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Breakfast Saturday, July 1st at our hangar at Mt. Hawley Airport, beginning around 8:00 AM. The June breakfast was a big success. Janet Phipps made a delicious egg casserole out of the ham that was left over from the ill fated May pot luck Chapter meeting that didn't happen. **See you at breakfast this Saturday!**

Morrie Caudill and Lou Carr assisting.

The Historical Ride Committee; Dave Cook is Chair. If you would like to become involved in helping host the B-17 visit, please contact Bob Thompson, Morrie Caudill or any of the committee members listed.



July Our next Chapter meeting will be on the **Second** Thursday of the month, **July 13th**, at 7:00 p.m. at our Chapter Hangar at Mt. Hawley Airport.

Aluminum Overcast

The EAA's B17 will be in Peoria from July 7th thru the 10th, at the Greater Peoria Airport. During the afternoons "Aluminum Overcast" will be parked on the Byerly ramp for viewing and walk thru tours.

In the mornings the EAA Aviation Foundation is offering historic flight experiences in its beautifully restored B-17G Flying Fortress. The first flights will be on Saturday, July 8th. Flight times will be 8:00, 8:45, 9:30, 10:15, and 11:00 each day.

Here is your once-in-a-lifetime chance to fly in an authentic World War II B-17 Bomber. Take a trip back in time and feel the might of this magnificent flying machine, just as those young men did more than 50 years ago!

A Flight Experience Costs: \$300 for current EAA members and \$350 for non-EAA members. If you want to take a Flight Experience, please contact Dave Cook at 682-6074.

Volunteers are needed to help with the crowds during the afternoons, when the Bomber is parked on the Byerly ramp.

Chapter members have agreed to serve on following committees during the B-17 visit.



The Equipment Committee; Phil Moldenhaur is Chair, with Dewey Fitch, Al Phipps, Dave Cook and Don Wollcott assisting.

The Publicity Committee; Al Phipps is Chair, with

Following the meal, President Bob Thompson convened an abbreviated meeting. Bob called on Jack Frost to share



Jack Frost

his aviation related experiences during two recent trips: First to Sun-N-Fun in Florida during April, followed by a visit to the "Don Luscombe Aviation History Foundation" Work Shops in Chandler Arizona in May.

This was Jack's first visit to Sun-N-Fun and like Oshkosh; he found there was a world of aviation things to see. Jack said that the highlight of his two days at Sun-N-Fun was an educational forum hosted by EAA's Vice President Bob Mackey, entitled "Chapter Officers Seminar," in which Bob Mackey, Sue Adams and Tom Poberezny led a lively discussion of Chapter improvements and general aviation topics.

Jack also described two exhibits that he especially enjoyed at Sun-N-Fun: The first was "The Wright Brothers First Flight Centennial" display. The Wright Brothers first powered flight is to be celebrated on December 17, 2003. The second exhibit was Cessna's "Millennium Aircraft Editions" display.

Jack shared that his visit to the Luscombe sheet metal working and fabrication workshops in Chandler, Arizona was prompted by his on-going love affair with the Luscombe. Jack enjoyed flying many solo hours in an 8A

from grass strips in New Jersey during his youth in the mid-Fifties.

Bob Thompson then called on Neil Pobanz to speak to the Chapter. Neil focused his remarks on the need for getting young people into aviation. Neil encouraged mentoring for aviation careers for pilots and mechanics.

To support the mechanics career path, Neil encouraged the creation of an intensive 12-month aviation mechanic course of study at the Community College level, instead of extending the program out to two academic years to allow for the traditional summer months off.

As an example of the importance of aviation mechanics, Neil cited the case of Charlie Taylor, the Wright Brothers mechanic, who built from scratch the lightweight engine that made the Wright Brothers powered flight possible!

On a final note, Neil touched on the subject of aircraft insurance, by strongly suggesting that as you age, it would be wise not to switch insurance companies.

