



**A NORTHWEST FLYING ADVENTURE  
CUTILLO'S NOVEMBER 30**

**By Taildragger to the Northwest**

Rob Dant was planning a two week trip in his Skyhawk to the west coast, but a flying friend agreed at the last minute to fly his Cessna 180 instead. Rob, Michael with the 180, and Michael's uncle Donald departed from Brandywine Airport on a 17-day trip through the northern states to their destination in Spokane, Washington. They'll be telling us all about it at our regular meeting on November 30.

Rob got his license in 1998 at Brandywine Airport. His inspiration was his father who used to take him flying when he was young. He currently owns a 1974 Skyhawk and has about 1700 hours PIC, almost all VFR recreational flying.

The meeting will be at Cutillo's, 2688 East High Street. We start with cocktails about 1800 followed by dinner, with the meeting starting at 2000. Call for reservations 610-327-2912.

**It's Getting Colder**

The season brings some good news and some bad news for us pilots. The plane leaps off the ground in the cool air, and many days you can see forever—no more summer haze. But it's also time to make sure you're using that lighter weight oil, putting on winterization baffles, and maybe putting a blanket in the back seat for the passengers that the heater doesn't quite warm. There's snow and ice to think about too, so brush up on your weather analysis and protect your plane, if it lives outdoors. Preheat. The list goes on and on. But we fly all year, and will look forward to some nice trips.

**Missing the Leaves**

Well, maybe the leaves were blowing around, but we would have been out of control. This time it was wind, and lots of it, that wiped out a flyout, so we'll think Sky Acres another time.

**Flying for Food—A New Place at an Old One**

Each year at this time, we start thinking about indoor activities. No more air museums, beaches, or air shows. It's time for a simple brunch flight. While we've gone to our November 19 destination, Cambridge, MD (CGE) before, we've always gone to the restaurant in the FBO building. This time breakfast will be served at Kay's, in the "terminal" building we've noticed at the north end of

the field. It has a good reputation, and will cap a nice flight down the Delmarva peninsula.

This time of year, you can really enjoy the improved performance that the cool air brings, without worrying too much about ice. Join us, and bring your friends, or maybe a student pilot who can learn about cross-country operation on this pleasant 104 nm jaunt.

We'll gather at Penn Airways at 0830 for 0900 departure. As always, it's share the ride, so if you will have room in your plane for passengers, or will need a ride, contact Gene Poppel at 610-647-1332 or [genepoppel@comcast.net](mailto:genepoppel@comcast.net).

**Election Time Approaches**

It's not too soon to be thinking about the annual meeting in January. Broad participation in running and operating the organization is key to our survival. A seat on the Board is an excellent place to help bring your ideas to PAOP's future. A call for nominations to the Board will be coming soon.

**Celebrating the Holidays**

As you see from the invitation attached to the newsletter, it's time for the PAOP Christmas party. This year, it's on December 16, well known to Peanuts fans as the birthday of Ludwig van Beethoven. There will be a full course meal, music and dancing, and door prizes. Feast on prime rib, crabmeat-stuffed flounder, or chicken cordon bleu. If you haven't sent in your reservation, just fill in the one on the other side and send it with your check. The return date is December 8. Unfortunately, we've had to raise the price to \$35, but it's still a good deal.

**PAOP's Project Pilot**

We've read about the AOPA initiative to bring experienced pilots together with students, to mentor them through their training. PAOP is embarking on a related program. Each student pilot at the Limerick Flight Center will be introduced to a PAOP mentor. We'll tie in with all the materials available through AOPA, and make our effort part of theirs. If you would like to participate, get the word to Barb Zeigler or Gene Poppel. It's a way to nurture a new pilot and for PAOP to reach out further into the aviation community.

**Serving Youth**

At the last board meeting, we had a presentation by the Boy Scouts about starting an Aviation Explorer post. There's a lot to it, and if we do it we would need volunteers. Contact Mike Sehl, if you're interested or have questions.

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**PAOP PO Box 140 Devon, PA 19333**

**Your request must be received by December 8, 2006**

**Make check payable to PAOP, Inc.**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_**

**Indicate the number of dinners for each choice:**

**\_\_\_ Prime Rib of Beef**

**\_\_\_ Flounder Stuffed with Crabmeat**

**\_\_\_ Chicken Cordon Bleu**

**Price of dinner is \$35 per person. Total payment \$\_\_\_\_\_**