



## AUGUST 2012 VOL 2

### **THE PREZ SEZ...**

I thought we had a really good August meeting: Over thirty members present and a half a dozen project reports. Bob Burkhart explained the new "Eagles" program for adults. It's basically for folks seriously interested in pursuing a pilot's license, and it comes with a free, six month membership to EAA. Bob has the details. We declined the For Tri-Motor visit in deference to the B-17 at Lunken 6-8 September, but the consensus was to try to do it next year. I emailed the scheduler and indicated our interest. Several members commented on recent Fly-ins. We finished up with a hefty split the pot which was won by a new member, Larry Norris, at his first meeting. He elected to donate it back to the chapter so we applied some of his donation to pay his first year dues.

A counter top for our "kitchen" and installation of the window in the north wall are still on hold pending availability of a skilled craftsman. I'm anxious to get those projects completed. Looking for a volunteer.

### Brad Ankerstar

The following is a reprint of EAA's response to the chapter's inquiry about hosting the Ford Trimotor. It is inserted at the president's request.

Editor

Brad,

Thanks for the follow up note and interest in hosting the Ford. We definitely welcome your continued interest in hosting the airplane. I think your ideas for involving the local car clubs and dealership are really great! We will be working on next year's tour plans over the next few months, so let's stay in touch as we progress. I am asking Kristy Busse to make sure we have the latest info with your tour stop request and to keep you in our tickler file for applications.

Again, thanks for letting us know that you are still very interested in hosting the Ford.

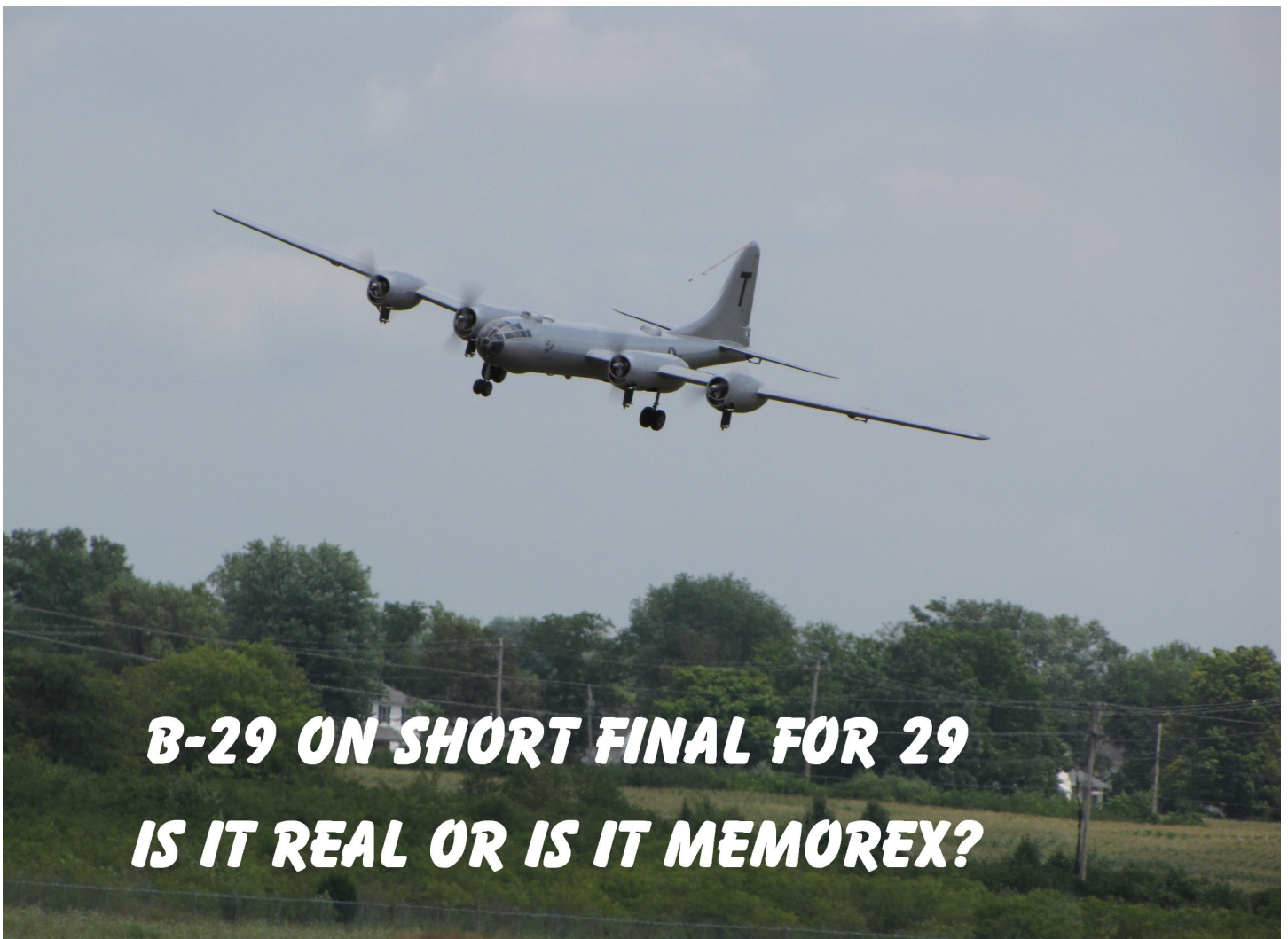
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Vice President, Advocacy and Safety

## ***FROM YOUR EDITOR***

I'm still trying to keep the newsletter simple as I fumble around with the publisher soft ware. I'd like to add some pictures of a couple of events from last month, the Flying Circus and MERFI. For the future, if any of you take pictures at other fly-ins and events, please e-mail them to me and I'll try to include them in the newsletter.





***THE AIRPORT KID GOES TO MERFI***



***A PERFECT DAY FOR MERFI 2012 !***

# **SECRETARY'S REPORT--MINUTES**

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## **EAA 974 Minutes 5 Aug 2012**

Pres. Col. Brad Ankerstar

VP Kevin Gassert

Treas. Barry Fear

Secy Mark Wyss

**Pledge:** Time 2:05 pm \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance: Visitors/New Members**

**David Etheridge**

**Larry Norris**

**Francis Severin**

**Minutes of last meeting:** Accepted as read

**Treasurer's report: balance: \$ 2793.92 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Income \$ 241 \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Balance**

**Expenses \$ 585 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Reports:**

**Young Eagles: Bob Burkhardt asked the group if we would be interested in doing Young Eagles. Affirmative show of hands.**

**Re: Young Eagles Brad mentioned that the EAA national insurance for Young Eagles has been bumped to \$ 1,000,000.**

**Ray: no report**

**Librarian: no report Bob Dombek has assumed newsletter editor duties**

**Hanger Master: no report**

**Projects: Mike Crouse talked about his Kolb project  
John Mason reviewed his self designed (hummel bird variant) Project**

**Scott Balmos reviewed his 9A Vans project**

**Mike McKosky gave update of his CH 750**

**Kevin Gassert flew the black Ercoupe to Oshkosh**

**Old business: Brad recognized Hanger Master Sharon Burke who organized the items in the new cabinets.**

**New business: Discussion about the website and using Facebook as a surrogate for the website. Scott Balmos volunteered to send invites from Facebook to the members who have email addresses.**

**Bob Burkhardt reminded the members about the B-17 visit to Lunken. Also Brad said that the Tri Motor visit to 974 could be in the works for next year.**

**No Program**

**Meeting adjourned.**