

EAA Chapter 974 News Letter

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The Prez Says

Linda Brainard, Chapter President

As you read this, 2008 is drawing to a close and a new year is at the ready. We are officially past winter solstice. I, for one, am ready for longer days.

Our December meeting may have been the coldest on record. We had a great turnout, especially considering the conditions.

Thanks to Matt Hoffman and Brett Ferrell for their excellent presentation on APRS and HAM (amateur radio) license.

Thanks to Sharon Burke for accepting the position of Hangar Master, and to John Statt for having filled that position in addition to his weekend duties as grandfather.

Thanks to Patty for a year's worth of delicious snacks. I heard that we were guinea pigs for a few recipes – and I'm glad to report that we are happier and chubbier guinea pigs for her efforts!

Thanks to each of you who presents an idea, speaks up in a meeting, and otherwise contributes to the general welfare of the chapter. My job as president was made simple by the wealth of wisdom with which I was surrounded.

Wishing you happy holidays,

Linda

Board Meeting Minutes

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Meeting was called to order on December 7, 2008. Location of the meeting was the EAA974 hanger at HAO. President Linda Brainard presided over the meeting.

Attendance

- 29 Club members (attendees found on last page)
- 1 Guests
 - Dan Niehaus
 - John LaBarre

Reports

- Secretary's Report
 - Approved.
- Treasurer's Report
 - EAA Calendars came in (\$10 each)
 - 5 are available for people that didn't pre-order
 - Treasurer's Report Accepted
- Tech Counselors' Reports
 - Ray Parker
 - Looked at Dan Niehaus's Dragonfly kit.
 - Mark Taylor
 - None
- Young Eagles Report
 - Heard that Harrison Ford signed on for another year.
 - Young Eagles got their 1 millionth flight in.

- We received a request for 20 kids from Royal Rangers group.
 - They will be scheduled for warmer weather.
- Hanger Master's Report
 - Sharon Burke has agreed to be the new hanger master.
 - Sharon was wondering if we can use salt in front of the door.
- Web Masters Report
 - Brett renewed the domain name (.org) for two years.
 - Upgraded the database on the website. If anyone sees anything abnormal, please let Brett Ferrell know.
- Librarian's Report
 - None
- Chapter Historian's Report
 - None.
- Publicity Officer
 - Wright State contacted Brett Ferrell to do a study. They need pilots between 40 and 70 years old that have at least 1000 hours.
- Presidents Report
 - None.
- Announcements
 - Matt Hoffman is selling his Reliant
 - Has a Rotax 447 engine
 - Has current condition inspection.
- Project Reports
 - Brett & Elizabeth's Velocity
 - Getting ready to do layups on wing repair.
 - Mark Taylor
 - 4 wing panels are covered.
 - Bob Buls

- Working on fuel lines
- Mustang II
 - Forward fuselage work.

Announcements

- None

Old Business

- Hanger Policy
 - An old hanger policy was found from 1988. It had been superseded in 2005 but we cannot find a copy of the old one.
 - We have a copy of the 1988 policy and it has been recommended that we review this copy and vote in February 2009 whether to accept this as the current policy.
 - Ed will update the cost sheet that explains the cost for each area of the hanger

New Business

- We are looking at putting some cabinets in the hanger to replace the tables and plastic bins next to the refrigerator.
 - The cost would be between \$475 and \$500. They're commercial grade cabinets and have some locking doors and drawers.
 - They're constructed of metal.
 - Jerry B. made a motion to approve \$550 to buy cabinets. It was seconded.
 - Vote approved.
 - Need to organize trucks to get them.
- Holiday Banquet: We have 34 people signed up to attend the banquet.
 - January 10th at 5:30pm
 - \$20 per person.
 - Bring a \$10 gift to receive one.

