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AOPA President & CEO Scheduled to Speak at Banquet

Mark R. Baker a longtime general aviation (GA) pilot and only the fifth president in the 75-year history of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), the world's largest civil aviation organization has been scheduled to speak at the closing banquet of the 30th Annual Montana Aviation Conference on Saturday, March 1.

A native Minnesotan, Baker earned his pilot certificate in his twenties and has logged more than 7,500 hours of flight time in aircraft ranging from light seaplanes to turbines and helicopters. He holds numerous ratings and certificates, including a commercial pilot certificate, single-and multi-engine seaplane ratings, rotorcraft rating, and type ratings in the Cessna Citation 500 and 525s.

Having owned and restored numerous aircraft through the years, his current favorite is a Piper Super Cub, equipped with floats, skis, or wheels depending on the season. An enthusiastic advocate for general aviation, weekends find Baker enjoying the company of his fellow pilots at airports and seaplane bases around the country. Baker believes strongly in making general aviation accessible to more people and has welcomed numerous friends and family members, including his father, son, and two sons-in-law, into the pilot community.

Prior to his appointment at AOPA, Baker served in numerous senior executive roles, including chief operating officer at Scotts Miracle-Gro Company, president and CEO of outdoor

outfitter Gander Mountain Company, and chief merchandizing officer and executive vice president for The Home Depot. Most recently, he served as CEO of Orchard Supply Hardware Stores Corp., a leading retailer of home improvement and garden products.

Baker, a graduate of the University of Minnesota, has also served on numerous corporate boards and has taken leadership roles with nonprofit organizations, including City of Hope, a top biomedical research, treatment, and education institution in Duarte, California.

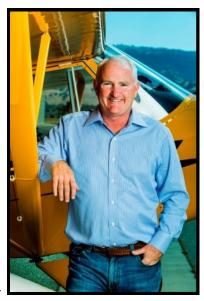
In conjunction with his role as president and CEO of AOPA, Baker is chairman AOPA's Political Action Committee, chief executive officer for the AOPA Foundation, president of the International Council of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Associations representing pilots in 72 countries, and publisher of *AOPA Pilot*, the world's largest and most influential aviation publication.

Baker took the left seat at AOPA on September 6, 2013, following formal appointment by the Board of Trustees at the Annual Meeting of Members in Frederick, Maryland.

Make plans now to attend – the 30th annual conference is something you won't want to miss!

Rooms have been blocked at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana at a conference rate of \$83.00 plus tax. Rooms can be booked online with the group booking code <u>MAC</u> at http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/billings/bilwe/hoteldetail or you can call 1-800-465-4329 and reference group booking code <u>MAC</u>. Reserve your room today; reservations must be made prior to **February 12, 2014** in order to guarantee the group discount.

A registration form can be found online at http://www.mdt.mt.gov/aviation/ and one is also included with this month's newsletter. Hope to see you there!



Administrator's Column

Happy Holidays! Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with peace and happiness. Thank you for your continued support and friendship. MDT Aeronautics is blessed to have your assistance and we look forward to and appreciate the collaboration that takes place during the year. Remember our troops and God Bless America. Be safe.

Welcome Cape Air: Cape Air will begin service on December 10 with flights between Sidney, Glasgow, Glendive, Havre and Wolf Point to Billings. Cape Air is headquartered in Hyannis MA and provides over 500 flights per day, carrying close to 750,000 passengers. Look for photos and more information next month. In addition I would like to thank Silver Airways for providing over two years of service to our state.