Bob Thompson then concluded the meeting with a discussion of the following key points:

- (1.) We need to build up our membership to strengthen our Chapter.
- (2.) We need everyone's help to make the B-17 visit a success.
- (3.) We recognized Joe Fox and sang "Happy Birthday" to honor and celebrate his 80th birthday!
- (4.) We recognized and applauded Sam Sisk's recent passing of the FAA Airframe and Power Plant exams. Congratulations Sam!

Programs for Chapter Members scheduled for AirVenture 2000

These programs are not just for Chapter Officers and Directors, but are intended for any Chapter Member who is interested in the future of his or her Chapter. We hope to see you in Oshkosh at the end of July!

Wednesday July 26th

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions -- (Deck-1) "Chapter Leadership Transition" & (Deck-2) "Attracting and Retaining New Chapter Members"

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "Tax Exempt Status for Your Chapter" & (Deck-2) "Chapter Aircraft Projects"

Thursday July 27th

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions -- (Deck-1) "Chapter Flying Clubs" & (Deck-2) "Introduction to EAA Chapters" (How to form a Chapter, How to Find a Chapter etc...)

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "Chapter Insurance Program Overview" & (Deck-2) "Chapter Clubhouses and Hangars"



Friday July 28th

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (Vette Theater in the AirVenture Museum) - Chapter Newsletter Editor's Workshop --, Come Meet the Editors of Sport Aviation, Scott Spangler and Mike DiFrisco (both former EAA Chapter Newsletter Editors).

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions -- (Deck-1) "Chapter Insurance Program Overview" & (Deck-2) "Chapter Fundraising Ideas"

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Vette Theater in the AirVenture Museum) - Chapter Web Editor's Workshop --, Come learn how to create a Chapter Web Site and how to make your existing Chapter Web Site more effective.

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "How to Become a Good Chapter Leader" & (Deck-2) "How to Make your Chapter More Active!"

Saturday July 29th

8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (EAA Nature Center) - Chapter Leaders Breakfast --, Join us for a morning of interacting with other Chapter Leaders from all over the world, meet EAA Staff Members, and enjoy a great Breakfast (FREE)! Please RSVP by sending your name, Chapter Number, and EAA Number to 800-236-4800, ext. 4876, fax at (920) 426-6560, or e-mail to chapters@eaa.org.

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "How to Make Your Chapter More Active!" & (Deck-2) "Attracting and Retaining New Chapter Members"

Sunday July 30th

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions -- (Deck-1) "How to Become a Good Chapter Leader!" & (Deck-2) "Chapter Clubhouses and Hangars"





meals, materials, lodging and flight in "Aluminum Overcast." Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229 for information or reservations.

Ford Tri-Motor Pilot Ground Schools - October 20th-22nd and October 27th-29th

Ford Tri-Motor Pilot Ground Schools (both pilots and non-pilots are invited to participate) have been scheduled for the first time in 2000. Classes will run May 12-14, October 20-22 and October 27-29. Cost is \$450 for EAA Members and \$550 for non-EAA Members, which includes a flight in the Tri-Motor, instruction, materials, meals and lodging. Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229 for information and to make reservations.

Lancair Workshop - September 14th-17th

Will present the necessary instruction to build the Lancair aircraft. All problem areas and specific techniques used for assembly of the Lancair will be presented. Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229 for more info. or to make a reservation.

Engine Workshop - October 2nd-6th

Basic course in engine disassembly, cleaning, evaluation and reassembly. Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229 for more information or to make a reservation.

Building the RV Series of Aircraft - October 9th-13th

Join well known and skilled RV builder, Alex Sloan for this week-long session on building the Van's RV series. If you're in the process of or thinking about building the Van's RV, you'll want to attend this session. Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229 for more information or to make a reservation.

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "Chapter Fundraising Ideas" & (Deck-2) "Attracting and Retaining New Chapter Members!"

Monday July 31st

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "Chapter Flying Clubs" & (Deck-2) "Introduction to EAA Chapters" (How to form a Chapter, How to Find a Chapter etc...)

