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FIELD WORK PARTY: Jack Hostetler

A work party is scheduled for 9:00 am Saturday, May 5 at the AGS field, weather permitting. The work will be just enough to clean up winter damage, mow the grass and generally prepare the field for the 1973 season.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served. All members are urged to help with this important task.

Bring your airplanes. There will be a joyous flying session after the work is done.

AGS ANNUAL SPRING AUCTION: Gerry Cole

The spring auction will be held at the regular AGS meeting this Friday, May 4. Here is your chance to pick up some of that good, ready-to-fly stuff for the season which is just beginning. As usual, an outstanding local figure will be auctioneer.

Bring your goodies and enjoy the evening.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE: Gerry Cole

The program schedule for the next 5 AGS meetings is as follows:

MAY 4 Annual Spring Auction

May 18 Retractable Landing Gear Seminar

This will include demonstrations of operation and installation techniques of various makes of retractable landing gears. It will also include a discussion of the good and bad features of each type. The seminar will be conducted by Messrs. Sitler, Underkoffler and Jackson.

June 1 Scale Night, Part One

Early phases of a scale model airplane building project will be discussed. Guide lines for selecting a subject and how to obtain suitable documentation will be included. The program will be conducted by Gerry Cole.

June 15 Field Kits

A well known local modeler will describe various features of the ideal field box and present building information.

July 7 Scale Night, Part Two

This will include building techniques especially applicable to scale model airplanes. Among them will be demonstrations of Aluminum Soldering, Aluminum Brazing, and joining various metals with Silver Solder. The program will be presented by Ralph Jackson.

THE PREZ SEZ: Bill Sebesta

The Field Committee has inspected two potential flying sites located south of Vestal Center. One was unsatisfactory. The other appears promising. A discussion concerning possible purchase of this field will be held at the May 4 meeting.

The AGS has been requested to put on another flying demonstration, the third for 1973. This one is at the IBM Field Day on June 23. It will be held at the IBM Country Club.

AGS MEMBER DONATES MODEL TO NAVAL AVIATION MUSEUM

Hank Farrell has donated his beautiful seven foot model of the PBY-5A to the Naval Aviation Museum at Pensacola, Florida.

Hank was representing IBM at the Navy League show held recently in Washington, D.C. While there, he offered the model to Captain Grover Walker, curator of the museum. The model was accepted and has been picked up by local Naval Reserve personnel for packing and shipment to Florida.

AMA NEWS

This month's AMA mailing includes an announcement of a large exhibition-contest to be held in Philadelphia in March and April of 1974. The "Aero-Crafts '74" is open to all AMA members regardless of their preferences in modeling. Prizes will be awarded for various categories covering Radio Control, Free Flight, U- Control etc. There will be close to 100 prize categories, with prizes or certificates to ten places in each.

The contest will be a static display at the Museum of the Philadelphia Civic Center.

On another subject, present projections indicate that total AMA membership by the end of September should reach 50,000.