

***EAA Chapter 175
Smoke Signals
Newsletter***



February, 2015

Next Meeting: *Saturday*, 02/28/2015

Breakfast @ 0800

Meeting @ 0900

Speaker: Daniel Beavers

Since graduating from Robinson High School in 2012 as an aerospace student in Mr. Kaloostian's Aerospace Technology class, Daniel's been at Saint Leo University studying business to get an associate's degree. He also works part time as a Line Tech at Peter O' Knight's Atlas Aviation which he claims is pretty fun, and he works in Admissions at Saint Leo to help with tuition.

He just applied for Liberty University which is in Virginia, where he will be studying to get a B.S in Aeronautics there, getting IFR, Commercial, Multi -engine, CFI and will hopefully land a job as a corporate pilot and then move up to the bigger airlines! The program looks really good he is looking forward to finally be moving up past private pilot.

Daniel has close to 100 hours and recently flew with Mr. Coleman to Sebring Regional for the Light Sport Expo. He's flown the C162, C172, and C182.

He'll be speaking about his climb into piloting as a young inspired student.

President's Corner

As I begin my new assignment, I'm reminded that it's not about any one person in the chapter but THE CHAPTER itself that will help further the EAA's VISION (a vibrant and growing aviation community) and MISSION (to grow participation in aviation by promoting the Spirit of Aviation). It is "all of us" who makes the chapter alive and a vibrant organization for growing ourselves, our members and our community.

I want to thank all of you for looking toward the future and offering your support in these efforts. Our schedule is beginning to fill up: Young Eagles Flight in March and May for which we'll need pilots and ground support, Meeting support in the kitchen and cleanup, our new Public Relations efforts where everyone can help by spreading the word and encouraging each other and those outside our organization to participate in all we do.

We have a host of members with a LOT of history in Chapter 175...feel free to draw upon their expertise as necessary. And please, always feel free to call or email me with questions or comments.

Thank you! President Jeff Kaloostian

JANUARY'S MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 24, 2015
LOCATION: Chapter House, Tampa Executive Airport (KVDF)
ATTENDANCE: 30

Business Meeting

The chapter meeting was called to order at 0900 by Jeff Kaloostian. Thanks were given to Steve Reisser for preparing breakfast. There were many guests visiting the chapter. A special welcome was extended to the return of Earl and Pat Groff.

Old Business

Meeting Minutes:

Steve Reisser stated that last meeting minutes was published in Smoke Signals and emailed to members. No changes were suggested so a motion was made to accept the minutes as published, seconded and accepted without objection.

Treasurers Report

Dave Presnell provided a verbal treasurer's report. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. It was seconded and accepted without objection.

New Business

Recognition

Jeff took a few moments to explain the Master Pilot and Builders plaques at the chapter house. Some of the names will be rearranged for alphabetical order.

Don Miller, Dave Presnell, and Dale Johnson were absent at the dinner, so they were presented with their appropriate Certificate of Appreciation Awards.

2015 EAA/CAP Lease

The current year lease has been approved by EAA National between our chapter and CAP.

Public Relations (PR)

We are in need of a Public Relations Director for our chapter to coordinate information in a variety of media such as newspaper, TV, and social media. Anyone interested in that position should let their interest be known to Jeff.

Other New Business

Jeff and Bud will be taking on the role of chapter safety coordinators; they both are experienced in safety and accident investigation from their USAF careers.

We need cleanup committee volunteers. Please indicate to any of the officers if you are interested in helping.

Our last Young Eagle Event had to be canceled due to lack of planes/pilots. Our membership needs to “commit” to assisting. Right now we only have a couple of aircraft available. We have upcoming YE Events coming on March 21st, and May 16th. Jeff would like to be able to publish a “soft” future year’s schedule at the end of each year. We are going to try to develop a more long-term outlook for events with the help of all members.

Ted Smith has donated a large amount of builder hardware that is now residing in our EAA 175 garage. Dennis D'Angelo is coordinating an effort (with Bill Cutler’s help) to tag, categorize all the equipment so that it may be used by our membership. We are getting EAA HQ feedback on the legalities of allowing it to be used in different ways.

