

SMOKY HILL E.A.A. CHAPTER #1127



CHAPTER LETTER - DECEMBER, 2021

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NEXT MEETING

CHAPTER MEETING -	SUNDAY: December 12th, 2021
Program:	Soaring - Red Sigle
Host:	Larry Farmer
Where:	Ellsworth Municipal Airport
Who:	Members, Families and Guests, all visitors welcome
Time:	2:30 PM

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1035 16TH RD, ELLSWORTH, KS 67439

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

1ST SATURDAY	PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA & YORK NEBRASKA PANCAKE BREAKFAST
2ND SATURDAY	BEAUMONT HOTEL, BEAUMONT KS (Starts again in April)
3RD SATURDAY	BENTON AIR PARK
3RD SATURDAY	ALVA OKLA, CRETE NEBRASKA FLY IN BREAKFAST
4TH SATURDAY	AUGUSTA KS & ENID OKLAHOMA BREAKFAST

Secretary's Report – October 10, 2021

EAA Chapter 1127 met in the hanger at the Ellsworth Airport after the Young Eagle activities were completed for the day.

Mike Olson moved, and Red Sigle seconded, that the prior meeting minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jim Homolka was not present so no report was given.

Larry Farmer reported that the chapter had flown 40 kids and a few adults today. He extended a big thanks to everyone who participated. Dale mentioned that there were several calls from folks who had conflicts today and wanted to know if there was an alternate date to do the flights.

President Dale Weinhold reported that he had received an email from Rebecca Hansen from Salina. She was trying to arrange for a WW2 vet who was in hospice to get a last flight. Some suggestions were made and Dale will get back to her with some suggestions.

President Dale Weinhold reported that he had forgotten to raise the question of getting \$1.00 per gallon off of the price of fuel for those pilots who flew Young Eagle flights at the last meeting. As this was the case, Dale polled the officers and there was a consensus that this is what we had always done, so it would be appropriate to do it for the Young Eagle flights on November 6.

Dale suggested that in the Spring we try to do some demonstration flights with adults to spur interest in flying.

With no further business, Red Sigle moved and Max Liby seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

Rod Broberg
Chapter 1127 Secretary

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and didn't eat too much. But with Thanksgiving over we need to think about our December meeting. Looking back at November we had a great month. We flew 40 Young Eagles at our YE Rally on the 6th. We also held another Rally in Beloit on the 28th and I think the count there was 23 or 24. So I want to thank all who helped. We had a great crew at both events signing up kids and keeping things lined out and the pilots busy. Also thanks to our pilots for donating their aircraft, time and fuel to give these kids a taste of aviation. We had two (2) new members that joined to be a part of the YE activities and gave rides. Welcome Mark Ford and his Mooney, and Mark Klein and his Skyhawk, also new member Tom Mahoney that piloted Keith Houghton's Skylane while Keith was under the weather. THANKS AGAIN TO ALL THAT HELPED OUT!!

I think we talked at the last meeting some about the World War II vet that we intended to give a ride on Veterans Day. The planning process went well and we were all set up for the ride when I received a call from the nurse. She explained that the Veteran had an unexpected death in his family and he wasn't mentally ready for the ride. However, we expect to schedule that sometime soon.

The month as always went fast, and to top things off, after getting the old Hawk all ready for Young Eagles flights in Beloit, I messed up my throttle arm and with the pain I was experiencing in that arm I decided I shouldn't be a pilot for kids at this event. However Mike Olson was kind enough to give me a ride over in his Arrow and I certainly enjoyed the day. One of the young ladies helping register the kids told me that she and

Mackenzie Choitz both took their check ride on the same day and both passed. CONGRATULATIONS MACKENZIE!!!! We are going to continue to encourage those young pilots from Salina to come over and join our chapter, we may have one more at the next meeting. Can't think of anything better for our chapter.

When we gather in December be thinking about having our annual social in January. If we decide to go ahead and have it, think about a location. We have had it in Lucas in the past which worked great. Other locations could be the Steak House here in Ellsworth, or we could use the VFW hall and have it catered. The Midland in Wilson has also been used in the past and it worked well, and now has the new Barn on the property that can also be an option. So give it some thought prior to the meeting. We also need to think about 2022 and what activities we might want to host. I was wondering about an adult or OLD EAGLES DAY. Maybe that would get some people that have always wanted to fly get busy and start working on their private ticket.

Here at our local airport we do have concrete on the new runway, but construction is going to halt until April 1st I am told. So hopefully at our 2022 fly in in August we will be using the new runway.

As for me, I did do some flying just to stay up on things so maybe my landings would be acceptable when the YE candidates took their ride. So I was ready but my body wasn't, and I missed out on that part of the fun.

Well that's it for me this month, once again thanks for all the great help on the activities in November, we have had many compliments from the community for hosting the YE events. Great job everyone.

Dale Weinhold, President, Smoky Hill EAA #1127

PilotWorkshops Releases "Garmin GTN: Next Level"



November 23, 2021 (Nashua, NH) – PilotWorkshops has released a video training program called, "Garmin GTN: Next Level" that provides advanced techniques, best practices, power tips, and gotchas for the Garmin GTN 750 and 650 (including Xi).

Designed to go beyond the basics, these videos provide a hands-on demonstration of features and functions that many pilots are not aware of, but that can make flying easier and more efficient, especially during IFR.



"In talking with pilots we realized that many never go beyond using the basic features of their GTN units. These videos help "take the training wheels off" to expose the more useful features and more efficient ways to put them to work during flight", explains PilotWorkshops founder Mark Robidoux.

The program includes 26 videos and is organized around a series of simulator-based flights designed to explain the best way to use the 750/650. Pilots may earn 6 WINGS credits for completion.

AVIATION PHOTO's of THE MONTH;

– Courtesy of Member Kevin Lundy



Thank you Pilots for sharing the joy of flight and planting the seed of aviation.