International Visitor Leadership Program: Earlier this month, a delegation from Kyrgyzstan visited the MDT Aeronautics Division. Visitors included Azat Dogochiev, Head of Department for Aviation Security and Order, Air Kygsyzstan; Oleg Kuimov, Aviation Safety Inspector, Air Bishkek; Emir Chukuev, Director, Manas International Airport; Shuhrat Rustamov, Head of Section for Flight Safety, Civil Aviation Agency and two interpreters. The International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) is the U.S. Department of State's premier professional exchange program. Through short-term visits to the United States, current and emerging foreign leaders in a variety of fields experience this country firsthand and cultivate lasting relationships with their American counterparts. Professional meetings reflect the participants' professional interests and support the foreign policy goals of the United States. Each year more than 5,000 International Visitors come to the U.S. on the International Visitor Leadership Program. More than 200,000 International Visitors have engaged with Americans through the IVLP, including over 330 current or former Chiefs of State or Heads of Government. The visit was facilitated by WorldMontana® a Bozeman based non-profit center dedicated to promoting global understanding through citizen diplomacy. In Montana, approximately 150 international leaders are hosted each year. WorldMontana staff arrange meetings between these international visitors and their professional counterparts to discuss common interests and to share ideas. Some of the objectives of the visit: facilitate discussion with aviation professionals and educators; discuss pilot training concepts and techniques, retention, recertification; practices regarding safety, security and compliance on airports; airport operations and accident prevention. The group also met with staff from: FAA Flight Standards District Office; Transportation Security Administration; Summit Aviation and the Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport. While at MDT, briefings were given on state-owned airports; communication and navigation equipment owned by the agency; search and rescue duties and aviation clinics and educational opportunities provided. The group also toured the Aeronautics hangars viewing the aircraft, see photo page 6. Kyrgyzstan is a country located in Central Asia. It is landlocked and mountainous. Manas International Airport is the main gateway into the country, offering regional flights to Moscow and Dubai. In a delightful exchange we learned that Kyrgyzstan has 14 airports - 4 are international; 17 airlines – 1 is government owned; commercial aircraft must have two engines and oxygen; general aviation is in its infancy; colleges provide courses on aviation maintenance, dispatch,

logistics, ATC, pilot training both fixed wing and helo.





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Calendar of Events

January 10-12, 2014 – Winter Survival Clinic. Homestake Lodge, Butte. For further information contact Dave Hoerner at (406) 444-9568 or dhoerner@mt.gov.

January 27-28, 2014 – AMAA Convention, Heritage Inn, Great Falls. For further information contact Colleen Campbell at (406) 781-6461 or eccampbell@yahoo.com.

February 7-8, 2014 – Flight Instructor Refresher Clinic, Red Lion Colonial Hotel, Helena. For further information contact Dave Hoerner at (406) 444-9568 or dhoerner@mt.gov.

February 27 – March 1, 2014 – Montana Aviation Conference. Holiday Inn Grand, Billings. For further information contact Patty Kautz pkautz@mt.gov or (406) 444-9580.

Airport of the Year Nominations Requested

The MDT Aeronautics Division is soliciting nominations for our annual "Airport of the Year" award. To nominate an airport, send some brief background information of why you think your favorite airport is deserving of the airport of the year. Nominations will be accepted by any individual or entity and will be accepted through the end of the year. MDT Aeronautics will collect the nominations and the winner will be selected and notified in January. Public recognition along with the formal award will be presented to representatives of the winning airport during the Montana Aviation Conference awards luncheon in Billings on March 1. Nominations can be sent to any of the following: MAIL: MDT Aeronautics Division, Attn: Tim Conway, PO Box 200507, Helena, MT 59620-0507; EMAIL: tconway@mt.gov; FAX: (406) 444-2519.

Lewistown's Newest Addition - a 1935 Beech Staggerwing



A historical aircraft has returned to Lewistown. The 1935 Beech Staggerwing was originally sold to the Walter Beech's very first customers, the Loffland Brothers, in 1935 and the NC14413 was one of the very first aircraft to be used in the role of corporate executive transport. Former Lewistown Airport General Manager Richard Langford purchased the plane in 1959 and housed it at the Lewistown Airport. After a number of years, he sold the plane, which has spent time with numerous owners and museums since the sale in the 1960's. It has even been featured on the cover of Aviation History magazine. When the plane went up for sale earlier this year it was purchased by Central Air Service of Lewistown.

