



Illinois Valley Beacon

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

The **Regular Meeting** will be held on the **Second Thursday, May 12th**, in the EAA Hangar at 7:00pm

The **Second Breakfast** will be held on the **Third Saturday, May 19th**, in the EAA Hangar from 8:00 to 10:00

The **Directors Meeting** will be held on the **Third Thursday, May 21st**, in the EAA

EAA CHAPTER 563

April 15 2011 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Young at 7:03.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made, seconded and approved by voice vote to accept the minutes as posted in the newsletter.

Treasure's Report:

Jerry stated that he just got back in town and didn't have reports ready for this meeting but will have reports ready for the April board meeting.

Old Business:

No old business to conduct.

New Business:

Kent stated that the EAA B17 will be here in Peoria on July 4th thru the 6th and that volunteers for ground crew and crowd control will be needed. A committee will be formed next week at the board meeting to determine what is needed to support the attendance of the EAA B17 event.

New Business:

Bob introduced two of the winners of our chapter scholarships to the EAA Air Academy summer program at Oshkosh. They were as follows: Bragard Bushiri Kizenga who attended with his

mother Kenga Muzelga.

Antonio Ford who attended with his dad and mom Bobby and Marta Ford



Vice President Kent Lynch made a challenge to all chapter members to make a donation toward supporting future scholarships for future EAA Air Academy attendees by making a donation himself. Kent feels this is something we should do as a Chapter to help get kids more in touch and involved with aviation. They are the future of aviation.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:30

Sam Sisk introduced our speaker for the evening, Mr. Ken Barber owner of K&B Custom in Dunlap, IL Ken is a master at working with sheet metal and was going to show us how, when and why to use

the English Wheel that was donated to the chapter. His explanation and visual examples of how to work sheet metal was very interesting. Ken has built several custom cars from scratch and done work for many other people such as building a pair of wheel pants for a customer's airplane. There were many questions asked by attending members after he had completed his presentation. This was quite a learning experience for those in attendance.

Respectfully submitted:
Your Secretary
Donald Wolcott

Hot off the Presses

From Bill Hounshell

I was just notified that Pekin Airport will have a Fly-In on **June 18**. Could you include a notice in the EAA Newsletter? Schedule is:

Wings & Wheels

1. Pancake Breakfast: 8:am to 11:am
2. Pork Chop & Brat Lunch: 11:am to 4:pm
3. Beer Tent and Bands from 11:am to 4:pm

Airplanes based at Pekin will be on static display. We would like everyone's support.

Pedal Planes

You are all familiar with the GB pedal plane the Chapter built and sold chances on last year. The winner elected to take \$150.00 instead of the plane so we have it to raffle again this year.

The Chapter has purchased seven sets of pedal plane plans that were on sale by the EAA and if any of you wants to build one you are free to use them.

I have started a T-6 model (see pictures) which will be raffled off along with the GB this year. We have several opportunities to sell tickets, the first at the Father's Day Fly In at Marshall County on June 19th, the second at the B-17 sponsorship on the 4th of July, and the third at the Mt.



Hawley Open House. These are great advertisements for the Chapter and the kids love them.

The T-6 turned out very nice. The color is an eye catcher.



The suggestion is to sell tickers on both the GB and the T-6 and offer the winner the choice of the two. I'll be hauling them up to the Father's Day Fly IN at Lacon and if you would like to help I would appreciate it very much.

Chapter Identity

The board has decided to develop a chapter identity, so that when we are working public events, such as Young Eagles events, Airshows, Open Houses and B17/Trimotor events, we can easily be identified as members of Chapter 563. That identity is going to be made up initially of name tags and shirts. The first name tags were purchased, using chapter funds, for board members, committee chairs and vice-chairs, and technical/flight advisors. This group was selected to see if the type of badge we selected, would work well and be generally accepted. So far, they have worked well and the board is determining how best to expand this program to more members.

Two shirt colors have been selected and developed with the EAA logo and "Chapter 563" embroidered on the front. Chapter members can buy these shirts at **EmbroidMe** at the Metro Center in Peoria. This business is located between **Peoria Camera** and **The 50's Diner**.

The two colors selected are blue and tan, with the shirts being stain kle resistant. Purchase price, with embroidery included, is \$39.50 each.

The shop has been instructed that these are the standard chapter shirts for the Members which color they want, and the size, and the price includes embroidery of the member's name as well. Your choice on whether you want your name on the shirt or not. Just ask for the "EAA Chapter 563 shirt".

Contact at **EmbroidMe** is Debbie Somogyi (phone 309-691-5780).

