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The June meeting will be held Tuesday September 25th, in the CAP hangar at Timmerman Field.

Speaker: Jan Gertsner: **Aviation Safety**

Chapter 18 Calendar of Events

September 2007

09/22/2007 Fly-out picnic to Madeline Island
See Jeff Point for details!!!!!!!

09/25/2007 Monthly Meeting, 7:30pm
CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

October 2007

10/09/2007 Board Meeting, 7:30pm
Location: Dave Alberti's house
Fall Dinner Tickets Due!!!!

FALL DINNER 10/23/2007 7:00pm
Meyer's Family Restaurant

November 2007

11/13/2007 Board Meeting, 7:30pm

11/27/2007 Monthly Meeting, 7:30pm
CAP Hangar, Timmerman Field

ELECTION NIGHT-Elect a newsletter editor!

MY 9/11 STORY



King Air stands at York, PA 9/2007. KA N204JS was parked in the very same spot for three days in 2001.

Everyone has their own 9/11 story, where they were, who there were with, how it impacted them. As a professional pilot, as an Arab-American, I am frequently asked how 9/11 has impacted me and aviation.

The random arcs of life brought many people on that day within inches of living or dying. For the rest, the horror and collective grief felt for those at the center of it all was channeled through millions of televisions, radios, and cell phones.

My arc was between these two realities. I was a first officer on a King Air 200 with my college buddy Eric Whyte. We were flying a charter for a manufacturing firm out of Manitowoc, WI because their aircraft sustained some freak damage only days before. Our destination was York, Pennsylvania in the southern part of the state; just miles from Camp David. We were to be there for only a few hours.

We left sometime after 7AM CDT and by the time we were over lower Michigan the controllers were asking about our destination. Over lake Erie we were asked again about our destination. It was about that time that we started to hear the on the frequency the repeated calls to United 93. Of course we didn't know then about the desperate struggle aboard an aircraft probably 50 miles from our position.

As we pressed east, aircraft on our frequency were being sent back to their starting points. Upon landing we were asked to make an announcement on the York frequency to all aircraft that could hear: Land immediately. The unprecedented national ground stop had begun.



Toughkenamon, PA (N57), home of EAA Chapter 240.



EAA Chapter 240's Pancake Breakfast in the chapter hangar.

As we de-boarded the aircraft we were told about the Pentagon and shortly there after a crash in western Pennsylvania. Our direct involvement in the events of 9/11 now concluded, we watched the towers fall, called loved ones and began the tricky task of figuring out how to get home.

We arranged for rental cars and hotel rooms and settled in for what would be two more nights in York. As Wednesday turned to Thursday we began to hear the scant tidbits of how they were going to open the airspace. We were lucky due to our Part 135 status (on-demand air taxi rules); we would be allowed to leave. Other aircraft in our company were on Part 91 (non-commercial flight rules) trips and would be stuck for another two days.

What struck me from those first days after 9/11 was an uninformed bias against general aviation by the politicians who were making the decisions. While it was important to get the airlines moving again; general aviation was viewed as a greater threat even though video evidence of the true system weak-point was being replayed constantly on TV.

While our nation has tried to revamp air travel security, it is general aviation which has been vilified both directly and indirectly by the effort.

The closing of Meigs field and other pre-9/11 fights over airports more often are couched in the name of security. Each report of an accident by the media seems to include a statement that “terrorism has been ruled out as a cause”.



A new fence for an unfortunate new era.

An extended consequence has been the drive for user fees. In the months before 9/11 the airline travel system was at max capacity and in desperate need of a fix; the attacks gave the airlines an un-intended reprieve. In the intervening years the airlines have squandered this time and are asking for another bail-out; this time from general aviation.



9/9/2007-clear skies over York, just like in 2001. On this day the skies were full.

Just the other day while on a 4-day trip, I attended EAA Chapter 240's fly-in Pancake Breakfast at New Garden Airport in Toughkenamon, Pennsylvania. The uncontrolled airport featured “controlled” chaos as gliders, Young Eagle flights (free flights to kids given by EAA members), weekend flyers, and banner-tow operations all merrily shared the same strip of pavement. Later that day I visited York for the first time since 9/11; not necessarily in search of a catharsis but more of a re-assurance.

The restaurant where we ate many meals was still there, the pilot's lounge still had the same TV, and the wall chart was slightly more faded than before. It seemed that nothing much had changed except one exhilarating sight. I saw planes flying over York.

-Fareed Guyot

FALL DINNER SET FOR OCTOBER 23RD

The 2007 fall dinner will be held Tuesday October 23rd at Meyer's Restaurant. Several compelling speakers are being contacted for their availability. The cost will remain at last year's level which is \$18 per person. The deadline for tickets is October 9th which is the night of the October board meeting. Last Minute Larrys can stop by the board meeting and pay for tickets and see how we wrestle...um I mean decide chapter business.

