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Breakfast Saturday, March 1st. at *Doc's Mt. Hawley Inn*, 8412 N. Knoxville Avenue, just East of Mt. Hawley Airport, at 8:00 AM. See you there!

March Meeting Our next Chapter meeting will be on Wednesday, the 12th of March, at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Hawley Airport. Ken Lindstrom of Morton will be our guest speaker.

Ken has a Cessna Conquest, which he and his wife Carol flew around the world. Their trip was quite an adventure. While times have changed and they were able to circumnavigate the earth in less than 80 days, the flight was not without it's moments! Come hear Ken relate the details of their trek around the world.

Ultralight and Lightplane Safety Seminar The Illinois Department of Transportation and the Illinois Ultralight Advisory Council will be presenting their 16th annual safety seminar, which includes both ultralights and lightplanes.

The event will be held Saturday, March 1, 1997, at the Illinois Building and Auditorium, Illinois State Fair Grounds, South Entrance, Springfield, Illinois. The Illinois Building is the first building on the left as you enter the main gate of the State Fair Grounds off Sangamon Avenue — adjacent to the Abe Lincoln statue.

There will be aircraft, kitplane, engine and aviation accessories displayed. On the mezzanine there will be a "Swap Market" area. Registration starts at 8:00 A.M. and the seminar, which is free, will begin promptly at 9:00 A.M. For further information contact: Dale Rust, Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics at 217/524-5269, or Paula & Lee Crevier, IUAC, Kankakee, IL at 815/939-0976.

WANNABEE An Aviation WANNABEE Seminar is scheduled for Thursday, March 6, 1997, from 7:00 - 9:00 PM at the Galesburg Municipal Airport.

Have you always been an Aviation Wannabee? Well this seminar will answer the following questions: (1) Why Learn to Fly? (2) How and Where Do I Learn? (3) Me, Build My Own Flying Machine? (4) Flying Opportunities? This program is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics and Jet Air, Inc., Galesburg, IL. For more information contact: Jan Draper at 1/800-554-0247.

Poberezny Speaks Champaign, IL

EAA Chapter No. 29 will celebrate its 40th Charter Anniversary by hosting a banquet on Saturday, March 22, 1997. The site for the dinner is The Chancellor Convention Center, 1501 S. Neil, Champaign, IL, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Paul Poberezny, Experimental Aircraft Association founder and CEO will be the featured guest speaker.

Chapter 29 was organized by a small group of enthusiasts with names now familiar to the Illinois aviation community; Wilbur Smith, Louis Dyson, Jimmy Owens, Rudy Frasca, Marian McLure and Ken Ringel are just a few. The chapter remains active today with approximately 40 members pursuing flying, maintenance, homebuilding, aviation education and other interests.

The group looks forward to renewing acquaintances and enjoying an evening of fun with an aviation atmosphere. An open invitation is extended to our Illinois aviation friends to join in the celebration. Advanced tickets can be purchased for \$17 per person before March 20th, by contacting Mr. Pat Gallahue at 217/893-8691 or Mr. Terry Ladage at 217/244-8602.

Membership Dues for 1997 are now payable. If you have not yet renewed, please send your check for \$15.00 to Treasurer Al Phipps. Beginning this year calendars are not included in the dues. If you want a 1997 EAA Calendar, please include an additional \$5.00.

Joe Fox's Cessna 180 has been transformed from a pumpkin to a wonderful air chariot! N185F is back home and has never looked better! The workmanship is superb and the paint job is fantastic! The result is a craft that any pilot would be proud to fly.

The **B-17 "Aluminum Overcast"** will be in town on the Byerly ramp at the Greater Peoria Airport for four days from Thursday, June 26th, thru Sunday, June 29th. Mark the end of June down on your calendar! The Bomber should be a big hit again this year. Bring your family and friends for a look at history.

Christmas Luncheon Chapter Treasurer Al Phipps has reserved Saturday, December 6, 1997, at Cater Inn for our annual Christmas Luncheon. It is not too early for suggestions on a guest speaker. If you know a great after dinner speaker, contact Morrie Caudill.

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The Top 10 ways to spot a really bad landing:

- 10.) Passengers appear shorter than before takeoff.
- 9.) Big skid marks left on pavement and in pilot's clothing.
- 8.) You're cleared to land three different times without going around.
- 7.) That scraping sound was the trailing edge of the flaps.
- 6.) You're congratulated on a perfect four—point landing when you have only three wheels.
- 5.) Laughter overwhelms the tower frequency for hours.
- 4.) Rescue workers greet you to ask for an injury report.
- 3.) Prop has that zooty new Q—Tip look.
- 2.) Enormous amount of power required to taxi off the runway.
- 1.) The lineboy fuels your Skyhawk without a stepladder.

Calendar

March 1st — SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Illinois State Ultralight Safety Seminar.
April 6th thru 12th — LAKELAND, FLORIDA

23rd Annual Sun 'n Fun EAA Fly-In and Sport Aviation Convention. Contact: 941/644-2431.

April 26th and 27th — SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

4th Annual Charlie Wells Memorial Fly-In Breakfast.

July 11th thru 13th — MATTOON, ILLINOIS

WINGS WEEKEND '97 at the Coles County Airport (MTO) located between the cities of Mattoon and Charleston, Illinois. Sponsored by: FAA Springfield, Illinois Flight Standards District Office; Illinois Department of Transportation/Division of Aeronautics; AOPA Air Safety Foundation; Coles County Airport Authority and AVEMCO Insurance Company.

July 30th thru August 5th — OSHKOSH, WIS

EAA OSHKOSH '97 — 45th Annual EAA Fly-In and Sport Aviation Convention at Wittman Regional Airport. Contact John Burton, EAA, 414/426-4800.

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