Scholarship Opportunities

Montana is very fortunate to have many generous individuals and organizations that believe in promoting aviation by offering monetary assistance to qualified persons. The Aeronautics Division assists in administering some of these scholarships and encourages participation. The scholarships are offered to Montanans to help defray costs of education (i.e., flight instruction, A&P, etc.) and will be presented during the 2014 Montana Aviation Conference in Billings. Awarding of the scholarships will be based on a letter explaining the reasons for applying, future career goals, past aviation experience, if any, and any outstanding achievements. The same letter can be submitted but applicant must submit one copy addressed to each individual scholarship they are applying for. Letters of application must include a mailing address and daytime phone number. If you are selected to receive one of the scholarships your photo will appear in the 2014 Montana Aviation Conference Program, please include a photo with your applications for this purpose (only one photo necessary). Letters should be mailed to: Montana Aeronautics Division, PO Box 200507, Helena, MT 59620-0507 or call (406) 444-2506 for further information. Letters must be postmarked on or before January 6, 2014.

A Love of Aviation (ALOA) Scholarship – An anonymous donor established this scholarship of \$250 in 1997 and in 2010 two more anonymous donors contributed an additional \$250 each creating a \$750 scholarship.

AOM Flight Training Scholarship – AOM has established this \$500 scholarship to financially assist a student pilot in obtaining their private pilot certificate.

Blue Goose First Generation Flight Scholarship – This \$500 scholarship is awarded to a first generation pilot to assist with flight training. This scholarship is designed to assist a person who has a love of aviation, yet had limited exposure to aviation, someone from a non-aviation background/family.

EAA Missoula Chapter 517 Scholarship - EAA Chapter 517 in Missoula has established a \$1,000 scholarship. This \$1,000 Aviation Career Scholarship will be available to a Montana resident to pursue one of the following: Post-solo flight training; a second year of A&P training; other aviation career training.

Edwards Jet Center Scholarship – Edwards Jet Center a full-service fixed based operator and Part 135 charter operator based at Logan International Airport in Billings is offering a \$500 scholarship to help defray the costs of flight instruction.

Montana Antique Aircraft Association (MAAA) Scholarships – MAAA is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to help defray the costs of flight instruction.

Montana Pilots Association Air Safety and Education Foundation (MPA ASEF) Flight Training Scholarship – This \$1000 scholarship is open to an active pilot who has considerable interest in aviation and is seeking advanced flight training or a pursuing a profession in aviation. Applicant must be a Montana resident.

Montana Pilots Association (MPA) Junior Pilot Scholarship – The recipient of this \$1000 scholarship is chosen for outstanding interest in aviation, citizenship in their community and demonstrated academic achievement. The recipient must be a Montana resident and previously soloed. Preference is given to younger applicants who are new pilots or pursuing a profession in aviation.

Parrott Family Scholarship – The Parrott Family offers this \$1,000 scholarship to be used over a one-year period for pilot training programs for students enrolled in the Rocky Mountain College (RMC) aviation program. The funds may be used for tuition in the RMC aviation program, and/or flight training expenses leading to a Private, Commercial, or Flight Instructor Certificate, and may include Instrument and Multiengine simulator training, and the purchase of aviation related materials and related supplies.

Theresa (Nistler) Colley Scholarship – Mountain AirDance Flight Training (Jeanne MacPherson and Bill Gallea) and Vetter Aviation (Brent and Rosie Vetter) offer this \$1000 scholarship in memory of Theresa (Nistler) Colley who passed away from Leukemia (AML) in February, 2012. Theresa loved flying and was working toward her private pilot certificate. This scholarship will be awarded to a student pilot who is working on getting their private pilot rating.

Montana's Search & Rescue Great Success Due to Dedicated Volunteers

By David J. Hoerner, Bureau Chief, Safety & Education

When it comes to missing aircraft or activated emergency locator transmitters, Montana is unique in the fact that we take total responsibility to complete the role. With the advent of the new and improved 406 ELT, false alarms created from malfunctions or operator error has dropped significantly.

