

EAA CHAPTER 104 NEWSLETTER

EAA CHAPTER 104 MONTHLY MEETING

Friendship & Flying – “For The Fun of It”

April Meeting will be conducted in the EAA chapter Room at the Porter County Regional Airport (VPZ) 4207 Murvihill Rd. Valparaiso, IN 46383 at 7 PM

MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY-Apr. 9th, 2013

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

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.eaa104.org

**See you at the Apr. 9th meeting. Bring a Friend.
Remember the meeting is at the Porter County Airport (VPZ)**

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FIRST CLASS

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

Presidents Page

Rick Rozhon

April 2013

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Spring is finally here. The airport was busy Friday and Saturday. Lots of traffic using the CTAF/INICOM frequency...including me. I spent some time circling the airport after my annual, making sure everything was working properly before wandering too far away. I couldn't help thinking about what will take place with the proposed tower closings. I'm sure everyone has heard about the 'FAA

Sequestering' and tower closings, but for those of you who haven't, I will highlight the recent news.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced Friday that [it will close 149 air traffic control towers](#) beginning April 7 due to budget constraints. The number announced is 40 fewer than the FAA originally planned to close. The cuts in service are part of the FAA's response to sequestration. Indiana towers scheduled to close April 21 are:

BAK	COLUMBUS MUNI	COLUMBUS IN
GYG	GARY/CHICAGO INTL	GARY IN

According to govex.com:

“At least 14 jurisdictions nationwide have filed lawsuits against the Federal Aviation Administration in hopes of overturning last month's decision to close 149 contract airport control towers to implement sequestration.

The lawsuits, many of which have been combined by the U.S. Appeals Court for the District of Columbia Circuit, argue that the FAA's action, however reluctant, violates safety provisions in federal law. The first suits were brought separately by authorities at small- and medium-sized feeder-route airports in Spokane, Wash., Naples, Fla., and Bloomington, Ill.”

“We welcome any and all efforts to reverse the FAA's decision both in federal courts and on Capitol Hill,” Spencer Dickerson, president of the American Association of Airport Executives and the U.S. Contract Tower Association, told *Government Executive*. “We're profoundly disappointed because this is clearly an administration and White House-driven decision to make control towers the poster child of sequestration, to make it very visible and very painful to the American people.” He added that “aviation should not be a political pawn.”

According to AOPA:

“Congressional reaction to the FAA's announcement March 22 that it was [closing 149 federal contract towers](#) around the country was swift—and negative. Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.), ranking member of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and Rep. Bill Shuster (R-Pa.), chairman of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, sent a letter dated March 22 to Department of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood expressing their disappointment with the administration's choice to move ahead with the contract tower closings.”

So I guess we will have to wait and see what really takes place.

Small Success Story:

I received a phone call last week from a lady inquiring about our chapter and the Young Eagles program. She stated that her 16 year old daughter had taken one of our Young Eagles flights, attended a week program at Oshkosh and is now pursuing flight training. Her daughter seems to have made up her mind that she wants a career in aviation. We had quite a lengthy discussion and I offered as much encouragement as I could, so I hope that her daughter follows through. I would like to thank all of the pilots who have flown young eagles for our chapter. We appreciate your personal investment in this program. With a little bit of work we may be able to get a rally in this year.

Thank you to all of those who have paid their dues or indicated their intent to retain membership. We still have several past members who have not responded. The money is not as important as the need to know our membership count. We need to make sure we have sufficient volunteers to staff our upcoming events.

