

SMOKY HILL E.A.A. CHAPTER #1127



This is your **LAST** newsletter if you have not paid your annual dues.

CHAPTER LETTER - MARCH, 2022

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NEXT MEETING

CHAPTER MEETING - SUNDAY: March 13th, 2022
Program: Anthony Hefel, Chairman of the National Aerobatics Association
Host: Jim Homolka
Where: Ellsworth Municipal Airport
Who: Members, Families and Guests
Time: 2:30 PM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

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

Secretary's Report – February 13, 2022

EAA Chapter 1127 met at the Airport meeting Room. President Dale Weinhold called the Meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

Red moved, and Max Liby seconded, that the previous minutes be approved. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report:

Jim Homolka reported we had \$4,251.59 in our checking account and \$3,426.95 in our Young Eagles account for a grand total of \$7,678.54. He also mentioned he had some EAA calendars available for \$14 each. Jim Price motioned to approve Jim's report and Larry Farmer seconded. Motion Carried

Young Eagles Report:

Keith Houghton discussed the Young Eagles event held in Beloit on Nov. 28th of 2021. He thanked the members of the chapter who brought their airplanes down to help with the event. He brought up the idea of possibly doing more young eagles events at other airports in the future.

Tech Counselor:

Jim Price had a fun fact for the group. It cost \$6,000 to park your airplane in Los Angeles for the Super Bowl.

Flight Advisor Reports:

Jim Price discussed how long it was taking for Medical Applications to get through OKC (6-8 weeks.) Also mentioned how Basic Med worked as far as if you get kicked off, you must apply for a 3rd class medical before going back on Basic Med. The idea of turning to Light-Sport before getting kicked off Basic Med was discussed as an alternative to staying in the air.

Keith Houghton mentioned some safety tips for flying into our airport while the new runway is being built. This sparked a discussion on the new runway. It was mentioned that there would be a new taxiway being installed parallel to the new runway. There will also be a Rotating Beacon installed as well.

Old Business:

Dale updated the group on the Veteran from Salina who wanted to take a last flight. Dale said the Veteran didn't want to anymore, but the offer would continue to stand.

New Business:

The idea of hosting an Eagles day was mentioned with an emphasis on targeting people thinking of pursuing their private license or high school seniors. The matter ended with no decision made and would be mentioned again at a later date.

Dale made the announcement that it is time to pay membership dues.

As a meeting came to a close it was mentioned that there is a Potluck Fly-in at Abilene, KS on the 1st Saturday in May.

With no further business, Red moved and Larry seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Anthony Henke
Chapter 1127 Secretary

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: Spring is almost here, we are into March and traditionally March winds. A good time to see if you can handle the Kansas winds. Look it over and make a go no go decision, if you are in doubt, get an instructor to go with you. But I feel it is good to experience some good old Kansas winds and cross winds occasionally so if you get caught in it unexpectedly, you will know how to handle them. That might be a good discussion at the next meeting. What do you do, go up and bounce around or stay on the ground and wait for a nice day.

I have been around the pattern in the last few weeks, I haven't went anywhere, but I do practice landings and sometimes I even get a good one. I did make a cross country to Abilene the other day to see what was going on. Apparently more pilots had this in mind as I was number 2 in the pattern and another practicing an instrument approach. Good practice for me to look for traffic. Little did I know that Flight Advisory Jim Price was judging my landing which was a slight cross wind. His comment "not bad, but I took the aileron out a bit early which I knew by the slight jerk when the wheels hit the ground. Any way fun little trip. Salina was busy, also a lot of radio chatter.

It's good to have the K-state students at the meeting, our secretary and one other, Ralston Chumchal, who is now a new member, and he also has an airplane hangered on the field, a really nice 165 HP Cessna 150 Texas Tail Dragger. Watch for it. I have had contact with another that would love to have a hangar here, and we are going to try and accommodate him. Hopefully they will encourage other students to join us. We need to get some young pilots to join us old guys in the fun.

The weather has been strange this year to say the least. Went to Colorado a few days ago, it was 68 degrees when we arrived in Denver and two days later when we started for home there was snow and -3°. What a change.

Today was really nice and I see construction has resumed on the new runway. I haven't heard a progress report lately as far as estimated completion date, but it is good to see activity again.

We actually went to Denver for a family funeral, but while there, I had a nice visit with a cousin that just retired from United Airlines as an A&P. Interesting stories, when we talk to our young aviators, we should remember that side of the industry. Good starting pay after some experience and some interesting times. This gentleman told me of the many miles he traveled as a young mechanic, sometimes not even knowing what city he was in until he asked the desk clerk. Sounded like a very interesting career.

