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**Next CLGC Meeting—
Tuesday February 18th**



SSA Region 7 Contest looks like a winner!

This year, the Region 7 Contest will be organized at Freeport, Albertus airport. The CLGC is the main sponsor of this event.

The airport has one asphalt runway, 6/24, and two grass runways, 18/36 and 13/31. The grass is nice and trim with a lot of space for tie downs and camping.

Airport management and the City of Freeport are very excited about the contest. They are helping us with everything.

The surrounding area of the airport is very open. There are no high buildings, power lines or high trees. The terrain in this part of state is flat if you are looking to the east, southeast or south. But if we are looking to the west or north, that is a different story. If you fly to the west towards Galena, the terrain has more hills and more trees are visible. But flying north or northwest is even more interesting, especially when we fly towards Monroe or to the Mineral Pont - Iowa county airport. The

hills are higher and terrain has more variety. But there are still plenty of fields to land in. With this different terrain, we hope we will have good contest and that the thermals in the north and west will be stronger and higher.

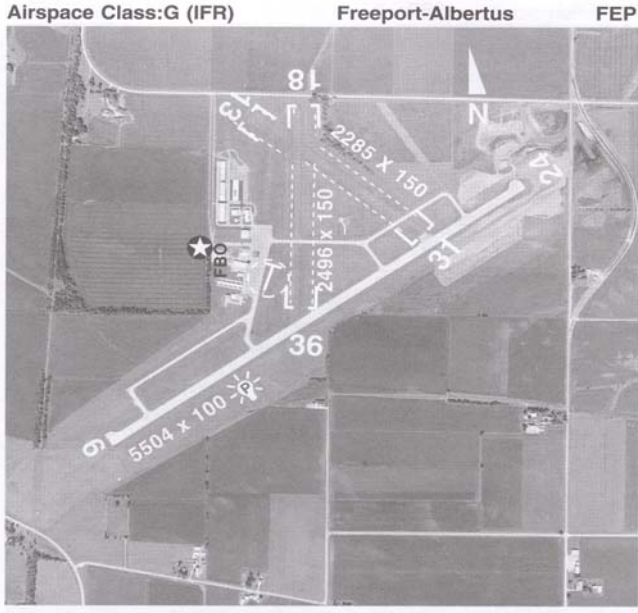
The APA club will also be a host for this event. The American Polish Aero club was created in 1991 with 25 members. In 1993, we bought our first glider, the Blanik L-23. And in 1998, we bought our own tow plane, the Maule 180. Right



now, we own three gliders (Blanik L-23, SGS 2-33, SGS 1-36) and the tow plane. In 1999, we started flying at Freeport. They are very nice people with long runways and minimal traffic. Right now, our club consists of 35 active members. Many of our members began flying in Poland. After their emigration to the USA, they wanted to continue flying. The main purpose of this club is to popularize gliding and also teach Polish pilots about USA air space and regulations so they will be able to get their American license.

APA club will organize entertainment and ground support during the contest. We are going to have a camp fire everyday. We are also planning to have cross country classes every morning. Classes will be taught by experienced XC glider pilots. We plan to have two place aerobatic

Airspace Class:G (IFR) Freeport-Albertus FEP



Communication	Navigation	Services
TWR/CTAF: 122.8	ELEV: 859'	FUEL: 100LL, JetA
GND CON:	LAT: 42°14.77'	FBO:
ATIS:	LON: 89°34.92'	Freeport Flight Center
UNICOM: 122.8	VOR: 110.8 RFD	815-232-1078
APP/DEP: RFD 126.0	273°	
RCO:	AWOS: 119.025	
LIGHTS: 122.8	815-233-4472	

Airport Manager: Darrell Janssen - 815-232-1078
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glider and we are also inviting 6 time world champion Jerzy Makula.

Sunday May 25 and Monday May 26 we are expecting some soaring fans to come. We are planning to advertise in the media. In this case, we are going to have a restaurant on the field and you are able to buy food. We may also have some music.

Region 7 - Calendar at a glance

Saturday, May 24	Welcome Party at the airport
Sunday, May 25	Spectators, food, and music
Monday, May 26	
Wednesday, May 27	Pierogi night at the airport
Thursday, May 29	Banquet in town
Friday, May 30	Polish dinner at the airport
Saturday, May 31	Award Part at the airport

As you can see we are going to have nice contest. So please, all the local pilots, if you planning to fly in the contest register as soon as possible. We would like to see all Chicagoland soaring pilots flying in this contest.

Safe flying and see you at the airport.
Jerry Zieba, Contest Manager

Sky Soaring featured on WTTW Channel 11

This Sunday—February 16th!

Just an FYI to soaring and glider enthusiasts in the Chicago area.

Last summer the local Chicago PBS station (WTTW - Channel 11) sent a film crew from their "Wild Chicago" program to our field, Sky Soaring in Hampshire, IL. They spent an entire HOT July day filming our private club with all its idiosyncrasies.

This segment will air at the following times and again in the spring.

**Sunday, February 16th
at 10:30PM**

**Saturday, February 22nd
at Midnight**

(between Saturday and

Sunday)

Not exactly prime time but, as they say, there is no such thing as bad press. Please forward this information to any and all interested parties.

