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YOUNG EAGLES 2017

by Elise Isler, Coordinator

We are getting ready to start our 2017 flying season. This is a very important year and we have a lot of celebrating to do. It is the 25th Anniversary Year for the Young Eagles program. Over 2 million students have been flown and we are working on the next million! EAA is excited about the program and we still have full support from Sporty's and Phillips 66 as well as EAA continued support with insurance and supplies. Please check the website for details: www.EAA.org

Sporty's continues to provide log books for the students and free ground school. Please be sure to spread the word. Pilots – if you have access to Phillips 66, they provide rebate opportunities on your fuel purchases for flying YE. Please check their website for further information: <http://www.phillips66aviation.com/youngeagles/>

For any pilot flying over 10 students during the calendar year, Chapter 44 (if you are a member) receives \$5.00 for each student flown to put into programs we offer or materials needed to support the YE program. In the past, this enabled

BROCKPORT AIRPORT/ LEDGEDALE AIRPARK 50TH ANNIVERSARY FLY-IN & OPEN HOUSE

On Saturday June, 3 EAA Chapter 44 will recognize the 50th Anniversary of Jack Mazzarella bulldozing his property on Colby Street to make a private runway that eventually became our airport...and our home.

A 7G0 50th Planning Committee met on April 1 to rough out some plans for the event. As we already have a Young Eagle Rally scheduled for the same day, we have coordinated with YE Coordinator Elise Isler that the rally will run from 9 AM to Noon, and the 50th will run from Noon to 5 PM. They are separate events, and in the interest of safety, it not be promoted with the 50th.

Bob Nelligan-Barrett has volunteered to lead this event. It will be much smaller and shorter than the Tri-Motor event. And the audience will be smaller. We are promoting this as a community activity for Brockport and Spencerport, and also promoting it to the aviation community. Bi-weekly meetings are on the schedule. Join us if you'd like to be involved.

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Mission: EAA Chapter 44 is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization of aircraft builders and aviation enthusiasts in Western New York dedicated to promoting aviation and encouraging participation in aviation-related activities. These include designing, building and restoring aircraft, education, advocacy and youth outreach programs. We promote flying with high standards of safety in an environment that supports freedom, family and personal fulfillment

Young Eagles con't

us to purchase several items for our YE programs as well as contributed to our summer day camp.

I am seeking pilot volunteers. I can only fly as many students as I know I have available pilots so please let me know as soon as possible if you are willing and available so I can begin advertising. You must meet the EAA requirements which includes completing the Youth Protection Program. (Please go to EAA Young Eagles Volunteers to complete this process as well as seeing the complete list of requirements.) If you completed this program last year, you will not need to do it again. If you are not on the registry list, please complete the program at least two weeks prior any event in which you plan to fly. To become familiar with the program you may go to www.EAA.org/Youth Protection.

I also need ground volunteers to help directing aircraft, serve as escorts, assist with registration, certificates or selling refreshments. It is appreciated if ground volunteers complete the Youth Protection Program but not mandatory. Again, please let me know as soon as possible if you are available to help with any or all of the events.

Chapter 44 YE events are planned for the following Saturdays: June 3, July 12, August 12, and Sept. 16. with rain dates scheduled for the Sunday following each event if necessary.

Thank you for your continued support!
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HANGAR FUND CHALLENGE ALTIMETER

For every dollar donated to our Hangar Fund, an additional dollar will be matched by an Anonymous Donor now through December 31, 2017. Total gifts received as of April 10th toward the \$10,000 challenge is \$4,800.



(The altimeter has not been updated. It will be next month.)

Now that our Altimeter has broken the \$4,000 threshold, our Anonymous Donor has added their fourth \$1,000 match to the Hangar Fund. At every \$1,000 milestone our Donor will add their matching \$1,000.

We have only 8 months left to meet OUR challenge and we are not yet at 50%. Let's not lose the opportunity to earn the Donor's matching support.

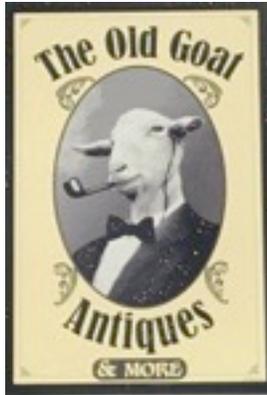
Make your tax-deductible donation payable to "EAA Chapter 44" and put "Hangar Challenge" in the memo line. Mail or give your donation to Treasurer Gail Isaac, 6 Clearview Dr., Spencerport, NY 14559.

Thank you to our Anonymous Donor and thank you to YOU for your support of the Sport Aviation Center Hangar Fund.

