

### EAA Chapter 790

Lake in the Hills, IL

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### Presidents Message

It's that time year again when we are looking ahead to what's to come in the new year. The beginning part of the year is quite active with Chapter 790 as it begins with our banquet in February. This years banquet should be quite exciting as our guest speaker is Karlene Petitt. I am sure that you will enjoy hearing her talk. If you have not yet signed up for the banquet, do so today!

This month's meeting will be an important meeting for you to attend. As a board, we always talking about what we can do to help the members of our chapters enjoy aviation more fully and enjoy being members of Chapter 790. At our January meeting, we will be discussing the state of the chapter and what is needed to improve our chapter. It is an important meeting because we want your feedback and ideas in our plans for the year. I am sure that there are many of you that have ideas that you have not been able to voice and tell others about. This is a great time for you to throw it out there for us to put into action this year. What is it that our chapter can do that can benefit your aviation experience? Ideas you have could be anything from; trips, Saturday fly-outs, chapter visits, ATC visits, hangar get togethers, pizza get togethers, guest speakers, home built projects or pancake breakfasts. What do you feel our chapter needs to become a stronger chapter for you? Your input is important for us to develop a better chapter!

The meeting will be Tuesday, January 27 at the Lake in the Hills Airport office. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., see you there!

Elton

#### February Banquet Speaker



Karlene Petitt

#### Hello All!

I hope you had a great holiday time and your schedule is returning back to normal. If you haven't done so as yet, it's time to reserve your spot for our banquet. If you have made your reservations, thank you! The banquet is Saturday, February 28, and if you haven't sent in your order, don't put off before it's to late! Do it today!

We have an exciting quest speaker that I'm sure you will enjoy hearing. Karlene Petitt is an international airline pilot currently flying the Airbus A330 for Delta Air Lines. She's typerated on the B747-400, B747-200, B767, B757, B737, B727 and A330 aircraft. She holds MBA and MHS degrees, and is currently working on her PhD at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in aviation, with a focus on safety. She has flown for Coastal Airways, Evergreen, Braniff, Guyana, Tower Air and Northwest Airlines.

In addition to flying she has spent 21 years training pilots, instrumental in training program development, and instructed at Premair, America West Airlines, and instrumental in putting Guyana Airways 757 into service. She is a mother of three grown daughters and grandmother of seven. Karlene has written two aviation thrillers, *Flight For Control* and *Flight For Safety* and the release of her motivation book *Flight To Success* is due to release January 2015

(Reservation form and menu selection on page 5)

### 790 People and Families in the News





Captain Jonathan Eisele



Nancy, Michael-Air Controller, Capt. Jonathan and Elton Eisele

**Kevin Smirz** has completed his Studies and Practical skills training for Aircraft Controller. Kevin is currently working at Lake in the Hills Airport awaiting a controllers position to open. Michael when will Lake in the Hills get that tower? Nancy Blazyk has taken on a new position and will be unavailable on Saturdays to run the Young Eagles program this year. Bud Herod has volunteered to step into that role. Thank you Nancy for the many years you have successfully managed this program. The Young Eagles and their families are most appreciative.

#### **Events Calendar**

- Jan 27 .....Monthly Chapter Mtg.
- Feb 28 .....Chapter Banquet -Crystal Lake CC March 20-21.....L3 Restoration-OSH
- April 18 .....Rochelle Airport Lunch
- May 16 .....Trip to Ford Museum June 13 .....Yokes and Spokes June 28 ....Chapter Pancake Breakfast July 20-26 ....Oshkosh AirVenture Sept-Oct ....Dayton Ohio Museum Trip

Wanted - CFI seeks partnership in a nice Cessna 172 for personal-only use based at or near 3CK. Ted Rouba 847-683-9349.

## **EXPERIMENTAL BUILDERS CORNER**

Periodically we will be highlighting Projects in the Chapter 790 Newsletter. This month the article is about Mike Perkins Tango 2 Project. In next months newsletter we will include the 170A project being restored by John Kinyon, Robert Skalany, and Dave Morrow. Keep the cards and letters coming folks.