Images of last summer's filming can be found at:
<http://skysoaring.com/modules/gallery/wttwchicago>

Information on Wild Chicago can be found at:
<http://www.networkchicago.com/wildchicago/>

...John DeRosa



Errata

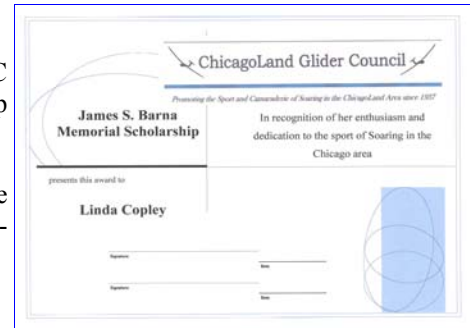
Michael Vaughn (not Vaugh) received BOTH his Commercial and CFIG last season—not just his Commercial as reported. Congratulations Michael!

2003 James S. Barna Scholarship Program

In the interest of promoting our sport in the greater ChicagoLand area, the CLGC is again pleased to make available to the area's soaring enthusiasts this scholarship program.

The James S. Barna Scholarship Program takes the form of a \$750 grant to be awarded to one individual (no age limit) to help in offsetting the costs of attainment of any glider rating—Private, Commercial, or CFIG.

Last year's winner of the scholarship was Linda Copley.



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2003 James S. Barna Memorial Soaring Scholarship (\$750)

Applicant Information

Name _____

Address: _____

City/State & Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Soaring Location: _____

Date submitted: ___/___/___

Application Instructions:

1. Write an original typed essay of 500-1000 words on "What Soaring Means to Me....",
2. Obtain a written recommendation from the applicants CFIG,
3. Provide documentation of endorsement for solo glider flight (if non-rated).

Submit application to the CLGC Scholarship Committee at the address listed below no later than March 11th, 2003 (CLGC Meeting Night). The CLGC Scholarship Committee, consisting of a majority of the CLGC officers, will decide the winner. Decisions will be final, the winner chosen by April 1st, 2003, and the award paid by May 1st, 2003. A grant of \$750 will be paid directly to the recipient's soaring operation and placed "on account" for use by the recipient in their continued soaring education.

Soaring operations eligible for the program are Chicago Glider Club, Clow Airport (A&M Aviation), Freeport Airport (American-Polish Aero Club), Hinckley Soaring, Park Forest South Aviation Group, Sky Soaring, and Sylvania Airport.

Send the following ...

- Application
- Essay "What Soaring Means to Me ..."
- CFIG Written Recommendation
- Copy of Solo Endorsement (if non-rated)

c/o Curt Lewis
 CLGC President
 2105 Croydon Ave. Unit D
 Loves Park, IL 61111

Mark your Calendar

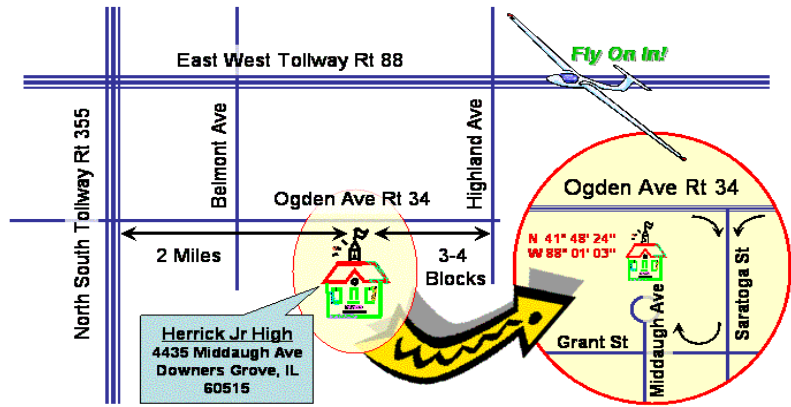
We meet the second or third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm at Herrick Jr. High School, Downers Grove, IL. The meeting schedule is:

February 18

March 11

April 8

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Sun
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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SSA Convention

CLGC's President Curt Lewis was a featured speaker at last month's Convention in Dayton, OH. "Letting Go of the Windsock" (Training for Cross-Country Soaring) was the subject of the well attended session. Photos courtesy of John DeRosa.



Progress on the e-Newsletter

So far, almost 60 of our Members have switched to "soft-copy" of our newsletter—almost twice the number from last month. Thanks ! Again, if you are able to receive e-mail and have access the Internet, please help the Council conserve our financial assets—and opt to receive the CLGC Newsletter electronically. Use the form below—or e-mail John Harrison (address on p.1) And there still few of you out there who have forgotten to mail in your dues. If your envelope reads 2002—you are one of them. Please make your payment today!

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Membership/Renewal Application—ChicagoLand Glider Council

Mail To: John Harrison 827 Homestead Road LaGrange Park, IL 60526
Please include \$10 for annual dues payable to ChicagoLand Glider Council

Name _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Pilot Certificate Ratings _____

Type of Glider(s) owned, if any _____

Primary airport where member flies _____

Check if applies: New Member Change of Address Change of E-Mail Address Change of telephone

I am able to receive the CLGC Newsletter via Internet

I wish to continue to receive the printed CLGC newsletter