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Darrell M. Collins
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Monday, March 5
7:00-9:00 PM

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Exhibitors Welcome
Chairman's Corner

By Rod Brekken, Chairman NDAC

The first and last parts of this column will be devoted to inviting you to the best aviation symposium between Seattle and Chicago. In between, I will pose some questions.

As I write this column, I think about all the people who have been influential in organizing the Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium since its inception. They had excellent foresight! They were tenacious, they were cunning, they were smart and in some ways, they were lucky. They were willing to volunteer their time, their efforts and sometimes, unselfishly, use their personal finances to ensure the "show would go on". They were also willing to endure a raised eyebrow from their employers for using "company time" to attend a meeting, plan a meeting, or take calls that related to symposium planning. They took time away from their kids, their spouses, their jobs, and probably more importantly, volunteered their own personal time to ensure the symposium would be as much of a success as it could be. These

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North Dakota Flying Farmers

On December 9, 2000, 17 North Dakota Flying Farmers braved the cold wind and snow to attend a Christmas dinner at the Larry and Diane Dahl home south of Cogswell, North Dakota. After most everyone ate too much food, President Jerome Arneson called a meeting to order. Queen Marilyn Arneson gave a report of her travels as International Queen and future conventions that she plans to attend.

Marilyn is working on Queen’s Day which will be held this Spring but no date has been set yet. Region 5 Director Ardie Zimbleman gave a report and talked about the IFF Workshop coming up January 31 through February 4th in Wichita, Kansas. The Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota convention will be held in Marshall, Minnesota on June 16-18, 2001. Let’s all plan on attending.

Dennis Risovi distributed a packet of information for a possible ski trip to Whitefish, Montana in February 2001. The complete package includes train ticket, hotel rooms and ski lift. Prices vary depending on hotel. If interested, contact Dennis at (701) 547-3545.

Roger Pfeiffer, Secretary
ND Flying Farmers

From The Editor:

Once again, the tireless hard work, long hours after everyone’s “real” jobs and the incredible effort by everyone involved has paid off and this year’s Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium is about to begin. A quick glance at the schedule will show you that each member group within the North Dakota Aviation Council has done its utmost to bring attendees an absolutely packed program.

Everyone is hoping that the shift to a Saturday afternoon start will help provide the chance for those who can’t easily get many weekend days off to attend the vast bulk of the meeting’s presentations. Increased turnout for the weekend sessions may lead to further refinements in the schedule in coming years, leading to a mostly weekend get together that should further help to increase participation. Let Symposium organizers know if you feel the new schedule works or not. It’s feedback from attendees that helps the Council makes its decisions affecting everyone.

Every reader should recognize the value to the Council and the Symposium of our exhibitors and sponsors. The Symposium’s costs are far from cheap; easily running well into the 5 figure range every single year. Without the exhibitors’ fees and the generous support from our many sponsors, what we have and what is available to see and attend would be far, far smaller. The Quarterly joins the Council and each attendee in saying a deeply felt “Thank You” to all of those who pay the fees, write the sponsorship checks and make to the trip to the Symposium each year.

We appreciate their support and encourage every attendant to express their thanks by considering our sponsors when it comes time to spend on aviation-related items.

We hope everyone will enjoy “Kitty Hawk on the Horizon” this year and bring from it a sense of the size and diversity of the aerospace community in our state. Enjoy this “Symposium Special” issue of the Quarterly, register soon, and we’ll see you there!

Andrew S. Niemyer, Editor-in-Chief
FROM THE DIRECTOR’S CHAIR

By Gary Ness

The Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium is “on the HORIZON” with a slate of events that will keep us all busy for those three days in March. Mark your calendar with their white badges that will be among the group that make up the Council.

The first Officers of the Council:
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The Council planned the Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium to be held on March 12, 13, 14 & 15, 1984 in Bismarck. There were 78 exhibitors in the hall for visits; some of those supporters are still in the hall today. Waypoint Avionics, Sky Tractor Supply Co., Tanis Aircraft Service, Inc., University of North Dakota, Omaha Airplane Supply and Champion Spark Plugs, just to name a few (and to put myself into position to forget someone).

The agenda tried to cover all of the concerns of the industry. Would you believe that Dr. Art Lamey was giving the FUNGICIDE update to the NDAA? Mark Holzer was briefing the AAND of airport projects. Zimmerman Contracting Inc. was talking about crack filling to AAND. The agenda is full of good things to know and the topics that were dear to the hearts of all that had gathered; aircraft insurance, “How to Justify an Airport in Your City,” airport bonding, and airport management responsibilities were also topics.