Being able to construct the airplane at home now rather than the airport is a real blessing. A year ago Mary and I decided to build a shop for the Tango 2. Our pole barn was completed this spring; heat was added just this fall. Vinyl ester resin layups must be done above 55 degrees, so winter-working in heated shop is a matter of necessity.

The aircraft is sitting on it's main gear, but not the nose wheel. The main bulkhead has just been completed - it separates the cabin from the rear empennage and contains two large storage compartments. Work has started on the flaps, ailerons, and wingtips. As seen in the photo, one uses clecos in holding two pieces of fiberglass together. Though sometimes a cleco will occasionally pull through because the holes can enlarge, most of these cleco holes held up fine for several jigging operations through the two-layer (0.030") glass.

- Mike Perkins

Send any of your aviation adventures, pictures, articles or humor you would like to appear in the Newsletter to:

"tomsolar@sbcglobal.net"

# Chapter 790 Scholarship

Hello,

#### EAA chapter 790 will accept applications for the 2015 aviation scholarship until January 31st.

We will interview finalists during the first week of February and award the scholarship at our annual banquet on February 28th which will take place at the Crystal Lake Country Club.

Please submit an essay about yourself as well as your experience and goals to either this email address "rossimetalcraft@yahoo.com" (preferred) or mail to;

EAA 790 2015 aviation scholarship **C/O Joe Rossi** 21720 W. Long Grove Road STE C-108 Deer Park, IL 60010

Thank you and good luck!

# **Aviation Scholarship**

# If you are 14 to 20 old, you can win! \$1000.00

# that will be forwarded to the flight school of your choice!

You must be 14 to 20 years of age and with the consent of a parent or guardian, write a 250 to 300 word paper. It must be typed double spaced using 12-point font. Please have at least 3 paragraphs to your paper; introduction, body and conclusion. Use focus and any relevant evidence to support your ideas. Use conventional standard written English. Be sure to include a statement of your financial need and any special circumstances. Ideal candidates should be well rounded, have a high school GPA of at least 2.00 on a 4.0 scale, be involved in school and community activities, as well as have a proven interest in aviation.

Please provide 3 references along with your paper.

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#### EAA Chapter 790 Board Meeting Minutes

#### For January 2015

Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 1930.

Roll Call – Elton Eisele (president), Mike Perkins (secretary), Paul Ranieri (vice president), Ole Sindberg, Tom Legates, Ron Liebmann, and Tom Solar.

Treasurer's Report – None was given because Lon was out sick.

Membership report – Elton states we currently have 36 paid members.

Chapter Banquet – Elton has made arrangements with our banquet guest speaker for hotel and transportation.

Scholarship Committee – Chairman Joe Rossi was not present. Committee members Mike and Tom S. reported that no cutoff date has been set yet for applications, though the desire is still to present the scholarship at the February 28 banquet and that there is currently one application. No resolutions or motions.

Meeting Plans – January meeting program is still being discussed. There is no meeting in February due to the banquet. March meeting program is a motivational speaker who will talk about his Antarctica experiences. April meeting may be a FAAST Team presentation of flying into OSH. May meeting will be in Ted's hanger.

General – There was discussion about improving communication between board members. Members also discussed the need for all chapter members to have consistent positive interactions with guests to provide a welcoming and inviting environment. No resolutions or motions.

Website – There was discussion about soliciting material from builders' project, past and present, to create a section on our website attractive to homebuilders. A few board members with aircraft projects agreed to provide some of this input. Also, there was discussion about a general website dusting-and-sweeping that our new web editor, Jason, could do. It was discussed that he might join some of our board meetings. No resolution or motions.

Outings – Fly-outs to Moline and the long-delayed Ford Museum trip were discussed. There was also discussion about the possibility of reducing the number of Young Eagles events in favor of additional chapter outings and camaraderie-building events. No resolutions or motions.

There were no resolutions or motions were made at this meeting.

Submitted,

#### Mike Perkins, Secretary

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