



NEWS In the Sky

May 2023

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May 4, 2023 - Social Hour 6:30 p.m.
Dinner Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP as soon as possible, but no later than noon the Tuesday before the Thursday Dinner Meeting, so we can get a count to the caterer (\$15 each). You can RSVP by sending an email to dinner@opa.aero

Speaker: Dana Lutz
Executive Director of Canadian County CASA



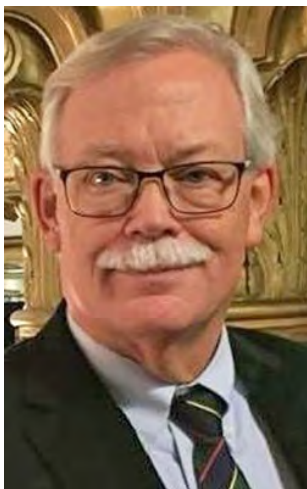
Dana Lutz is the Executive Director of Canadian County Court Appointed Children's Advocates, (CASA) Inc. Dana has been on staff with CASA since 2014 and was appointed Executive Director in 2019. Dana Lutz is originally from Tulsa, where she attended Berryhill High School. Dana received a Bachelor's degree in Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma. Her passion lies with helping children and making a difference within the child welfare system. It is her mission to grow the CASA program and provide all of the abused and neglected children of Canadian County with a CASA volunteer. In her free time, Dana enjoys travelling, playing volleyball and spending time with family and friends.



June 1, 2023 - Social Hour 6:30 p.m.
Dinner Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

OPA is accepting items until May for an auction scheduled for our August dinner meeting. Any items not selected for the auction will be welcome and used for door prizes for our dinner meetings. We expect to have some excellent items. This is a great opportunity to regift some of your aviation treasures and find new ones!

Subject:
Peaceful Air Power - Air Force One



Dr. Jeffery S. Underwood received his doctorate in American history from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1988. His first book, *The Wings of Democracy: The Influence of Air Power on the Roosevelt Administration, 1933-1941*, was published by Texas A&M University Press in 1991. More recently, his essay "Presidential Statesmen and U.S. Airpower: Personalities and Perceptions" appeared in *The Influence of Airpower upon History: Statesmanship, Diplomacy, and Foreign Policy since 1903*, edited by Robin Higham and Mark Parillo, from the University Press of Kentucky in 2013. From 1988 to 1999, Dr. Underwood worked as a historian for the United States Air Force with the Military Airlift Command, USAF Air Defense Weapons Center, First Air Force, and Air Combat Command. From 1999 until his retirement from the federal government in 2016, he was the historian for the National Museum of the United States Air Force at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. In addition to writing official histories and curating museum exhibits, he has written numerous articles and book reviews for professional journals and magazines. He has also done media interviews for the History Channel, PBS, National Geographic, BBC, CNN, MSNBC, C-SPAN, NPR, ABC, CBS, Fox, NBC, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and others.



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Bethany, Oklahoma 73008

Oklahoma Pilots Association is a member-controlled not-for-profit organization for all pilots and aircraft owners. OPA strives to serve the needs of general aviation pilots statewide, promoting aviation, education and safety in personal and business flying.

Membership consists of student pilots through airline transport pilots, both civil and military and is open to all pilots and aircraft owners. Annual membership dues are currently \$40.

OPA holds monthly dinner meetings at the C. E. Page Building on Wiley Post Airport in Oklahoma City. Distinguished guest speakers present educational and safety related programs at the monthly dinner meetings.

OPA hosts monthly Fly Aways for lunch or dinner and weekend Fly Aways to interesting destinations.

OPA, through its charitable non-profit corporation, accepts money or property donated to fund the Vic Jackson Memorial Scholarship Fund which is awarded annually to a college student with career aspirations in the field of aviation. Your contributions of money or property are tax deductible.

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Oklahoma Pilot's Association is planning to attend Fly Ins at Chickasha, Max Westheimer Airport, El Reno, and Guthrie this Summer. We plan to man a booth at each of these locations to provide information about joining OPA. The board would appreciate any help staffing these booths. The more volunteers we have, the less time will be needed to stay at the booth.

