

EAA CHAPTER 104 NEWSLETTER

EAA CHAPTER 104 MONTHLY MEETING

Friendship & Flying – “For The Fun of It”

Meetings are conducted in the EAA Chapter Room – Porter County Municipal Airport

4207 Murvihill Road, Valparaiso, IN 46383

MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY- April 13, 2010

Socialize & Coffee-6:30 pm – Meeting: 7:00pm

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.eaa104.org

International Learn To Fly Day is Saturday May 15, 2010

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EAA CHAPTER 104 MISSION STATEMENT

Foster, promote, and engage in aviation education.

Promote, encourage and facilitate membership
in the Experimental Aircraft Association.

Support and promote the mission, vision, goals
and objectives of the EAA.

President's Page

Ed Hanson

April 2010

Well spring is in the air and I hope you are too or at least thinking about flying. Although as I look out the window above my desk today, a life jacket seems more appropriate than a flight bag. But as they say April showers bring May flowers. Our build night group celebrated spring a week ago by helping put my wings onto the wing rotisserie for finishing. I think they had some doubts about the outcome, but with a little tweaking, the wings rotate just fine with one person turning them. Now to the sanding and filling and sanding and priming. Will I ever get to fly this thing? Yes, I know, good things come to those who wait.



We are heading into a busy time of the year for our chapter with a field trip to the Kalamazoo Air Zoo restoration shop April 17th, three Young Eagle Rallies April 24th, June 20th, and October 9th, International Learn to Fly Day May 15th, the annual Fathers Day pancake breakfast and Young Eagle Rally June 20th, and the Air Venture and Bombers Food Booth the end of July into August. Don't be shy about spreading the word around about our activities to attract participants. I will be emailing a flyer for the first Young Eagle Rally soon so why not forward it to friends and family in your address book and ask them to do the same. Flyers will also be available at our April 13th meeting.

We have already started making plans and organizing for these activities and as you are well aware, the successful outcome of these events depends on the help of our wonderful volunteers. Please take some time now to mark down these event dates on your calendar and plan to give the chapter a helping hand if at all possible. I know family plans sometimes conflict with chapter activities but we are part of the family so try to fit us in. I thank you in advance for your effort.

Please work, play and build safely.

Ed Hanson

Chapter 104 loses another old timer. Tony Campolattara passed away Monday March 22nd. Member **Al Boushea** has offered to write an article about Tony and some of the antics of the past. Here is this month's introduction. Thanks Al, we look forward to next month's article.

Sez here;

With the passing of Tony Campollattara, old memories came flooding back. Having a long time relationship with flying it's hard to say a little about Tony, one heck of a guy.

I didn't know Tony when he and his wife, Irene, were terrorizing the skies with their BT13. But later he had an Aeronica, then built a Soneri, with his son Guy, and a Heath Parisol. I was asked to be at the airport when the FEDS came to inspect the Soneri for airworthiness and license. The FEDS just couldn't understand why it had no magneto drop, a V W only has 1 mag, or distributor. Retiring to their "book", then they'd be back in the morning.

And they were. Guy was also able to be there and all ended well.

There is more to tell, not only of Tony, but several others. I wrote the newsletter for 8 or more years, on my old 1928 Underwood. I'm sure glad for saving some of them. Digging them out of a file cabinet I started scanning over a few. Mark Murvihill had a repair shop there on the field and the 'boys' hung out in the 'lounge'. an old sofa, a few chairs. One of the guys was lamenting about his love life. That's when I dubbed them THE DEAD END KIDS. (not because of where they lived...heck, you get it.)

See ya, Al Boushea



Continental Engine Operators

At a recent seminar, information was presented that showed a danger of the engine oil filler tube grabbing and ingesting the small plastic cap ring from oil bottles when adding oil.

This ring may soften over time and make it's way into an oil port with bad results. Keep an eye on the ring or remove it before pouring!

Smart Investing and Ways To Help Pay for Your Flying.... will be the program for our April 13th meeting. Local financial advisor **Darl Jarnecke** will discuss the current marketplace and some sound but creative ideas to help pay for your flying. Plan to join us and bring your investing questions.

The first Young Eagle rally of the year is Saturday April 24th with the 25th as a rain date. Please sign up to help with this event.

The chapter is looking for a beverage refrigerator for the food booth. Please help us locate a good unit with shelves. Also, thank you **Dennis Funkhouser** and **Scott Shriver** for the donation of the last two needed crock pots.

Welcome new member Doug Fogle! Doug is building an RV8 and flies for Southwest Airlines.



Field Trip Scheduled The chapter will be traveling to the Kalamazoo MI Air Zoo restoration shop Saturday April 17th. Visit www.airzoo.org for information about the attraction. We will be carpooling so buddy up. Dave Thomas will advise us of travel and meeting times at our April 13th meeting.

