



EAA Chapter 32 News

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Once again, EAA 32 conducted a really great Holiday Party. Here are some of the happy faces at our latest event on December 14, 2013.

**We'll see YOU at the EAA Chapter 32 meeting.
Be at the ARC at 10:00 am on January 18, 2014.**



Friends and fellow aviation enthusiasts,

The year 2013 turned out to be a good one for our chapter. We had a number of events we'd planned, and a few more that fell into our lap. The St. Louis Science Center had Aviation Day in conjunction with the movie Air Racers. Our chapter, along with Chapter 64 on the east side participated in it, and we all had a chance to meet air racer, Steve Hinton Jr. Our Sonerai II has his autograph. It was a first for our chapter, working with another chapter in the area.

Rather than have a food fundraiser on the 4th of July, our chapter was fortunate enough to once again have the B-17 Aluminum Overcast make an extended visit to St. Louis. Chapter 32, along with EAA 64 hosted the visit. We also had an aviation display at the St. Louis Riverfront, and got some much needed exposure. HQ was very pleased with how the tour stop went. It was one of the top stops on the tour. We had several floods last year, which washed out several Young Eagles events. Still, it all worked out, and our chapter flew nearly as many aviation enthusiasts as we did the prior year. We had our Movie at the ARC during the warmer months, except when the building was full of aircraft keeping their tires out of the floodwaters. Our annual Christmas party was very entertaining. We learned a lot about Pancho Barnes from our guest speaker Libby Yunger. I think all our meetings were interesting, and we learned about several of our members' experiences during their career in our armed services. All in all, I'd call it a good year. Personally, I thoroughly enjoyed the time with so many of my best friends. Thanks for the camaraderie to everyone.

2014 should prove out to be even better than last year. Your Chapter President has officially retired from his job for pay, and now has time to devote to what he really loves - Being a professional Airport Bum ... I extremely look forward to serving as your president this year. Your chapter leaders now have at least 4 years experience under their belt, and are working hard to provide the membership what it's looking for. After all, we're the Spirit of St. Louis, and EAA is the Spirit of Aviation. Put them both together, and we're the Spirit of Aviation in St. Louis! While not all our activities are set on the calendar, several of them are. Here is some of what we're planning;

President's Corner

by Dave Doherty

On January 25-26, EAA32 will participate in the 2014 Midwest Aviation Conference and Trade Show (MACTS). We're looking for volunteers to help. Our chapter has represented EAA in the past, and we plan on having a nice display at this one too. The event will be at the Maryland Heights Community Center at 2344 McKelvey Rd, Maryland Heights, Mo. This is an opportunity to participate in a community outreach and publicize our chapter. We'll be there, along with numerous other aviation groups. There's not much time before this event, and we really need some help.

Our February meeting will highlight the status of the chapter. We'll present our detailed financial report. At this meeting, we'll also outline the calendar of events for the upcoming months.

May will bring the 50th anniversary of Spirit Airport. EAA will have a big presence there. Our old friend, Aluminum Overcast has slated an appearance there, and our chapter will be there with support as well as providing programs about aviation - becoming a pilot, building, restoring, or purchasing a plane will be among our programs. We'd like to bring a number of aircraft to this event, ranging from antique, classic, and current day planes. To do this, we'll need help from other aviation groups and EAA chapters in the surrounding area. By the way, there is a big flying team which will be there too. The Blue Angels and their F-18s will do several shows. I'd think everyone will want to volunteer and help at this event. It's our biggest featured event of the year.

As in other years, Young Eagles will be a big part of EAA32. We'll have Young Eagles events in April through September. With much experience in holding these events, we'll build on our past successes. I guarantee we'll have something new this year.

Much more is in the works. Our January meeting will provide the last chance for our membership to make suggestions prior to our quarterly Board of Directors' meeting, to be held in early February. It's important we get our members' ideas and suggestions to make this year successful. If unable to make it to our January meeting, feel free to e-mail your thoughts our ideas to president@eaa32.org and the Board will consider them all.

Other stuff:

EAA Chapter 64 is having their annual Holiday Dinner on the evening of Jan 18. Chapter 32 has been invited to attend. Please see the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter. Chapter 64 has been a partner in several aviation events here in the St. Louis area, and they'd like to share their event with us. It'd be nice if some members of our chapter took them up on their invitation and attended. The dinner will be held at Spinners Restaurant at Downtown St. Louis Airport. It should be a good time. I know a number of their members. They're a good bunch.

