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The February meeting will be held Tuesday February 27th, in the CAP hangar at Timmerman Field. Gate Code:

Speaker: Joe Coraggio: **Tales from Gopher Engineering School-Designing an LSA.** Coraggio will speak about his senior project he and colleagues designed an LSA, built a radio-controlled model of the design and flew it.

Chapter 18 Calendar of Events

February 2007

02/27/2007 Monthly Meeting, 7:30pm
CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

03/13/2007 Board Meeting, 7:30pm
Location: Stephanie Murray's House

03/27/2007 Monthly Meeting, 7:30pm
CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

March 2007

03/3/2007 Hops 'N Props
Location: EAA Museum

April 2007

04/10/2007 Board Meeting, 7:30pm
Location: TBA

THE SAGE OF THE “FASHIONALBE EAST-SIDE”

Before I get started I have to say that this column is my opinion and does not reflect the official position of the Chapter 18 or EAA Headquarters. So if you disagree with me, feel free to say so.



As I sat down to write this column this month I just got a call that yet another long time chapter member has passed away. Marvin “Murph” VanDenHeuvel. Murph – I never knew anyone who called him Marvin – was a fixture in the chapter when I first became involved in the 1980s. I also had the good fortune to know Murph from flying out at Capitol Drive Airport (02C). His L-2 was always a familiar site and the guys used to good naturedly give him a hard time about flying low and slow. Having spent a fair amount of time on Captiol Drive’s

“Fashionable East-side” as that group facetiously referred to the east-side hangar row; I got to know Murph pretty well and was fortunate to have flown with him in his L-2 several times. As part of the group of “Fashionable East-siders” Murph and others would often gather after an afternoon of flying and enjoy a cool beverage and swap stories, some of which were, surprisingly, later proven to be true! As a kid growing up around the airport I always enjoyed those story sessions almost as much as actually going flying.

It was during one of these afternoon post-flight beverage sessions, that the conversation came around to what each would do if they were faced with loosing their medical or for some other reason were faced with making a last flight. As the conversation went on and the stories continued, Murph had a twinkle in his eye and said, “I’m going to St. Louis and am going to loop the arch.” That answer clearly had some imagination behind it. After that, if it had been awhile since I last saw him, when I would ask Murph how things were going, he would grin and reply “I’m not ready to loop the arch yet.” While Murph never actually attempted to loop the arch or any other national landmark, he never lost his enthusiasm for his aviation activities and his flying friends. I could go on with stories of past experiences with Murph at Capitol Drive, Oshkosh, and Brodhead that would fill this several newsletters. He was one of those colorful characters that makes aviation so much fun.



For those of you who never had a chance to meet or get to know Murph, he was a WWII Navy Veteran, serving in the Pacific Theater. He learned to fly at Capitol Drive Airport and was proud to say that Bob Huggins taught him to fly. Bob was a longtime CFI in the area that also taught Dale and Dean Crites (Yes the same guys the Waukesha airport is named after) and Art Schol to fly. Murph worked at Ken Cook for years and was a long time member of Chapter 18. He served as the coffee and doughnuts chairman for many years. Besides restoring and flying his L-2, he was also working on a Jodel project. In addition Murph had a great sense of humor and was a key player in some legendary jokes over the years.

-president's column continued

Murph was also one of the guys that would regularly attend "The Unofficial Second Chapter Meeting" where chapter members would get together at a local watering hole and tell stories, share jokes, offer advice and encouragement and generally work at solving most of the world's problems. And while I am a firm believer in the 8 - hour rule, I think these second meetings are an important part of what this group is about. As a CFI and a chapter officer I have had members at these "second meetings" ask me questions that they were uncomfortable bringing up in front of the membership. More importantly those "second meeting" intellectual sessions have been a fantastic opportunity to really get to know other members of the chapter. (Just so you don't get the wrong idea, it is not about drinking, but rather the fellowship, and camaraderie. - There is usually a fair amount of food involved as well.) For many years Murph was always a part of that group. So this month after the chapter meeting is adjourned I am sure a group of us will work our way over to Buffalo Wild Wings on Mayfair Rd, (our current venue of choice since Red's was sold). I for one will raise my Diet Coke, (I am usually on call) and drink a toast to Murph. I invite each and every one of you to join us. The friendship and the fellowship found at the "Second Meeting" is one of the most enjoyable aspects of being a part of this chapter. So don't be surprised if one of your fellow members hands you a glass of their favorite beverage because well, they'll do that you know...See you at the meeting.

