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Newsletter of EAA Chapter 790 December 2009

DECEMBER MEETING

Join us this Tuesday, December 22, for our Christmas celebration pot luck dinner, an evening of good food and aviation camaraderie. Bring a dish to pass. Arrival begins at 7PM and festivities get loosely underway about 7:30. As always, it will be a lot of fun.

ANNUAL BANQUET

February 27, 2010 - 6:00 arrival with a cash bar. Dinner served at 7:15.

Our guest speaker will be Dennis Fitch. Everything is pretty much the same as last year. Our speaker will be Dennis Fitch who manned the only controls that still worked in their ill-fated DC-10, namely the throttles of the two remaining wing-mounted engines. They crashed at Sioux City Airport, miraculously with many survivors.

Dinner: Mixed green salad, house dressing, choice of Prime Rib of Beef w/ oven roasted potatoes, Bistro Chicken w/ wild rice, or Pan-roasted Salmon w/ wild rice. All with seasonal vegetables, rolls and butter, tiramisu, coffee or tea.

Beef 35.00, Chicken 30.00, Salmon 30.00. Please make your check out to EAA Chapter 790, complete the form in the attached .pdf, and mail them to:

EAA Chapter 790
P.O. Box 1206

PRESIDENT ELTON'S MESSAGE

In this joyful time of the year my thoughts turn to you and your families. May good cheer and the love of Christ surround you on Christmas and throughout the coming year.

Thank you for being a part of the EAA and Chapter 790!

Elton

UNITED 232

As you undoubtedly know by now, our banquet guest speaker will be Dennis Fitch, the "fourth pilot" in the cockpit of the "successful crash landing" of United 232 in July 1989 at Sioux City, Iowa after losing the center engine and all hydraulics. Dennis manned the only flight controls that still worked in their ill-fated DC-10, namely the throttles of the two remaining wing-mounted engines. They crashed at Sioux City Airport, miraculously with many survivors.

But here is something that will give you a whole new appreciation of that flight: a transcript of the Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR). As you read it, you'll be in very near "real time" with the crew as they sort out the difficult job of learning to fly an airliner in a whole new way.

In your mind's ear, you'll "hear" them juggling multiple simultaneous radio communications, discussing what they're learning as they learn it, dealing with spilled coffee, giving flight attendant briefings,

making PA announcements, and even handling a stuck cockpit door. You'll also "be there" as they crack jokes that only other pilots can appreciate which created laughter in the cockpit. Click on [UA232 Transcript](#).

DUES DUE

Remember that it's time to pay chapter dues. Regular dues are \$25. Please see Lon Danek at the next meeting with cash or a check. Or mail a check and the renewal form in the attached .pdf to EAA Chapter 790, P.O. Box 1206, Barrington, IL 60010.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

EAA Chapter 790
Board Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2009

The EAA 790 Board meeting was held at the home of Nancy & Larry Blazyk. The meeting began at 8:05 p.m. Attendees were Nancy & Larry Blazyk, Lon Danek, Brad Delisle, Elton & Nancy Eisele, Don Jenerick, Tom LeGates, Ron Liebmman, Rob & Wendy Nelson, Mike Perkins, Ole Sindberg, Rob Strickland, and Jeff & Barb Wilson.

Webinar: Elton passed out information on a webinar to be presented by HQ 12/2 on chapter record keeping and taxes. Lon will likely "attend".

Banquet: Ole passed out his proposal for menu items and pricing at the Crystal Lake Country Club for approval. Meal selections will be the same as last year, and pricing is similar, only up slightly. He spoke at some length about the presentation that Dennis Fitch will make as our guest speaker. It should be very interesting.

Chapter Awards: Rob Strickland presented the board with his ideas concerning the possibility of establishing an award to honor chapter members. He asked the board to provide their thoughts on how this might be named, and whether it should be presented "as needed" or annually.

Presenter Gifts: Ken Kresmery has obtained and prepared a number of used aircraft pistons as gifts for chapter presenters. 790 and 1414 will share these. We discussed using one of these as a gift for Dennis Fitch, and decided this would be appropriate.

Camping Committee: Jeff indicated that he

would be holding a committee meeting the week of 12/7. He will forward a notice to Tom for distribution.

Treasurer's Report: Lon indicated that our EIN had been filed with the appropriate authorities, but will not be activated for a few weeks, so no tax filing yet. He indicated we will most likely be classified as a 501c7 organization, which is primarily a social organization. He contrasted that with a 501c3 classification, indicating that classification is not worth our while at this time. The chapter treasury remains in excellent shape.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Submitted, Tom LeGates, Secretary

OVERHEARD

Most Center controllers don't have a highly developed sense of humor about radar limitations, but one I heard at Jacksonville Center does:
Cessna: "JAX Center, Cessna One Two Three Four."
Center: "Cessna One Two Three Four, JAX Center. Go ahead."
Cessna: "Cessna One Two Three Four is 20 miles north of Jacksonville, 1500 feet, and we would like flight following."
Center: "I would like to oblige, but at that altitude the only radar picking you up would be the highway patrol."

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EAA Chapter 790 Annual Banquet Reservation

Saturday February 27, 2009 at the Crystal Lake Country Club, Dennis Fitch Guest Speaker

Name: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
 (Make checks payable to "EAA Chapter 790")

Spouse/Guest: _____

Send To: Lon Danek
 C/O EAA Chapter 790
 PO Box 1206
 Barrington IL 60010

Menu Choices:

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|--------|-------|---------------------------|
| Member | Guest | |
| _____ | _____ | Prime Rib of Beef (\$35) |
| _____ | _____ | Bistro Chicken (\$30) |
| _____ | _____ | Pan Roasted Salmon (\$30) |

Or: Bring to the December/January meeting

EAA CHAPTER 790

2010 Dues Payment

Please Print



Last Name

First Name

Spouse

EAA Membership Number

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

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I would like to receive the newsletter by U.S. Mail _____ Email _____ (Check One)

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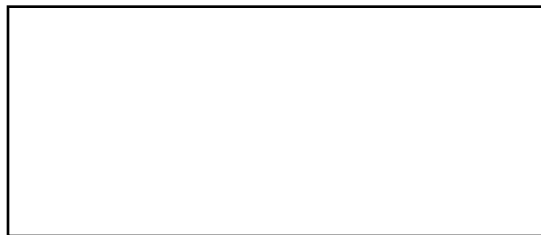
*Part of your dues payment may be used
 to support our Scholarship Fund*

**Mail check To: EAA CHAPTER 790
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Thank you for your support

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NEXT CHAPTER MEETING



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