



THE OBSERVER



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The Gettysburg Barnstormers, EAA Chapter 1041 - December, 2022

Stories in this issue:

In honor of Bob, most of the articles in this month's newsletter are devoted to his memory.

- Robert Howe passing
- Henry's Hangar
- November meeting recap
- The 2022 Christmas party

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Longtime Member, Robert Howe, has passed

On November 21st, 2022, longtime member and our newsletter editor and webmaster, Robert Howe passed away. Sadly, Robert died on the morning of his 75th birthday.

Robert helped keep everyone informed by making sure *The Observer* came out every month like clockwork, helped to run the IMC/VMC Club, help immensely at the

Barnstormer Pancake Breakfasts, and most notably, got the high school to start an aviation STEM class.

Robert also helped coordinate with the superintendent of schools to host the annual Barnstormer Christmas Party at Spring Grove High School.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December

10th at 1 pm, at the Kenworthy funeral home on Frederick Street in Hanover PA.



Robert Howe, 1947-2022

Henry's Hangar

"I fell in love with aviation, as well as with people."
Paul H. Poberezny
EAA Founder, 1921-2013

As I write the column for this month, I am filled with many emotions. We've lost a great member and friend with the unexpected passing of Bob Howe. Bob sadly passed away early in the morning of his 75th birthday, November 21. To say we will miss him is such an understatement. Bob served so many years and in so many positions, making our Chapter a better organization and a lot more fun. There will be a memorial service on Saturday, Dec. 10th at 1 pm in Hanover. I would encourage all of you to attend and show our sup-

port for Bob's family and friends. More information will be shared as it becomes known.

Our annual Christmas Party will be held Friday evening, Dec. 9th, at the Spring Grove High School cafeteria. More details are in this edition of the Observer, please sign up no later than Thursday, Dec. 1st if you can join us for the festivities.

December is the month we renew our Chapter status with EAA. There are several pairs of big shoes our Chapter needs to fill with Bob's passing. I'm pleased to let you know the EAA Volunteer Spirit is shining brightly as Dianna Moy has graciously offered to

become our Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. Her information will be included in the renewal application we submit to Oshkosh.

As we prepare to start another New Year, we are looking for program presenters for our monthly gatherings. Many of our own members have interesting stories to share, so please consider telling your fellow members about your aviation background and experiences. If you know someone who would make a good speaker, please ask them and pass along the information to me.

Tradition is that we forego a December Chapter gathering

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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

- December 9th
Chapter Christmas
Party Spring Grove
Area High School
6:00 PM
- December 10th
IMC/VMC gather-
ing 9:00 AM to
10:30 AM at the
airport
- December 10th
**1PM MEMORIAL
SERVICE FOR
ROBERT HOWE at
the Kenworthy
Funeral Home in
Hanover**
- December 17th
Chapter Fly-Out
- January 2nd
Regular Chapter
meeting 7PM
G'burg Regional
Airport
- January 14th
IMC/ VMC
gathering 9:00 AM
to 10:30 AM at the
airport
- January 21st
Chapter Fly-Out
- January 26th
EAA's Birthday Born
1953
- January 29th
Soup-R-Sundae
G'burg Regional
Airport Noon to
3:00 PM

Henry's Hangar

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in favor of the Christmas Party, so our next regular 'meeting' will be on Monday January 9th.

We are looking for a program for that evening as well as the following months, I would really appreciate your help to fill these slots.

I'm hoping to see you at the Christmas Party and then at Bob's memorial service the next day. Peggy and I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



December Program Preview

It's the holidays!

No program is scheduled for this month. Instead, we have a Christmas Party!

Please see the next page for full details. The party will be at:

Spring Grove High School
1490 Roth Church Road
Spring Grove, PA 17362-1199

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Last Month's Program Review

The November program featured our own Randy Kalp who presented a program regarding his inaugural experiences as an AirVenture volunteer.

Randy had a variety of volunteer opportunities that hopefully it encouraged you to volunteer at AirVenture 2023.



...Some AirVenture photos (from the EAA website)





Barnstormers Christmas Party 2022

Calling all Barnstormers! Join us
Friday evening – December 9th for our Annual Christmas Party Gala.

Spring Grove Area High School
1490 Roth Church Road
Spring Grove PA 17362

Drive around the high school to the rear parking lot, enter at “Door 10”.

Doors Open at 6:00pm, Meal Served at 6:30 pm

Menu includes: Tossed Salad, Roast Beef, Turkey, Stuffing, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Green Beans with diced ham, Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea, and a Cup Cake Dessert!

As usual, we expect that “Stormer Claus” will have goodies on hand for everyone.

