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The Prez Says

Tom Graumlich, Chapter President

Greetings and Happy New Year. I'm probably in the minority but I really do enjoy this time of year. It's the time where things seem to slow down a bit, we have a chance to catch our breath and we have the opportunity to rededicate ourselves to those projects we neglected over the summer when the weather was just too wonderful to be in the shop. (Yes, I know I have too many projects but those challenges are what keep me going and add to my enjoyment.)

It also a time to reflect on last year's efforts and this year's opportunities. One of many things our Chapter can be proud of is the great wealth of technical expertise available within our membership and those same members' willingness to share. How many of us have asked a construction or homebuilding question and almost immediately been given the/an answer or been told: "(fill in Chapter member's name here) should know the answer. Let's go ask them." I believe this sharing of experience and our common love of aviation defines the uniqueness of our organization and our experiences within the group.

As I look forward to 2006 my personal goals for the Chapter can be summarized as:

Learning: Our technical programs are a key ingredient in the educational experience the Chapter provides. We will work diligently to provide meaningful and useful programs which our member aviation enthusiasts and homebuilders can utilize in aircraft construction, maintenance and (sometimes) rebuilding programs.

Sharing: The Chapter's outreach to other potential builders and young aviation enthusiasts are also key to our growth. We certainly hope these efforts will result in the addition of new members to the aviation community. I thought our Young Eagles program this past year was as strong as or stronger than any previous year in my memory of the Chapter. My compliments our Young Eagles Coordinators and those who participated in those events. It is in our best interest to continue developing these programs. We will work to support and expand these excellent efforts.

Enjoying: I believe one of our Chapter's most important functions is to provide an enjoyable atmosphere to share our aviation experience as well opportunities to draw our friends and families into the overall experience. Quite frankly, if it's not fun our members will vote with their participation and their feet. The continued growth of the group campout at Oshkosh and our Chapter Holiday Dinner certainly speak to our member's enjoyment of those activities. We will endeavor to continue such events and hopefully expand them where appropriate.

I look forward to our Chapter's continued growth and success in 2006. We'll make it a good one with your help.

The February meeting will be at the Moss Vale facility (Tim & Janet Morris's Shop) on the 5th at 2pm. Steve Statkus will provide the technical program on oxyacetylene welding. Come join us and bring a friend. (I know it's on Superbowl Sunday but the meeting will be over well before the game starts and hopefully with minimal interference to any party plans.)

Get Directions <http://tinyurl.com/dkum6>

Board Meeting Minutes

**Brian Schermerhorn,
Chapter Secretary**

Christmas Party, no business.

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Christmas Party!

We had a great Christmas Party again this year, with excellent attendance despite the fact that the Bengals played their first playoff game in more than a decade, in glorious HDTV. Ahem. Anyway, there where many great gifts exchanged, so thanks to all for participating, and the speaker was the simply fascinating Tom Griffen of the Doolittle Raiders. For those of us not born then, these brave men took 16 B-25 (heavy Air Corps) bombers off of the deck of the USS Hornet and attached 5 Japanese cities in April 1942 in retaliation for the attack on Pearl Harbor. These men trained extensively just to get these heavy planes off of the deck, and they had every expectation of being forced to ditch at sea before making it to allied China. Favorable winds made it possible for most to reach China, but many were killed or injured while parachuting out of their planes at night in a storm, and they had an arduous trip across China to return to the States, and several were captured by the Japanese and spent the rest of the war in captivity. I'm glad that we got this opportunity to honor the living and lost that participated, and gave our country it's first victory in that terrible struggle.



Barry's "crappy" gift



The gavel is passed



I've heard of 'Cheesheads', but fish?



Next, the golden spatula...



Old Friends, New Party



Tom Griffen talks about being part of the Doolittle Raiders



There's a party going on in here...



