

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- May 10, 2011

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

CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.eaa104.org

See you at the May 10th meeting. Bring a Friend.

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Experimental Aircraft Association
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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

May 2011

I can't believe it's May already but I'm glad to get the past lousy winter weather behind us. I was fortunate to be able to spend a splendid Easter week in Bucerias Mexico with family. The weather was sunny, with blue skies and temperatures in the mid eighties. As you can see from the photo, the vegetation was thriving. Bucerias is on the Pacific Ocean about twenty minutes by car north of Puerto Vallarta. It's easy to get a non-stop flight from Chicago which takes four hours and you can be on the beach before lunch. I was. During the eight days and seven nights of our visit, I counted only eight general aviation flights pass overhead. There was however, a good number of GA aircraft parked on the ramp at PVR.



Now that better weather is here, I plan to complete the filling process on my project fuselage, roll on the UV protection, and spray on a sealer, and then turn the painter loose on it. A trip to the upholstery shop follows and then on to my hangar for final assembly. Somewhere in there I will have to bite the bullet and purchase the final radio stack items. Maybe the price will drop on those fancy radios if I wait long enough.

Remember to save Saturday May 21st for the chapter to help with our **ILTFD** pancake breakfast and **Young Eagle Rally**. We also want to make this an airport awareness day in our community. We really do need everyone to pitch in and help so we can have a successful event. This year we will be setting up the dining area in a hangar at **Eagle Aircraft** so we will only need to set up one tent outside for cooking. Please invite your friends, coworkers, neighbors and families to come out to the airport, enjoy a good inexpensive breakfast, look at some airplanes and help some **Young Eagles** enjoy a ride.

I ask all our members to help spread the word to friends and family about his event.

Please work, play and build safely.
Ed Hanson

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

Minutes of Monthly Meeting, April 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order and The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Ed Hanson.

Welcome and acknowledgement of any guests this evening. We welcomed Dennis Meeks.

BUSINESS MEETING:

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

Old Business:

Passed out awards left from last year to Frank Ambrosic for his Lancair 320, and Dick Cains for being a Tech Counselor.

New Business:

Thanks to Jim Haklin for taking over the newsletter. Please email Jim Haklin items for the newsletter. His email is jhaklin@gmail.com

Discussion on the request to host the B-25 "Show Me". We were contacted with an offer to have the B-25 "Show Me" here for our Pancake Breakfast. We decided that we could not support the cost or manpower needed.

The airport has asked if we could restore the P-51 weather vane they have in front of the terminal. They will pay for supplies if we can do the work. We'll look at it and determine what is needed.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer's Report was given by Rick Ray.

President's Report:

We continue to plan for our pancake breakfast and Young Eagle rally on ILTFD which is Saturday May 21st this year. We will be setting up at Eagle aircraft for this event so we will only need to set up one tent for cooking outside. We will set up tables inside a hangar for seating and displays. We'll discuss setup times at next month's meeting.

Printed flyers for ILTFD are available tonight. I emailed flyers to our members today. Please help get the word out.

The FAA will be attending and providing handout materials.

I have requested a South Bend tower visit for the chapter. I will keep you informed of any progress.

We will have a Sport Pilot / LSA presentation at our May 10th meeting.

If your email changes, please notify us we have no way of knowing that it has changed.

Young Eagles Report:

The first Rally will be International Learn to Fly Day on May 21 in conjunction with our annual Pancake Breakfast. Rick Schreiber is lining up pilots and planes. We also need to determine where to stage the rides.

Webmaster's Report:

There was a big spike in visits during the end of March/early April. They are from overseas and Rick is determining the reason.

Builder's Night and Project status:

John Hack will be inviting us to look over his project when the weather warms a little. Larry Larmon will be installing an oil filter on his Howard's radial engine.

Rick Schreiber provided an update of his project. Jim Haklin disappointed us by not bringing in anything for Show and Tell this month?

Build night will not meet for the next two weeks. We will resume at Ed Hanson's shop on May 3rd.

Builders, please invite us over to see your projects.

We Care:

Frank Ambrosic is with us tonight after double knee replacements, and doing very well. Charles O'Bringer called to say he would not be attending tonight due to ill health.

Two Month Look Ahead:

Saturday April 16, 2011
Purdue University Annual Fly-In/Drive-In!
Pancake Fly-In Drive-In
KLAF Purdue University Airport
7:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
All You Can Eat Breakfast:
Pancakes, Sausages, Juice & Coffee
Admission:
\$8 Adults, \$5 Kids (12 & Under)

May 4 PCPA meeting Kyle will be delivering his annual "State of Airport Address" @ 7pm All welcome

May 10th EAA meeting Sport Pilot / LSA presentation.

May 17 PCPA hosts Meteorologist Ginger Zee from Channel 5 will talk to pilots about weather @ Eagle @ 7pm Anyone interested is welcome.

Saturday May 21st ILTFD Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagle Rally.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Respectively submitted,
Pam Ray

From the Editor's Desk

This is not really being put together at my desk. There's too many Pietenpol parts on the desk ☺. They're taking up way too much space. Cylinders, pistons, bearings, and all sorts of bolts and nuts just crowd me out. Sure glad I have this laptop.

I received a letter from Paul Poberency advising us of the Annual Frasca Fly-in Weekend, June 10th –12th at Frasca Field. You can RSVP by calling Tom Frasca 217-368-8441—leave a message, or you can e-mail Tom at tfrasca@frasca.com. Let him know how many guests in your party. I tried to scan the letter into my computer but just got garbage—need to work on that some more. Anyway, I'll bring the letter to the meeting. Hey!! Come on—I'm telling the truth. It can be my show-and-tell ☺.

With the warm weather almost here—ya think—it's time to get organized and prioritize. Like the Pres. Said, "I can't believe it's May already". Flying time is here. We have a pancake breakfast to get ready. We have ILTFD and Young Eagles on that same day. We are going to be busy, busy, busy. But the busy is the kind that is fun. Being with like-minded people, watching youngsters take that first flight, serving pancakes to hungry people, and enjoying hanger talk,

IT'S GOING TO BE A FUN-FILLED DAY. What day is that, Jim?
HHMMM!!!

Saturday May 21st—starting at 7 am

Don't forget the May meeting—same time same place. Bring a friend. Or just bring someone interested in aviation. ☺

Want to see a neat video?? Go to
http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=KZrFC988The

Jim Haklin NL Ed.

In case you forgot—new e-mail address jhaklin@gmail.com

REMEMBER—THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST WILL BE HELD AT THE
EAGLE AIRCRAFT HANGAR

International Learn To Fly Day (ILTFD)

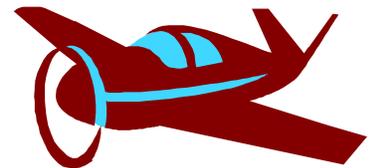


**Saturday May 21,
2011**

PANCAKES and AIRPLANES **BREAKFAST FLY IN, DRIVE IN** and **YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS**



**Porter County Regional Airport (VPZ)
4207 Murvihill Road
Valparaiso, IN 46383**



**All you can eat pancake & sausage breakfast 7
am to 11 am Suggested breakfast donation adults \$5,
children 12 or under \$3**



**Free Young Eagle Flights
Registration starts at 8 am
Children age 8 to 17 are eligible
Parent/Guardian must sign consent form
Young Eagle questions contact
(219) 531-7620 or (219) 988-4879**

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