to check out Nationals Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Order-of-Daedalians-447126498656650/>

Items From National

Other National Info(Repeat) : Check out National's Virtual Flight and Daedalian Blog. On their Blog you can read and comment on different Airpower articles. Information on both can be found on their web page: <http://daedalians.org>. We have also added a link to the National Blog on the "National-Flights" page of our website.

Transition to New Database (Repeat): Work continues on the national Salesforce transition as HQ has started adding features. Flight-9 is being used for "beta testing". We will get well versed on it as the folks doing the transition work on the flight pages add/implement the features we need. When the Salesforce database is ready, the plan is to shut down the Apollo site.

NEXT FLIGHT-9 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING (TOUCH-N-GO): The next Exec Council meeting will be on Tuesday, 24 Sep, at noon at Fly-Boys Deli at the Fairfield Commons Mall. All are welcome --please come join us. If you haven't had a chance to check out this new deli, the aviation-based décor and food are delightful.

Frank P. Lahm, Flight-9 Officers and Committee Chairs

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Volabamus... Volamus (We Flew... We Fly) – Kathy Staiger