



**RED MONSTERS COMING—  
LOBSTER FEST SEPTEMBER 27 AT THE ROOST**

**Get Cracking**

It's lobster time, one of the highlights of the PAOP summer season. And you may have noticed, it's the last outdoor meeting of the year. We've done away with the October dinner, after a few years of nearly freezing.

So September 27 is your last chance to enjoy the outdoor ambience of the Flyers' Roost for a PAOP outdoor dinner meeting. You'll have a steaming, tasty 1 ½ pound crustacean treat, along with baked potato, and salad. Corn is a definite probably not, at this time of year. Don't forget your lobster tools for best results.

We get started with cold beverages and appetizers around 1800 on Thursday September 27, and then start dipping our lobsters in that melted butter about 1900, or whenever we can't wait any longer. Unfortunately, with the high cost of lobsters (\$18.95 last year, who knows how much this year?), we will have to charge \$20. If you prefer steak, that will be available, too, for \$15. That favorite of the hearty eating set, surf and turf, will cost \$30. As always, we appreciate any appetizers or desserts you would like to bring.

Bring the kids. If they don't go for grownup choices, there will be hot dogs on the grill.

**Reservations are important.** Please R.S.V.P. to Ethel Bailey at (610) 993-4422 (a new number—her home) **by Monday, September 24.** We need helpers to wipe the dust off the picnic tables, set up the bar, set up the food station, make coffee...the list goes on and on. So come out early, and help start the charcoal, clean up, boil the water...whatever is needed.

**Fly-in Breakfast—Good News, Some Not**

Picture the early morning on September 9. Clear skies, stars, moon. Picture 0700, with visibility about a half mile, with the other side of the airport shrouded in fog. That's how our 2007 fly-in breakfast began. Amazingly, we had a good crowd before it was even decent IFR weather. Many of our neighbors are accustomed to driving to the breakfast, so fog doesn't deter them. Maybe some of the drivers would have been fliers, but opted for a good plan B. In any case, by the time the day had turned sunny and the crew had finished up, we had served over 700 paid breakfasts and fed lots of volunteers, who make it all possible.

Barb Zeigler, PAOP president, offered her thoughts. "When all is said and done, our members and volunteers did a terrific job. With the loss of one of our long-time pancake-makers and a few other regulars unable to attend, we were a little stretched, but some new faces made it all work out. Thanks to everyone who participated. We all look forward to next year, or at least we will when the feet recover."

**Missing in Action at Gettysburg**

One of the many factors contributing to the Confederate defeat at Gettysburg was the absence of Jeb Stuart and his cavalry. One of the factors contributing to a quiet day in Gettysburg on August 26 was the absence of PAOP. Uncertain weather and an apparent lack of interest led to a non-flyout. Gettysburg's loss is the local diners' gain.

**Enjoying the Eastern Shore**

The eastern shore, comprising Delaware, a bit of Maryland, and a bit of Virginia, is a lovely land of agriculture and water culture, including bounteous crabbing, oystering, and clamming on the Chesapeake. The Easton, MD airport (KESN) serves the area well. The town of St. Michaels is a center of the aquatic culture, highlighted by the Maritime Museum and several fine seafood restaurants.

Our September 30<sup>th</sup> flyout (rescheduled from 9/23) will be to Easton, with a tour of St. Michaels. Details are still being worked out, but we should have our own transportation, and will be making plans for lunch and a museum tour.

In order to make the complex ground arrangements, both for transportation from the airport and for touring, it will be very important to know how many are coming. Let Gene Poppel know at 610-647-1332 or [genepoppel@comcast.net](mailto:genepoppel@comcast.net), by Wednesday, September 26, if possible. As always, it's share the ride, so if you will have room in your plane for passengers, or will need a ride, let Gene put you on the list.

**New Members**

Larry Boyer and Mark Hassenplug have joined us. We hope to welcome them at the next dinner or flyout.

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