

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 Regional Airport 4207
Murvihill Road, Valparaiso IN 46383*

MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY August 12th, 2014

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

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See you at the Mar 11th meeting. Bring a Friend.

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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

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I want to thank all of the volunteers that took time out of their busy lives to support the food booth. I also want to thank the Collings Foundation for making the Wings of Freedom tour an annual stop at VPZ and allowing the Chapter to provide refreshments. We were delayed in setting up this year due to a VIP stop and TFR restrictions. None the less, we did set up in record time and had another successful year. The Oshkosh traffic was a little slow and the weather wasn't the best. Still, we had several 'repeat' fly in customers and some new. A few folks were disappointed that we didn't have "the turkey sandwich". Unfortunately, change occurs and we must move forward. We increased prices this year on our sandwiches to sustain some margin of profitability and it worked out just fine. Our

sponsors even used some of the appreciation certificates for a free lunch, and we thank you for supporting this event.

I did travel to Oshkosh to attend the president's reception. I talked with several other chapter presidents and most chapters have the same issues as 104. It is a struggle to obtain and retain membership in the aging flying community. Strength is in numbers and we do not have the membership or support to do all of our projects as a stand alone chapter. So I will challenge all of you to work towards that goal.

We have a nomination committee formed to help solicit nominees for chapter positions. Our election is held in October so please consider running for one of the officer positions. If you have any questions or would like to get your name on a ballot, contact Bill V, Dave B or Charlie O. Remember, you must be a national EAA member and a chapter member in good standing to hold an office position.

July was very busy for me but I was still able to squeeze in a couple of local flights. August will be no



exception. This time of year our household continues the tradition of preserving garden produce for winter. So a little canning and freezing is not out of the question. The garden is producing an abundance of goodies and yes, I do know there are grocery stores. Do you realize how much money you can save by doing this? The savings goes toward my aviation habit. Some things just take priority.

It wouldn't be right to just show a picture of beans in the new letter so here are a couple of other photo of Oshkosh and our Food Booth. Hope to see you all at our August meeting. BTW... it should be short.

FOOD BOOTH

No it is not December. It's July 28 2014. The winds were out of the NW 15 gusting 23. Temperature 63 deg F. Very little traffic that day....I wonder why



Our Master Griller for the day



The last day of the food booth. Traffic was light but food was good.

Thanks for all of the folks who came out and helped us take down

A Huge Crowd gathers for Lunch



I didn't take a lot of photos....some people actually had to work!

Some Oshkosh Photos

Vans Air Force



Flabob Express DC 3



Yankee Lady B17 G



V22-OSPRY

The **Bell Boeing V-22 Osprey** is an American multi-mission, military, [tiltrotor](#) aircraft with both a vertical takeoff and landing ([VTOL](#)), and short takeoff and landing ([STOL](#)) capability. It is designed to combine the functionality of a conventional [helicopter](#) with the long-range, high-speed cruise performance of a [turboprop](#) aircraft.



There was a very nice demonstration of the capability of the aircraft. You had to be there.

The 'Lark of Duluth'
as featured in last
month's chapter video



NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday August 12, 2013

EAA Chapter Room Porter County Regional Airport (VPZ)

7 PM Simple Business Meeting

See you there.....

Local Events:

Celebrate National Aviation Day with Blue Sky Financial Tuesday, August 19, 2014

Lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm

You're invited to join us for a delicious, complimentary lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, chips, cookies and a beverage.

Outside Blue Sky Financial offices / Eagle Aircraft building

4001 Murvihill Rd, Valparaiso, IN

(inside the hangar if inclement weather)

Stop by and enjoy lunch on us. We look forward to seeing you!

Please RSVP by 8/15/14 to (219) 548-9370

Up coming Fly in Drive In Events :

Sunday, Aug 10, 2014

La Porte, Indiana (KPPO)

La Porte Aero Club Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, Aug 16, 2014

Kalamazoo, Michigan (4N0)

Kalamazoo, Newman's Field: Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Aug 24, 2014

Fort Wayne, Indiana (FWA)

Mizpah Shrine Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast

Saturday, Aug 30, 2014

Marion, Indiana (MZZ)

Marion Municipal Fly/In Cruise/In

Sunday, Aug 31, 2014

Plymouth, Indiana (C65)

Plymouth Optimist Pancake Breakfast Fly-in

Saturday, Oct 11, 2014

Fort Wayne, Indiana (SMD)

EAA Chapter 2 Chili Lunch

Tonight we had 16 members present.

To open the meeting Larry Whitlow fixed the WiFi router in the chapter room. He received a good round of applause for his efforts

Newsletter –A motion to approve the July newsletter was made by Dennis Funkhauser and seconded by Jim Haklin. The motion carried.

Treasurer report - A motion to approve the July Treasurer's report was made by Dennis Funkhauser and seconded by Tom Uskert. The motion carried.

Webmaster report –nothing new to report.

Newsletter editor report – Jim Haklin reports everything is fine.

Young eagles report – Jim Hicks says he has still not heard from the Soap Box Derby people. Since all of the winners were from out of town, we may not get any response for the free Young Eagle rides.

Old Business – We need to decide what we are going to do with the VSTAR 900 project. Doing the wings this winter may be a good start on the project. Dave Thomas will inventory all the parts that we have and also be the point man on the project.

New Business – There was discussion of the upcoming food booth regarding staffing set up and take down. As of this writing its past history.

The bylaws say that this month (July) we have to set up an election committee for the election of new officers. At July's meeting Charlie O'Bringer, Bill Vogen and David Boast agreed to serve on the election committee.

A proposal to have another chapter meeting at Starke Co. in September was made. We need to have a presentation for the meeting. All suggestions are welcome!

Project Reports/build night - Rick Schreiber moved his Pietenpol tail feathers and control surfaces to Starke Co and the wings and fuselage to Wings Aviation in San Pierre for painting. He has started spraying the primer coats already.

Larry Whitlow has finished his Zenith 601 after 9 years! He has been working on it at VPZ for 2 years. The last rivet was done on July 7th.

Jim Haklin also has his Pietenpol at Starke Co. He is currently finishing up some odds and ends on the engine and getting ready for his first engine start.

A call for adjournment was made by Dennis Funkhauser and seconded by Larry Whitlow