Eric Whyte

A MOMENT OF LAUGHTER FOR "MURPH"



Marvin "Murph" VanDenHeuvel passed away February 17th at Community Memorial Hospital. As many of you know, Murph had a heart bypass procedure back in December 2006, and had been slowly recovering. Last week he had complications that landed him back in the hospital, where he has been since.

Murph at the November 2005 Membership meeting.

On the evening of February 19th, approximately 50 family and friends gathered in Menomonee Falls to say their last goodbyes to Murph. It was a laughter-filled service as many stories and memories of Murph were recounted. Many talked of his technical brilliance, his kind heart, and his love of aviation. Chapter 11 President Dennis Disch talked of the life-long bond he formed with Murph as hangar neighbors at Capitol Drive Airport. Chapter 18 President Eric Whyte remembered the first time he saw Murph set up a tent at a fly-in, assisted by Budweiser per usual. And of course there was the legendary joke about painting a horses' ass yellow.

Following the service, chapter members and airport folks gathered at Pepino's in Brookfield to celebrate Murph as he lived: Sitting with friends, talking airplanes and drinking Funweiser. In true honor to Murph the gathered closed the place down draining their entire stock of Budweiser bottles. That would





have made Murph smile. At the request of Murph's family, Fritz Jorgenson with co-pilot Ken Salinger and The Newsletter Editor with co-pilot, photographer, and Chapter President Eric Whyte; provided several overhead passes of Murph's burial service on February 21st at Wisconsin Memorial Park. More photos [here](#).

Fritz Jorgenson echelon-right in a 2-ship overhead salute at Murph's burial

ARMED FORCES DAY CANCELLED

After a brief shining moment of hope that Armed Forces day at the 128th WIANG would return for 2007, the event has now been cancelled due to an upcoming base inspection that will require the 128th's full attention. However a budding Young Eagle event for late spring is still on. Gert Van der Sanden will be organizing another Boy Scout encampment at EAA HQ on June 2nd. Like the last encampment 2 years ago, Gert would like to offer Young Eagle rides to the scouts. Any interested pilots please contact Gert.

LAPTOP DONATED TO CHAPTER 18

A laptop has been donated to the chapter by its Newsletter Editor. The Hewlett-Packard Omnibook X3 was his first laptop and has served him well over many miles of travel and many heavy audio editing sessions.



The laptop is equipped with a Pentium III processor, 312MB of RAM (upgradeable), 20GB hard drive, internal modem, Ethernet port, 2 USB ports, CD-ROM, and the now rare on-board 3.5-inch floppy drive. The laptop also has a PCI slot for a wireless networking card for any WiFi in-range. (The linksys card he had with the unit is still being located). Most importantly the laptop has input/outputs for the chapter projector.

The laptop in its present configuration has more than enough "ya-ka-booch" to support any chapter function such as giving presentations, or running the Young Eagle registration software. However certain components such as the onboard memory can be upgraded as needed. Special thanks to Thomas Balistreri (Associate of the Newsletter Editor) for outfitting the laptop with Windows XP and full Office 2002 suite.

CHAPTER 18 MAKES DONATION TO BATEMAN FUND

The Chapter 18 Board voted at their February meeting to donate \$200 to the Bill Bateman Scholarship fund. The money was raised from proceeds of the Chapter Fall Dinner. The fund now holds \$2300.

The next steps for the scholarship is to approve a by-laws change to establish a scholarship committee, recruit committee members, finalize applications and make them available to high school students for the Fall 2007 school term. Tentatively the first disbursements of scholarships will be in time for 2008 graduations.

Tax time is near and the scholarship fund is a worth deduction! The agreement with Chapter 22 allows you to make a tax deductible donation to the scholarship fund.

CHAPTER 18 CAPTION CONTEST

Last Month-Final Month



January's winning caption:

"Is that a piston sticking out of your cowling, or are you just happy to see me?"

**Submitted by: Chapter Vice-President
Joe Coraggio**

Photo by Roper Studios

ULTRALIGHT-LIGHT AVIATION SAFETY SEMINAR MAR. 3RD

The Wisconsin Ultralight and Light Aviation Advisory Council is sponsoring the 14th annual Ultralight and Light Aviation Safety Seminar Saturday March 3rd from 9AM-4PM at the Hotel Mead and Conference Center in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Several speakers will be on hand covering instruction, regulatory, and technical aspects. The session qualifies as an FAA **"WINGS"** component. Admission is free and door prizes will be offered. A raffle will also be held where such items as passes to AirVenture, headsets, a prop, EIS unit, and more can be won. Contact Tony Borchardt (715-845-3018) for more information, including lodging information.