One of the BEST that is found in the schedule had to be “USING THE AUTO-
MATED FLIGHT SERVICE STATION,” Ron Kreidencamp, FAA-FSS at Grand Forks was the main target at that presentation.

The banquet was chaired by Dennis Rohlfes, Executive Air Taxi, the speakers of the evening were Governor Al Olson and Quentin Taylor, FAA-Deputy Associate Administrator for Airports. That was a line-up of heavy hitters in 1984.

As we look forward to the past with the theme “KITTY HAWK ON THE HORIZON,” we should also look back to those that made this event the positive influence it is on the industry.

I’m looking forward to the legislative session this year. It is always exciting to see the reorganization of both houses of the legislature and this year we have a new governor and his staff to brief on the needs of aviation and its role in the state’s economy. As the session starts and proceeds, if you are in town stop out at the airport and visit the staff of the Commission. We always like to see our friends that we have contact with during the year.

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are obviously very unselfish people, and when you see them at the upcoming UMAS with their white badges that say “HOST” on the bottom, please take the time to thank them for their superhuman efforts.

Do you know of a business that would like to become a hospitality sponsor or exhibitor for the 2001 “Kittyhawk on the Horizon” Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium? We would love to hear from them. We have numerous events that need hospitality sponsors. They can become a hospitality sponsor by calling 701-436-3996 and just leaving a message. They can also be an exhibitor by calling 701-663-1305 and leaving a message also. We will call them back with the available times and/or booth space.

Are you coming with your spouse and would like to have some fun? Plan on attending the Dessert Bingo Luncheon on Monday, March 5th at 1:30, and please bring two $10 gifts to be used as prizes.

Have you ever wondered where your aviation profession began? A gentleman from Kitty Hawk, South Carolina will be at the symposium to explain how you got to where you are and why.

Do you have any western apparel to wear on Monday, March 4th? The “Riders In The Sky” exhibitors’ night party will be held at 6:00 pm and we want you to feel “right at home” with the decor we have planned for the Crystal Exhibition Ballroom. We will have cowboy bar-tenders and waitresses, a western theme throughout the room, an opportunity to take pictures of you in your western garb, a fantastically delicious ranch barbeque and prizes for all. Oh, and a special attraction will be the centerpiece of the exhibit hall that you won’t want to miss!! Plan to bring your own hats and spurs if you like. As far as I know right now, we have to leave the horses tied up outside, but we are still working on that!

What does your child actually know about your job? We plan to explain your job to as many 5th and 6th grade students as we can on Tuesday, March 6th. We will have static exhibits at the Ramada Plaza Suites, the Air National Guard at Hector International Airport and the Fargo Air Museum, which will

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The Wright Brothers...Man's First Flight?
(I'm not so sure)

By Ken Ness, KBIS

Well, I'm sure you have all heard the story about man's first flight. How on a cold North Carolina day, the Wright Brothers soared into aviation history. Well, believe it or not, North Dakota shares in that history. In fact, contrary to popular belief, man's first flight took place in North Dakota and not North Carolina.

Here is that story, and I believe, the truth as I know it.

In 1903, Wilbur and Orville Fergerson were two old North Dakota bachelor farmers. Being the poor farmers that they were, they were not always that way. Some say they had lost a small fortune in a get-rich scheme of selling Prairie Prune Perfume door to door. But, that's another story for another time.

For years Wilbur and Orville scratched away at the dirt trying to make a go of it. Theirs wasn't a big farm and they didn't have a lot of money. But, what they did have was an idea. You see, back then putting in the crop wasn't breaking enough, but the harvesting was pure torture. And it is here that their dream became history.

One day, as he was wiping the sweat from his face, Orville said to Wilbur, "Ya sure, thirs got to be a petter way, ya know!" Wilbur stood silently, staring at Orville nodding in agreement. Then suddenly his mind's light came on. Wilbur had an idea. With plans drawn on some old meat wrappers, the Fergerson brothers headed to the shop where they fixed bicycles during the winter months.

Day after day, month after month, they toiled. The shop became a frenzy of work as the brothers hammered, drilled, welded, & pounded steel. The noise was deafening. Like that of a dozen blacksmiths shops the clanging and banging and hammering continued. The neighbors complained of the noise, but that didn't deter the Fergersons. Blind passion prevailed, their sweat became blood. Their work became a mission, a quest. Wilbur's idea would not be denied.