OLD GOAT ANTIQUES

Cub Reporter Jimmy Olsen

There is a new, un-identified building on the North side of the airport. Repeated attempts to contact the owners failed. One day though the lights were on and the door was open. What I found inside shocked and awed me.



On first glance it seems like a regular antique store, until you start to notice the nautical theme, with an emphasis on U. S. Navy antiques and artifacts. If you are a Navy geek, this is your place. And if its's Navy, you need a crusty old salt to run the place. Turns out it's OUR Old Goat, Art Thieme. Who knew he had a side business going on, right under our noses!

It turns out that was not the only surprise. Art told me (confidentially) that if a customer comes into the shop, and unprompted, breaks out into signing "Anchors Aweigh" at full volume and gusto, they will be led into a hidden world long ago forgotten, an small-aircraft production line!

Behind a secret door guarded by a Navy Seal model is a large hangar filled with homebuilt aircraft projects being built by a professional team of workers led by Jeff Peters (see photo).

"This was the result of my desire to have a building/flying club without any restrictions



image from <chechsportaircraft.com>

The professional builders are drawn from the ranks of retired EAA homebuilders looking for a second income. They are skilled with all airplane building materials, from tube and fabric to composites, steam gauges to glass panels. They can build it for you. They have already completed one example of a Luce Buttercup with a Dynon glass panel. They selected the N-number N0401AF. Ask Jeff to see it at the next general meeting. He'll be happy to show you.

LAST MONTH'S GUEST SPEAKER

Our Chapters' own Young Eagle-to-Instrument Pilot Samantha Horne told us of the experience at a recent General Meeting.

For those of us unfamiliar with Samantha's story, she brought us up to speed. It took her 2nd Young Eagle flight with Vet Thomas to get hooked on flying (it musta been the Cub). From there she attended the EAA Air Academy at age 16 on a scholarship).

Sam went to Sporty's Air Academy for three weeks in August. She was supported by another scholarship from the 99's and her Mentor Frances England.

She flew all day, everyday, with her long cross-country being 4-5 hours and touching three states. It was quite the ordeal (as it always is for new Instrument pilots), but on Jan. 7, 2017 Samantha Horne passed her check ride.

Congratulations Sam!



Dave "Captain Crosswind" Hurd shows us how they throw down in Florida while parking planes for a local event.



Ledgedales' new North/South water-landing canal was bulldozed into our property. Float-plane training commenced on the 1st Saturday in April. To sign up see Chris Wall.



Jeff Peters promoted our renamed "Sport Aviation Camp" at the recent Camp Fair at Eastview Mall. Hopefully we will get some new campers from that event.



Several members received an Outstanding Service Award for their contributions to the Chapter. Past President Mike Clayton is being recognized and thanked by current President Norm Isler. **Thank you to all for your contributions to EAA 44.**

ULTRA-PIET PROJECT FOR SALE



All structural components completed. Needs an engine. All Tail surfaces covered. Includes cable, pulleys, fittings, to finish the job. Wings and fuselage need covering. Project located in Youngstown NY. All information provided by seller Paul Thomason. Phone (716) 425-5246. Sell for \$500.00 firm

**EAA Chapter 44
Board of Directors' Meetings
21 March 2017**

Board Members Present: Isler, Clayton, Nelligan-Barrett, Hazen, Horne, Englund,
Arganbright and Peters

Other Members Present: G. Isaac

Reports:

- ^ President (Norm Isler)
 - ^ No formal report

- ^ Treasurer (Gail Isaac)
 - ^ The February report was read and approved as per motion of Kevin Arganbright, seconded by Frances Englund, passed unanimously. Mike Clayton will investigate the potential availability of QuickBooks via a Intuit Donation Program.

- ^ Secretary (Jeff Peters)
 - ^ February minutes were previously read and approved via an e-mail vote.

Business:

- ^ Capital Campaign (Rob Williams)
 - ^ No Report.

- ^ Building Committee (Kevin Arganbright)

Kevin distributed a written report re the new furnace installation and the present and future strategies for maintaining heat in critical area of the SAC when the building is unoccupied and the two furnaces are not operating. The board discussed various temporary and permanent solutions for maintaining this supplemental heat. It was suggested that extending heat runs into the 3 bathrooms and installing a small electric heater near the water supply system might be the best permanent solution. Norm and Kevin will investigate the issue and report back to the Board in order to make an educated cost versus benefit decision. It was also decided that the back flow preventer Inspection and compliance records would be attached to the equipment for easy reference.