Renee gets a gift



One each, please



Tom Hogan arranged our speaker, and it was a fascinating talk

Chapter T Shirts

Rolf will be taking orders for Chapter T-Shirts at the February Meeting. Pictures are below. These shirts are light Gray 100% Cotton Heavyweight T-Shirt, Silk Screened Front and Back. They cost \$20 (depending on order size - this is the minimum order size cost), and we'll be taking orders at the meeting or by emailing Rolf. Please send name and shirt size.

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Ride to Oshkosh?

Need a Ride to Oshkosh? Check out EAA's RideShare[NL]In early 2005, EAA launched RideShare, a new service that sought to pair those wanting to attend the annual EAA AirVenture Oshkosh fly in with those who had a spare seat available, airborne or ground-bound. Hundreds of people took advantage of listing their names and contact information, no doubt allowing scores to attend who otherwise would have stayed at home. The 2006 version of EAA's AirVenture's RideShare is now available on the EAA AirVenture 2006 website, <http://www.airventure.org> ([read more](#))

Aircraft Authentication Status

Aircraft Owners and Operators - Check your Registration

Is your aircraft properly registered? Is the aircraft you are about to operate properly registered? Did you forget to register that new aircraft you recently purchased?

If an aircraft does not have a valid registration or if information contained on the registration is not correct, such as current owner name or address, your aircraft may show a status of "in Question" on FAA records.

On February 1, an operator and or/owner of an aircraft attempting to operate or operating within the NAS without a currently effective registration or a registration which is "questionable" and/or without a TSA required security measure/waiver may have actions taken such as but not limited to:

1. Notification of deficiency
2. A pilot deviation may be filed against the operator
3. The operator may be denied access to the NAS

Check your aircraft registration by going to <http://registry.faa.gov/aircraftinquiry/> and clicking on the link "Registrations at Risk" (left hand side), type in your N number. If your aircraft is contained in this list then your registration is "in question." You can contact Aircraft registration toll free at (866) 762-9434 for assistance.

See notice FR Doc 05-23852 filed 12-8-05 for complete summary by following this link:

http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/events/2005-Dec/21_FR_Doc_05-23852.pdf

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Citabria, Champ AD

FAA TAKES AIRWORTHINESS ACTION ON CITABRIAS, CHAMPS

The FAA has adopted a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Citabria and Champ airplane models. The AD requires owners to have their airplanes inspected for incorrect "swaging width of the cable Nicopress sleeves" on the elevator, rudder, aileron, and flap control cables. The airplanes are prohibited from further aerobatic flight until the inspections can be completed. The FAA said the AD resulted because of a report about partial loss of aileron control. The comment deadline is February 14. The AD becomes effective January 17. [Download the AD.](#)

Upcoming Fly-ins

FLYING DESTINATIONS THIS WEEKEND:

Lansing, Michigan. The Great Lakes International Aviation Conference takes place January 20 and 21 at the Lansing Center. Don't miss this event—more than 100 exhibitors, maintenance symposium, pilot seminars, avionics presentations, special airport manager/FBO sessions, and more. Saturday keynote speaker is Sean Tucker. For more information, visit the [Web site](#).



FLYING DESTINATIONS IN THE EASTERN REGION THIS WEEKEND:

Batavia, Ohio. Sporty's holds a Hot Dog Fly-in every Saturday at Clermont County (I69). Free hot dogs from noon to 2 p.m. Contact Mike Lack, 513/735-9100 ext. 303.



★ FLYING DESTINATIONS IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION THIS WEEKEND:

Taylorville, Illinois. The EAA Chapter 1315 WinterFest Drive-in/Fly-in Breakfast takes place January 15 at Taylorville Municipal (TAZ). Contact Jim Stoddard, 217/226-4005, or visit the [Web site](#).

NEXT WEEKEND:

Marshfield, Wisconsin. Dave's Fly-in/Drive-in Chili Feed takes place January 21 at Marshfield Municipal (MFI) from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Contact Noreen Moen, 715/387-6417.