The 121.5 ELTs are growing older and mechanical problems can happened frequently. In years past false alarms heard from satellites have activated Search and Rescue organizations that spent time and money to find a malfunctioning ELT. This is the main reason the old 121.5 ELTs are no longer being monitored by satellites.

False alarms can happen with the newer style 406 ELT; the difference is that at the time of purchase the new owner registers the transmitter. The information provided gives Search and Rescue organizations or the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) the name of the owner, phone numbers and a place to start a search. This information shortens first response times and in turn could save lives.



Pictured are Ray and Darlene Sanders. Ray served as District 2 coordinator for over 20 years.

Montana's aviation search and rescue program and procedures have proven to be efficient and effective. The state is divided into 14 Districts and centrally located in each District is a volunteer coordinator that takes on the responsibility to organize and conduct a search with the help of MDT Aeronautics.

Throughout the state we have around 400 hundred volunteer pilots and 287 airplanes that are available for a search. Each year MDT Aeronautics conducts a Search Pilot Clinic that teaches procedures for implementing and conducting a search. Each person that participates is added to the district list they live in and remain available if a search would happen in their area.

Usually when a search is initiated, the problem isn't finding volunteers, but just the opposite, there are so many pilots volunteering it's hard to figure out which ones to use. This dilemma gives evidence to the character of the good hearted people that call Montana home.

The search coordinators by district are as follows: District 1, **Dan Lilja**. His area is in the western part of the state from Plains, Libby, Thompson Falls, and Eureka. District 2, **Perry Brown**, this district lies within the Bob Marshall Wilderness, Polson, the Flathead Valley and the western part of Glacier Park. District 3, **Leif Torgerson** his area is located in Glacier, Toole, Liberty, and Pondera counties. District 4, **Hugh Wilkins** he handles Chouteau, Cascade and Teton counties. District 5, **Tim Dwyer** he handles Hill and Blaine counties. District 6, **Tom Killham** who is responsible for Judith Basin, Fergus and Petroleum counties. District 7, **Lanny Hanson** his area contains Phillips, Valley and Garfield counties. District 8, **Dallas O'Connor**, coordinator for Daniels, Sheridan, Roosevelt Richland, McCone and Dawson counties. District 9, **Lonnie Leslie** coordinator for Prairie County, Wibaux, Custer, Fallon, Powder and Carter counties. District 10, **Allen Rickman** his area contains Wheatland, Golden, Rosebud, Treasure, Yellowstone, Carbon, Stillwater and Sweet Grass counties. District 11, **Arlin Wass** for Park, Gallatin and Meagher counties. District 12, **David Hoerner** coordinator of Lewis and Clark, Broadwater and Powell counties. District 13, **Aaron Jones** for Beaverhead, Madison, Jefferson Silver Bow and Deer Lodge counties. District 14, **Art Dykstra** contained within this district is Granite, Ravalli and Missoula counties.

These coordinators volunteer to take on a great responsibility and we can't thank them enough for their years of service and their effort to be there when needed.

After over twenty years of being the coordinator for District 2, **Ray Sanders** has passed the torch on to Perry Brown. Ray has been a pilot and master aircraft builder for over forty years.

Ray and his wife Darlene has have been steadfast and available in all weather, day or night to help find a fellow pilot. In the time of need they were always available and deserve a great big thank you for all their years of service. Without amazing volunteers like Ray and Darlene Montana's Search & Rescue system would not be the success that it is.

Mechanics Seminar & IA Renewal Held in Conjunction with 2014 Conference

The MDT Aeronautics Division is pleased to announce the 2014 Mechanics Seminar & IA renewal will once again be held in conjunction with this year's Montana Aviation Conference in Billings at the Holiday Inn Grand.

The seminar will be held on Friday, February 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. through Saturday, March 1 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.. Registration for IA's starts at 7:00 a.m. on Friday, February 28 and 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 1. Please plan to be there early to register as an IA if you intend to use the training for renewal.