A reminder to all is that **Chapter Dues** are Due this month. If not paid up, please do. In order to make it to the Chapter 32 Roster, dues need to be paid no later than the February meeting. Dues are \$36.00 per year.

Along with renewing chapter membership, we need to know any changes, such as address, phone number, e-mail address, project / status, etc. We need this in order to keep our data base current. *(You may send your information to the treasurer - Don Doherty: treasurer@eaa32.org or directly to the database coordinator: newsletter@eaa32.org - ed.)*

Aviation is the biggest reason we join EAA Chapters. This next year, we plan on having some wonderful presentations at our regular chapter meetings, and also workshops on other dates.

We have a 4th annual fly-out this year. Presently, we're taking suggestions regarding where we fly out to. What do you folks think? Where should we go?

At other meetings, we'll showcase examples of our chapter member's projects and have them discuss what was involved with their project. These are very interesting discussions.

We will hold our 3rd annual Fly-in this year. I'd like to see this happen in conjunction with the Spirit Anniversary event. More about that later.

Numerous other fly-in events will be in the area throughout the year. We will be forwarding any information to our chapter members via newsletter and website.

I'm excited about the new year and programs our Chapter is planning. To find out more, come to our next meeting on Jan 18 at our ARC facility at 1610 Grafton Ferry Rd, Smartt Field, St. Charles County. Meeting time is 10:00 AM.

*Blue Skies to all,
Dave Doherty*



Safety Tip of the Month

Situational awareness: ---- This covers many issues, including but not limited to cockpit or flight deck operations. Consideration of weather, aircraft operation, personal health, and etc.

Let's consider one issue ---- whether or not you should fly while taking prescription drugs, or over the counter medication. Your attention to details can and will be compromised! At altitude certain drugs can and will affect your judgement. Cold remedies are very insidious, and can be against the FARs, or in administrative law judge cases.

Insurance policies can be affected, in that if you have an incident or accident while using over the counter medications, they will refuse to honor your policy.

The bottom line is, to make sure you pre-flight yourself regarding your personal health and well being before flying.

Bob Kraemer

P.S. Happy New Year to all!

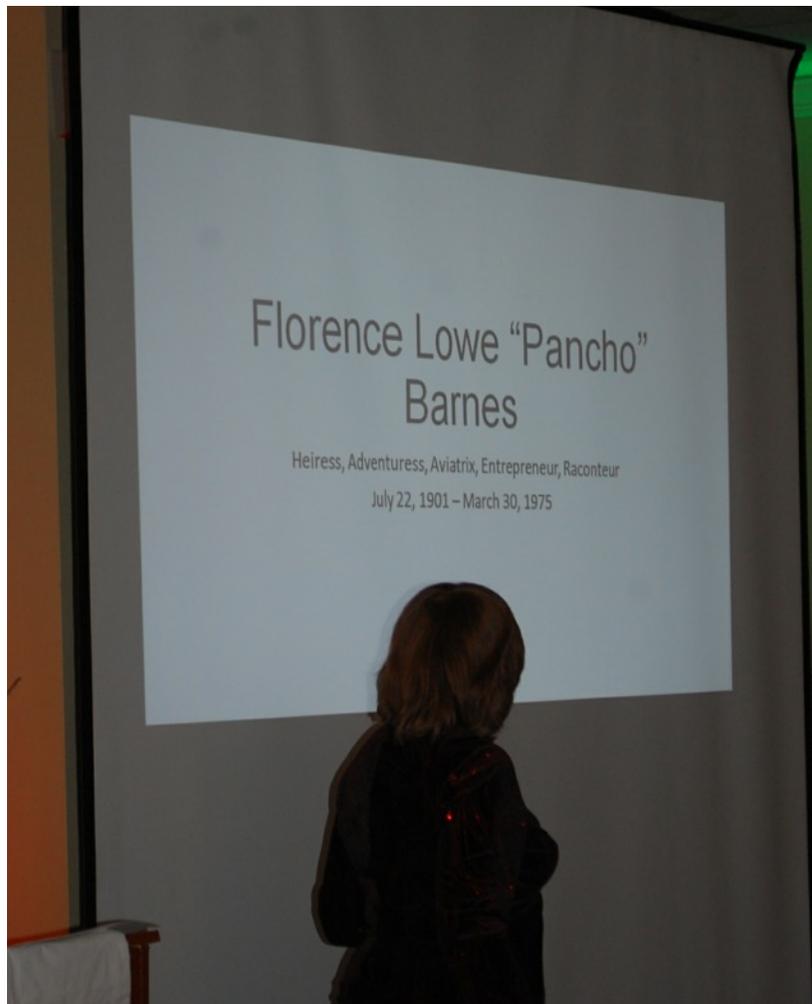


Please Turn the Pump OFF!!