CHAPTER PILOTS ON PARADE ER OVER

The North Prairie parade was Sunday September 16th. The parade organizers invited Chapter 18 pilots to fly over the parade. Craig Henry, Joe Coraggio and several friends, Fritz Jorgenson, Stephanie Murray, and Dave Alberti made a 4-ship formation to punctuate the ground-based festivities.

Chapter 18 members on parade over North Prairie, WI.



FORMER EDITOR FILES ABUSE CHARGES

The former Chapter 18 newsletter editor was forced to publish another issue again after threats and insults leveled by Chapter 18 president Eric Whyte. The former editor is unsure why he is continually asked to publish the newsletter when the chapter president hasn't submitted a column to the MONTHLY periodical since April's issue. Certainly that is an issue of negligence that the membership should take up with the president at the next monthly meeting.

CHAPTER FALL PICNIC WELL ATTENDED

Sunny skies and more chapter airplanes flying this year led to a great Fall picnic at Craig Henry's hangar at East Troy airport



FLY-OUT PICNIC TO MADELINE ISLAND-A GREAT ACTIVITY!

Don't forget about the fly-out picnic on Saturday Sept. 22. It will be on Madeline Island in the state park. The airport is 4R5 and Jeff will have his truck there to ferry people to and from the airport. Plan to arrive Saturday mid-afternoon. Dinner on Saturday will be burgers/ brats. Breakfast on Sunday morning will be, well, TBD but it will be something.

Since Jeff is driving up he'll take the grill, coolers and all the food. All you have to bring is yourself and your tent. Cost is \$30 per person to cover the food and the campsite fees, and the \$30 is payable at the August chapter meeting.

BATEMAN SCHOLARSHIP TO DISTRIBUTE APPLICATIONS

The Bateman Scholarship committee will begin distributing applications to high schools by mid-September. The distribution area will be all of WI and northern Illinois to include the Chicago area. Applications will be accepted from all US and territories high school juniors and seniors enrolled during the 2007-08 academic year. However, the committee will focus its marketing on the WI and IL area. The application will request basic information, areas of interest and accomplishment, and an essay question.

The Chapter will vote on the committee recommendations at the April 2008 monthly meeting. Currently the scholarship fund holds \$2350. Donations are still being accepted and are fully tax deductible. Please contact Fareed Guyot to arrange a donation. Your privacy will be protected.

CHAPTER TO VOTE ON CONSTITUTION CHANGES

Proposed constitutional amendments were first published in the April newsletter. Additional amendments to the proposed wording has been added. The latest amendment version will be voted on at the **September** monthly meeting.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws Of Chapter 18, Experimental Aircraft Association (Adopted February 28, 1972)

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Paragraph c.

Current wording: New members will receive copies of the Constitution and By-laws and a list of chapter members as of the previous January 1st.

Proposed: A copy of the Constitution and By-laws and a list of chapter members will be available to all members.

ARTICLE V – DUES

Section 2 Collection of Dues.

Current wording: Payment of dues shall be made to the Chapter Treasurer.

Proposed: Collection of Dues to the Chapter Treasurer will be via the membership Chairman, who is also a board member.

ARTICLE VII – DUES

Paragraph a.

Current wording: Directors shall be elected by ballot of the members and will include four Directors with terms of two (2) years and three (3) Directors with terms of one (1) year.

Proposed: Board of Directors will consist of seven (7) Directors serving two (2) year terms with four (4) being elected in the same year as the Vice-President and Secretary and three (3) being elected in the alternate year along with the President and the Treasurer.

Paragraph j

Current wording: Expenditures in excess of one-hundred dollars (\$100) after approval by the Board of Directors, must be approved by the members at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Proposed: Expenditures in excess of three-hundred dollars (\$300) after approval by the Board of Directors, must be approved by the members at a regularly scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – MEETING OF MEMBERS

Paragraph a.

Current wording: All meetings of the members as herein otherwise provided, shall be held the fourth Monday of each month except December, at a time and place as determined by the President.

Proposed: All meetings of the members as herein otherwise provided, shall be held the fourth Tuesday of each month except December, at a time and place as determined by the President.

ARTICLE X – ELECTIONS

Paragraph a.

Current wording: Election of Officers and Directors shall take place at the October meeting of the Chapter, to allow adequate time for processing election reports to Headquarters for publication.

Proposed: Election of Officers and Directors shall take place at the November meeting of the Chapter, to allow adequate time for processing election reports to Headquarters for publication.

Paragraph d.

Current wording: Election of Officers and Directors shall be by written ballot. A Ballot Certification Committee of at least three (3) Chapter members in good standing shall be appointed by the President for the purpose of determining election results.