With no other new business, a motion was made, seconded and accepted without objection to end the business portion of the meeting at 0925.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by
Steve Reisser, Secretary

“A Moment of Safety”

Landing currency: What are the requirements? More importantly, if rusty: How long until you should fly with an instructor. FAA says:

61.57 Recent flight experience: Pilot in command

1. General experience

1. Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, no person may act as a pilot in command of an aircraft carrying passengers or of an aircraft certificated for more than one pilot flight crewmember unless that person has

made at least **three takeoffs and three landings within the preceding 90 days, and--**

- i. The person acted as the sole manipulator of the flight controls; and
 - ii. The required takeoffs and landings were performed in an aircraft of the same category, class, and type (if a type rating is required), and, if the aircraft to be flown is an airplane with a tailwheel, the takeoffs and landings must have been made to a full stop in an airplane with a tailwheel.
2. For the purpose of meeting the requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, a person may act as a pilot in command of an aircraft under day VFR or day IFR, provided no persons or property are carried on board the aircraft, other than those necessary for the conduct of the flight.
3. The takeoffs and landings required by paragraph (a)(1) of this section may be accomplished in a flight simulator or flight training device that is--
- i. Approved by the Administrator for landings; and
 - ii. Used in accordance with an approved....

Common sense says **if you haven't done a landing in 30 days**, don't carry a passenger until you go up and re-familiarize yourself. If it is your private plane and it hasn't flown either, you both need a work out. **If it has been 90 days**, fly with another experienced current pilot you trust or instructor pilot to be safety pilot and to give pointers. Do airwork such as slow flight, practice go around and approach to stall. **Over 90 days**, fly with an instructor to get recurrent. If you are planning a cross country or let's say a Young Eagles flight of high school students, go practice fully loaded with passengers. Planes handle differently, fully empty and fully loaded.

“Our Builders’ Updates”

Coming Soon

We'd like to ask our chapter builders for advice, pictures, or just general comments on building an experimental airplane. It could be about yours specifically, about FAA rules/policies or any other appropriate comments. Please email all inputs to Ron LeBlanc for inclusion in the next newsletter.

General Aviation News

Webinars from EAA

membership@eaa.org

New FAA rules for drones

<http://knowbeforeyoufly.org/for-recreational-users>

Free information for GA pilots from SocialFlight

<http://www.socialflight.com/>

A great article about the Young Eagles Program

<http://generalaviationnews.com/2015/01/28/sportys-online-course-for-young-eagles-tops-30000/>

EAA Webinars

<http://spirit.eaa.org/newsletters/feb-marchwebinars.html>

Sun'n Fun News

1. Burt Rutan returning! <http://www.eaa.org/en/airventure/eea-airventure-news-and-multimedia/eea-airventure-news/2015-eea-airventure-oshkosh/02-19-2015-burt-rutan-returning-to-oshkosh-in-2015>
2. **2015 Sun'n Fun prep has started.** This year the dates are April 21 – 26. As always we will start making lunches on the Friday before the show, which is April 17th. It is now time to put in your Credential Requests, as well as camping requests. Please take a moment to look at your calendar and let me know what days you want to volunteer and if you will need camping credentials. If you are volunteering for at least four days you will receive a week pass!
 1. Our normal hours are from 8:00 am. until 11:00 am. This allows you plenty of time each day to go and see the show. We will also be asking for some people to stay each day to help with the Kitchen Clean Up! Last year it seems that it is

the same people doing the clean up each day. Please plan to stay late a day or two, to help with the clean up. If you would like to have free camping you must volunteer for at least 4 days.

2. If you are a first time volunteer you do not qualify for free camping, it must be your second year of volunteering. If you would like to take in some of the builder training in the mornings of the show, we also have an afternoon shift that comes in about 2:30pm to slice the meat and prep for the next day's lunches. I am very flexible with work hours, in trying to accommodate your needs.
3. I will be at the Chapter 175 meeting Feb. 28th I will be giving a brief overview of what we do and also have a signup sheet. If you have any questions please be at that meeting.
4. I will also be at the Chapter 175 meeting on March 28th to hand out your Credentials. If you are not going to be able to make it to the meeting, please contact me via e-mail and please put S-N-F Volunteer in the subject line: stunrv8@aol.com

Looking forward to working with all of you this year!

Richard Denton,

Chairman, Volunteer Kitchen,

Area #231

Subject: B-17 "Aluminum Overcast" at KPIE



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Zephyrhills Municipal Airport

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