



LOBO WING CHATTER

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CONGRATULATIONS

Brigadier General (USAF, Ret.) John D. "Mike" Rice recipient of the New Mexico Aviation Aerospace Association (NMAAA) Award as a "Pioneer of Aviation" for dedication and commitment to the field of aviation in New Mexico, given this day August 17, 2018. Mike as he's called by us all, served 28 years with the New Mexico Air National Guard and Arkansas Air National Guard flying RF-101s, A-7s and F-16s among other varied assignments. After retirement, Mike stayed in Albuquerque and served as Director, Aviation Division, New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) under two governors and then became the Director of Aviation, City of Albuquerque, responsible for the Albuquerque Sunport and Double Eagle II Airport.

In addition, for the last 16 years Mike has been part of the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta serving in all officer positions including 2 years as President.

Mike is a 20-year member of the Lobo Wing. He is the Operations Director and also flies the PT-26. As you can see Mike lets no grass grow under his feet!



PT-26 Pilot



PT-26 Inspection



Janice & Mike

PT-26 ANNUAL / LOEFI

The "annual" on the PT-26 was completed just in time to fly it to the Land of Enchantment Fly In (LOEFI) at Double Eagle Airport on August 25th. Attendance was good and happy to report the Lobo Wing PX did very well. Thanks to all who participated.



Ken & Dave McBride, Pilot



Mike Rice, & Andy Wells
PT-26 Pilots



Young EAA Eagles



FEELS GOOD,
SOUNDS GOOD ,
GOOD TO GO !

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We welcome our newest member Dustin Tilbury. Dustin is a former race car driver and will definitely be an asset to the Lobo Wing working with metal (cars, now airplanes). His dad, Korry Tilbury has been a Lobo Wing member for over a year.



Dustin Tilbury



Dad, Korry Tilbury

WAIT.....

There's more to this family.
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NEW FACEBOOK MANAGER

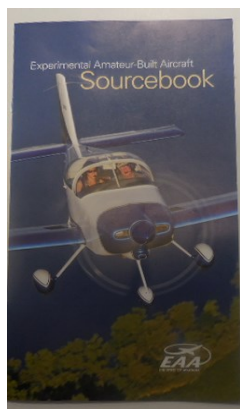
Surprise! Welcome KAREN TILBURY. Karen is the wife of Korry and mother of Dustin Tilbury. Karen has years of Facebook management experience. During Dustin's racing career, Karen managed his Facebook page. Karen is very good, responsive and quick to get the story, picture or whatever is needed to make the Lobo Wing Facebook a must follow on social media. So, check us out on Facebook: CAF Lobo Wing.

Thank you, Karen!



OSKOSH VETERAN

For many, many years, Russ Purina has gone to the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh for the duration to work. Whatever they needed done Russ was there to help. He has been rewarded this year with his picture on the backside of their brochure! Image thousands and thousands of brochures! Several of our Lobo Wing members were also in Oshkosh this year and immediately recognized Russ' picture. Not actually seeing him during the event (about 590,000 people in attendance) he was shown the brochure back at the Hangar and Russ being Russ seemed surprised (he probably didn't go thru the entrance gate so never got a brochure) but nonchalantly smiled and said, "that's me!"



GOODBYE & FAREWELL

Former member and good friend, Mike Seccina, quietly moved away to new digs in the Atlanta area. We wish him well and will always be welcomed back for visits to check on the progress of the AT-11 project he worked on so diligently. Don't forget us Mike. We all wish you the best!



FORMER LOBO WING MEMBER GONE WEST

Former Lobo Wing member and Maintenance Officer, James (Jim) Malek, Maj, USAF Retired, passed away March 12, 2018. Jim was a long time Lobo Wing member and was a driving force behind finishing the PT-26 project. He was also retired from the Air Force having been a P-51, F-86 (survived two ejections after engine failures), C-133, T-29 and C-123 (Vietnam) pilot during his career. Jim was preceded in death by his wife, of 64 years, Geraldine on December 3, 2017. Interment took place on August 23, 2018 at the Santa Fe National Cemetery.



Jim Malek 1930-2018



Daughter Leslie Malek Chavez & husband
Donated some of Jim's aviation related books.

PLANNING AHEAD

September 14-15	Santa Fe; AOPA Regional FlyIn
September 22	Moriarty Pinto Bean Festival (Lobo Wing will have a booth)
September 27	Alamogordo NMAAA STEM Expo
October 1-7	Double Eagle Airport; B-25, Maid in the Shade, Arizona Wing
October 27	5th Annual Lobo Wing Bowling Tournament Fundraiser, Santa Ana Casino

Lobo Wing Leader, Dave McBride, has recently emailed detailed information on the above events. More reminders will be sent out. Volunteer and support the Lobo Wing's participation.

'til next time.....

Remember: The Lobo Wing is small, but mighty!

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