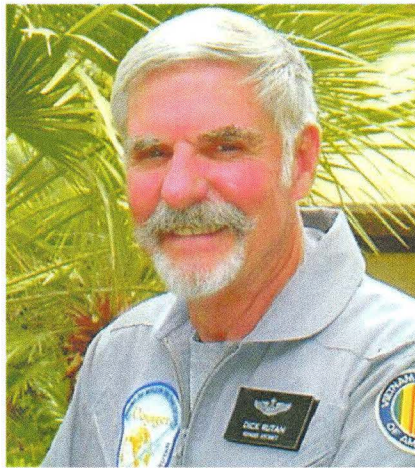




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2005 REUNION RESERVATION 2005/2006 MEMBERSHIP FORM

2005 Annual Reunion...Our 14th Annual Reunion will be held again this year at the Sportmen's Lodge Banquet Center in Studio City California on Saturday, April 23, 2005. The Reunion Committee consisting of Mary Lou Paulson, Ruby Mercer, Hal Cope and Marge Sorthun have planned another outstanding event. Festivities will begin at 11:00 AM with registration and hosted bar for some social/cocktail time giving everyone a chance to get caught up since last year. Lunch will be served along with background music by Jerry Case and his orchestra. Master of Ceremonies Dave Simmons will have some comments for us and will introduce the program. Dick Rutan will do an audio visual presentation in a return engagement as our guest speaker. His topic will be Aviation Adventures. More on Dick in an adjacent column. Paul Carlsson has prepared another terrific Magoo cartoon just special for our event. A copy will be in every registration packet. The afternoon will be topped off with some specially selected and unusual door prizes. Don't miss any of it. Make your plans to attend and bring along any guests you think might also enjoy the program. A Luncheon Reservation form has been included with this mailing. Fill it out and send it in right away, don't delay. For those coming from out of town, a block of rooms, at special APA Reunion rates has been set aside at the adjacent Sportmen's Lodge Hotel. To book one or more of these rooms, call the hotel at (800) 821-8511 on or before March 25, 2004 and identify yourself as an Aviation Pioneers attendee to get the special rates. As is our usual custom, a Pre-Reunion Cocktail Party for all the out of towners, and anyone else that wants to come, will be held at the Sportmen's Lodge Hotel on Friday night April 22, 2005 at 6:00 PM. More information is on the Luncheon Reservation Form. Also enclosed is the Membership Form for the 2005/2006 year. Fill it out and send it in even if you are not going to be attending the Reunion.



Dick Rutan Aviation Adventures... Dick remembers his very first aviation adventure vividly. He was six years old and he and his mother went to an old farm field for a true barnstorming ride. Mom Rutan was armed with a fist full of hard-earned dollar bills. The duo climbed into the old

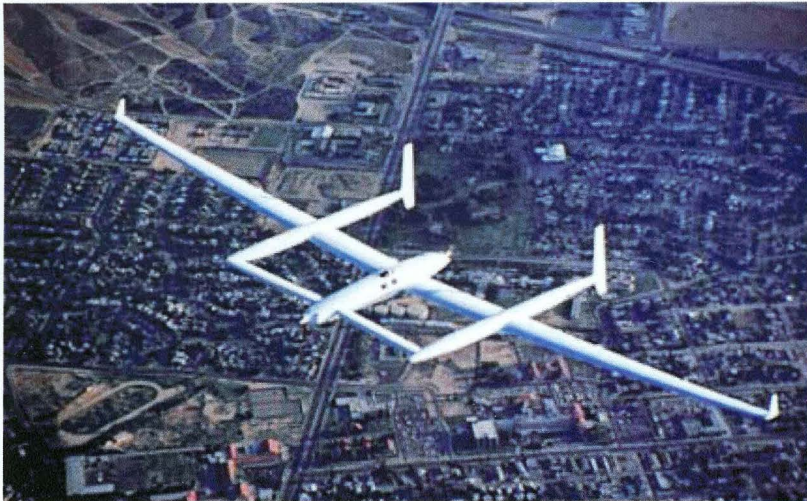
plane and Dick begged his mother to allow him to stand so he could see out of the window. The little plane hopped and skipped down an old bumpy dirt road and suddenly was airborne. As Dick saw the earth beneath him, his view of how he wanted to see the world was changed forever. Later, after an exciting and decorated career in the Air Force, Dick continued with more aviation adventures. He flew around the world in the Voyager in 1986 without stopping and without refueling. Records set in the Voyager remained unchallenged today. In 1992, Dick flew around the world again, this time with many stops in his Long-EZ. Following that flight, he attempted another world flight in a balloon called the Global Hilton. That flight and project ended in his third life saving parachute jump. In 2002, Dick was on a sightseeing tour at the North Pole when the Russian AN2 on which he was traveling landed in unseasonably thin ice. The plane nosed in and the crew and passengers were rescued after 14 hours of being stranded at the top of the world. Most recently, Dick is the Chief Test Pilot for the EZ Rocket. The first rocket powered homebuilt.

The Air Force, The Voyager, The LongEZ, The Global Hilton, The North Pole and the EZ Rocket are just a few of Dick's adventures. Join the adventurer for video and narration about these exciting adventures! Dick will also show footage of SpaceShipOne and the White Knight in quest of the \$10 million X-Prize for the first private manned space flight. You won't want to miss the show.

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