



# Illinois Valley Beacon

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## Breakfast is on the first Saturday

and that happens to be the 7th this month. We will set up tables and turn the heat on about 7:30 and should have coffee and pancakes ready by 8:30. Come early and join the fun. If you don't have a gate card, someone will let you in.

## The February monthly meeting

will take place on the 12th, which is the second Thursday, in the EAA Hanger at 7:00 PM. Please be prompt due to the problem with letting non card carrying members in the security gate.

## Secretary's Report

MINUTES - January 8, 2004

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Pilon at the Chapter hangar.

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as published in the Beacon.

Treasurer Joe Ernst reviewed our finances and there were no unanswered questions.

Al Lurie reported there were no Technical Advisor requests this month.

There was extensive discussion on our new Chapter website. Jerry Pilon put it together and Morrie Caudill will manage it. Morrie felt that it would be appropriate for more than just one person to decide the site's contents and which items should be public or restricted access. A motion was passed that the Chapter officers and the Site Manager be the committee to oversee content.

Under Old Business, Bill Engel reported that the Bylaw Committee held its first meeting this week. Presently they are gathering information from EAA, IRS, and other sources. They are roughing out a plan of action, including ways to

keep chapter members in the loop. They expect to report progress regularly.

There was no New Business.

Our speaker for the evening was Rosemary Imhoff, Midwest Manager of Aviation Fuel Sales for Phillips 66. Rose worked for IBM about 20 years, has been a pilot about 15, and believes she now has a dream job. Her "company car" is an F33 Bonanza, in which she regularly visits contacts in seven states. She has FBO and corporate accounts, for whom she also conducts safety and quality control training. In response to one of many questions, she noted that, due to government specs, 100LL avgas is the same, all year long, from whomever you buy it. However, a good reason for EAAers to go Phillips (available at Mt. Hawley and Lacon, et al) is because of their dollar-a-gallon rebate on fuel bought for Young Eagles flights, using a Phillips credit card.

Rosemary recalled the good time we had at the hangar chili bash about a year ago. All agreed we should do it again this fall.

We finished off with coffee, cookies courtesy of H. Brooksbank, and chocolate brownies, freshly baked by Jerry.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Engel, Secretary



Deer vs. Durango  
Be careful out there

## What's New at the Hanger

We all owe Mack and Jeane McLaughlin a big thank you for their donations to the Chapter. The pile of books you see on the table are from their collection of many different subjects, all relating to aircraft functions. They have also donated one of their flight simulators which is capable of making the localizer approach to runway 31 at PIA. Mack says the unit can be used to accumulate hours towards the IFR rating as well as being used for training or to stay current.

I also picked up some free software at Oshkosh. Someone, I don't remember who, gave me a copy of the Microsoft Flight Simulator 2000. All we need now is someone to donate their old computer that is reasonably fast and you can fly ten different aircraft including the Supersonic Concorde.

**Needed** very badly, before we can really enjoy the above items, is someone, yes I mean a volunteer, to purchase some decent book shelves and arrange the library in a usable form. There is a lot of material on the shelves in the back that most members are not aware of simply because it is not presented in a readable fashion. A small table for the simulator (and the future computer) with a desk lamp would make it very usable for training.

How about it folks. Which one of you has the experience to organize our library?

