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AUGUST 23rd GENERAL MEETING

EAA's Steve Buss will be our meeting's guest speaker, again held at Lake-in-the-Hills Airport in hanger P60 Ted Lipinski's hanger (vectors at the bottom of newsletter) on Tuesday, August 23 at 7:30 PM. A pot luck dinner will begin at about 6 PM while the camaraderie begins to flow. Hot-off-the-Grill items will be available for a \$4 donation; everyone is encouraged to bring a small side dish to pass. Also, you'll need to bring your own chair.

Steve Buss joined the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Headquarters staff as a Public Relations Assistant in July 1988. He was promoted to Marketing and Communications Coordinator in May 1992 and was named the Executive Director of the Young Eagles Program in March 1995. In 2007, he assumed the additional duties associated with EAA's Chapter office.

Steve's primary responsibilities include coordinating and directing more than 43,000 volunteer pilots who have already provided more than 1.6 million Young Eagle flights. He also works with EAA's nearly 1,000 local chapters to help promote aviation at a grass root level.

Also at this meeting Shane Stolarik will be presenting some possible directions for our chapter's new website and is looking for your input. You can take a peek of the skeletal version of the website at www.790.eaachapter.org.

MEETING VECTORS: Ted Lipinski's hangar, (P60) is in the west-most row of hangars at LITH Airport. To get there, enter the airport at the south-most gate (south of Blue Skies). On the security gate keypad, punch in "#1228" (five keystrokes - Pound One Two Two Eight). You will hear a beep and a few seconds later the gate will open. Drive west as far as you can, taking you to the west-most row of hangars. Ted's P60 hangar faces east. Park on grass anywhere in the vicinity, but please make sure your car does not overhang any hard surface for wing clearance. There is a lot of additional space south of Ted's hangar for parking. If you arrive after 6:45-7:00, you may have to park in the main parking lot by Blue Skies Pilot Shop and walk over.

REPORT - JULY'S MEETING

From the perspective of someone who has attended over a quarter-century, Bud Herod gave an excellent how-to-survive Oshkosh presentation.

Members also visited the nearby hanger of Doug Raupp where he is building a Lancair 235/320 with a Mazda RX7 rotary engine. Doug's engine installation brings with it his many years of rotary engine experience. Let's just say firewall-forward looked like a turbine installation, and it will probably perform like one.

PRESIDENT ELTON'S LETTER

This is the time to write things like, "where did the summer go?" in newsletters. We all have faced a fast paced summer where we cram in as much as we can during our summer days. It has also been a busy summer with Chapter 790. From fly-outs, bike trip, AirVenture and Young Eagles, we have been busy! Our upcoming weeks are no different and you need to get your calendars and mark down important dates so you don't miss them!

This summer, we have had the ability to meet at Lake in the Hills Airport for our meetings. This month, we have the chance to meet in Ted's Hangar again. You can find details of times and directions to the hangar in this newsletter.

This is going to be a busy meeting! We'll start it all off with some flying talk and favorite grilled food starting at around six. We will be announcing the 790 Scholarship winner, details on our new web page, discussing highlights from AirVenture and welcoming Steve Buss from the EAA staff as a guest speaker. In short, you don't want to miss this month's meeting!

Elton

FALL OUTING POSTPONED

The flyout/driveout planned in September to the Ford Museum and Greenfield Village near Detroit has been postponed due to work being conducted on the museum. Coordinator Lon Danek will set a new date for sometime in the spring season.

NORTHWEST COAST MUSEUM TRIP

Event coordinator Dave Boone is looking for airfare commitments for the chapter trip to The Boeing Museum of Flight and the Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum (Spruce Goose). Plans will be fine-tuned at the August and September meetings, but the rough outline looks like this:

Oct. 28. Fly to Seattle and check into hotel. (2 overnights in Seattle), dinner downtown.

Oct. 29. Boeing Museum of flight, return to hotel, dinner at or near hotel (waterfront?).

Oct. 30 Breakfast at hotel, fly to Portland, drive to Mc Minnville, check into hotel, (one night only here,) dinner at or near hotel.

Oct. 31. Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum, return to Portland, dinner downtown (waterfront?), take red-eye flight back to Chicago.

This is a fabulous opportunity to see over 200 aircraft and exhibits at Evergreen and 150 at the Boeing museum.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

EAA Chapter 790 Board Meeting Minutes August 9, 2011

The EAA 790 Board meeting was held at the home of Elton & Nancy Eisele and began at 7:30 p.m. Attendees were Lon Danek, Elton & Nancy Eisele, Tom LeGates, Mike Perkins, Jim Pratt and Shane Stolarik.

July Meeting: The meeting again had fairly low attendance. Bud Herod gave a good talk on "surviving AirVenture". Also our visit to see Doug Raupp's Lancair with a Mazda rotary engine was a hit.

Treasurer's Report: Lon reported our current financial position remains solid, with 68 members.

Chapter Status: Lon's report on our chapter size led to an extended discussion on how we are doing as a chapter, and how we could do better. We discussed the need to get additional younger members who can "grow" with the chapter. We also need to do a better job of making any new member feel welcome, and to this end it was decided each board member would take a turn being a "greeter" at a meeting. Mike also suggested we continue meeting at LITH through September or October, and use the September meeting as a "meet and greet" session for pilots based at LITH. He will make a flyer for this.

Upcoming Meetings: For August, Steve Buss from EAA will be our presenter. Shane will also give a short presentation on the new website. In September, for the "meet and greet", it will be John Ripinger of the Lima Lima group. We'll try for Lynn Hadler for October, the last month in the hangar, and Jim Pratt will speak about his Luscombe restoration in November. Elton would like there to be a short safety discussion as part of each meeting, with perhaps some lead-in questions published in the preceding newsletter. Also, Mike noted that the Zimmerman Room at the library has excellent A/V facilities and urged that we use those to our advantage to enhance the meeting that will be held there.

Scholarship: The entries that were received were discussed and evaluated. The top two candidates were identified, and it was agreed that they should be interviewed prior to a final decision. Elton agreed to call each and set interviews for LITH on the following Thursday evening, that he and Lon would conduct.

Travel Events: Lon noted that a part of the Ford museum, which we planned to visit this fall, was shut for restoration work until the end of the year, and suggested the trip would be better if postponed until next spring. The board concurred.

Website: Shane discussed progress on the site, and also covered a number of features of the new site. He suggested that the newsletter could be published from there (many publications are handled this way) and this sounds like something we should try in the near future.

Next Board Meeting: Members requested the next board meeting also be held at Elton's house. This was agreed to.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Submitted, Tom LeGates, Interim Secretary

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Pre-meeting Checklist

- ✓ **Name Tags**
- ✓ **Article(s) For The Newsletter**
- ✓ **Program And Outing Ideas**

The Newsletter is always looking for interesting articles and pictures by our chapter members. If you have written anything or would like to write something or have pictures that you believe would be of interest to the chapter members, please submit what you have. The newsletter staff prefer that you e-mail your articles to michael.perkins@rauland.com or trlegates@comcast.net. We prefer text written in Microsoft Word, however, you may submit the material any way that is easiest for YOU! We also accept hand-written copy, floppy disks (IBM format), Zip disks (IBM format), and CD's. Bring your article to the meeting or mail it to Mike Perkins at 17787 Sherwood Forest Rd, Havana, IL 62644.



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