EAA Webinars:

Upcoming webinars include the following topics and presenters:

April 2 - 8 p.m. CDT

[Leaning Basics](#)

FAA AMT & Wings Credit

Presenter: Mike Busch

May 1 - 8 p.m. CDT

[AOG \(Aircraft on Ground\): When Your Airplane Breaks Away From Home](#)

FAA AMT & Wings Credit

Presenter: Mike Busch

April 10 - 7 p.m. CDT

[Surviving Inadvertent IMC](#)

FAA Wings Credit

Presenter: Eric Basile

May 8 - 7 p.m. CDT

[Homebuilt Airworthiness Inspections](#)

Presenter: Joe Gauthier

April 17 - 7 p.m. CDT

[How Your Next Medical Might be a Whole Lot Easier](#)

Presenter: Dr. Greg Pinnell

May 29 - 7 p.m. CDT

[Demystifying Weight and Balance](#)

Presenter: Fred Keip

April 24 - 7 p.m. CDT

[All About the Sonera: An Affordable Homebuilt Aircraft](#)

Presenter: Fred Keip

News from EAA:

We are excited to announce a new, exclusive resource for EAA chapters that will help:

- Grow your chapter
- Increase member engagement and participation
- Provide interesting content for your monthly meet

WHAT?

A Chapter Video Magazine to show at your monthly chapter meetings.

These presentations will include inspiring and entertaining stories that celebrate the "Spirit of EAA" as well as a monthly update from EAA Headquarters, Project Patrols, Hints for Homebuilders, Volunteer Spotlights, and more.

The full video (20-25 minutes) can be your main program each month or used to supplement other scheduled programming.

WHY?

To enrich your chapter meetings and help grow participation in aviation.

We have frequently heard from chapter leaders that finding interesting topics for chapter meetings every month can be difficult, particularly in rural or remote areas. Our goal is that these videos will enrich your chapter meetings, inspire, and keep your members informed about their organization

WHEN?

Every month, beginning May 1, 2013.

HOW?

A link to the video file (.MOV) will be emailed to all chapter leaders.

I previewed the intro video and will show it at our next meeting.

We still plan to have a project presentation at the next meeting. It will either be Bills Rans project or Johns Mustang project.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday April 09, 2013

EAA Chapter Room

Porter County Regional Airport (VPZ)

7 PM

See you there.....

Discover Spring Event

Eagle Aircraft is planning their **Discover Spring** event on **Saturday April 13th from 11 am to 4 pm**. Come out and join us for a day of fun at the airport. Come see the new **Cessna 182** we'll have on display. Join us for lunch, sign up for door prizes, giveaways, etc. Discovery Flights will happen throughout the day for a one-day only special price. Call us at 219-464-0132 for more details.

Thank you,

Monica Guse

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Northwest Indiana EAA Chapter 104

March 12, 2013 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and pledge of allegiance.

2. We had 11 members present and no guests

3. March 2012 minutes reviewed and accepted

4. Old business. There was a review of the out-reach meeting we had last month at Starke Co. Rick R. went over the plans again for the next pancake breakfast to be held at Starke Co. on Sunday, June 2nd. 8 of the 11 members present indicated they would volunteer to help with the pancake breakfast.

5. New business. We still plan on have a food both for Oshkosh week, but with reduced hours of coverage. In about 3 months we need to have our plans for this year firmed up.

PCPA will use the EAA chapter room for their meeting on April 3rd. The presenter will be Greg Copeland, Director of Operations at Porter Co. Regional. Greg will be talking about Porter Co airport operations. All Chapter 104 members are welcome to attend.

There was some discussion of hosting a Young Eagles rally at Starke Co. this year.

A motion was made and approved to give Diana Austin \$35 to help defray the cost of bulb replacement for her digital projector.

We voted on the amendments to the chapter bylaws as to what constitutes a quorum at our meetings. The amendment was passed. A copy of the amendment is attached.

6. Treasurers report. Report was presented and approved

7. Presidents report: Rick Rozhon spoke about future activites for the chapter. He suggested a Picnic or loosely organized fly outs. Dennis Funkhouser talked about his treks to places like Pilot Petes in Schaumburg and Eagle Creek in Indy. Another possibility is to have more Chapter 104 participation in the PCPA poker run/steak fry.

We were awarded a new Ipad 3 by the Wolpert corp. The Ipad is a 32 GB version with wi-fi, Bluetooth, GPS and 4G capabilities. The Ipad currently has Foreflight, Wing -X pro, Garmin and Bendix-King aviation/navigation programs loaded as fully functional demo programs. Eventually we will decide which one to order. One of the planned uses will be to use the Ipad as an enhancement for our Young Eagles flight experience.