Closer to home, the Twilight Flyers Ultrasport Club 180 (United States Ultralight Association) is based 3 miles south of the Belvidere, IL Chrysler plant. They have meetings every 2nd Wednesday of the month beginning at 7PM. More info [here](#).

AIR TOUR RULE MAY GROUND YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS

EAA President Tom Poberezny will meet with FAA Administrator Marion Blakey next week to discuss the potentially damaging ramifications the recently published [Air Tour Final Rule](#) could have on the EAA Young Eagles Program. The new rule would limit what aircraft could be used for Young Eagles flights, with additional restrictions on pilot qualifications and frequency of Young Eagles activities that would be extremely harmful to the program.

“While the FAA likely didn’t mean to have such a devastating effect on this great program that introduces aviation to young people - without a dime of government funding, we should mention - the air tour rule has created the current ominous situation,” Poberezny wrote in a message to EAA members included in this week’s *e-Hotline* newsletter. “We are engaged in daily dialogue with FAA, but we don’t yet have all the answers on the rule’s immediate ramifications on Young Eagles.”

Poberezny’s message to EAA members can be read [here](#).

REPAIR AND INSPECT YOUR OWN LSA

EAA SportAir workshops offers several FAA-approved, weekend workshops that will allow you to obtain a Repairman/Inspection certificate for your airplane certificated in the Experimental Light-Sport Aircraft (E-LSA) category. The certificate allows you to perform the annual condition inspection on your airplane. Upcoming courses include Arlington, Washington (March 9-11); Oshkosh, Wisconsin (March 9-11); Flabob (Riverside), California, March 23-25; and Frederick, Maryland (March 23-25); and Arlington, Washington (June 8-10).

The repairman certificate earned during this course is only applicable to airplanes certificated as experimental light-sport aircraft (E-LSA). The course does not cover weight-shift or powered parachute aircraft inspections at this time. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** If your aircraft is certificated in the Experimental Amateur-Built Airplane ("homebuilt, plans or kit") category, this course does not apply. Classes are limited to 16 students and all still have openings. Tuition is \$299 for EAA members; \$339 for non-members. For more information or to register, 800-967-5746 or visit www.sportair.com.

AIRVENTURE CUP RACE APPLICATIONS READY

The 2007 application forms and related information for the 2007 AirVenture Cup Race are now available for download at the event's website, www.airventurecup.com. This year marks the 10th annual air race for homebuilts and is scheduled for Sunday, July 22, the day before Opening Day at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh.

The 500 statute-mile race begins at Wright Brothers Field (MGY) in Dayton, Ohio. Racers head straight for a pylon turn at Rockford, Illinois (RFD), before the sprint north to a flying finish at Lomira, Wisconsin. Racers then assemble at Fond du Lac (FLD) for an optional mass arrival into EAA AirVenture Oshkosh later in the day.

Chapter 18 Minutes from the January "07" Meeting

The Jan. meeting was called to order by President Eric Whyte at 7:40PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field. The following announcements were made. Eric announced that due to a scheduling conflict, the evenings program would be changed. Flyers were passed out which listed several aviation themed websites. Guests were asked to introduce themselves and 7 people did so. Of these guests was a contingent from UWM who are building a Nexus Mustang. They are currently building ribs, setting up a workshop and visiting high schools in the area to talk about aviation. Their project is a Midget Mustang and is being built from plans.

Building Reports: Fred Keip reported that the Volkswagon 2180 engine that he is working on for his Sonerai is ready to mount the starter. He will also need new firewall forward and wiring as well as a bigger battery. Fred also reported that pilots can replace their old paper, pilot licenses with new plastic ones by going on line to: www.FAA.gov. Ken Klima reports that his RV-9 is ready to mount the windshield and painting. Ken Friesleben reports that the wings are going together on the Fokker D 6-1/2 project. Fritz Jorgenson reported that he is modifying the cowling on his Long-EZ and is working on the baffles. Craig Henry reported on making the wings for his Pitts S1-11. He cautions other builders to be careful so as not to make 2 wings identical to each other. They need to be mirror image. (How did he know that?)

Flying Reports: Greg Allman reported that he now has 5 years and over 330 hrs.on his Subaru powered GlaStar.

Tech Counselors: Jeff Point reported on looking at Craig's Pitts project. Ron Scott reported that he did a final inspection of a Mustang II. In addition, he reported that his son is a certified welder and can do welding on aircraft if anyone needs this service.