Program

- Today's program is: HAM license and Automated Position Reporting System (APRS).
 - Presented by Brett Ferrell and Matt Hoffman

Member Attendees

1. Ankerstar, Brad
2. Buls, Bob
3. Brainard, Linda
4. Brainard, Jerry
5. Burke, Sharon
6. Burkhardt, Bob
7. Callihan, Pat
8. Charlton, Brian
9. Dornette, Mark
10. Fear, Barry
11. Ferrell, Brett
12. Ferrell, Elizabeth
13. Forsythe, Kent
14. Graumlich, Tom
15. Hardwick, Jonathan
16. Hoffman, Matt
17. Jones, Ken
18. McNamee, Tim
19. Nelson, Tom
20. Parker, Ray
21. Raney, Dave
22. Reagan, Dan
23. Robertson, Lester
24. Rose, Roger
25. Schwinn, Ed
26. Taylor, Mark

27. Wilemski, John

28. Wilson, Charles

29. Wyss, Mark

Web Tip of the Month

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Chapter Member Biographies

Did you know that the website has the ability to let you get to know your fellow members through stored biographies? Well it can, and we'll show you how in this month's WTOM. In case you've missed our previous tips, they're listed below.

- [December](#) - How to register and login to the members-only section
- [January](#) - How to check the chapter calendar
- [February](#) - Chapter builder Projects pages, and how to get yours
- [March](#) - Looking up member data (phone, email)
- [April](#) - How to add events to the chapter calendar
- [May](#) - How to use the weatherbug
- [June](#) - The Airventure Section
- [July](#) - The Chapter Photo Roster
- [August](#) – No WTOM
- [September](#) - The Young Eagles Section

Every life has a story, so why don't you share yours? What we have in mind here is a paragraph or a few to tell folks why you fell in love with flying, homebuilding, restoring, young eagles, or just came to be part of the chapter. Do you have a hobby, job, or skill that might be of interest or use to another builder? Mention it in your Bio! Maybe you're a CFI or A&P, maybe you've got a gyro or seaplane rating, maybe you can teach someone how to fly R/C, or maybe you're in to electronics or amateur radio. Did you fly in the military or commercially (with the Wright brothers)? The point is most of us are more interesting than we think, so tell your tale.

Here are some examples. My bio (**Figure 3**) talks about how a college friend shared Kitplanes

with me, and then the directory issue and I fell in love with the Velocity. I never thought I'd build a plane, but came back around to it a decade later. Most of the chapter officers have bios (which are noted with the Bio link on the officer page – **Figure 1**), and Linda shares some thoughts about flight training. Kent's shares his start in R/C models, and then later aerobatics. It's riveting stuff (get it, rivet...).

Note that biographies are only available to chapter members, and as such you must be logged in to read them. The other easy way to find Bios is to look for links on the Photo Roster page below folk's pictures (**Figure 2**).

