

Larry Bothe

1) Specifically why do you want to serve on the SAFE Board of Directors?

Because I'm not done yet. As your Treasurer I have provided guidance on financial issues and worked with the rest of the Board members on many, many issues. While we have made great progress in our first year of operation, there is a lot more work to be done.

2) What pertinent experience, special talents, and/or leadership skills would you bring to the Board?

- Degree in Business Administration, Lehigh University, 1964
- Retired from the plastics industry, purchasing management
- Managed an FBO in Seymour, IN, 1999-2004
- Treasurer, Freeman Field Flying Association for the past 10 years
- President, Freeman Army Air Field Museum, past 3 years
- Member AOPA, 37 years
- Member NAFI, 20+ years
- Founding member of SAFE
- Published author; AOPA Flight Training, NAFI Mentor, etc.
- 6600-hour pilot rated in airplanes, helicopters, gliders and seaplanes
- FAA DPE
- Vietnam veteran
- I have the time available to work for SAFE

3) What do you see as the most pressing issues for SAFE as a fairly new organization to address in the next three years?

There are 3 major challenges:

1. Getting everything done in a (nearly) all volunteer environment. We have recruit additional volunteers, and hire outside help, especially in technical areas, as necessary.
2. We need to grow the membership to the point where we can have full-time paid staff. To do that we have to add programs that aviation educators will see as having real value.
3. Keeping our cash flow up so we can participate in major trade shows to maintain high visibility.

Please reelect me to the SAFE Board. Thank you.