# TAILWINDS



EAA CHAPTER 974 NEWSLETTER MAY 2013



#### THE PREZ SEZ

Congratulations to Caleb for winning the prefight contest before the May meeting. Most of the meeting was devoted to talk of the Ford Trimotor visit. Plans are moving along and if you can help with the event either before or during the visit contact Brad. That's all I have so go get some flying done between the rain showers.

Kevin

#### FROM THE EDITOR

Ok folks. I wasn't planning on this happening just yet, but most of you have heard me say that I'm looking for a name for our chapter newsletter. Every time I think of something I Google it to see what comes back. It seems that everyone and his brother is using what ever idea I've come up with. It's either another newsletter name, a book title, a club or something else. My list had grown to over 40 ideas, and I was getting stale. Then I received an e-mail from a good friend of mine who often signs his messages with "Blue Skies and Tailwinds". That phrase sorta stuck with me for a couple of weeks, but it seemed a little long. I found my self re-reading bits and pieces of the "Spirit of St Louis". Lindbergh talked about hoping for a tailwind to help him across the Atlantic. The email salutation and Lindbergh's tailwind hopes merged in my brain. When I Googled "tailwind" I found far fewer organizations using it for anything. I learned that everything from flying to finances to sailing views a tailwind as something positive, something that represents progress. So, with the chapter's indulgence, I'd like to run with this title. Hey, it's not cast in stone. If anyone has strong objections let's talk. Meanwhile, I hope it will give 974 a unique identity. Tailwinds, Blue Skies and Happy Landings! Bob

EAA Chapter 974

President: Kevin Gassert Vice President: Mike Wood Treasurer: Berry Fear Secretary: Caleb Schmidt

5 May 2013 Order of Meeting

New member: Richard Rentschler

**Secretary report**: meeting minutes approved

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Berry is currently down in the Smokey's camping but according to our substitute treasurer we deposited three-hundred dollars and paid around two or three hundred dollars in fees

Young Eagles Report: none

**Tech Counselors Report**: Ray fixed up Brian's wheel pant

Hanger Master's Report: hanger is still here

<u>Librarian/Newsletter</u> Report: Bob is STILL looking for a name for the newsletter

**Project Reports**: Bob's tiger moth fuselage made it to the paint booth.

<u>Old Business</u>: Brad had a meeting with the FBO and some group members about the ford trimotor. The price for a ticket is seventy-five dollars. Ages 2-17yrs old the tickets are fifty dollars. If you are a volunteer you probably can get a ride. We need to have a hanger to put the plane in. Location of operation needs to be decided. We need 5 shifts of 4 to 6 people to work about 4 hrs and a total of 20 to 30 people. Fly the ford.com is the website where you can book a flight. There is also a downloadable manual for hosting the trimotor. The chapter has granted two-hundred dollars to the trimotor committee.

**New Business**:none

Respectfully Submitted: Caleb Schmidt Chapter Secretary



The May program featured a pre-flight inspection contest sponsored by John Prince. Contestants were to inspect a plane that had just come out of annual to see if the A & P shop had missed anything.

Just because we pay someone \$\$\$\$ to conduct an annual inspection, doesn't mean they haven't missed something or left something half assembled. We pilots carry the final responsibility for declaring our planes safe to fly.

The object of the contest was to find up to 20 faults that John had sneakily placed on his Cherokee D. Each contestant paid \$5 to enter. The winner split the pot with the chapter.

BRIAN SEES SOMETHING SUS-PICIOUS UNDER THAT AI-LERON



GARY'S JUST GETTING WARMED UP!

BRENT SEES SOMETHING'S UP........ WITH THAT STRUT!



CALEB SEES SOMETHING AMISS WITH THE VERTICAL STAB....OH THOSE YOUNG SHARP EYES!



FRANCIS IS GIVING THAT SPIN-NER A CAREFUL LOOK!

JOHN'S MAKING A LIST AND CHECKING IT TWICE!

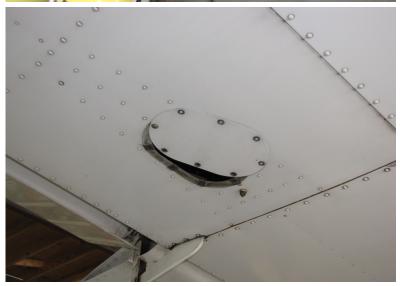
MARK'S LIST IS GROWING TOO!



HMMM......IS THIS NAV LIGHT ON THE RIGHT SIDE?



THIS RAG COULD CAUSE SOME PROBLEMS!



THIS INSPECTION PANEL WOULD SURE BUZZ IN THE WIND!



THE CONTESTANTS
FROM LEFT TO
RIGHT:
BRIAN CHARLTON
AND ROWDY,
FRANCIS SEVERIN,
JOHN WAYNE,,
A/C OWNER JOHN
PRINCE,
BRENT CLARK,
GARY MULLINS,
MARK WYSS,
CALEB SCHMIDT



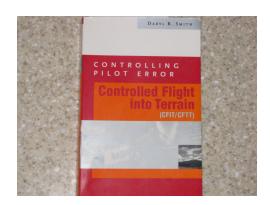
OUR WINNER!
CALEB SCHMIDT





DON'T MISS THE JUNE MEETING! OUR PROGRAM WILL BE A PRESENTATION BY DR. DARYL SMITH, AUTHOR OF "CONTROLLED FLIGHT INTO TERRAIN". DARYL FLEW KC-135'S, AND WAS IN INSTRUCTOR AT THE AIRFORCE ACADEMY. HE NOW TEACHES AT THE COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH. I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO MISS THIS ONE!





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#### Biography:

Dr. Smith is an associate professor and chair of the Department of Organizational Leadership. He spent 24 years in the Air Force as a pilot and faculty member at the Air Force Academy in Colorado.

Professor Smith holds a Ph.D. in Human Resource Management and Organizational Behavior from the University of Washington Business School, a master's degree in human factors and systems engineering, and a bachelor's degree in human factors engineering.

Dr. Smith enjoys playing sports, watching baseball and collegiate sports, and spending time with his wife and four children in sports, scouts and church.