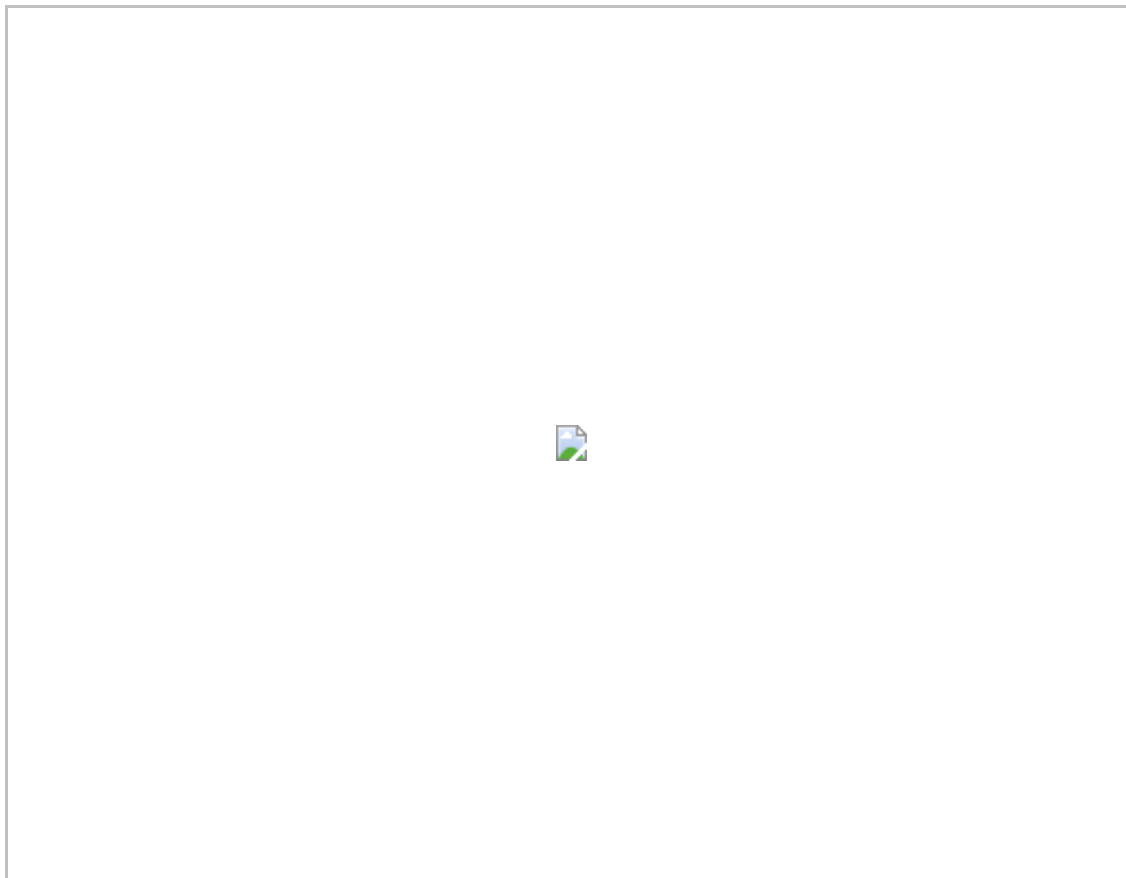


Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

Pilots buy airport to Save and Expand it

When the city of Festus hired a real estate company to sell Festus Memorial, area pilots knew they would have to act swiftly to save the only public-use airport in their Jefferson County.

But when a series of more traditional attempts to save the airport failed, the pilots, under the banner of Citizens for Airport Economic Expansion (CAEE), decided to purchase the airport themselves.

[Read more >>](#)

Banquet Information and Headcount Request

As discussed at the November meeting. I need to get a headcount for the annual banquet. Please contact me (Ed Schwinn) either via email (eschwinn@fuse.net) or by phone (513-752-1978) letting me know the number of people in your party.

I'm also collecting door prizes for the event. If you have something you can donate as a door prize, please contact me.

Date: January 10th, 2009, 5:30PM

Location: The Houston Inn (<http://www.froglegking.com/gpage.html>)

4026 S. US Rt. 42, Lebanon, OH 45036

513-398-7377

Directions:

I-275 (either direction) to **I-71 North**. Take exit **25 (OH-741/Kings Mills Rd)** toward **Mason**. Turn **left** at **Kings Mills Rd/OH-741**. Turn **right** at **OH-741**. Turn **right** at **US-42/S US Route 42** (Destination will be on the right).

Cost: \$20.00 per person, includes dinner, desert and soft drinks (can either pay me in advance or at the door).

Cash Bar for alcoholic beverages.

Itinerary:

Social

Dinner: approx. 6:00 – 6:30PM

Brief Meeting to welcome the new officers

Gift Exchange

There will not be a guest speaker this year. We will be doing the traditional gift exchange. Each person wishing to participate needs to bring a gift having a value of no more than \$10.00. Please specify if the gift is appropriate for a man or woman or either. Rules of the game will be discussed prior to the start of the exchange.

Upcoming Flying Destinations

Jan 20 — La Porte, IN. La Porte Municipal Airport terminal building (KPPO). Avidyne Training Seminar....NO Cost!!!. Premier Aviation and La Porte Aviation are proud to sponsor a full evening with Avidyne. Food will be served at 5 pm followed by a training presentation by Avidyne. products will be on display for training and to demo. We are submitting this event to qu. Contact John Landwerlen, 219/325-9823; [Email](#). [Website](#).

Jan 30 - 31 — Novi, MI. Great Lakes Aviation Conference & Expo. 50,000 sq ft exhibit hall. With over 100 breakout sessions and exhibits, the GLIAC has something for everyone. [Website](#).

Jan 31 — Stevens Point, Wisconsin, WI. Stevens Point Municipal Airport (STE). AMERICA'S AIRSPACE. Do you know what makes it legal to fly in each class of airspace? . Contact Wanda Zuege, 715-252-3326; [Email](#). [Website](#).