

January 11, 2020 Thirty-four EAA Chapter 1218 members braved the wet, blustery day to enjoy the potluck lunch of chili and soup crockpots. The January chapter video magazine was viewed.

President White called the business meeting to order. The cooks were thanked. A motion to approve the minutes as published was made by Henny Christensen, second by Benny Butler and approved. The financial report is posted on the bulletin board. \$20 annual chapter dues are now due. They may be mailed to Treasurer John Bailey, P O Box 70, Willow Springs, MO 65793.

VMC Coordinator Benny Butler presented the January VMC question. Discussion followed. VMC meetings now qualify as FAAST safety seminars.

Are members receiving FAAST notices of upcoming seminars and webinars? The FAA site has been down quite a bit lately.

Allan Rineman started flight school in Lebanon. He has completed four hours ground school and is scheduled to fly on Monday. Congratulations Allan.

We have the opportunity to award a \$10,000 Ray Scholarship in 2020 without going through the approval process by opting for the matching 50/50 \$5,000 from the chapter and \$5,000 from the Ray Foundation. We have approximately \$13,000 on hand but will have expenses for the current airplane projects. Donations to the chapter are tax deductible and are greatly appreciated. We have a candidate, Chase Garrison. He has taken an Eagle Flight, received his medical and student pilot certificate. He is scheduled to fly with instructor Andy Craner, Pomona.

Mike Ennis spoke about airplanes sitting in hangars. When they are not flown for great intervals, the engines develop rust. It is best to fly, fly, fly. President White asked all members to attempt to at least maintain currency. Berlin Batesel suggests flying at least one hour at a time to dry the engine out. Lloyd Darter says leaving the preheaters on all year are a bad idea.

Paul Guiley presented the safety seminar at the 2019 MPA state convention: "Are you current and proficient?" Paul will present a safety seminar during our February gathering. We will have an Italian potluck/chocolate dessert lunch in honor of Valentine's Day. **The meal will be at 11 am with the safety seminar and business meeting to follow.**

The MPA January meeting will be Saturday, the 18<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM, Santa Fe Grill, Mountain Grove.

Troy Witte announced a fly-out is scheduled at Trigger Gap, May 29-31. According to RAF, (Recreational Aviation Foundation) their goal is to maintain, preserve and create recreational airstrips. Troy said there are surprisingly few recreational airstrips in the area.

A student pilot video was shown. The student lost a wheel on takeoff. The video was mainly her exchange with the tower and finally with her instructor.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Bailey, second by Tom Young and approved.