



THE WEAK SIGNAL

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This year's sailplane league is over. I hope everyone that flew enjoyed the league as much as I have. I would like to thank Jim Skolmowski and Brian Harris for their efforts directing another season.

For activity meeting in August Joe Vislay gave a talk on the AMA. There is a lot of interesting facts and operations of the AMA. Joe Vislay is running for District III Vice-President in this coming AMA election. Bob Brown the present VP is also running. Makes a tough decision for our members. Joe is a great Life Member and has done a lot in his many years as a member; I wish him all the best. Bob Brown has been a great VP, I wish him well also.

The election of officers will be the second meeting in September, which is the 25th. Remember that the meetings starting September 25th will be at the hall and will start at 7:00 PM.

The picture roster and by-laws are out to print. Look for them soon.

The banquet will be held in November. Brian Harris will be sending out information soon about this event.

Safe Flying

Dale Rupert
President

BANQUET

Saturday November 15th 2008

Central Park West Banquet facility

3141 Central Park W

Toledo, OH 43617

Hors D'oeuvres

From 6 to 7pm

Buffet Dinner of Great Food

Catered by Central Park West

From 7 to 8:30

The Awards presentation will follow Dinner.
After the Awards presentation please stay around and
socialize with other members and dance with music
provided by Chuck Gladieux until 11pm.

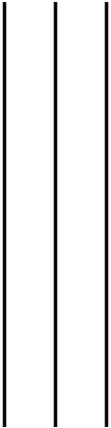
All members are invited with one guest per member.
Please fill out the form on the next page of this newsletter and send
into Brian. The address is already on page just fold it, stamp it and
send it. Or email Brian at BCNALHARRIS@ROADRUNNER.COM to
reserve you and your guest spot for a delightful evening.
A map is supplied in the newsletter to get to this event.
Thank You and get those reservations in by October 26th.

Did you fill out Your
Name?
Name of Guest
Thank You!!!

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WEAK SIGNALS AWARDS BANQUET



**Nov. 15 2008
Central Park
West Banquet**

Greetings Weak Signals Members!

It is time for our banquet and we need to get things finalized for our year end recognition and awards banquet. This year's banquet will be held at the Central Park West Banquet Room 3141 Central Park West Dr. Toledo, Ohio 43617 Bar will open at 6pm with two drink tickets provided for each member and their guest.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served from 6pm until dinner is served buffet style at 7pm.

After dinner we will proceed with the awards presentations. Each member attending can bring one guest. We hope that everyone has a great time.

Music through out the night will be provided by Chuck Gladieux

Before Dinner we will be serving Hors d'oeuvres from 6-7.

Dinner will be a **Buffet**.

The **Buffet** will include a Great selection of Great food that the illustrious Banquet committee has chosen for you. It will include a beef, chicken and fish main dish along with a variety of vegetable dishes. Desert will also be served.

Please fill in your Name along with your guests name and return to Brian before Oct. 22nd

See you at the banquet.

Brian Harris

Member information

We need your name and the name of your guest. Please us space provide on other page and include with email if reservation is made that way.

This information needs to be back to Brian Harris by Oct. 25TH

Guests may email Brian at BCNALHARRIS@ROADRUNNER.COM or Reply to this newsletter if received by email.

Or phone at: 419-341-3078

Or mail to:

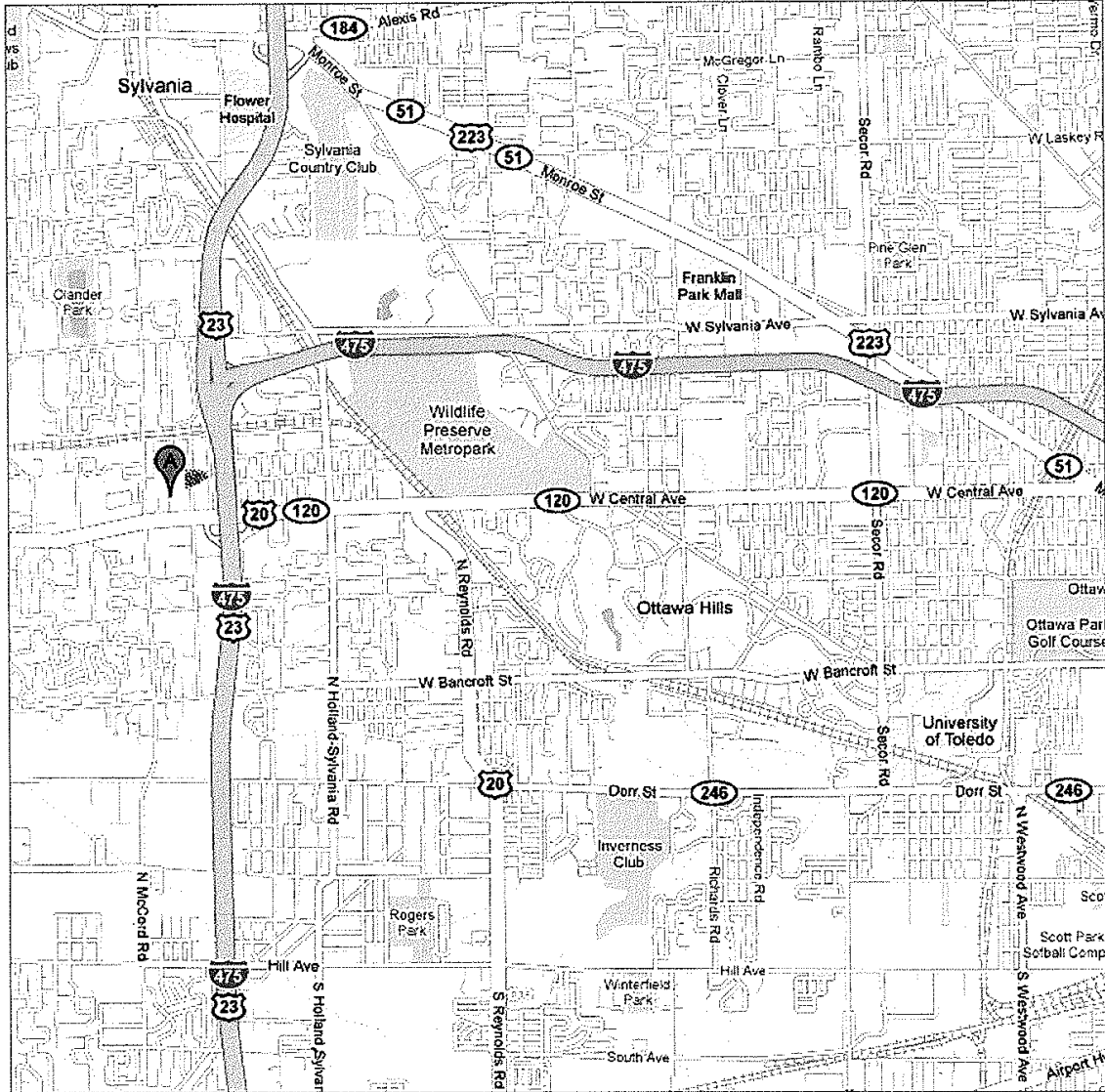
Brian Harris
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Please include your name and the name of your guest.