Finally, on a clear Sunday morning in 1903, the noise stopped. It was done. They threw the bicycle shop doors open and out into the bright sunlight rolled their creation. It was a gas-powered, chain-driven, fan cooled, lever-controlled combine. The machine was awesome. In front was a large paddle-like wheel, in back was a huge fan that cooled the largest engine this side of the Missouri. It was 20 feet high and over five tons of gun metal gray, hardened steel. It could cut a swath 20 feet wide.

Wilbur looked over to Orville and said "Lets go!" They pushed their metal monster to some sand dunes just north of town. It would be on this land, owned by Kitty Chalk, the local school marm, that farming history would be made.

The time had come to test their dream. Wilbur climbed on board. Having to lay on his stomach, he tested the controls. Orville went to the rear and started spinning the propeller shaped fan blades. The engine coughed and choked and sputtered at first. But then with a thunderous roar and belching out a black cloud of thick smoke the engine came to life. The combine shook with power. Every bolt, every screw strained to keep it all together.

Wilbur adjusted his goggles and looked down at Orville. Orville gave him thumbs up. Wilbur pulled back on the clutch. The large paddle wheels started spinning. Slowly at first, but they soon became a blur. The power was frightening, the noise deafening, the shaking became violent. Wilbur felt that any second the whole thing could explode.

Huge clouds of smoke and dust engulfed the man and his machine. Wilbur pushed forward on the accelerator. The beast started to move. Instantly it picked up speed. Orville ran along side but couldn't keep up. Wilbur pushed the lever forward some more. The speed was surprising.

Like a shot, the combine raced down the dunes bouncing from side to side. Wilbur fought for control of a machine that left the ground. 5, 10, 15, 20 feet above the ground he rose. Wilbur was face strained with determination. With one last desperate move he pushed the accelerator to the floor.

Faster and faster he went. The combine bounced into the air then hit the ground with a hard thud. For dear life Wilbur hung on. Again and again it bounced, each time hitting the ground harder and harder until...it left the ground.

Wilbur looked to the side, 5, 10, 15, 20 feet above the ground he rose. Wilbur was flying. Down the dunes he soared. He banked, he dipped, he flew over Orville who was standing there looking up, mouth wide open in total and complete amazement.

Wilbur circled the field in wide arch and then brought the combine in for a landing. It hit the ground hard, bounced up and hit hard again. First one wheel, then the other. Desperately Wilbur pulled back on the brake. The nose dipped and the combine plowed into the sand. Dust and dirt flew into the air. Screams of shearing bolts and tearing metal filled his ears.

The fan and paddle wheel exploded into the air and were hurled across the field. Finally, in a cloud of black smoke, it came to rest.

Orville ran out and pulled Wilbur out of the rubble of twisted metal and debris. For a long time they stared at each other not saying a word. Then Wilbur spoke, "What have we done, Orville?"

In numbing shock they returned to their bicycle shop at the farm. For you see, they were farmers at heart, tillers of the soil, reapers of the harvest. All they wanted to do was make a machine that would make farming easier. To give to the farmer the ability to plant and harvest more. One couldn't do that with a machine that left the ground.

Broke and disheartened the Fergerson brothers moved to Montana to raise sheep, never again venturing into the combine business.

Months later Wilbur Fergerson was reading a newspaper article about a couple of brothers in North Carolina who invented a flying machine. Wilbur turned to Orville and said, "Uh, what'll they think of next!"

Well, now you know the real story about man's first flight. And you can be assured that it's the truth....as I know it.
North Dakota Pilots Association
By Dan Vigesan, NDAA

Winter with a vengeance! It seems like we have already had more winter this year than we did all year last year. One good thing though, it makes the upcoming Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium more attractive than ever. What a great antidote for cabin fever!

This year looks to be a very good year for the Symposium. We start on Saturday which means that we all miss less work than in the past. For many of us this makes it easier to attend.

The pilot’s program looks like fun this year. Right from the “git-go” we start with a head-to-head competition between the best “Weather Information Systems” available. A WWF Cage Match between Kavouras, WSI, Pan Am Weather-mation and whoever else may be available.

Come cheer for your favorite! Come challenge the claims of the service providers. Vote for your first choice. The winner gets first consideration for service provider across the state sponsored by the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission.