## THINKING ABOUT GETTING A USED AIRPLANE?

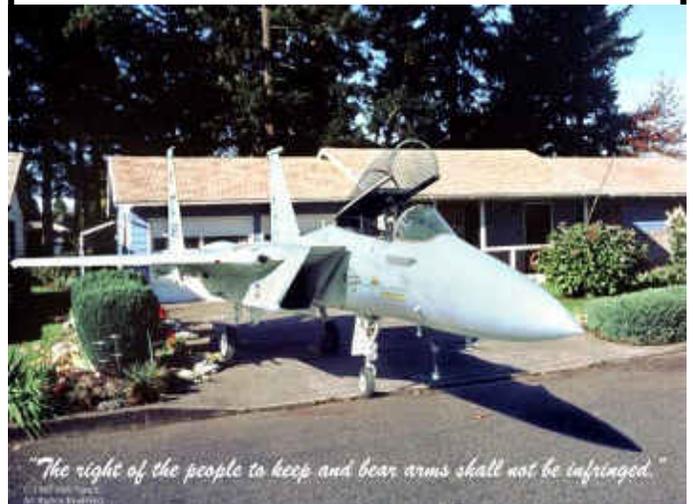
"Aviation Consumer" magazine covers planes, avionics, other equipment and services. The chapter now has about ten years of back issues so you can check things out before you buy. Presently in two white boxes, the magazines are arranged in chronological order, with an index of subjects for each year. All members are invited to use them, but please try to return them to their proper place.



Sun and Fun 2003  
In front of the airplane we didn't win



This is a beautiful 3/4 P-51 with a turbine engine



Thought You Might Be Interested In This Little Bit of Chapter History  
 This was passed on to me by Bill Engel  
 Notice how many of our current members have held an office one or  
 more times

**PAST OFFICERS OF EAA CHAPTER 563**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>TREASURER</b>
1976	Victor J. DeCroix	Guy A. Snyder	Joanne Selke	Kenneth A. Rhoads
1977	Kenneth A. Rhoads	Robert Cruthis	Eric Manuel	Oscar S. Beckham
1978	Delbert Dester	Bruce King, Jr.	Audrey Trumbold	Irene Manuel
1979	Dewey Adreon, Sr.	Gerald Foster	Guy A. Snyder	Greg Harper
1980	Victor J. DeCroix	Kenneth A. Rhoads	Oscar S. Beckham	Guy A. Snyder
1981	Neil Swartzbaugh	William Engel	Don Sharp	Larry Roberts
1982	William Engel	Guy A. Snyder	William S. Ringel	Larry Roberts
1983	Charles K. Hausam	Allan H. Lurie	Roger M. Jarmon	Charles K. Watson
1984	Roger M. Jarmon	Charles K. Watson	Andrew J. Metzka	Barry Stapleton
1985	Andrew J. Metzka	James Hull	Dale Pollitt	Brian Briggerman
1986	Brian Briggerman	Jim Hinrichsen	Ric Woldow	Don Eckard
1987	Joe Rex	Brian Briggerman	Janet Snyder	Lisa Woldow
1988	Joe Rex	Ron Wright	Brian Briggerman	Ric Woldow
1989	Ron Wright	Joe Rex	David Straughn	Jim Hannemann
1990	Ron Wright	Joe Rex	Louis Carr	Jim Hannemann
1991	William Engel	Al Phipps	Joe Rex	Louis Carr
1992	Louis Carr	David Cook	Joe Rex	Al Phipps
1993	Louis Carr	David Cook	Dennis Mellen	Al Phipps
1994	Sam Sisk	David Cook	Louis Carr	Al Phipps
1995	Sam Sisk	David Cook	Louis Carr	Al Phipps
1996	Morrie Caudill	Sam Sisk	Scot Decker	Al Phipps
1997	Morrie Caudill	Sam Sisk	Joe Fox	Al Phipps
1998	Sam Sisk	Joe Rex	Morrie Caudill	Ron Wright
1999	Sam Sisk	Joe Rex	Morrie Caudill	Ron Wright
2000	Robert Thompson	Ric Woldow	Jack Frost	Morrie Caudill
2001	Dennis Mellen	Ric Woldow	Jack Frost	Morrie Caudill
2002	Jerry Pilon	Steve Bonfoey	Bill Engel	Jim Hooker
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Another Rutan record maker?

## Calendar of Events 2004

February

- 7 Chapter 563 Breakfast
- 12 Chapter 563 Meeting

## EAA Airventure

2004	July 27-Aug. 2	Oshkosh
2005	July 26-Aug. 1	Oshkosh
2006	July 25-31	Oshkosh
2007	July 24-30	Oshkosh
2008	July 29-Aug 4	Oshkosh



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