

## President's Message January 2019

Happy New Year,

I hope everyone had a good holiday season and that 2019 has gotten off to a good start. I also hope everyone made through this weekend's big snow safely. With any luck maybe it'll be the last big one this year.

We were hoping to reschedule our WINGS event that was postponed from November for sometime in January, but it'll have to wait until the government shutdown is over. Once that happens we'll try to get on their calendar and let you know the schedule.

As you may be aware, EAA National has decided that the EAA Ford Tri-motor needs to have the wings rebuilt. The parts need to be made from scratch, so it is quite a significant undertaking. The total cost is expected to be \$1,000,000. There are several fund raising activities going on to help with this, and one of them is looking to members and chapters. We've hosted the Tri-motor twice in recent years, and it's been a good way to get the community involved with our chapter, as well as a good fundraiser for us. We hope to host it again in the future, so we want to do our part to help get it back in the air. To do this, the chapter will match any chapter member's contribution, up to a total of \$1,000 for the chapter. Keep in mind that any contribution is tax deductible. Please get your contribution to John Flanagan, and thank you for your help.

As we move into 2019, please consider lending your time to the chapter if you don't already do so – we can always use more participation from our members. As always, if anyone has any ideas for chapter activities please pass them along to me or one of the other board members.

Blue skies,

Jim

# **EAA 533 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for January 2nd, 2019**

**Attending:** John Flanagan, David Javarey, Brian Jones, Sharon Kaiser, Lou Kossler, Andrea Muller-Hoff, Jim Suggs, Stephen Thomas, Dick Welles

**Members:** Arianna Javarey, Chris Marble

**Guest:** Chris Hickok

Meeting called to order by President Jim Suggs at 7:05PM. Guest Chris Hickok was welcomed. Chris is a new pilot, and interested in learning more about aviation. Andrea Muller-Hoff read the minutes of the previous board meeting. Upon motion of David Javarey, second by Stephen Thomas, and vote, the minutes were approved as read.

John Flanagan presented the Treasurer's Report: Expenditures in the past month included \$790.00 for the Chapter Renewal and \$372.00 for fire extinguishers.

Checking Account	\$22,389.18
CD	\$11,110.04
Total	\$33,499.22

Upon motion of Andrea Muller-Hoff, second by Stephen Thomas, and vote, the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Cessna 140 - Status: No change from last month's report.

**J-3 Cub – Status:** No change from last month's report.

**Hovercraft – Update:** John Flanagan noted the last session was a clean up in a section of the hangar.

**New members, hangar access requests:** Sharon Kaiser presented a new membership application from Garry Benesh, member Burt McConnell's son-in-law. Garry has been helping with the hovercraft. He is a retired small engines instructor for NYS DOC. Upon motion of Jim Suggs, second by Lou Kossler, and vote, Garry's application was approved.

2019 Events – Jim Suggs opened the discussion for 2019 planning. EAA 533 will hold another car show in August. The WINGS program, cancelled due to weather last November, will be rescheduled. The monthly breakfasts will be held the first Sunday of the month, June through October. Jim also commented that the airport will be getting a new manager. Sharon Kaiser asked if the chapter will be hosting a Young Eagles event for the Cub Scouts. David Javarey said he knows a local scout leader, and will make an inquiry about an event. Stephen Thomas asked if Jon Meigs will continue as the Young Eagles Coordinator. Jim Suggs thought he would.

It is our understanding that the RV group will return for another rally, in the fall.

It was suggested that EAA 533 partner with local groups, to promote aviation in the community. Our mission statement is: promoting aviation through education and community service. Chris Marble commented that the local BOCES has an aeronautical syllabus, which is a potential resource. Lou Kossler has a contact with BOCES, and will follow up on it.

**Miscellaneous Items:** Stephen Thomas said there were some changes in the offer from United Fire Equipment, but we now have three CO2 units in the hangar: two 20 pound

units and one 15 pound unit; and a dry chemical unit in the clubroom.

**Wes Sign for the hangar:** David Javarey will contact Rob Reynolds after the holidays.

**Ford Tri-Motor fund raiser:** Jim Suggs said EAA national is looking to the chapters to raise \$160,000, toward the million dollar project. It was suggested that the board modify our matching offer. After discussion, Jim Suggs moved that EAA 533 will match individual donations to the Ford Tri-Motor fund raiser, up to a \$1,000 total match. Brian Jones seconded the motion, and upon vote, motion carried.

Sharon Kaiser noted that EAA 533 received a \$100 donation to the chapter, from a renewing member.

There being no further business, upon motion of Brian Jones, second by Stephen Thomas, and vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Kaiser, Secretary

# **Member Information**

Like us on Facebook. Search for EAA 533 when on Facebook or ctrl + click the link below if you don't have a Facebook account and want to check out the page: www.facebook.com/EAA533.

**NEW:** Hangar Tenant Agreement and Semiannual Aircraft Review Checklist as well as the hangar procedures document are available on the website:

www.eaa533.org

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# Members Calendar (All dates and times subject to change)

Regular chapter work nights will continue every Thursday night from 7-10pm!!

Ongoing Chapter Project! We are constructing a UH-12T4 Hovercraft! This new project hopefully will get members involved and active, in addition they can learn skills appropriate to all types of aircraft construction. All members and non-members are encouraged to participate! Please come participate, invite your friends and family, all are welcome!

Hovercraft and membership meetings will continue and be held the 3rd Thursday of every month.

**NEXT board meeting: February 6th at 7:00 pm** at the EAA 533 hangar. All are welcome!



### Buzz Aldrin on the Moon!

Any questions, comments, photos or suggestions, please contact me at: <a href="mailto:aviatrix1956@gmail.com">aviatrix1956@gmail.com</a>.

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