Last year the North Dakota Pilots Association voted to accept a complimentary membership in the National Business Aviation Association. This year a representative of NBAA will show us how access and use the tremendous resources available from that organization. He will talk us through the Web Site, the periodicals, the research, the advocacy and all of the other work conducted by NBAA on behalf of general aviation. It should be an amazing asset in any pilot’s flight bag.

This year Fargo Tower is back with a discussion of procedures and the reasons for them.

The local FSDO Accident Prevention Specialist has a sobering look at the spine chilling command “After Landing – Please Call the Tower.” The Flight Service Station will talk about the flight to Oshkosh. Many other sessions are scheduled featuring AOPA, Cessna Pilot Centers, NOAA, etc. It should be a great show.

One of the features that we participate in is a panel discussion of general aviation issues.

President Clinton just signed an executive order that formed an Air Traffic Organization to handle air traffic control. Is this a step towards privatization? Is this a way to bypass Congress and assess user fees in spite of consistent congressional opposition? What does it mean and what is it for? I expect this and many other issues to be addressed by this panel. Don’t miss it. Your input may be just what we need to protect general aviation as we know it.

Meet me in Fargo at Ramada Plaza Suites on Saturday, March 3rd, 2001. We’ll boogie down and have an awesome time.

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| 2:00 PM to 2:50 PM | AAND
Business Meeting | Weather Reporting System
Informational Briefing - 1
Speaker TBD | NDAA
Open to attend Maxwell aircraft | * Maxwell Aircraft | * Maxwell Aircraft |
| 3:00 PM to 3:50 PM | AAND
Business Meeting | Weather Reporting System
Informational Briefing - 2
Speaker TBD | Drift Control
Bill Bagley,
Wilber Ellis | *FAA | *FAA |
| 4:00 PM to 4:50 PM | Airport Project Quality
Steve Synhorst P.E.
Ulteig Engineers | NDAA
Part 135 Update | Open | *FAA | *FAA |

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**Additional Rooms**
- Crystal Court East Lobby: Registration
- Signature I: Spouses
- Signature II: Organizational Sign-Up (key & sign-up list at registration)

**Additional Rooms**
- Sonata II: NDAC Meetings
- Overture: Organizational sign-up (Key & Sign-up list at Registration)
- Sonata I: FAA

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Ice Breaker - 5:00 PM till 9:00 PM Symphony Hall

**ROAD RAGE?**

Out of the way! I don’t want to miss a single session of “Kitty Hawk on the Horizon” the 2001 Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium at the Ramada Plaza Suites, Fargo, ND, March 3-5, 2001
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**Overture:** NDAA FAA Safety Update 4:00 PM to 4:50 PM  
**Symphony Hall:** General Session (Darrel Collins) at 5:15 PM  
**Riders in the Sky Night/Exhibits** - 6:15 PM till 10:00 PM  
**Hospitality Areas open** 10:00 PM till 1:00 AM
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- Steve Johnson, Grand Forks Regional Airport Authority  
- Tom Schauer, Bismarck Airports District Office  
**NDPA** - Weather Reporting System Informational Briefing - Speaker TBD  
**NDAAA** - Pass Program  
Randy Hardy  
Arlen Olson  
* Bill O'Brien  
* Bill O'Brien |
| 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | **AAND/NDAA** Aviation Economic Impact Briefing Jeri Rodriguez  
**NDPA** - Pass Program  
Randy Hardy  
Arlen Olson  
* Bill O'Brien  
* Bill O'Brien |
| 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM | **AAND/NDAA** Panel: Rates and Charges  
Moderator: TBD  
**NDPA** - **Fargo Air Traffic Control Tower** - Traffic Flow Procedures  
**NDAAA** - Pass Program  
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| 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM | **AAND/NDAA** GA Issues Panel  
- State, FAA, AAND, NDPA, NDAA  
Moderator: Gary Ness  
**NDPA** participates in GA Issues Panel in Brahms  
2:00 PM - 2:45 PM  
Pesticide Issues  
Andrew Thostenson, NDSU  
2:45 PM - 3:15 PM  
Enforcement Issues  
Gerry Thompson, NDSU  
**NDPA** Annual Meeting  
Break  
3:30 PM - 4:20 PM  
Drift Management & Spray Coverage  
Vern Hofman, NDSU  
4:20 PM - 4:50 PM  
Section 18 & 24C Updates  
Andrew Thostenson, NDSU  
**NDPAMA** Business Meeting  
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### Event Schedule
- **7:00 AM** Continental Breakfast in South Courtyard
- **7:30 AM** Welcome in South Courtyard
- **11:00 AM** - 2:00 PM Exhibit Area Open
- **12:00 AM** - 1:50 PM Exhibit Hall Lunch