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Chapter House) - Chapter Roundtable Discussions - (Deck-1) "Tax Exempt Status for Your Chapter" & (Deck-2) "Chapter Aircraft Projects"

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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

Flight Testing Techniques Course - July 23rd-25th

A special Flight Testing Techniques course with Ed Kolano (test pilot and former flight instructor at the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School) is set for Oshkosh for July 23rd-25th. This is a specialized classroom only course designed to familiarize homebuilders and flight advisors with flight testing techniques and procedures. The goal of the course is to increase the safety record for amateur-built aircraft resulting from more thorough and professional testing. Registration Fee is \$450 for EAA Members and \$500 for Non-EAA Members. Fee includes instruction, materials, meals and lodging. Call Pat, toll free at (888)322-3229, for more information or to make a reservation.

B-17 Pilot Ground Schools - August 25th-27th and November 3rd-5th

B-17 Pilot Ground Schools (and you don't even need to have a pilot's license to attend) are set for 2000. April 14th -16th, Aug. 25th-27th and Nov. 3rd-5th. Cost \$750 for Non-EAA Members, \$650 for EAA Members and price includes

For Sale

HOMEBUILT Spruce & Fabric. 65HP Continental w/metal prop. Single seat. GC. Bloomington area. \$3750. For information contact Charlie Murphy: truckhandler1@hotmail.com 309/473-2558 Bloomington.

One unused set of plans for a Stewart Headwind and an aircooled VW engine with many extra parts. Call Phil Hall, 319/886-6825

One Sterba prop, 74/60 fits Lyc. hub, less than 1 hr. air time. Call Bob Schrieber, 319/264-5753

One set of RV-6/6A plans with manuals and some newsletters. Call Merrill Knouse, 319/732-2861

Pulsar with 582 Rotax. Call Jim Hughes, 319/263-0684

Fisher Classic Bi-plane, 532 Rotax, duel CDI, electric start, Duel controls, easy gentle flyer, \$14,500 O.B.O. Call Don Sayers at 309-923-5871 or donruth@bwsys.net

GARMIN 195 GPS—NEW IN BOX, used 2 months \$900.00 O.B.O. Jim Cashen at 309-432-2112

1A1M Battery Powered CO Dectector – New \$44.95 plus \$3.20 for Priority Mail. Ph. 518-731-6800.

Calendar

July 2 **Fly-In / Drive-In Breakfast** Harttenbauer Airport

July 4 **Chapter 682 Fly-In Breakfast** – Mt. Morris, IL

July 9 **Chapter 111 Young Eagles Day**, Walker Field - West Liberty, IA

July 14 - 16 **Quad Cities Air Show**, Municipal Airport – Davenport, IA.

July 18-23 **38th Annual PRA Convention** Mentone, IN Contact: PRA—219-353-7227

July 22 **Chapter 1269 Fly-In Steak and Pork Chop Supper** – Oelwein, IA

July 26-Aug. 1 **Oshkosh Air Adventure EAA Conv.** Oshkosh, WI Contact: EAA—414-426-4800

July 28-30 **National Pietenpol Convention** – Brodhead, WI

Aug. 6 **Fly-In / Drive-In Breakfast** Harttenbauer Airport

Aug. 13 **Fly-In / Drive-In Breakfast** Grandpa's Farm Mendota, IL

Aug. 20 **Fly-In Breakfast**, Chapter 368, Monona, IA

Aug. 20 **SERTOMA Fly-In Breakfast**, Iowa City Municipal Airport- Iowa City, Iowa

Antique Airfield-Blakesburg, IA

Sept. 1-4 **ASC Nationals at Kimo** Brooks Field Marshall, MI Contact: ASC 616-781-4021

Sept. 3 **Fly-In / Drive-In Breakfast** Harttenbauer Airport

Sept. 8 - 10 **Midwest Antique Airplane Assoc. Grass Roots Fly-In** – Brodhead, WI

Sept. 9 **Heart of Illinois Ultralight Fly-In** Logan Co. Airport Lincoln, IL Contact: Tom Jensen—309-394-2539 murphyrebel@bwsys.net

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Aug. 25-27 **ASC Midwest Regional Fly-In** Tommy Georges Airpark Edinburg, IL Contact: 217-623-5772

Aug. 31 – Sept. 4 **Antique Airplane Assoc. Convention**,

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