We had a good turnout at the joint PCPA/Chapter 104 soup-off on March 2nd. A good time was had by all.

8. Webmasters report. Rick Rozhon gave an overview of the recent revisions to the web site. The hosting service had made some changes to the programming which caused him some

difficulties, but he was able to work through them. Updates have been made to the builders corner photo logs. More photos are always welcome.

9. Newsletter editor report. No report.

10. Young Eagles coordinator report. No report

11. Build night report & projects status. Rick Rozhon has finished painting his wheel pants.

Rick Schreiber has his prop on order and is getting ready for first engine start this spring.

12. We Care. Nothing to report

Respectively submitted,
Rick Schreiber
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer

Chapter 104 International Activities

Recently chapter vice president Ed Hanson traveled to Bucerias Mexico to present our newsletter editor Jim Haklin his award certificate and pin at his south of the boarder residence and newsletter operation.

This photo was taken on Jim's rooftop terrace overlooking the bay of Banderas. It seems Jim has become quite the artist having completed a nice mural on the terrace wall and several paintings in his condo. Judi and I participated in the Thursday night "Bucerias Art Walk" where we found



some of Jim's work on exhibit at a local gallery. Who knew! In the USA, we commonly adopt "rescue" dogs and cats, But Jim mixed things up a bit by his "rescue" activity. Can you guess what he rescued? You'll have to ask him at the next meeting he attends.

Piet Progress—Rick Schreiber

The progress on my Pietenpol continues at a good clip. Last week I finished up making the cardboard patterns for the front cowl. The pattern work actually went better than I expected. The planning was the hardest part. Once I figured out how all of it was going to fit together, the actual cutting and assembly was easy. Here is a photo from last week showing the pattern.



Today (3/28/13) was a milestone as I cut the first metal for the engine cowl. Here is what it looks like with the nose bowl in place and the top half of the cowl cut and clecoed in place.



Here's the new By-law Amendment. A new and improved By-law printing will/may soon be coming to your door. Or something like that.

Meetings of Members

Pursuant to Article VII of the By-Laws of Experimental Aircraft Association of Northwest Indiana Chapter #104. The Article VII-5 shall read:

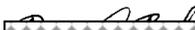
At any non election of the members, a quorum shall consist of the members present at the meeting. The Article VII-7 shall read: A majority of the members present is necessary for the adoption of any resolution affecting Bylaws which must be announced at the meeting one month, prior to voting.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIV
Dissolution of Chapter

Pursuant to Article VII of the By-Laws of Experimental Aircraft Association of Northwest Indiana Chapter #104. Section XIV shall read:

The chapter may be dissolved by a vote of 5 or more members of the voting chapter members present after a 30 day written notification to all paid international and local members eligible to vote on chapter resolutions. If the chapter is dissolved, the Chapter President must ensure that all debts and obligations are first paid. The remaining assets and materials are to be donated to another non-profit organization of the membership choosing. All Chapter records shall be forwarded to EAA Chapter Office, P.O. Box 3086, Oshkosh WI 54903-3066..

Upon this date, 3-12-2013 , we the undersigned, following the procedures stated in the Bylaws, and receiving the required vote from the Chapter membership, hereby witness the 2013 revision of the Experimental Aircraft Association of N.W. Indiana Chapter # 104 Inc Bylaws.



President – Richard Kozzon

Board Member



Vice-President – Edwin Hanson

Board Member



Secretary/Treasure - Rick Schreiber

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EAA CHAPTER MEMBERS

ANNUAL FRASCA FLY-IN

*Frasca Field (Airport Locator: C16) Urbana, IL
June 14-16, 2013*



Dear Friends,

Rudy Frasca has once again offered to host a fly-in at Frasca Field on June 14, 15 & 16, 2013. We invite you to participate in this special gathering of EAA members and aviation friends.

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

Early Arrivals: Friday, June 14

Dinner/Movies in the Hangar: Saturday, June 15

Depart for Home: Sunday, June 16

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.

Best regards,

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