Kent Lynch – Vice-president



Community Memorial Day Event and Fifth Annual Airport Daze
Monday, May 30th 2011

Noon - 2 p.m.
Young Eagles - FREE
Airplane rides for kids ages 8 through 17
Sponsored by Bloomington EAA

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Experiential WWII recollections - FREE
News briefs - re-enactments - ceremonies
Recognition and remembrance by, with and for veterans
Special guests and surprise performances
Musical entertainment
Business and personal aviation opportunities in Logan County

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Fly-in / Drive-in BBQ Fundraiser
Watch planes come in Join the chow line Sit in the mess tent
Eat side-by-side with war heroes, pilots, friends and neighbors

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
USO style hangar dance – Open to all and FREE
The best music of the 40's and 50's for your listening and dancing pleasure by the fabulous Jim Markum Swing Band

All Day
Open house and tours of Heritage In Flight Museum
Static line - wide variety vintage aircraft and vehicles
Special displays

Food and refreshments will be available for purchase all day

Heritage In Flight Museum and Hangar
Logan County Airport - 1351 Airport Rd - Lincoln, IL
For more information call (217) 732-3333

Rain date for Young Eagles only: Saturday, June 18, 9 a.m. to noon
All other events rain or shine

Donations
Adults \$5.00
Children \$3.00
Under 6 Free



1315 State Route 17
Lacon IL 61540
Tel 309-246-3700

Airplane Rides

Father's Day
Fly In / Drive In
Breakfast

Pancake
Waffle
Sausage
Breakfast

Sunday, June 19, 2011
Marshall County Airport (C75)
[1/2 mile East of Lacon, IL]
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Static Airplane Displays
Public invited. Bring your own tie-downs.

MAY 2011

Thursday, May 5

CBAA Safety Stand-Down 2011
Reservation Required
Hilton Garden Inn, West Chicago, IL
David Coleman (847) 249-8557
dcoleman@airbpaviation.com

Sunday, May 15, 7:00am – noon

Ogle County Airport Fly-In Breakfast
Ogle County Airport, Mt. Morris, IL
www.oglecountyairport.com

Sunday, May 15, 7:00am – 11:00am

EAA Chapter 1315 Fly-in/Drive-in Breakfast
Taylorville Municipal Airport, Taylorville, IL
Bill Newberry (217) 824-2701
billnewberry@taylorville.net

Saturday, May 21, 8:00am – 5:00pm

Illinois Pilots Association
Annual Meeting, Fly-In/Drive-In Event
Frasca Field, Urbana, IL
Dave Claxon (217) 369-9389
www.illinoispilots.com

May 24-25

2011 Illinois Aviation Conference
President Abraham Lincoln Hotel &
Conference Center, Springfield, IL
Mike Lane (217) 528-5230, mike@p-a-m-s.com

Wednesday, May 25

Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame Banquet
Walt Kessler (847) 683-2361
www.ilavhalloffame.org/newsletter.htm

JUNE 2011

June 4-5

AirFest 2011
Chicago Rockford International Airport, Rockford, IL
Thomas Bona (815) 969-4415 tbona@flyrfd.com

Sunday, June 5, 8:00am – noon

EAA Chapter 241 Pancake Breakfast
DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport, DeKalb, IL
Rose Ellen (815) 375-1772 www.eaa241.org

Friday, June 10, 6:00pm

3rd Annual Summer Bash
Ogle County Airport, Mt. Morris, IL
www.oglecountyairport.com

ANNUAL FRASCA FLY-IN

Frasca Field (Airport Locator: C16) Urbana, IL
June 10-12, 2011



Dear Friends,

Rudy Frasca has once again offered to host a fly-in at Frasca Field on June 10th through the 12th. We invite you to participate in this special gathering of aviation friends.

Free camping will once again be available. *(please bring your own tie downs)*

Early Arrivals: Friday, June 10

Dinner/Movies in the Hangar: Saturday, June 11

(Saturday) Special Guest Speaker: EAA President, Rod Hightower

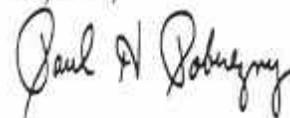
Depart for Home: Sunday, June 12

Hotel reservations can be made at: Eastland Suites Hotel
1907 North Cunningham Avenue
Urbana IL 61802
Phone: (217) 367-8331
Toll Free: (800) 253-8331

Please RSVP to Tom Frasca by calling (217) 367-8441 (feel free to leave a message) or e-mail: tfrasca@frasca.com. **Please include the number of guests in your party.**

We look forward to seeing you at Frasca Field for this amazing aviation gathering.