**NDAC Organizational Meeting Room Sonata II**
**NDAA Business Meeting:**
**Social Hour South and East Courtyard:**
**Banquet Crystal I Ballroom:**
**Hospitality Areas East and South Courtyard:**
Preliminary Student Program For Tuesday March 6, 2001
“Spark The Interest In Aviation”
For Area 5th Grade Students

Out of Town Students (Non-Fargo, West Fargo, Moorhead)
Arrive at Ramada no later than 8:45 AM. Each group of 20-25 students will rotate between each 15-minute presentation.
- Out of town students finish at Ramada and travel to the NDANG for lunch upon arrival. Estimate lunch 11:30-11:50 AM
At approximately Noon the ND Air National Guard, ND Army Guard and ND Drug Interdiction/Helicopter team will begin their educational program at the main hangar or designated location. This program must finish by 1:00 PM in order for the out of town students to return for rural bus operations, etc.

In Town Students
Arrive at ND Air National Guard no later than 9:45 AM
At 10:00 AM the ND Air National Guard, ND Army Guard and ND Drug Interdiction/Helicopter team will begin their educational program at the main hangar or designated location. This program must finish by 11:00 AM in order for these students to have lunch at the NDANG. Leaving on the bus for the Ramada. Lunch should begin no later than 11:00 AM and finish by 11:20 AM. This group needs to be at the Ramada by 11:45 AM.

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Having just returned from the NAAA convention in Reno, NV, now would be a good time to extend an invitation to the agricultural aviators in our great state to join the NAAA and our state organization, NDAAA. Belonging to these two organizations can only serve to better maintain strength and unity for our industry, not to mention, the eyes of the public, EPA, FAA, and all other parties involved in various entities of agricultural. We need to stand together to continue serving the farming community with our services and do so in a safe and professional manner. Applications for NAAA membership can be obtained from me at this number 701-642-5969, NAAA at 202-546-5726. They will also be available at the NAAA registration both in Fargo at the Symposium in March.

Highlights of the NAAA convention were an open forum listening session with EPA, where EPA representatives discussed with applicators policies under consideration pertaining to pesticide drift management, also how the agency is enforcing the laws reassessing the safety of ag products and how the agency determines availability of these products to the agricultural aviation community. It was a good opportunity for Ag aviation operators to inform EPA about industry advances in technology and education to ensure safer applications of crop protection products. A listening session with the FAA allowed the Ag aviation industry to hear and discuss the latest proposals on federal policy pertaining to the operation of agricultural aircraft and medical certification. NAAA is working with the FAA to revise the FAR's pertaining to agricultural aviation and about FAA proposals that allow for aviation industry sectors to certify their own. The Results of these meetings will be published when conclusive policies are set, hopefully we will have some answers for everyone at the convention in March.

Other sessions at the convention included: Propulsion-Piston engines, Propulsion-Turbine engines, Helicopter, GPS, Ayers Corp, Air Tractor Corp, Gippsland Corp, Dromader, a CP nozzle session/breakfast, “PT 6 Hot Section for Dummies,” new parts and aircraft by Ayers, Air Tractor, Gippsland, Dromader, Orenda. New technology options included: electrostatic spray systems, spray quality for helicopter nozzles, tank mix and adjuvant effects on drift potential. Exhibits were provided by 114 exhibitors, exhibits provided information on aircraft, chemical, parts/dealers, finance, GPS, helicopters, insurance, petroleum, pilot training, propulsion, software, spray systems and support for all areas of aircraft. In closing the NAAA convention as well as the NAAA convention are extremely good opportunities for us, as the applicators of the future to use as tools to ensure we are as well informed, educated and professional as any of our counterparts in the business of Agriculture. We are a select few in a very large and judgmental world and only quality education and training can maintain our professional status in it, so consider these as options for your continued education.
Photo Caption
Number 7:

"And the winner is"...

Last issue’s photo from the 1996 Symposium Exhibitor Chili Cook-off stirred up the funny bones of quite a few entrants. We tried hard to include them, but our lawyers threw most of them out. Something about libel and slander. So here are our picks for the latest in what passes for humor in the Quarterly:

First Place: Woody Gunstenson, Moorhead, MN: “If the bathrooms don’t open soon, this could get ugly!”