Life is full of choices.....also that day.....

The Purdue University Fly-In is almost here. April 17, is the Fly-In. Breakfast starts at 0700 and goes until 1200. Just as a reminder, the cost of the breakfast is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Come see the various aircraft that will be on display including the first of Purdue University's new fleet of Cirrus Aircraft.

See the event flyer at the end of the electronic newsletter.

And when you are at Purdue, check out the free Amelia Earhart exhibit which will extend it's hours to include 11am to 4pm on Saturdays in April.

Still not enough aviation activities?

One of the largest gatherings of B-25 Mitchell bombers since WWII will take place April 16th -18 at the National museum of the US Air Force in Dayton, Ohio. 937-255-8048, www.tinyurl.com/y8phosk.

The **ANNUAL FRASCA FLY-IN** will be hosted at Frasca Field (C16) Urbana, Illinois June 25,26, & 27, 2010. Contact Tom Frasca 217.367.8441 or tfrasca@frasca.com for more information.



An update from our Eagles Soars Scholarship winner Nathan Nagel.

Nate started his flight training at **Eagle Aircraft** in early February. He provided this brief update after returning from a family spring break.

"I have had a great experience at **Eagle Aircraft**. I have now flown for four hours with Andy Runyan and love every second of it. I would like to thank **Chapter 104** for the wonderful opportunity they have given me." **Nathan Nagel**

The Chapter has recently changed the name of our scholarship to the "Future Flyers Scholarship Fund"

Soup Off Draws Ten Entries

EAA Chapter 104 and **The Porter County Pilots Association** conducted a tasty **Soup Off** Saturday March 20th. Approximately thirty two guests enjoyed the soups and competition. **Cheri Cope** received the most votes for her Tortilla Soup and was the first to sign the "**Golden Soup Pot**" It seemed that everyone had a good time and expressed a desire to repeat the event next year so start working on that special recipe now! Thanks to all the cooks and everyone who helped. A special thanks to Jerrie Powell for her help and pictures.





**EAA Chapter 104
Porter County Municipal Airport
Valparaiso, IN**

Minutes of Monthly Meeting, March 09, 2010

The meeting was called to order and The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Ed Hanson at 7:00 PM

Welcome and acknowledgement of any guests or new members.

New Member Doug Fogle welcomed. Doug is currently building an RV 8 and look for him as your pilot the next time you fly with Southwest.

BUSINESS MEETING:

The minutes from the February meeting were approved by the members.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Discussion on a chapter trip to the Kalamazoo Michigan Air Zoo restoration shop. A sign up sheet was passed around. Cost for the restoration shop visit is \$5.00.

We are looking for a replacement drink refrigerator for the food booth. Please pass the word anyone that might have a working refrigerator that you care to donate.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer's report was given by Richard Ray.

The treasurer will begin to use a separate spreadsheet to keep track of Future Flyers Scholarship funds.

President's Report:

The soup off with PCPA we need a list of members who wish to enter a soup.

It was voted that Dave Thomas take his wife Judy out for dinner on the chapter for her work in creating the new EAA chapter 104 aprons. Judy Thomas embroidered the blue aprons with gold thread EAA chapter 104.

If you have paid your dues and do not have the correct date on your card or did not as yet receive one please see Ed Hanson at the March meeting a new membership card will be made. Or contact him at hansoncp@netnitco.net

We're continuing to go a little greener. If you would like to help the chapter save money, ink, paper, and postage, sign up for the electronic **only** copy of the newsletter. We are seeing significant savings by doing this and keeping your dues low.

Please email Ed Hanson articles or thoughts for the newsletter hansoncp@netnitco.net

We have a concern for the food booth that we will be short volunteers please help us out. Dennis Funkhouser and Scott Shriver both donated crock pots for the food booth. A Big Thank You we needed them.

Young Eagles Report:

The first Young Eagle rally of the year is Saturday April 24th with the 25th as a rain date. The next Young Eagles will be held on June 20th Fathers Day. Please come out and volunteer so more kids can take their first flight. Dates are now located on our website please check it out.

Credits for our Young Eagles flown were \$245.00 and we will be giving our credits to Michigan City. Next meeting we will have sign up sheets for volunteers for Saturday April 24th Young Eagles. Please sign up we need help.

Don't forget if you are flying our Young Eagles event Phillips 66 at Michigan City or Plymouth offer a \$2.00 per gallon savings use your Phillips 66 credit card.

Webmaster's Report:

We need pictures and articles and build logs please help. Please visit the website and send Rick pictures of your building or your planes. Let Rick know what you would like to see on the website. You can find the Young Eagles rally dates on the website. If you are having a problem uploading pics you need to resize them to 640 x 680 size.