We will be offering a full eight hours of training on both Friday and Saturday. Please plan to arrive early to receive the full 8 hour credit

Any questions please contact Michael Rogan with the Montana Aeronautics Division at (406) 444-9590 or e-mail at mrogan@mt.gov.

TENTATIVE SPEAKERS: Northwest Propeller – Joe Westby; Carol Leyner – Colorado Classic Aircraft; Ben Visser – Formally with Shell Oil; Alan Jesmer – Precision Airmotive; John Nielsen – MT Propellers; Steve Vold – Aerotronics; LY-CON Rebuilding – Loren Lemen; Dick Johnson – Champion Aerospace; David Burch – Bell Helicopters; Bryan Hanson – Helena FSDO; Patrick MacQuarrie, Helena FSDO Manager; Jeff Vercoe - FAASTeam Manager Make plans now to attend, to discuss and learn the latest in aircraft maintenance.

UN-Lit 700 Foot Tower North West of Havre

If you are traveling Northwest of Havre please use caution. The old LORAN-C tower that the Coast Guard installed in the 1980's is not marked at this time. The tower is over 700 feet tall and none of the red marker lights are in operation. The location of the tower is 48 °44' 39" North, by 109 ° 58' 54" West. Or 16 nautical miles North West of Havre on the 310 ° radial from the Havre VOR. There is a NOTAM issued that will be in place until the lighting is restored.

Kyrgyzstan Delegates Stop by for a Visit with MDT Aeronautics



A delegation from Kyrgyzstan visited the MDT Aeronautics Division through the International Visitor Leadership Program. For further information see the Administrator's Column on page 2 of the newsletter.



90-year-old with colorful past crosses flying off of bucket list at Missoula airport

By Martin Kidston, original appeared in the October 22, 2013 issue of the Missoulian, reprinted with permission

After 90 years of waiting, a bank of a fog wasn't going to stop Kathleen Sedoff from crossing one more item off her bucket list, even if the fog hung over the runway and the task she hoped to achieve involved flying a plane.

After all, Sedoff has lived through several U.S. wars, her husband's career as a CIA agent, Prohibition, the civil rights movement, 15 U.S. presidents, the space age, the "Red Scare" and the digital age, which now allows her to Skype with her family from anywhere in the world.

Call it the life and times of Kathleen Sedoff, a woman nine decades old and still running strong.

"The last thing I've always wanted to do is fly a plane," Sedoff said, passing on a cup of coffee Tuesday morning. "It's the last thing on my bucket list, and I can't wait."

Sedoff was downright giddy with anticipation as she and her family waited out a crisp morning fog at Missoula International Airport.

When the fog lifted and the blue Montana sky opened above the tarmac, Sedoff stepped to the Cessna with flight instructor Guy Shepard – a relative of astronaut Alan Shepard – for a quick course in master switches, flight instruments and avionics cooling fans.



Sedoff goes through the pre-flight checklist with pilot and flight instructor Guy Shepard. Photo by Tom Bauer, Missoulian.

How Sedoff reached this point after 90 years of living is a story only she can tell – a story that dates back to 1923, when she was born in Milwaukee.

"The first thing, when I was 5, my father took me up in one of (Charles) Lindbergh's planes," she said. "That must have been the trigger. You can just imagine the whole thing."

The year was 1929 and it was one to remember. Herbert Hoover was president and Adolf Hitler had yet to rise to power as the German chancellor. The St. Valentine's Day Massacre occurred in Chicago and "Tarzan" made its first appearance in comic strips.

By 1935, as the New York Yankees released Babe Ruth to the Boston Braves, Sedoff's grandfather loaded the family in the car and set off to see America.

They left Wisconsin for Mexico and toured the Pacific Coast. The next summer, it was Florida and the Atlantic Coast. The trip had a lasting effect on Sedoff, who would spend much of her life traveling the world as the wife of an undercover CIA agent.