See you there,



Paul H. Poberezny

Founder

Experimental Aircraft Association

Email: ppoberezny@eaa.org

Spring Fling II

Friday, May 13, 2011

6 pm

EAA Hanger, 3MY

Cookout/potluck

The EAA will supply the burgers.

Bring your own beverage & a dish to pass.



**Celebrating Spring again!
Come & meet your airport
neighbors**

EAA Chapter 563 April 21, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm by Chapter President Bob Young.

In attendance was Bob Young, Chris Tate, Morrie Caudill, Kent Lynch, Jerry Pilon, Don Wolcott, Greg Lepine and Sam Sisk

Treasurer's Report:

Jerry went over the Chapter finances for March, April and Year to Date and stated that we are on budget except for utilities bills that are higher than normal due to more use of the hanger and colder than normal temperatures. This should change as outside temperatures rise. A motion was made to accept as presented, seconded and approved by voice vote.

Secretary's Report:

The previous board meeting minutes were read by Don Wolcott. Morrie made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read, seconded by Chris and approved by voice vote.

Old Business:

After discussion the Board decided that the Public Relations Chairman, Jerry Pilon and Vice Chairman Greg Lepine, contact the Journal Star about writing an article about the EAA Air Academy Scholarship winners. Kent suggested that he and Jerry Pilon set up a meeting to put together a plan to contact World War II Veterans in the area that might have had some connection with the aircraft during the war and see if we can get them VIP passes for free tours and possibly rides in the B17 when it is here in July. Kent asked if he should buy the next 12 set of name tags for members of the Chapter.

A motion was made, seconded and approved by voice vote to purchase 12 more name tags.

New Business:

The 20% increase of hanger rent by the Airport Authority raised the discussion of whether to increase the rent on hanger tenants, this included the end cap. Hangar Chairman Kent Lynch made the motion to increase the rent for hangar tenants to \$160 per month. For temporary and partial, project, tenants be raised to \$90 per month, seconded by Chris and approved by voice vote. Sam Sisk has been kind enough to set up another chapter event called the Spring Fling to be held May 13th at the hanger. This will be a cookout where attendees are being asked to bring a dish to pass and their own drinks. The Chapter will provide the meat.

A motion was made to reimburse Morrie for actual expenses, \$229.94, for the pedal car he built and that will be raffled off to raise money for the Chapter, seconded by Chris and approved by voice vote. Morrie suggested that the board members need to have Chapter business cards. Morrie will look into printing them using the Chapter computer and printer at a minimal cost. Greg made a motion for the Chapter to buy shirts for the Board members, seconded by Jerry. The motion was not approved due to a lack of majority vote.

A discussion was held that hinged around getting more chapter members involved with the Young Eagles program. Without more involvement it may not be possible to continue Young Eagle flights. We are going to need to find someone willing to lead this important program.

With no more know new business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectively Submitted; Your Secretary Donald Wolcott

Don't Forget

The EAA B-17 will be her July 4,5,6. Come to the next meeting and volunteer to work a few hours those days.



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Col. Francis “Mac” McLaughlin

Your editor attended the awards ceremony at the Illinois National Guard base, 182nd Air-lift Wing, Saturday, May 2. Frances “Mac” McLaughlin was to receive a promotion to Colonel. I wasn't prepared for the size of the event.

When I entered the hangar there were chairs for approx. 100 people set up in front of a stage. The band was setting up off to the side. Guard members were running around getting things ready.

The event was scheduled to take place at 8:00 AM. (That's 0800 hours in military speak.) Other civilians started coming in. Ray Gepford and Ken Schalen-



burger walked in. I was sitting with Larry Roberts and his wife. John Tidwell and Linda Schum came next. Finally Jean and Mac came rolling in soon after with Kathy Arkwell. I'm not certain how old Mac is but I think he's closer to 100 than he is to 90. He signed my ticket nearly 20 years ago.

Then the troops started to arrive. And they arrived and arrived and I thought they had imported some from out of state. There certainly a lot of people on that base on Saturday. I estimated about 600 plus troops standing at ease for the two hour ceremony.



Troops to the left.

The band was great. They actually played songs that I knew the words to. 1940's stuff that I played in high school. It added a nice touch to the whole ceremony.



Troops to the right.

Mac also received the Distinguished Service Award. That's considered the highest award given by the Civil Air Patrol.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 First Breakfast
8 <small>Weather's Day</small>	9	10	11	12 Regular Membership Meeting	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Directors Meeting	20	21 Second Breakfast
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 <small>Memorial Day</small>	31				

The Regular Chapter 563 meetings will be held at the Chapter Hangar at 7:00pm on the second Thursday of each month.

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.

The Chapter 563 Directors meetings will be held at the Chapter Hangar on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm.

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