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## Prez Sez

Somewhat to my surprise, we survived my first year at the helm! Many thanks to everyone who made 2013 a great year for Chapter 83.

Just to mention a few:

>Williams Aviation--sponsored the Turner Coach that took us and members of the Air Guard to Dayton, Ohio for a day the the National Museum of the US Air Force. Chad and Misty also provided an owner maintenance forum and lunch at our November meeting!

>Hoosier Aviation--furnished breakfast on the Dayton trip, provided space for several of our meetings and activities, underwrote meals and lodging for the crew of Flagship Detroit, opened the new hangar to us for our December open house, and continue to just make flying out of HUF better for everyone.

>The Casey, IL Airport Advisory Board who not only hosted a meeting, but took us on a bus to the Moonshine Restaurant AND bought our lunch!

>The folks at Freeman Field in Seymour, IN who gave us lots of personal attention on a tour of their museum.

>Bob and Lisa Brickley, our HUF ATCT liaisons who keep us up to date on local safety issues, lead training for us and provide great ideas for chapter activity and direction.

>All the leadership team--Bill particularly, who stayed on as newsletter editor, kept me pointed in the right direction and made the transition easy; John--who keeps assuring

## The Xenos Flies!!!

Dale Barkley brought his 3-year build project to a successful conclusion on December 19th with an inspection and sign-off by the DAR. [And then it flew!!!!](#) (A little bit.) We had a few minutes of flyable weather on Friday the 20th and Elliot Abel squeezed in a couple of high-speed taxis followed by a brief up and down, over-the-runway flight. Dale is looking forward to more flying as soon as weather permits.

The Xenos (Sonex spelled backwards) is a self-launching motor glider powered by an 80hp VW engine conversion. It will be at HUF for a while as the hours are flown off before Dale heads back to Paris with it. Sporting a wingspan of nearly 46 feet, it's a beautiful plane with impressive capabilities. Here's a link where you can read more about the design.

<http://www.sonexaircraft.com/aircraft/xenos.html>

**Congratulations Dale!!!! Well done!**



## Meeting Calendar

(Other non-meeting events will be scheduled month-by-month)

us we're solvent; Jeff Wellum for his dual roles as secretary and YE coordinator; Jeff Tucker in his dual roles as YE coordinator and webmaster; and Jim Fisher who is always there to bounce ideas off of, smooth out and update our web text and take over when I bug out.

>All the great members in this chapter who never lack for good cheer and helping hands. What a great community to be a part of!!!

We're off and running for next year--the meeting calendar is in the next column. We'll be adding special fly-outs and other events between meetings, too.

Fly lots--be safe!

Alan



## Fun Places to Fly

We've got a pretty good collection of places spotted for fly-outs between meetings, but that doesn't mean we don't want to hear about more! Here's an [interesting website](#) to explore for Indiana places--and you can explore other states as well. Someone did a very nice job collecting ideas!

Jan 11th--Safety meeting. Icing and local radar ops, followed by tower and TRACON tour. THIAA board room. Time tba.

Feb 8th--FAAST Team Wings course: (Tentative) ADS-B--regs and equipment

Mar 8th--Fly-out meetings begin!  
Edgar Co Airport, Paris, IL

April 12th--Sullivan Airport

May 10th--Mattoon, IL

June 14th--Shawnee Field, Bloomfield, IN

July 12th--Kephart Field, IN01 (Waco restorations)

Aug 9th--Casey, IL

Sept 13th--Greencastle

Oct 11th--Hendricks County

Nov 8th--tba--weather dependent

Dec 13th--Holiday gathering



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