Young Eagles: Gert reported that his sons and several other Scouts will be in Oshkosh on the weekend of June 2nd for an aviation campout. He would like to have some pilots volunteer to come up and give Young Eagle rides to the kids. Contact Gert if you are available. A Young Eagle event is scheduled for May 12th & 13th at the 128th ramp at MKE for Armed Forces Weekend.

Announcements: Minutes were approved as published in the newsletter. The treasurer's report was accepted. It was reported that a profit was made from the Oct. dinner meeting. All profits went to the Bill Bateman Memorial fund. It was announced that dues are due. \$10 for the year. The village of North Prairie has asked if our Chapter could provide a fly over for a parade this summer. Andy Jaskie has passed his written exam!! Jeff Point asked if there was any interest in doing a Project Patrol. Several people volunteered their projects and Jeff will have details at a later date. The early plan is to meet for breakfast and then try to visit 3 projects on some Saturday. Jeff is also working out details of a fly out campout to Madelaine Island for this summer. It was reported that East Troy has the lowest fuel prices in Wis. Fred reported that he will try to get a list of chapter videos on the website in the near future.

Break was taken, after which time the students from UWM gave a presentation on their building project. Joe Imilkowski then did us all a favor by playing his DVD of 16 Left. This is the companion video to 16 Right. Very entertaining and well worth the \$12 cost. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

Board Meeting Minutes for January "07"

The February meeting was called to order by President Eric Whyte at 7:45 after having a home cooked spaghetti meal served by Joe Corragio's mom at Joe's home. Stephanie Murray, Craig Henry, Jeff Point, Fritz Jorgenson and Jim Hatzenbeller were present. Minutes from the Jan. Chapter meeting were approved as read. The treasurers report was given and approved. Fritz announced that there was about a \$200 profit from the Dinner meeting. A motion was made, seconded and approved to put the money into the Bill Bateman Memorial fund. The February Chapter program was discussed. Joe will do a presentation of his college senior project. Joe, along with his classmates designed an LSA aircraft. They then made a gas powered model of the plane and flew it with radio control to prove out the design of the project. Of all the classes working on similar projects, Joe's class was the only one to have successful flights.

Old Business: There were no members present on any active committees at this meeting. There were no committee reports given. Stephanie reported that the tentative March program is a person who is involved with the Predator project. Fritz confirmed that the village of North Prairie would like us to do a fly over of their parade on Sept. 16th at around 12:00 noon. Eric will contact the proper officials. AS mentioned

previously, Gert would like some pilots for a Young Eagles event up at Oshkosh on June 2nd. Contact Gert if you can make it. Stephanie reported that the 128th has cancelled Armed Forces week-end for this year.

As a board, it was decided that if anyone feels that Chapter dues are too low, then they can make a contribution to the Bill Bateman Memorial fund or to the coffee fund. The Project Patrol will take place on Feb 24th at 8:00 am. Depending on the success of this one, more may be held in the future. Jeff reported that Hops and Props will be held on March 3rd at EAA headquarters. Contact EAA for details or visit their website. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 to snacks and drinks. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).

TREASURER'S REPORT

From the home office in Bernaketon, IA

EAA Chapter 18 Financial Statement

| | January | 2007 | | |
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| Checking | | | Savings | |
| Beginning balance | 1-Jan-07 | \$1,207.06 | | \$1,454.38 |
| Receipts | | | | |
| Dues | 20-Jan-07 | \$30.00 | | |
| Dues | 23-Jan-07 | \$245.00 | Interest | 0.16 |
| Dinner | 23-Jan-07 | \$162.00 | | |
| Calendar sales | 23-Jan-07 | \$260.00 | Transfer | |
| Young Eagles | 23-Jan-07 | \$4.00 | in | |
| | 23-Jan-07 | | | |
| Total Income | | \$701.00 | | |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Jeff Point | 20-Jan-07 | \$146.44 | | |
| Best designs | 20-Jan-07 | \$4.38 | | |
| EAA Reg./Ins. | 23-Jan-07 | \$227.00 | | |
| | | | Transfer out | |
| Total Expenses | | \$377.82 | | |
| Ending balance | 31-Jan-07 | ok | \$1,530.24 | ok |
| | | | | 1,454.54 |

Chapter 18 Fly-Market

New Item! 1700 hrTT chapter 18 member, CFI with Commercial multi-engine instrument rating looking to gain multi-engine experience/time. Goal is to transition from current job (teacher) to full or part-time aviation employment in southeastern Wisconsin. Do you have any advice/suggestions? Please contact Mike Felske at wings@wi.rr.com or 262-432-2313

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