

# EAA CHAPTER 974 NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2012

#### THE PREZ SEZ...CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bob Dombek has agreed to take on the newsletter, in addition to Historian and Librarian. I'm half way through my "tour" so I thought a recap, or update, would be appropriate. We're hanging in there on the finances, with about \$3250 in the till now, which is a couple hundred more than we had in January. There are well over 50 paid members with 28 registered aircraft; more than half are owner built. A concentrated effort to tidy up the hangar resulted in several items going to the junk yard or other hangars. Mark Wyss and his trailer were significant in the clean up. He also provided the scaffolding we used to install insulation on the north wall of the hangar. We had great support for the three work sessions it took. It's functional, but not quite finished. New member, Chris Keil, installed donated kitchen cabinets in the old computer area. An 8' counter top will complete the job. We had 9 airplanes for a great Young Eagles event early in the year, with the UC students. We decided at the last meeting to have our picnic in September. Then we found out that the EAA Ford Tri Motor tour wanted to stop hear 6-9 Sep. As it turned out, that conflicted with the EAA B-17 tour stopping at Lunken. We decided not to do the Ford, so we're back to the picnic, which is tentatively scheduled for our next meeting, 9 September. I would still like to see an awning over the hangar people door; a wheeled storage rack for the tables and chairs; a window installed in the north wall; a tool inventory and wish list; and maybe an evening social event of some kind, before winter. I am looking for volunteers and/or suggestions for other projects or activities. Thanks, Brad Ankerstar

## FROM YOUR EDITOR

Well, here it goes Chapter 974, my first attempt at editing a newsletter. I'm on the uphill side of a steep learning curve so please bear with me. I'll keep the newsletter short and simple for a while 'til I learn the tricks of Microsoft Publisher and the process of uploading to the website. I have some big shoes to fill. My thanks go to Brad Payne for his patient teaching in getting me started. In looking back over past newsletters, we've had some fantastic, eye catching editions that were a pleasure to read. I'll try to pick your brains from time to time, so please feel free to tell me what you like, or don't like, to see in a newsletter. Thanks

**Bob Dombek** 

### SECRETARY'S REPORT —MINUTES

EAA 974 Minutes 1 July 2012

Pres. Col. Brad Ankerstar
VP Kevin Gassert
Treas. Barry Fear
Secy Mark Wyss

Pledge: Time2:03 pm
Attendance: Visitors/New Members- none
Minutes of last meeting: Accepted as read
Treasurer's report: balance: \$3247.57
Income310 Previous Balance 3016 Expenses78.79
Reports:
Brad Ankerstar had info on Lost Bridge flyin must stay overnight  John Wayne reported first flight all went well
Kevin Gassert very close to fly the black ercoupe
Bob Dombek is new grandfather
Projects young eagles No young Eagles requests
Other events mentioned: Wings & Wheels Dayton Writght Bros. July 14
Tail dragger flyin Greenwood In. July 23
Dayton Air show July 6 7
Ray no report
Librarian no report
Hanger Master no report

Old business: Brad: Cabinets need to be finished and a signup sheet would be put out to finish some small areas of insulation

Brad: Couch had mysteriously appeared in EAA hanger Brian Charlton has placed it there on temporary loan

#### **New business:**

Chapter Picnic set for 1st weekend in October

**Trimotor Visit** 

Brad: Contacted by the EAA folks who fly the Ford Trimotor to different sites for a 3 day event. A brochure outlining the Chapter responsibilities for a visit was passed out to the members. Brad outlined the chapter responsibilities. Several members who were involved with a Trimotor visit at Urbana and at Clermont spoke up and gave their impressions. One member volunteered to contact sponsors to raise promotional funds. Tom Hogan said he would contact Conrad to see if the event could be dovetailed with a large model A event at the airport. A straw vote was taken and there seems to be Moderate interest in the project.

**No Program** 

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