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The **First Breakfast** will be held on the **First Saturday, November 7th**, in the EAA Hangar from 8:00 to 10:00.

The **Regular Meeting** will be held on the **Second Thursday, November 12th**, in the EAA Hangar beginning at 7:00 pm. **The speaker for the evening will be Michael McConnel, the new FBO at Marshall County Airport**

The **Second Breakfast** will be held on the **Third Saturday, November 21st**, in the EAA Hangar from 8:00 to 10:00

The **Directors Meeting** will be held on the **Third Thursday, November 19th**, in the EAA Hangar starting at 7:00 pm. All members are welcome to attend.

## Cessna's first 162 SkyCatcher arrives from China

Cessna Aircraft's first 162 SkyCatcher arrived in Wichita, Kan., this week from China. The light sport aircraft was manufactured by Shenyang Aircraft Industry in China, but will be assembled in the U.S. with a few design modifications. The aircraft manufacturer introduced the SkyCatcher in 2007 at a competitive price of \$111,500 to encourage more people to fly.

## Message from Sully and Jeff

We would both like to express to everyone in the EAA community our excitement about our new roles as Co-chairmen of the EAA Young Eagles program. We are honored and humbled to accept this position within the EAA organization and look forward to working with you all to further this great cause.

Together, we share a kinship as aviators and a responsibility to inspire those who follow. Our passion for flight and our sense of family in the company of other aviators must be introduced to the pilots, aviation professionals and enthusiasts who will follow in our footsteps. The EAA and its many members have challenged themselves to

take the lead in this effort. The Young Eagles program has harnessed the enthusiasm and drive of the entire EAA organization to promote aviation and encourage, inspire and enlighten the aviation leaders of tomorrow. The two of us share that commitment with you. Together we will move forward and build upon the solid foundation left by those that came before us, working to inspire youth into aviation and promote their many achievements.

The two of us come from different aviation backgrounds, but a passion for flight binds us together, as it binds us all within the EAA community. Through the Young Eagles program we look forward to partnering with you and sharing our passion with youth, both through our local EAA Chapters and our individual efforts. We are enthusiastic about moving forward with Harrison Ford's message that by applying themselves, being self disciplined and focusing on goals, a Young Eagle can "earn" the reward of flight. We would like to add our own emphasis on training, preparation and leadership to the EAA Young Eagles vocabulary. As professional pilots and through our experience on US Airways Flight 1549, the two of us know the value of these basic tenets of aviation and will promote and encourage their importance as our contribution to the EAA

Young Eagle message.

To advance and ensure the future of general aviation, we must all join as ambassadors for flight and share our experiences with the generation that follows. As part of this effort, the EAA Young Eagles program has introduced many children and teenagers to a world they might never have had an opportunity to experience, and we are thrilled to join the EAA community in continuing this noble effort into the future. As pilots, we are united by our unique ability to break the bonds of earth and reach for the clouds. In partnership with the EAA Young Eagles and youth education programs, we can share in inspiring and grooming the next generation of aviation enthusiasts and leaders. The two of us are eager to join with each and every one of you in making our mutual passion for flight the legacy we pass on to the aviators of tomorrow.

Sully and Jeff

### REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING October 7th, at the Chapter Hangar

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday because a Safety Meeting was scheduled at the FBO on our regular Thursday night.

Our secretary was not at the meeting so I'll try to remember what happened.

The meeting was opened at the regular time and several guests were introduced.

President Al Phipps commended Bob Young and Chris Tate for their fantastic work to organize the visit of the Ford Tri-Motor last month.

I don't remember any new or old business being discussed. The speaker for the evening, Adoma Allmond, was introduced and discussed the process involved in buying an additional plane for his stable.

He provided many insights into the thought process involved in deciding what type of plane would expand their flight school in a direction that would work best for the school.

To make a long story short, they went looking for a tail dragger and had found a nice Cub, but the owner wrecked it before Adama could pick it up.

He then looked at a Champ that needed a lot of work, and finally found a Champ that met all his requirements.

It looks like new. New skin, new tires, newly overhauled O-200 engine, and metal wing spars. You will be seeing it at the airport doing touch and go's, maybe even a ground loop or two, teaching lead footed tricycle pilots how a rudder works.

### MINUTES OF EAA 563 BOARD MEETING October 16,2009 at the Chapter Hanger

The meeting was called to order by Chapter President Al Phipps at 7:12 pm. Those in attendance were Al Phipps, Bob Young, Don Wolcott and Chris Tate. This constituted a quorum.

#### Secretary's Report:

The last months board meeting minutes were read by Don Wolcott. The minutes were approved as read by voice vote.

#### Treasure's Report:

Treasure Jerry Pillon was not in attendance so no treasures report was presented.

#### Old Business:

There was no known old business that needed to be handled.

#### New Business:

Chris Tate stated that he was able to get Michael McConnell, the new owner of the FBO at the Marshall County airport, to come and speak at our November chapter meeting.

Al Phipps started a discussion about how our chapter might create more community outreach. A suggestion was made that anytime the Chapter is involved with anything where the public is available that we should have a table set up with literature about EAA and our chapter. Also a suggestion was made to pick a chapter meeting that is to be used for having chapter members put forth ideas as to what the members would like for the chapter to do.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Respectively Submitted;  
Your Secretary Donald Wolcott

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"In many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a congress." --- John Adams

### IS IT A SIGN OF THE TIMES?

#### Competition Rears It's Ugly Head

This is not intended to be an advertisement for the business below, but I received an add in the mail from Vortex Generations, who I must assume is running the maintenance hangar at Canton, IL (CTK).

In the 17 years I have been owning/flying an airplane I have never seen a FBO advertise and state their prices.

They are selling annual inspections:

Two day turn around

Fixed gear inspection: \$500

Retractable gear inspection: \$650

Book early and get 5% off

Military vets get 10% off

*Price includes inspection, labor on oil, lubrication, wheel bearing lube, battery service, etc, AD check, and logbook entries. Price does not include any additional work required above and beyond that for a normal inspection. Parts; Oil, Filters, ELT battery, etc are extra at competitive rates. Any work beyond normal inspection is at normal labor rate of \$60/hr.*

THE NOTE AND PICTURE OF THE AIR BUSS 380 IN THE NEXT COLUMM IS FROM OUR FIELD REPORTER , JACK FROST, LOCATED

## AIR BUSS 380

TUESDAY 9/22/09  
HI MORRIE,  
AS DISCUSSED, HERE ARE  
THE TWO PHOTOS FOR USE  
IN THE "BEALON," AT YOUR  
DISCRETION:  
  
AIRBUS A380  
IN LOW & SLOW FLY-BY  
DURING AN AIRSHOW  
AT PORT BUSH,  
IN NORTHERN IRELAND  
SEPTEMBER, 2009  
  
BEST REGARDS, Jack  
~ JACK FROST  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Brkfst
8	9	10	11	12 Reg Mting	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Exec Mting	20	21 Brkfst
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	<p>Unless otherwise notified, the Regular Chapter563 meetings will be held at the Chapter Hangar at 7:00pm on the second Thursday of each month.</p> <p>All Chapter 563 breakfasts will be held at the Chapter Hangar from 8:00 am to 10:00 am on the first and third Saturday mornings.</p> <p>Unless otherwise notified, the Chapter 563 Directors meetings will be held at the Chapter Hangar on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm.</p>				

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For  
Hot food and good conversation**