Builder's Night and Project status:

Builder's Night is every Tuesday except the monthly meeting night.

Bruce surprised us with a visit to build night at Ed Hanson's shop on February 23rd. He is looking at a new position in Arizona. We have been meeting at Ed's shop and working on a tow bar, spark plug harness, firewall mounted items, oil filter adapter and the air filter box for the Kis Cruiser. We will continue to have build night at this location for the next 3 weeks. Anybody need help or want to help

Visit the website to see what people are working on and if you would like to help.

Future Flyers Scholarship Fund (formerly named Eagle Soars):

All donations received will benefit a child to have their flight school training up to solo paid by EAA chapter 104.

We Care:

Questions came up as to how Paul Huang's son is doing; we are told he is still on treatments. Paul took time and donated a video tape of the King family training flights it can be found in the chapter library if you would like to view it.

We will be sending a get well card to Al Boushea

Please let us know if you are aware of any member that is ill or in the hospital.

Two Month Look Ahead:

Soup Off is on Saturday, March 20th at 1pm in the Chapter room.

Next meeting is April 13th. Darl Jarnecke will speak on "smart investing and ways to help pay for your flying: Bring your investment questions.

Young Eagle rally is Saturday, April 24th with the 25th as a rain date we need volunteers on the flight line to help keep it a safe event.

Respectively submitted,

Pam Ray

Chapter Secretary



PANCAKE FLY-IN DRIVE-IN

**KLAF- PURDUE UNIVERSITY AIRPORT
HANGAR 5...RAIN OR SHINE!**

**SATURDAY APRIL 17TH, 2010
7:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET

ADMISSION:

\$6 ADULTS, \$3 KIDS (10 & UNDER)

RSVP: PETER SCHUMAN AT PSCHUMAN@PURDUE.EDU

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

TAKE I-65 TO EXIT 172. TURN WESTBOUND ONTO SR 26.

**FOLLOW THROUGH PURDUE CAMPUS (6 MILES). TURN LEFT ON
AIRPORT ROAD.**



EAGLE AIRCRAFT NEWS & EVENTS

March 18, 2010

EAGLE CFI UPDATES

April Adduci has recently started instructing at Eagle and has been checked out in the Sport Cruiser and for Part 141 instruction. April has been flying for 6 years. She started flying at the University of North Dakota, and after obtaining her degree continued to instruct at the University. She moved back to Indiana to be close to her family and get away from – 40 degree winters. April likes flying the Sport Cruiser in her free time and is very excited to be instructing again.

Andy Runyan is our new Assistant Chief Flight Instructor. He has been at Eagle for just over a year. Andy is a third generation airline pilot. Currently he is on furlough leave from United Airlines where he flew the Boeing 757 and 767. He has been a flight instructor for 12 years and has accumulated over 4500 hours of flight time.

Bob Urschel is currently working on his CFII.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

We are still looking for anyone interested in providing a homestay for an international student while they are here for their flight training. For more information give us a call at Eagle.

EAGLE'S NEW PRIVATE PILOTS

Jonathan Lewis is now one of our new Private Pilots as of March 17th. He expressed his thanks to all of the instructors who spent time with him and guided him throughout his training.

Robert Corns is another new Private Pilot as of March 19th.

**Congratulations Rob
and Jonathan!!
Way to go!!**

Welcome to our new 2010 students

Al Kurfman
Brady Bryan
Nathan Nagel
Larry Baker
Brian Gilyan
Allen Bergan
Wayman Wayne
Melissa Dickerson
Marlon Mitchell
John Dunlap
John Kozlowski

DON'T FORGET

- Learn to Fly Day Seminar
---May 15
- FAA Safety Seminar
---June 15
- Air Rally
---June 12

EARN 8 COLLEGE CREDITS THIS SUMMER

Eagle and Vincennes have partnered to give you the opportunity to earn your Private Pilot Rating & College Credits, and the ability to access Federal Financial Aid from an accredited, Indiana college. The semester will begin **May 1st**.

Financial Aid paperwork must be completed before you begin so we are asking that you sign up as soon as possible.

For more information contact Debi Brandy at the Vincennes Aviation Technology Center (317) 381-6000.

SPRING SPECIALS

Take advantage of our new specials for spring.

\$10 off LaserGrade written exams for EAA and AOPA members. Just bring in your membership card.

\$100 membership fee to join the Pilot Club. Members receive benefits such as :

- Discounted rates on aircraft
- Chart library use
- 2 hours of instruction annually
- no early out /late in fees

\$25 off David Clark headsets
Regular price \$350, on sale now for **\$325**.