When you visit the ARC and use the bathrooms you need to turn the pump ON so they will flush. Please do not forget to turn it off. The constant pressure erodes the valves in the toilets until they leak. The resulting water then fills the holding tank, which costs \$275.00 to empty. Don Doherty notes that in recent weeks it has been left on twice. We thank you in advance for your consideration.

Donation SNAFU

At the October meeting a new member donated some books, videos, and other materials to the chapter. The items were not intended for general distribution, but were meant to be used by all our members. Some of them were borrowed without being properly checked out from the library. If you have one or more of the donations in your possession, please let us know so that we may be able to keep better track of our materials. Thank you.



Learning As We Go

“Thank You For All The Memories”

mr. bill

Wow what a year. 2013 did seem a bit unlucky. Two floods at the Smartt Field that emptied the north side hangars out twice! Then crummy weather on the weekends which interrupted several of the Young Eagles and Aviation Merit Badge Events! Alright bad stuff, get behind us! Good riddance!

Welcome 2014! Some changes for this year. EAA 32 has a new Flight Advisor.

Welcome Mr. Tim Finely who will now be adding the role of Flight Advisor to the EXCELLENT job he has doing as a Technical Counselor for EAA 32! Tim is another highly trained and skilled CFI (Certified Flight Instructor) who has built a beautiful Zenith 601BXL. Tim has flown several Young Eagles in EAA 32 events. Truly an awesome man! Ask Tim about his “fuel additive” he makes in a still out on his property! It caused me to feel a few more BTU’s when I sampled it at last years Christmas Party!

Speaking of magazines, I, mr. bill, have also been the librarian for the last several years, have obtained all the 2013 paper Sport Aviation magazines for this year so as of 2013 the library is complete. With everything digital it is still good to have paper copies of the magazines (my feelings.) EAA sells the whole year’s worth of the paper copies for \$36. I will drop off the 2013 stack of magazines during my next visit to the EAA 32 A.R.C.

The world’s biggest Airline still has not started hiring yet I am busier than a one-armed wallpaper hanger! I will have more on that next month. “The Do’s and Don’ts of getting hired at the airline.”

January 14, 2014 the new rest rules kick in at the day job. I must now enter a code into the computer confirming that I am “FIT FOR DUTY.” This tells the world that I have had eight hours of rest BEFORE my flight and I feel I can make it to the end of my duty period alright! What a warm, fuzzy, feeling it is.



Old Flight Advisor mr. bill and the new guy!

Speaking of party, somewhere in this newsletter are the photos of the 2013 EAA Christmas Party!

Also helping behind the scenes this year to keep current magazines for the Young Eagle kids is Mr. Earl Ray. Another highly trained professional who quietly donates magazines so the young adults have some cool things to leave with after their cool Young Eagle Flight!



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ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER MEETING

Saturday, January 18th, 2014

Spinner's Restaurant at St. Louis Downtown Airport

This year you will be treated to:

- **appetizers** served by wandering waiters and waitress
- a **gourmet** selection of main course finger foods

and

Dr. Fred Scheiszer, as our guest speaker

Doctor Scheiszer is the Chairman of the Dept. of Aeronautics at Central Missouri University.

The Doctor is a lifelong aviation enthusiast and professional, known nationwide as an expert in aviation safety, has taught at the university level for many years, earning the status of Professor Emeritus, recently consulted with Lycoming on the development of their fuel injected LSA 236 engine, is a participating partner in Aviation Litigation Services LLC, and a recognized aviation historian.

Dr. Scheiszer's presentation is tailored to be of interest to the women, not just a boring (to the ladies) collection of pilot stories for the guys.

Cocktails and Appetizers at 6:30

Dinner 7:00

Speaker 7:45

\$18 per person

Cash bar

A footnote, be aware the entire restaurant facility will be reserved. Chapter 32 and Chapter 331, as well as the Board of the Greater St. Louis Air and Space Museum, and members of the Gateway Area Ultralight Association will be invited to join us.

Contact Brad Jones at 618-795-32438 for Reservation



Check out our fantastic Web Pages at WWW.EAA32.ORG
 Laura Million, Web Designer
 While you're there, take time to join the Yahoo Groups to help you stay abreast of Chapter happenings!

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