Board elections are coming up soon. If anyone would like to run for an office or serve on the board, please contact me or one of the board members.

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Pictures from the April Dinner Meeting

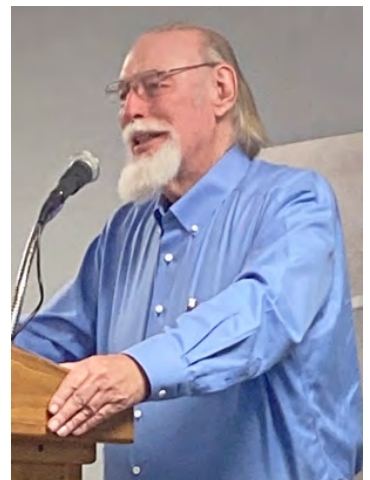
Thanks to Mike Grimes for the Pictures

Note from your Editor: Due to time constraints and medical problems, the article about the wonderful April OPA Dinner Meeting with George Braley will be printed in the June OPA Newsletter. Until then, enjoy the photographs. We had a great turn out to hear George's presentation! Thanks to Lee Holmes for arranging for our speaker.



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Our long awaited and anticipated presentation from George Braley, head of Engineering at GAMI finally happened at our April OPA Dinner Meeting. Now you just have to wait for the article about the presentation. For those unfamiliar, George and GAMI are world renowned developing outstanding products such as balanced injectors, the turbo / intercooled Cirrus & Cardinal and many others too numerous to mention. His latest brainchild is G100UL avgas, the ONLY FAA approved drop-in replacement for 100LL. George had some wonderful insight and knowledge about what is coming our way with fuel requirements.





OPA Fly Away - OSU Flying Aggies 75th Anniversary Fly-In 11 AM – 3 PM, Saturday, April 1, 2023 - Stillwater Regional Airport



Thanks to Jeff Sandusky and Elise McLendon for the great pictures!





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Wheels Down by 10:00 a.m.
3161 College Blvd. - Alva, OK 73717
Lunch provided at the airport**



Our host there is Plane Plastics, one of the largest manufacturers of plastic replacement parts for our airplanes. We will have a tour of the factory, including an employee making a plane part so we see how it is done. Plane Plastics is the General Aviation Leader in Interior Plastics. It is an ESOP and ISO 9002 Registered Company for Quality Assurance.

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After the tour Plane Plastics is providing hot dogs and chips at the factory – Soooo – a good head count for lunch is helpful by Friday Noon, May 19th. Please call me, Lee Holmes, at 405-833-7201 with names of attendees. Leave your information if I do not answer.

MAY 27

WATONGA REGIONAL AIRPORT

FLY-IN BREAKFAST
Watonga Regional Airport
Saturday May 27th 8am-10am

Breakfast will be served from 8am-10am or until we run out of food.
Fly-In or Drive-In, we will be serving all!

With the anticipation of Roman Nose State Park Lodge Restaurant opening, we hope you will come spend the day in Watonga!

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All scheduled items are subject to change

2023 OPA Calendar

- May 4 - OPA Dinner Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport
- May 20 - OPA Flyaway Alva, OK Plane Plastics**
Wheels Down - 10:00 am
- May 18 - OPA Board Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport
- June 1 - OPA Dinner Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport
- June 3 - OPA Fly Away - Chickasha, OK Fly In & Car Show**
- June 17 - OPA Fly Away - Stearman Field, KS**
- June 15 - OPA Board Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport
- July 6 - OPA Dinner Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport
- July 15 - OPA Fly Away - Beaumont, KS**
Grass Strip - 2400 ft.
- July 20 - OPA Board Meeting** 6:30 pm
Page Building, Wiley Post Airport

Make dinner meeting reservations at dinner@opa.aero

\$15 per Dinner due to increased cost. If no RSVP, \$20 at the door if food is available.

Monthly Oklahoma Fly-Ins

- 1st Saturday - Ponca City Aviation Booster Fly-In Breakfast - Call Don Nuzum 580-767-0470
- 1st Saturday - Pauls Valley Lunch Fly In Call 405-268-3925 (Breakfast in Summer)
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- 3rd Saturday - Goldsby Airport Breakfast Donations benefit youth aviation

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