"We lived in three countries with my husband's business," she said. "You could never tell who he worked for. My family didn't know, even after he retired. During that time, they'd say, 'Kathleen, I'm so sorry Walter can't keep a job.' "

But Walter was undercover, playing the covert part as a banker or businessman in Thailand, Germany, Brazil. Sedoff met her husband on a blind date. It was love at first sight, as the family tells it, and the two remained married for 63 years before Walter's passing.

During that time traveling the world, Sedoff rode camels in Egypt and managed to start a family. She sat with the Dalai Lama in Tibet. He was, she recalled, "a beautiful human being."

"When we walked into the room, he was not feeling well, so he told the manager, it'll only be a short visit, but he stayed with us half an hour," Sedoff said. "I always say it was fantastic, but it was incredible, the life we lived. I'm the luckiest woman in the world with my life."

Dates aren't important – Sedoff doesn't remember most of them and doesn't care to recite them. But it's not for lack of memory; the years have a tendency to blur together when there are enough of them to count. Sedoff remains sharp and full of wit, no apparent aches that come with age, no reluctance to try something new.

As her husband prepared to retire in 1973, President Richard Nixon suspended the U.S. offensive in Vietnam and the rock band KISS played its first show in Queens, N.Y.

That summer, Sedoff and Walter passed through Missoula on a trip. It was then, they mutually decided, that they would settle down and spend their life in the Garden City.

Sedoff, who lives in the home they built in Alberton, doesn't regret the decision. She continues to volunteer at several local organizations. As one family member put it, Sedoff is a regular gal about town.

"I love the way it was, but I accept the changes," Sedoff said of Missoula's changing times. "How did it change with me when my grandmother had to wear dresses down to her ankles?

"There are things I'm not wild about, but I'm sure it was the same way back then, too, when I was young. My grandmother would be senator now – a woman who went out to Yellowstone Park in bloomers."

As for that bucket list, Sedoff has already checked off traveling, growing herbs and training as a reiki master. Life is full of goals, and she has achieved most of them.

It's the people she met along the way who made it all so special. They are people she won't forget.

"It's the meeting people and the realizing that we're all the same, no matter where we live," Sedoff said. "Now we understand that we all want the same things across the world. I love that – that the young people are doing that."

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With warm and friendly wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year - from the MDT Aeronautics Division Staff – Debbie, Patty, Dave, Stefani, Tim, Mike, Ken, Wade, Jeff K. & Jeff H.!

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30th Annual Montana Aviation Conference February 27-March 1, 2013 – Holiday Inn Grand Montana, Billings

Mail Registration Form & Payment to: MDT Aeronautics Division - Attn: Patty Kautz PO Box 200507 - Helena, MT 59620-0507 Phone (406) 444-9580 - Fax (406) 444-2519 Email: pkautz@mt.gov

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Registration Desk

The registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Holiday Inn Grand. Staff will be available at the registration desk to assist you during scheduled registration and conference hours:

Wednesday, February 26 - 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 27 - 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday, February 28 - 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 1 - 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Lodging Information

The Montana Aviation Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana in Billings. The nearest airport is Billings Logan International (BIL).

Rooms have been blocked at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana, 5500 Midland Road., Billings, MT 59101 at a conference rate of \$83 plus tax. Rooms can be booked online with the group booking code **MAC** at http://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/billings/bilwe/hoteldetail or call 1-800-465-4329 and reference group booking code **MAC**.

Reserve your room today; reservations must be made prior to **February 12, 2014** in order to guarantee the group discount.

Rooms have also been blocked at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center, 1223 Mullowney Lane, Billings at a conference rate of **\$89 plus tax**. This hotel is within walking distance of the Holiday Inn Grand. Reservations can be made by calling (406) 248-7151 and reference **Aeronautics Division**.

Conference Refund Policy

Full refunds for cancellations will be given until February 3, 2014. From February 3 through February 21 the registration fee less \$50 will be refunded. **After February 21** no refunds will be given. If you cannot attend, you may transfer your registration to another person in the same registration category.