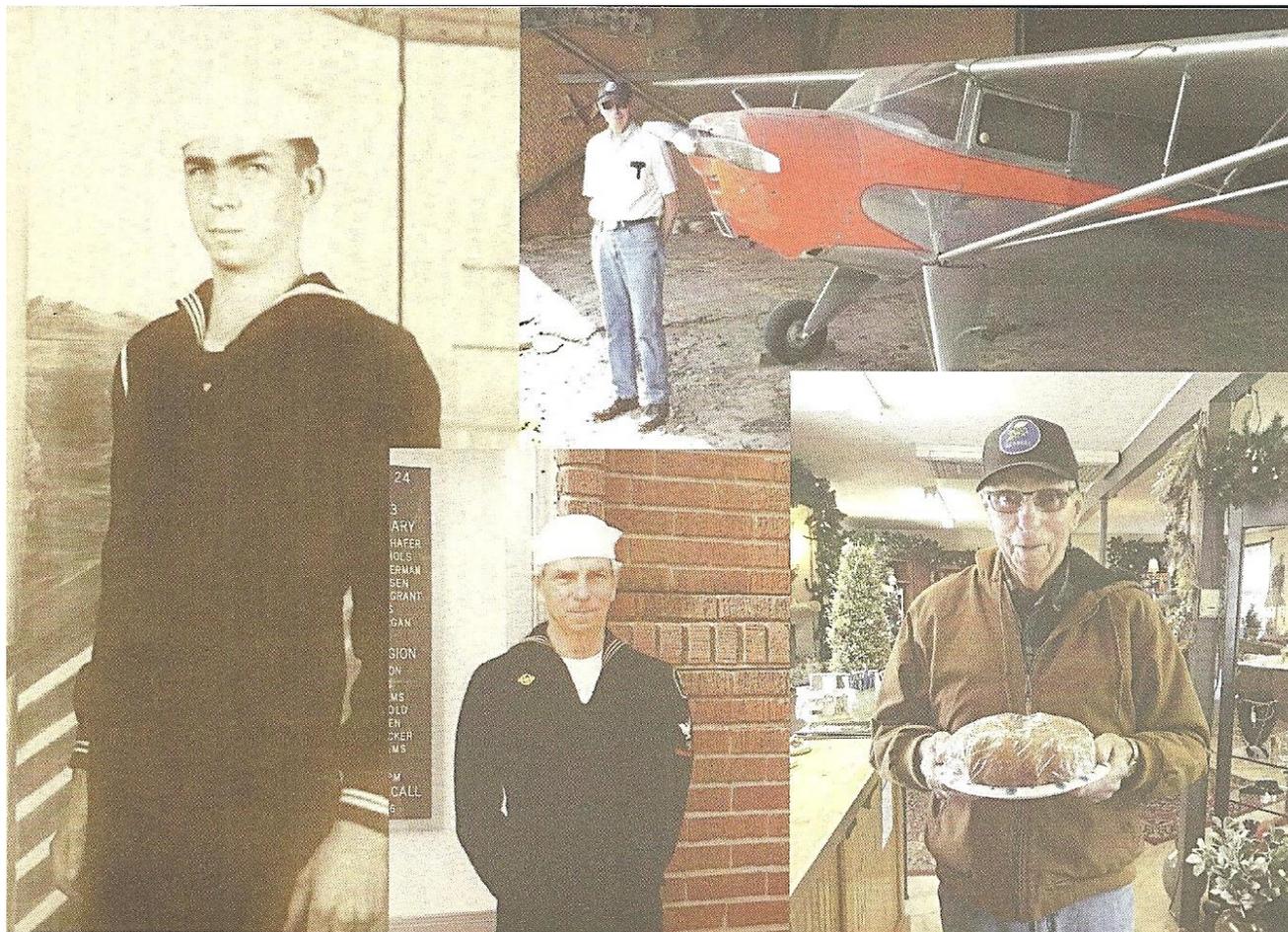
Notice the invitation to Ed Jones's 95th birthday in this newsletter. Ed has been a member of our chapter for a number of years. He has served a good share of those as Technical Counselor. Ed has a wide variety of experience on building and restoring. I hope some of you will be able to make it out and help Ed celebrate his special day.

Also you will notice this is March and this will be the last newsletter you will receive if your dues are not paid. So don't miss out, drop that \$20 in the mail now to Jim Homolka 1035 16th Rd, Ellsworth KS 67439. Or, bring it to the meeting and pay Jim in person. Either way keeps you in this great organization.

If you have anything in mind that you would like to see happen with Chapter sponsorship in 2022 please let one of the officer team know and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Well that's it for this month. Hope to see all of you at the meeting on the 13th, Happy Flying!

Dale Weinhold, President, Smoky Hill Chapter EAA#1127



Ed Jones has SOARED to 95!
Come celebrate with him!

Flight Date: April 2, 2022

Flight Time: 2-4 P.M.

Destination

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

520 E. Northview

McPherson, KS

No gifts, please. Your presence is gift enough!

Thanks for sharing this with your members!

2022 DUES ARE NOW PAYABLE

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OR SEND IT TO:**

**JIM HOMOLKA
1035 16TH RD
ELLSWORTH, KS 67439**

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