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^ Chapter Web Site (Phil Hazen)

Phil reviewed the options for renewing the hosting contract for our website that is currently performed by GoDaddy. Frances Englund made a motion to extend the contract with GoDaddy for another five years at a total five year cost limit anticipating that Phil will contact GoDaddy to discuss potential cost discounts as well as the costs for extending the Chapter's domain name. The motion was seconded by Bob Nelligan-Barrett and passed unanimously.

New Business

- ^ Based on the prevalence of e-mail scams, Norm led a discussion re the inclusion of directors' and other chapter leaders' e-mail addresses in the newsletter and other chapter publications. He and Phil will investigate the issue and report back to the board.
- ^ To facilitate the obtaining of two additional computer flight simulators for the Sport Aviation Camp and other Chapter functions, and to coordinate the use of common software, Bob Nelligan-Barrett will document the hardware and software specifications and report back to the Board at the next meeting.
- ^ Norm led a discussion re a variety of anticipated chapter activities and events for 2017 including the chapter calendar, the Sport Aviation Camp (August 7th – 11th), a potential joint chapters 44 & 46 aviation museum bus trip to Washington, D.C. (Sept/Oct.), fly-outs, Young Eagle events (June 3rd or 4th, July 15th or 16th, August 12th or 13th, and perhaps September 16th or 17th), the Spencerport Rotary Pancake Breakfast on August 20th, and other activities. The Chapter may also want to be involved with such events as the Snowbird Air Show on May 17th. And the Wings Event on June 10th. As the 50th anniversary of the Ledgesdale Airpark will occur on June 3rd, the board discussed the opportunity of combining the Young Eagle Rally in the morning with a fly-in and local community celebration of the airport in the afternoon.

General Membership Meeting – March 21st, 2017

President Norm Isler recognized a variety of Chapter leaders for their accomplishments in 2016 with service award certificates and pins. Larry MacDonald volunteered to be the Chapter Speaker Seeker. Thanks to a number of members who “stepped-up” to provide the “main meal course” for our General Meeting, the 2017 calendar is filled. Bob Nelligan-Barrett, who coordinated the 2016 Ford Tri-Motor visit, agreed to coordinate the Chapter's efforts in helping the local community celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Ledgesdale Airpark on Saturday, June 3rd.

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REGIONAL CALENDAR

Look to Upstate NY's Aviation List at <upstatelist.org> for regional fly-in breakfasts and other events.

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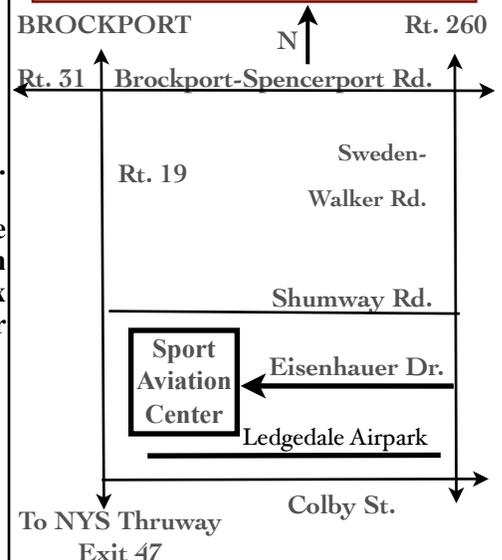
SAFETY SEMINAR

Thursday May 11, 7 PM-9 PM
"Non-Towered Case Studies:
What Went Wrong?"

RCAF SNOWBIRDS
6-7 PM MAY 17 @ KROC
FREE!

This is a mid-week (Wednesday), mini airshow as the team transitions from one weekend airshow to another.

<<http://www.rcf-arc.forces.gc.ca/en/snowbirds/schedule.page>>.



EAA 44 Calendar



NEXT DINNER & MEETING April 18 6:30 PM

Our Speaker this month will be a surprise. Fortunately, our dinner will not be.

Carl & Carol Bouwens are providing two kinds of Mac & cheese with meat and a chicken strip salad. Please bring a desert or dish to complement our entre.

April 15 7G0 50th Planning Mtg. 10 AM
April 18 General Meeting
April 29 7G0 50th Plan. Mtg.

May 9 Board Meeting
May 11 AOPA Safety Seminar
May 13 SAC Work Day & 7G0 50th Plan. Mtg
May 16 General Meeting
May 27 7G0 50th Plan. Mtg.

June 3/4 Young Eagle Rally
June 3 7G0 50th Anniversary Fly-in and Open House

All activities take place at the Sport Aviation Center, & are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Sport Aviation Center
44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420
Brockport Airport/
Ledgedale Airpark (7G0)
43° 10' 56" N 77° 55' 1" W

Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

General Meetings-

3rd Tuesday of the month

\$5 Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30

SAC Saturday Work Days

2nd Saturday, 10 AM

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