

# V-Tales

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## A WEEKEND IN PARADISE CAPE SANTA MARIA, NOVEMBER 10-14, 2010 by Penny Deutsch

Twenty-one planes flew to Cape Santa Maria Resort on Long Island, Bahamas this November and the flying weather was clear and smooth. With some planes carrying four people or more we had a great group of around 30 people ready to enjoy the beaches, visit Max's Conch House, snorkel, fish, kayak or go boating. What a fabulous island it is with its Blue Hole, the deepest in the world, a charming little village, with two "steepled" churches on a hill, a natural cave system and many other interesting sites to visit.

Jim Deutsch showed his electronic flight bag with all the sectionals and IFR charts which is also a small computer to the pilots, who thought this was a cool tool allowing for a paperless cockpit.

Innkeepers, Ewa and Brooke Castlekey outdid themselves this year with perfectly orchestrated events, meals and service. The bungalows on the beach, the afternoon happy hours and the scrumptious meals make Cape Santa Maria Resort a must to visit in the Bahamas.

The Long Island Tourist Bureau hosted a wonderful evening of fun and camaraderie on our first night. Long-time planner, Harvey Kriegsman made sure everyone had the information necessary to fly there and back and his beautiful wife Denise secured enough gifts from the Bonanza Society and other vendors to provide a gift for almost every ticket holder at our last evening SEBS dinner.

## ANOTHER FAVORITE FLY-IN CHARLESTON, SC OCTOBER 28-31, 2010



Our gang pauses outside the Nathaniel Russell House for a group photo-op

Halloween weekend was the perfect time to visit Charleston because of the ghostly history of the place. The tour guides on our Thursday night ghost walk scared the wits out of a couple of our gullible members. However, in the end, everyone made back to our hospitality room safely.

On Friday morning we were off for a guided tour of the Nathaniel Russell House. The house, built in 1809, is widely recognized as one of America's most important neoclassical houses. It was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1973. From there, our group broke up for self guided exploration of the city, lunch and horse drawn carriage tours using the vouchers which were given out. Everyone needed a rest by late afternoon and eventually drifted into the hospitality room. There they concocted dinner plans and went out in groups to some of Charleston's finer restaurants.

Saturday's events included a 1 1/2 hour boat tour of Charleston Harbor which included a "drive by" of Fort Sumter ( first shots of the Civil War), a tour around the battery, Patriots Point ( Aircraft Carrier USS Yorktown) and Charleston's commercial shipping docks.

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Pat Edmondson, Joe Edmondson, Ronnie Sudduth, Pattie Sudduth, Sunny McClish Penny Deutsch, Jim Deutsch, Larry McClish at Max's Conch House



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## SEBS HAS A NEW PRESIDENT! MEET DICK BODEN

Dick Boden has been named president of the Southeastern Bonanza Society. Although Dick and Mary-Ann live in Watchung, NJ, they are regular attendees at our fly-ins. Dr. Boden is a retired pathologist and flies an S-35 Bonanza.



Dick won a hard fought campaign by promising to increase fly-in attendance by buying everyone's fuel and by personally washing all the airplanes that attend.

## NEXT FLY-IN - ORLANDO FLORIDA FEBRUARY 18th-20th

February will be cold up north so we are going to warm Orlando, Florida. However, we are going to start on Friday instead of the usual Thursday. Our first big event will not begin until 7:30 PM Friday Night so you'll have plenty of time to get here either driving or flying.

Fly into Kissimmee (KISM) and park at Ranger Jet Center (formally Atlantic Aviation). (407) 846-8001 There will be no tie-down fees and you can get a 50 cent discount on their already low fuel price. They also have hanger space if you desire. Hertz rental cars are available by calling the FBO. However, SEBS van transportation is included in your registration fee.



If you drive, we'll be staying at the Wingate by Wyndham-Universal Studios, 566 Windover Drive, Orlando, FL, (407) 226-0900. The rate is \$123/night inclusive of everything including free parking and breakfast. **To get this rate you must call before February 1st and tell them that you are with SEBS.**



We should have our hospitality room running early in the afternoon for your pleasure. We'll gather there for a 7:30 PM departure for dinner and a show at the Treasure Tavern. The show can best be described as Vaudeville comedy with a rating somewhere between "PG13" and "R". Check it out at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_r3F9Fvak80](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_r3F9Fvak80)

We'll get up at our leisure on Saturday and spend the day at Universal Studios. Our Saturday banquet will be quite informal with a catered Lasagna dinner held in our hospitality room at the Wyndham followed by the usual boring speeches and priceless door prizes.