Added wording: For uncontested positions, the President may ask for a motion to override the requirement for the secret ballot and do a hand vote.

Chapter 18 Minutes from the August 2007 Meeting

The August meeting was called to order by President Eric Whyte at 7:40PM at the CAP Hangar at Timmerman Field. Prior to the opening of the business meeting, the evening's program which was show and tell, took place. Chris Esselstyn flew in with his Cozy Mk III and Dave Alberti flew in with his Zenith 601 HD. Guests were asked to introduce themselves, and 2 people did so. It was announced that the Annual fall picnic would be hosted by Craig Henry at his hangar on Sept. 15 at East Troy. An announcement was also made regarding the formation flight planned to be flown over the North Prairie parade on Sept. 16th.

Building Reports: Fritz Jorgenson reported on progress on his Long EZ. He has had the engine running and is working on the cowling. Jerry Clinton reported that he is putting "Turbulator tape" on his Osprey and passed a sample around to the membership. This tape supposedly lowers your stall speed and gives you a gain of 2 mph in cruise. Erik Anderson gave a report on Bob Lang's RV6. He reports that the wings are ready to be put on the plane.

Flying Reports: Fred Keip reported on flying his Sonnerai with his newer and bigger engine. He reports higher speed and better rate of climb. He also reports that temperatures and pressures looked good. Mike Felske reports that he has received his seaplane instructor rating. Jon Bales reports that he has bought a Cessna 150 and is flying most every other day. He also reports that Capitol Dr. airport has been resurfaced and is a little better that it was in the past. Erik Anderson reported on flying right seat with Eric Whyte in the Citation. They went back to Vermont for 3 days. While there, Eric W. flew a tow plane and Erik A. flew in a glider. They also flew in a Champ over mountains to White Plains, NY. Mike Woods reported that he has been checked out in the Cub at Pioneer Field. Eric Whyte also reported on getting a flight in a KC135 during a refueling mission for some F-16's.

Tech Counselors: Ron Scott reported that one of the planes from "the Fokker Project" is at East Troy and is being worked on. Fred Keip reported on doing an inventory of all the Chapter tools and had a list of the tools which he handed out. This list will also be posted on the Chapter website. Fred is also working on an inventory of all Chapter books and videos.

Young Eagles: It was reported that the Young Eagles event at Crivitz has been cancelled for this year. It was announced that there is a planned Young Eagles event next year in conjunction with armed Forces weekend at the 128th in mid May.

Announcements: The minutes from previous meeting were accepted as published. The treasures report was given and accepted. A program for the October dinner meeting is being worked on. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm at which time coffee and cookies were available. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary)

Board Meeting Minutes for September "07"

The Sept. board meeting was called to order at 7:45 by President Eric Whyte at Gert Van der Sanden house. Stephanie Murray, Dave Alberti, Joe Corragio, Mike Woods, Fritz Jorgenson, and Jim Hatzenbeller were present. Paul McAllister made a guest appearance. Minutes from the August Chapter meeting were given and approved. The treasurer's report was given and approved. The September program is being planned as a talk on aviation safety to be given by none other than Jan Gerstner.

Committee Reports: Joe Corragio reported that Fareed Guyot is working on the application and Mike Felske is working on a distribution list for the Bill Bateman Memorial fund.

Young Eagles: Stephanie reports that a Young Eagle event may be held in the second weekend of October. A Young Eagles event is scheduled for Armed Forces Weekend in May of 08 at the 128th hangar. Stay tuned for details.

The Chapter picnic will be held on Sept. 15th at Craig Henry's hangar at East Troy.

The proposed amended Chapter by-laws will be voted on at the September chapter meeting.

The October dinner meeting will once again be held at Meyer's Family Restaurant in Greenfield. The Date is Oct. 23rd and the cost is \$18 per person. This is pay in advance and the last day to make your reservation and pay Dave Alberti is Oct. 9th. Don't be left out of this fun Chapter gathering of members and their guests. The program will be "Inside Sport Aviation" and will be given by two speakers from Oshkosh.

It was announced that Paul McAllister has now been added to the list of tech counselors for Chapter 18.

Gert reports that he has a Bridgeport mill for sale. Fritz reports that he has done more work on his Long EZ project.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 to coffee and cake. Respectfully submitted, Jim Hatzenbeller (Secretary).

TREASURER'S REPORT

From the home office in Bloombergberg, WI

No data received from Treasurer due to unwarranted abuse heaped on the editor from Chapter 18 chief executive.

Chapter 18 Fly-Market

New Item! For Sale-1953 TRI-Pacer PA22-135, 400 hrs since restoration. Always hangared. Excellent Must SEE! \$27,500. Sale price includes oral history of the airplane as told by the owner. Additional bonus if you act soon: Oral history of flight. Contact Ron Scott 262-542-7423

Wanted: 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 or 262-432-2313

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