Chapter 1041 members are FREE, guests are \$15.00

Reserve your seats no later than Thursday, Dec. 1st by contacting Henry Hartman at 717-637-3741 (days), 717-465-5952 (cell), or e-mail: hartmansteiner@comcast.net

This is the “Grand Finale” of our year, be sure to be there for the fun, great food, and fellowship.

Thank you for making Chapter 1041 a great organization!

Remembering Bob Howe



Bob trying to get the grills cleaned before the deluge came at the end of the fall Pancake Breakfast



Cooking up the burgers and dogs at the Annual Picnic.



Flippin' the 'cakes at the Pancake Breakfast

All dressed up with their 1041 aprons at the Pancake Breakfast!





Bob at the Annual Picnic.



Camping!
Guess where?



Posing in front of the NOAA jet

Surprise!



Getting ready to check out the helicopter.

Another shot from the Pancake Breakfast





On the Carrier Intrepid (NY Harbor 2017)

Chowing down at the 2021 Holiday Party



Sitting on Stormer Claus' lap!

How do you work
this thing?



Taking a little
nap...

WHERE'S MY
PANCAKES?





Robert Snyder Howe, 75, of Hanover, PA, died peacefully at home on Monday, November 21, 2022, at home with his loving family by his side.

Born November 21, 1947, in Hanover, he was the son of the late Edgar Eugene and Ruth Elizabeth (Snyder) Howe.

Robert was a veteran and served his country proudly as a captain in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War.

He was a 1965 graduate of Hanover High School, Hanover, PA, and a 1970 graduate of Evansville University, Evansville, IN. He worked in advertising sales and IT for Radio Hanover (WHVR and WYCR) and Hanover Cable TV for twenty-eight years until his retirement in 2010. Bob, as he was affectionately known, was always on-call to restore radio and cable services for the Hanover area.

Robert was an aviation enthusiast, and was a member, past-president, and newsletter editor for the Gettysburg Barnstormers, EAA Chapter 1041. He enjoyed the social experience of friends, family, a good craft beer, was a longtime fan of the Indianapolis 500 (THE Greatest Spectacle in Motorsports), and especially loved spending quality time with his grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Cynthia (Sweigart), with whom he shared forty-six years of marriage, Robert is survived by his children, Elizabeth A. Howe, Sarah K. (Howe) Rodenburgh, Jeffrey R. Howe, and Andrew R. Howe; two grandchildren, Heidi Rodenburgh and Henry Howe; and one brother, John S. Howe.

A celebration of life service will be held 2:00 PM, Saturday, December 10, 2022, at the Kenworthy Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc., 269 Frederick Street, Hanover, PA. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. A visitation and time to share memories with the family will be held from 1:00-2:00 PM, Saturday, December 10, 2022, at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Robert to the Gettysburg Barnstormers EAA Chapter 1041, Inc. or The Young Eagles Scholarship Program. Please make checks payable to Karen Radzai, Treasurer, 450 Shrivens Corner Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325, or to the American Red Cross, 230 Greenmyer Lane, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

VISITATION: *Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM.*

Kenworthy Funeral Home, 269 Frederick Street, Hanover, PA 17331

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.kenworthyfh.com.





IMC & VMC Video scenarios provided by the Chapter Office will be discussed as well as video scenarios available from the AOPA Air Safety Institute



IMC/VMC Club

Bob was heavily involved with the IMC/VMC Club. Our last photos though, were from our February meeting which have been shown in The Observer a couple of times.

We're going to dedicate our space this month to a few more memories of Bob.



Letter from the (new) Editor

Greetings, Barnstormers!

Filling the shoes of Bob Howe as editor of The Observer and managing the websites are only a couple of the pairs of shoes that Bob wore for our chapter. He will be missed but never forgotten for all of his contributions to Chapter 1041.

While the newsletters and other communications may

have a different look and feel, the content and information that Bob felt was important to the Chapter membership. Will continue to be distributed to the membership.

If you ever have a comment, suggestion, criticism, or complaint, please do not hesitate to let me know. I want this newsletter to continue to be something that the chapter can be

proud of.

I am humbled and honored that so many of the Board feel that I can fill the Newsletter Editor and Webmaster position.

Thank you all for your support.

Dianna Moy



More Photos!



Photo Credits:

Photos within *The Observer* have been taken by Chapter 1041 Vice-President, Sam Kistler, except where noted.

Some of the memorial photos were supplied by other Barnstormer members.

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Happy
Birthday,
Mr.
President!



One last photo– our final “Group Picture” with Bob.



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Aviation Links

***Have an aviation related link?
Let us know so that we can include it!***

www.eaa.org

www.aopa.org

www.1041.eaachapter.org

www.intrepidmuseum.org

www.york-aviation.com

www.airfactsjournal.com

www.jerryandersonart.com

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