A registration form is enclosed.

## IT'S DUES TIME AGAIN

For the paltry sum of \$15.00 you can be a member of the Southeastern Bonanza Society for an entire year! This is so cheap that we can not afford to send out renewal notices. So, this is the only notice you will get. Dues are due in January.

We do need you to mail in a renewal form with your current information on it. We have lost communications with a lot of people due to obsolete information. Please don't be one of them. Use the form on the rear of the Orlando fly-in registration form enclosed.

### 2011 FLY-IN SCHEDULE SET

You will find our complete schedule on the back cover.



We'll start 2011 with a February fly-in in Orlando, FL to take in Universal Studios and the Treasure Tavern Dinner Show. See the details on Page 2.

In May we are going to Tullahoma, Tennessee to visit the Beechcraft Heritage Museum and other attractions in the area. All the regional societies have been invited by ABS to participate. Since this is in our "territory", we are hopeful that SEBS attendees will outnumber the other regionals. If you have never visited the Museum you owe it to yourself to see it. If Beechcraft had a Mecca, this would be it. If you have previously visited, you will be impressed with the complete remodeling that has occurred recently.



If you are going to Oshkosh, we have a perfect stop-over for you. AirVenture starts on Monday, July 25. We invite you to enjoy AirVenture for a few days and then fly over to Mackinac Island, Michigan on Friday July 29th for a weekend back in time. It's about 200nm from OSH. The only way to get to Mackinac is by boat or plane. There are no automobiles on the island so transportation is limited to horse and buggy, bicycle or foot. There are only 500 permanent residents on the island and they have preserved the circa 1800's Victorian image. The movie, Somewhere in Time, with Christopher Reeves, was filmed there and reflects the mood. You won't want to miss one of the most unique spots in the USA.



In September, we'll visit another state capital in our territory, Columbia South Carolina, the Palmetto State. On the agenda, besides the guided tour of the Capital, will be some plant tours (including Avtec, Troy Branning's electronics manufacturing company) as well as a Lake Murray dinner tour and grand banquet at the Summit Club.

We'll end the year with another November fly-in to Cape Santa Maria in the Bahamas. We keep going back because this is the best place in the out-islands; period!



### RUNWAY FISH HOUSE 9/11 DINNER IN CORNELIA, GEORGIA DRAWS A GOOD CROWD

We've been there many times and the event is always well attended. It must be the close proximity to the FBO combined with the exceptional variety of seafood choices in a cafeteria format allowing efficient service, even for a large group.

This year, sixty hungry folks made their way to the Habersham County Airport to visit with like-minded Bonanza drivers and partake in the all-you-can-eat dinner feast. Looks like we need to visit again sometime soon!

### CHARLESTON, SC (continued from page 1)



The weather was perfect for group relaxation at the Mills House

The weekend culminated in our traditional banquet which was held in a private room at Magnolia's, one of Charleston's finer eateries. After a sumptuous meal which actually allowed several entree choices, the after dinner festivities began. In addition to his usual ramblings, our outgoing president, Perry McCollom, had the pleasure of introducing our incoming President Dick Boden (See article on page 2). After a short acceptance speech, Dick turned it over to our planners, the Ericssons, who distributed door prizes purchased from the local area.

Luckily, Shirley Blair won the grand prize of a hand made sweet grass basket. The Blairs have been generous donors of door prizes in the past so everyone was happy to see her win.



# ***SEBS 2011 FLY-IN SCHEDULE***

*(Non-SEBS Events)*

**February 18th-20th, Orlando, FL**

*March 29 - April 3, Sun n Fun, Lakeland, FL*

**May 12th-15th, Tullahoma, TN**

*July 25th-31st, AirVenture 2011, Oshkosh, WI*

**July 29th- August 1st, Mackinac Island, MI**

**September 8th-11th, Columbia, SC**

*October 12th-16th, Beech Party, Tullahoma, TN*

*October 26th-29th, ABS Convention, Las Vegas, NV*

**November 9th-13th, Cape Santa Maria, Long Island, Bahamas**



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