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The 1st Breakfast will be on the **First Saturday**, the 3rd of September, at the Chapter 563 Hangar. Serving pancakes and sausage from 8:00 to 9:00. Come early and help set up.

The Membership Meeting

Will be held on the **Second Thursday**, the 8th of September, at the Chapter Hangar at 7:00P. Scott Decker will be the speaker for the evening, telling us about his adventures in Iraq. Complete with pictures.

The Directors Meeting will be held on the **Third Thursday**, the 15th, at the Chapter Hangar. The agenda is on the next page. All members are invited to attend if you wish.

The 2nd Breakfast will be on the **third Saturday**, the 17th of September. Don't miss it.

Secretaries Reports

CHAPTER PICNIC

Saturday August 27 was a beautiful day at Mt. Hawley Airport, and we had a good crowd - over thirty people turned out for the picnic. Folks started arriving about four p.m. and we sat down to eat at about five. The chapter furnished cold soda & hot chicken, and each person brought a dish to share. Potluck turned out well, with a nice variety of salads, deviled eggs, potatoes, relishes, and some great desserts.

Adding a nice touch, we were witness to the launch of a Mt. Hawley-based hot air balloon. The air was quite calm, so they didn't travel far, landing near Detweiller Park.

We had a good time visiting, spouses too,

and rumor has it that there will be a Chili Bash some time in October. Stay tuned!

The Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for Aug. 18

President Steve Bonfoey called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the chapter hangar. Present were Steve, and directors Caudill, Cook, Engel, Ernst and Hounshell. Minutes of the July meeting were approved as published, and the July finances were approved as presented by Treasurer Ernst.

After reviewing our financial situation the Board voted to raise the suggested donation for our semi-monthly breakfasts to five dollars.

Under **Old Business**, we discussed how to proceed with the results of the July Roundtable meeting. (Results are summarized in the July membership meeting minutes). It was felt that we have some good program ideas to pursue that will appeal to our members and guests.

Regarding **Membership**, all were reminded that a supply of application blanks is located at the desk in the corner. We now have 58 paid members for 2005.

Our **Program** Chairman was not present, but the September and October programs are lined up.

Properties Chair Engel reports that the BD-5 project will be brought down from its perch above the restroom and made available for all to inspect at the picnic.

Also, we agreed that the old chapter patches will be offered first to members, then offered to Young Eagles.

Under **Public Relations**, Director Cook reports he will prepare a chapter resume for board approval.

Under **Special Events**, we decided to have a special board meeting to resolve all the details that need to be firmed up for our application for a B-17 visit next year. Application deadline is Oct. 1.

We will contact some of the other 3MY folks about our plan for a Chili Bash in October.

The secretary will contact Holiday Luncheon chair Sam Sisk to see how plans are going.

Our Youth Outreach activity continues. At the recent Prairie Airshow, members Daily and Engel flew about 16 Young Eagles.

There being no **New Business**, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Bill Engel, Secretary

BD-5 UPDATE

This is one of a series of articles that will describe progress on the build of our “personal fighter plane”, which was donated to the chapter for educational and promotional purposes. So far, a rolling stand has been built to hold the plans, some common parts like rivets, and a few tools. The “bedplate” table has arrived, and the fuselage sections have been assembled on it.

Next we will review the work done to date, by going through the detailed step-by-step plans so we know how best to proceed.

Anyone who would like to participate is welcome. Just indicate your interest by giving your email address to Bill Engel (engelwk@mtco.com) and you will be kept informed. We plan to set a casual schedule, make sure everyone who “wants in” understands what’s needed, and let them pick out a portion of the project to work on. Onward and upward!



Calendar of Events 2005

	<u>Breakfasts</u>	<u>Membership Meetings</u>	<u>Directors Meetings</u>
January	1 and 15	13	
February	5 and 19	10	17
March	5 and 19	10	17
April	2 and 16	14	21
May	7 and 21	12	19
June	4 and 18	9	16
July	2 and 16	14	21
August	6 and 20	11	18
September	3 and 17	8	15
October	1 and 15	13	20
November	5 and 19	10	17
December	3 and 17	8	15

Speakers/Presentations/Activities:

January - Alan Lurie (GPS)	May –Jim and Kurt Hannemann	September—Scott Decker
February -Niel Pobanz	June –Adama Allmond	October - Bruce Chien “How to avoid failing your medical”
March –Project Visit	July - Chapter Round Table	November
April - Gerry Peacock	August –Chapter Picnic	December -

Flying: 3MY Fly Outs every month.
Oshkosh
See the Fly-In Events on page 4.

Fly-in Events for 2005

September 5	Kewanee Fly-In Breakfast
September 5-11	Stearman Fly-In, Galesburg
September 11	Pontiac Fly-In Breakfast
September 17-18	North Central Fly-in
September 16-18	Springfield Air Rendezvous
September 18	Taylorville Fly-In Breakfast
October 16	Taylorville Fly-In Breakfast

Future Oshkosh Dates:

July 25 - 31, 2006

July 24 - 30, 2007

July 29 - August 4, 2008

July 27 - August 2, 2009

July 26 - August 1, 2010

July 25 - 31, 2011

July 23 - 29, 2012

Stearman Fly-In begins today, Labor Day, at Galesburg and continues all week, ending next Sunday with a Lions Club Breakfast.

I tried to scan the program and insert it here but for some reason I can't insert a PDF file. Have patience, I still have a few things to learn.

The Stearman program can be picked up at Midwest Avtec, and it lists all the events throughout the day for the whole week.

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