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### **OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING**

Our meeting on October 25 will once again be held at the Barrington Public Library. Our meetings have been moved up one-half hour due to a change in the library's schedule whereby the library will be closed and locked by 9 PM. So beginning at the October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting, we will begin at 7:00 PM with social time beginning at 6:30 PM.

Dave Shelton, president of Motopod LLC, will be our featured speaker. Dave has been a member of our chapter and has quite a number of aviation accomplishments to his credit. He designed, built and flew an aircraft while finishing his formal education, and is now working with several aircraft manufacturers to equip certified aircraft with his "Motopod." The Motopod can be used to increase the storage space in an aircraft to enable transport of bulky items by air, or in the case of the Motopod, a motorcycle for ground transportation. Dave's story is an interesting one, and promises to expand our horizons about the versatility of general aviation aircraft. Don't miss this one!

### **SEPTEMBER MEETING REPORT**

In a low-key style, MIA Hunters member John Rippinger provided us with a story that wound into a gripping tale the group's personal sacrifice to find tangible evidence of lost American WWII airmen in the tribal country of Papua New Guinea where everyone school-age and older carries a two- or three-foot machete.

John explained that an MIA-hunting trip to Papua to locate downed aircraft normally results in multiple jungle excursions from a civilized base camp. Some of these excursions just follow local lore and resident knowledge of the area. Often, sites turn out to be nothing more than well-tracked tourist sites that wind up wasting several days time because of prior souvenir-hunting, while other sites a mere half-day's walk are literally unexplored and full of important evidence.

Clues to an aircraft's identity, and hence its downed crew, come from the mundane like a generator serial

number. In some cases, given the condition in which they are found, aircraft have been misidentified for years as being for example a B-17 when it was a B-26. John also has been a pilot with the Lima Lima Squadron since 1992.

Also at the meeting, Ted Lipinski was recognized for his generous gift of allowing our chapter to use his hanger for our summer 2011 general meetings.

### **NEEDED: NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

With the retirement of Tom LeGates and Mike Perkins from the position of newsletter editors December 31, our chapter is in need of someone to take over. Tom and Mike, who have produced the newsletter for eight continuous years, could use a break. This also opens up an opportunity for new ideas to take hold.

With the advent of email and a simplified email format, the task of editing and publishing has gone down significantly over the last few years. Also, there will continue to be a continuous flow of editorial contributions from other members to the newsletter. Please contact Elton Eisele, Tom LeGates, or Mike Perkins for information on what's required for the newsletter editor position.

Though retiring as newsletter editors, Tom and Mike intend to remain on Chapter 790's board of directors and as active members. Tom is also acting chapter secretary as we continue to look for someone to take over that position.

### **USO-THEME DANCE IN APRIL**

Ken Kresmary will host a USO dance in his Poplar Grove hangars on April 21<sup>st</sup>. As many as 200 will be in attendance. Several EAA chapters, including ours, have been invited to participate. Tickets when they become available will be sold for a mere \$5 each and will include a USO-style dinner. Ken always does things up right, so save the date now!

### **ANNUAL BANQUET DATE SET**

February 25<sup>th</sup> has been set as our banquet date for 2012. We are still in the process of securing a guest speaker. Once again, it will be held at the Crystal Lake Country Club.

### **OLE SINDBERG FEATURED IN VIDEO INTERVIEW**

The Crystal Lake Patch contains a video interview called Young Eagles Takes Flight featuring our own Ole Sindberg. It is professionally videographed, narrated, and edited into a four-minute short-topic feature. You can see it by clicking on: [Video: Young Eagles Take Flight](#) . . . Worth watching!

### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

EAA Chapter 790  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 4, 2011

*The EAA 790 Board meeting was held at the home of Elton & Nancy Eisele and began at 7:50 p.m. Attendees were Lon Danek, Elton Eisele, Tom LeGates, Ron Liebmann, Mike Perkins and Ole Sindberg.*

**Future Meetings:** Lon indicated that the Library will no longer allow us to end our meetings past 9 p.m., thus we will need to adjust our start times. It was agreed to begin the business meeting at 7, with the social hour beginning at 6:30. We will need to have our speakers finish by 8:40 to allow time for us to clear the room. Several other suggestions were discussed to help us tighten up our meeting flow. Elton indicated he will not be able to attend the October meeting. Lon will try to firm up Dave Shelton

as our speaker in October, and Lynn Hadler in November. It was noted that we have 2 pistons left as speaker gifts.

**Safety Presentations:** Elton suggested these should be limited to 15 minutes. We should try to have leading questions in the newsletter to spark discussion. Elton would like a presentation at each meeting, beginning in January.

**Banquet:** Ole will once again make arrangements for this, at the Crystal Lake Country Club. The proposed date is February 25. Elton indicated he had not yet received a response from Jeff Skiles, who he had sent a letter to invite him to be our speaker. It was suggested that Jim Pratt would be a good person to follow up with him.

**USO Dance:** Ken Kresmery will again be hosting a USO theme dance at his hangars at Poplar Grove, early next year. Our chapter has been invited to attend and the board approved Ken's request for \$100 to help support the event.

**Ford Tri-Motor:** Elton passed out the EAA information packet on Tri-Motor visits and reviewed the key elements for board discussion. The main concerns that emerged were funding for the event, and suitability of Lake In The Hills for the event, given the reconstruction work now under way. Elton will discuss airport construction work schedules when he is at the airport for the Young Eagles rally on the 8<sup>th</sup>. The board felt the best time for this visit would be late summer/early fall, as the weather would likely be better then.

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.*

Submitted, Tom LeGates, Secretary

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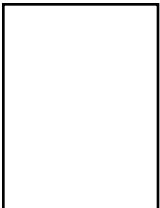
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- ✓ **Name Tags**
- ✓ **Article(s) For The Newsletter**
- ✓ **Program And Outing Ideas**

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