

# CFO 2004 East Coast Fly-In

## Lancaster, PA

June 12, 2004



Al and I placed our order for good weather very early in the year and our request was granted! This year proved to be a lot easier to make the go/no-go decision. The terminal forecast for Lancaster (KLNS) from the night before indicated CAVU weather North of LNS and some marginal weather to the South, with clearing expected. The event was on (on the first attempt!).

Several attendees arrived a day before the event so they are credited as being the first. I arrived from White Plains, NY around 8:00am to meet up with Al and start things rolling. Al greeted me with the (now traditional) red carpet and we were on our way.



Al had already laid out the Shoe Fly pie and coffee for the arriving guests as new Cardinal owners Sal and Loretta Lagonia set up the sign-in table. Tom Saxon took up

his volunteer position at the sign-in desk in anticipation of the rush of attendees. Dan Myers took up his position at the threshold of runway 8 so he could take pictures of the arriving aircraft.



Guests started arriving around 9:00am and the Flyin was on!

By 11:00am there were 50 aircraft on the ramp with more inbound. It was interesting to hear the tower constantly say "Follow the Cardinal...". Guests were greeted with the red carpet and guided to the sign-in desk where they picked up their name tag, program, Lancaster pencil, Ballot (to vote for best interior, exterior and plane most deserving of a gift certificate) and door prize ticket. Pilot's started meeting old and making new acquaintances and began talking shop almost immediately.

The buffet lunch of Tortellini Salad, Chicken Scampi, Vegetable Platter, Dessert Tray, Punch Bowl, Bread and Beverages was excellent. Thank you Al for arranging the menu with Fiorentinos.

Door prizes were awarded during the lunch hour. They consisted of two VFR transponder checks (donated by Lancaster Avionics), two Dynamic Prop Balancings (donated by Sensenich Propeller), Several gift certificates at the AirWays Pilot Shop, one 20 minute Helicopter Flight over the Amish Country (donated by Dutch Country Helicopters), one 50% off coupon toward purchase of a set of GAMIjectors (donated by GAMI Tornado Alley Turbo, Inc.), two free subscriptions to Trade-a-Plane donated by Trade-a-Plane.

Guests began departing around 3:00pm into beautiful clear skies. Our final count was 70 aircraft (of 90 registered). Al and I want to thank all of the volunteers who assisted with the set-up, sign-in desk, guiding aircraft to the ramp, parking, moving planes and any other tasks that were performed. Special thanks to Dan Myers who volunteered to photograph our Cardinals (didn't have to twist his arm too much ;-))

I have asked Al to have the Lancaster Airport Authority to begin construction of the expanded ramp so that they will be able to accommodate the even larger crowd for next year.

Thanks for all of your support. We could not have done it without all of you. See you again soon.

Safe Flying!



Norman Freed '75RG  
Al Hubler '75 FG

*Photos courtesy of Dan Myers. Our apologies to anyone who may have been missed.*





