Name:

Guest:

Map to Central Park West
3141 Central Park West Dr.
Toledo, Ohio 43617
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ELECTIONS

Thursday Sept. 25th 2008
Meeting starts at 7pm at the
American Legion Hall
Lewis Ave, Toledo, OH 43617

Candidates are:

For President:

Paul Fillmore
Dale Rupert

For Vice President:

Lee Hertzsch
Phil Smith
Gary Rexroad

For Membership Secretary:

Tim Jesky
Steve Guerrero

For Recording Secretary:

Mike Bayes
Ric Lane

For Trustees:

Tom Como
Kevin Matney
Dave Whitaker
Archie Adamisin
Brian Harris
Steve Lockwood

Fun Stuff (sometimes)



Can you name the plane AND the flight team?

Last months answer were the “Red Arrow” flight team from the RAF flying the BAE Systems Hawk T1. One of our members knew this and has a goal of flying one of the Hawks.

Safety Incident Reporting by Chuck Waller

What is a model airplane pilot’s worst nightmare? To me, it is the sight of a model aircraft out of control, or with no radio response, heading for a parking lot or spectator area filled with people.

As this unfortunate incident occurs, everyone who sees it starts yelling, “Heads up!” to get the attention of every one at the field and, hopefully, in the parking lot or wherever the airplane is heading. All non-flying pilots are focused on the airplane and do their best to help people get out of the way. The pilot never stops fighting. He keeps the throttle all the way back in case he gets one more command in before the inevitable.

I have personally witnessed this event at least four times and had it happen to me once. Fortunately, no people were injured in any of these events.

So what would happen if we were not so lucky? What happens next when an incident, with or without personal injury, occurs?

Obviously, the first thing is to take care of any injured persons, if there are any. Your club should have a first aid kit available if the injury is minor. For major injuries you should immediately call for emergency services (911) and give them directions to your field. (These directions should also be posted at your flying field.)

Now what do you do next? It is very important at this point to gather as many facts regarding the incident as you can. You should immediately appoint one person as the “investigating” official. This may be the club safety officer or another club officer. It is actually better if the investigating official did not actually witness the incident. This way, his report will not be “clouded” by his own recollections.

Immediately talk to any one who witnessed the event. Make sure to get their name, address, and phone number for future interviews. Take down a statement of events and facts from each witness. Try to do this before the witnesses talk to each other if at all possible. You may want to assign several people to assist in getting statements at this time. It is very important to take pictures of any damage that was caused to any personal property including autos, buildings, trailers, other models, etc. Do not spare the film! You can always throw out or delete repetitive or nonessential pictures.

As soon as possible, you should contact AMA to report the incident and to request a claim form. Even if the incident results in no personal injury or property damage, all incidents (close calls) should be reported so they can be evaluated for any possible corrective actions.

From the AMA membership manual: During regular business hours (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST) please call (765) 287-1256. To report an incident involving serious injuries after hours or on weekends please call (765) 749-9210 or (765) 212-0793. I sincerely hope you never have this type of incident happen at your flying site, but if it does, keep cool and follow these steps as closely as possible. Fly safely and remember to have fun! →

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 21	Sailplane contest 9am
Sept 25th	Election Meeting 7pm American Legion
Oct. 9th	Meeting 7pm Legion Hall
Oct 12th	Sailplane Contest
Oct 23rd	Meeting 7pm Legion Hall