Second Place: Steve Johnson, Grand Forks, ND: “Whoa, cut power! I’m caught in the blender!”

Third Place: Anonymous (we couldn’t read the name!) Holzer, Bismarck: “My gosh, those beans worked the chili is so hot the balloons are lifting the table! Or is it the dancing that’s so hot?”

Honorable Mention: Mark Holzer, Bismarck: “My gosh, the chili is so hot the balloons are lifting the table! Or is it the dancing that’s so hot?”

PAMA News

Landing: 2000 was a huge success last year. Our mission now is to make this year’s Symposium even bigger and better. Make sure you note the changes in the dates of this year’s Symposium. It will be held Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Hopefully this will make it easier for more to attend. Our feature for “Kitty Hawk on the Horizon” will be Bill O’Brian. Mr. O’Brian is the national resource specialist for the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington D.C. He will be speaking Monday morning.

This year’s Symposium will fulfill your IA renewal requirements. You will be required to attend a total of 8 hours of Symposium sessions. Included in the 8 hours, you must attend the FAA’s session on Saturday or the Bill O’Brian session on Monday. Punch cards will be available from one of the PAMA officers. These must be punched upon entering a session and turned in at the end of the session to the FAA. They provide verification of attendance to a minimum of eight hours of meetings. These cards will also be used for proof of meeting attendance for AMT awards credit.

Pete Shuldess from the South Dakota FSDO will also have an informative presentation Sunday afternoon about the history of the Wright Brother’s mechanic, Charles Taylor. Everyone is invited to enjoy the presentation; however, we cannot count this toward the eight hour IA renewal requirements.

Hope to see everyone in March.
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AAND News

For those of you planning to attend the Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium this year in Fargo, you'll note some changes. First, the dates have changed. The Symposium will be held Saturday through Monday, with a few activities flowing into Tuesday morning. The banquet is scheduled for Monday evening. Second, AAND's annual meeting will be up front...on Saturday afternoon...prior to the program of speakers. We hope you are all able to make that meeting and express your opinions on the future of AAND. The ice breaker we've become accustomed to will be held Saturday evening.

There's something in the AAND program track to interest everyone. There'll be the usual fact-filled presentations by the Bismarck ADO, Aeronautics Commission Staff, and regional FAA officials. Assuming the schedule holds, we should receive a message from one of our Washington legislators. If that's not enough to whet your appetite, you'll also be treated to the latest on airport zoning, environmental assessments, minimum standards, rates and charges, community relations, and airport legal issues. If you're like me, some of the best interaction and learning happens with peers during coffee breaks or meals. I usually pick up one or two tips or good ideas from the many exceptional exhibitors that are part of the event.

As my last official act, I want to encourage each of you to invite the managers of the airports near you and encourage their attendance at the Symposium. It doesn't matter if they're spray- ers or FBO managers, or something else entirely. There's always plenty to learn and good contacts to be made. See you there.

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All of the events I have outlined above are planned for the 2001 Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium! I didn’t have the time or space to outline them all! They will be listed in the Symposium schedule in the Quarterly. Take the time to look for the many interesting and informative educational sessions you can attend. We have moved the Symposium back one day in the week by starting on Saturday to accommodate those who wish to attend this Symposium and not interfere with their workweek. The mechanics IA renewal program will allow IA’s to receive recertification by attending two of the three days it is offered. This will allow most everyone to recertify. The efforts of all the committees that make this Symposium possible are superhuman and heroic. Their efforts make the continuation of aviation promotion, education and communication the best it can be for the Upper Midwest Aviation community and the world.

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Even if you do not plan on visiting us at the Symposium, we’d like to acquaint you with our organization: the North Dakota Aviation Council, “United We Stand.”

The North Dakota Aviation Council was founded in 1983 by six state aviation organizations interested in promoting aviation in the state and in presenting their concerns before government and the general public. NDAC was founded with the notion that solutions to problems facing aviation in this state can be best served by consolidating and working together rather than struggling as independent special interest groups.

NDAC seeks to serve aviation professionals by providing a forum for the exchange of information, ideas, and experience among their peer-pilots, agricultural operators, airport manager, FBO’s, mechanics and educators. Advancing their goal is an important function of the Upper Midwest Aviation Symposium (our annual convention). Over the years, NDAC has become and influential voice for the flying public and aviation services in North Dakota. By combining our talents and resources, we are set to explore answers to the most pressing issues of today and ready ourselves for the exciting challenges of tomorrow.

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