

## EAA Chapter 95 Newsletter

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## Chapter 95 Project Review Tom Ellis's Titan T-51 Saturday, April 16 @ 3:30pm New Lenox, IL

Everyone is invited to Tom's house to see his Titan T-51 project. If you have ever wanted to see the process of building a plane, this is a great opportunity to check it out. You can ask questions and see what is involved.

For those of you unfamiliar, the Titan T-51 is a  $\frac{3}{4}$  scale replica of the P-51 Mustang. It is a really cool airplane, so I would encourage you to come check it out and see the progress Tom is making on the project.

Tom lives in New Lenox, IL at 1339 N Cooper Rd

Directions to Tom's from Morris:

Take I-80 East Take the US-30/Maple St Exit - Exit 137 Turn Right onto W Lincoln Hwy/US-30E/W Maple St Turn Left onto N Cedar Rd Turn Right onto E Francis Rd/CR-64 Turn Left onto N Cooper Rd (1339 N Cooper Rd - on left)

If you need further directions or have questions, please call Tom at 815-405-5082.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

## Your Project Updates!

I know we have a lot of active builders in the chapter. I think we need some project updates for the next newsletter! Please send me an e-mail with a brief (or long) writeup on how your project is going. Pictures are great too. If you only want to send pictures, that's fine.

You can e-mail pictures and updates to me at jana.trof@gmail.com

# Family Dinner Night Bulldog Ale House Saturday, April 16 @ 6:00pm New Lenox, IL

We are trying another new venue for our Chapter 95 Family Dinner Night. This is in conjunction with Tom Ellis's Titan T-51 Project Review. We will have a family dinner night at Bulldog Ale House in New Lenox at 6:00pm.

Bulldog Ale House is located at 2387 E Joliet Hwy, New Lenox, IL.

We hope everyone can make it out for Tom's Project Review and then we will all head over to Bulldog's for dinner. However, even if you can't make it to Tom's earlier, we still hope you can join us for dinner.

All are welcome (Family and Friends) to attend both the Project Review and Dinner.

Hope to see everyone there!



Due to the Easter holiday weekend being early this year, our March Chapter 95 meeting is THIS FRIDAY, March 18th one week early than normal.

Our guest speaker is Jim Cryer who will be speaking about aircraft photography.

Please mark your calendar and try to make it to the meeting.

Maybe try to grab dinner at Chili's either before or after the meeting and use your Chili's vouchers.

## From The President ...



H i all, Hops and props was a great time as usual as our chapter was represented by four couples. (see pictures in newsletter). Beer, Food, Entertainment and venue were all exceptional, not to mention it is a fund raiser to support EAA as well. What better excuse to plan a getaway weekend could there be? This year we stopped at DC Estate winery in South Beloit, Wi on the way to enjoy

tasting and from there had lunch at the Anchor Inn in Fulton with a third stop at Schultz Cheese Haus before arriving at the Hilton in Oshkosh. The point is the fun and is not just in the event but the journey to and from is also a good time. Make it a point to put this event on your schedule for next year as you won't be disappointed.

I feel the need to discuss personal health with you all as we are losing members to heart / cardiovascular problems at an increasing regularity. Please make it a point to get regular thorough physicals and if you suspect a problem do not hesitate to get it checked out. Al Franowsky has been relocated to Kindred Hospital @ 225 Edward St. Sycamore, II. 60178 he remains in a coma so all your prayers for his

recovery are much appreciated. The good news is he is stable and all vital organs are working properly. Linda much appreciates all of your thoughts and concerns and wishes to keep all thoughts positive for a successful recovery!!! I am deeply saddened by the loss of Michaels Foss's son Tanner as words cannot describe the pain / grief the family is going through. Prayers for all involved to be strong in this difficult time.

Spring has finally arrived at least by weather getting nicer. Clocks are moving ahead an hour, so more daylight after work for flying is good. Easter is early this year so we moved the meeting up to the 18 for March. Let's all focus on getting out and having some fun and getting in a positive vibration.

Chili's fund raiser is going on so make it a point to go there and present the coupon so chapter 95 gets the 15% give back. Print copies and give them out to friends and family.

Signing off now until next month;

Be Safe, Healthy & Happy, Mark (Email: mrkmolle@gmail.com)

## Chapter 95 Meeting Minutes - Feb 26, 2016

Meeting called to order @ 7:32pm by Mark Molle with 33 in attendance

#### Pledge of Allegiance recited

Secretary's report by Warren Roddy: No report as club banquet was the January meeting

Treasurer's Report by Jacque Nawojski: Income \$3,267 Expenses \$2,732.09 Available Funds \$5,316.73

#### **Old Business**

Family Dinner Night @ Fox's Pub - 40 people attended Enjoyed the food and cocktails, there was plenty of room. Consensus that it is fun to try new places.

Christmas party at the Fireside Grille in Sugar Grove was a great success; our group was at their full capacity. We had a great guest speaker from EAA: Brett Hahn. Probably need to consider a larger place for next year.

#### New Business

**Hops & Props** at EAA in Oshkosh next weekend Would like to see old and new faces attend this year. Always interesting when mixing alcohol and aviation, so the EAA provides shuttle bus rides to and from the hotels.

## **Chili's Fund Raiser**

Starts March 1 and goes through April and May. Please print and use the vouchers. There is no limit, you can use as often as you like; anyone can participate. It's not restricted to Chapter members, hang them out to family, friends, neighbors, co-workers. There's no discount for you, but our chapter gets a check at the end of promotion. The vouchers may be used at the Chili's in Morris, Oswego, N Plainfield, New Lenox, and Shorewood.

#### T-6 Raffle

Rick Siegried has offered to provide a ride in his T-6 for our Chapter again this year. Are we willing to do this again? Oral Vote: Yea's pass

Ride can be at the open house or arrangement can be made between the pilot and winner. We need to determine which way before the tickets are printed.

A good way to promote this event is by setting up a table at fly-in breakfasts and lunches and let the tickets sell themselves as people walk up.

#### Youth Protection Program

Mark encourages everyone to do this for our Young Eagles Events. Take the EAA young eagle's certification course on-line and get your certificate. If the certificate has been delayed re-check by emailing membership@eaa.org, as there was a glitch in the EAA program on sending out some of the certificates.

## **Builder Projects/Reveiws**

Mark Molle is planning to move the group RV-12 project to his home hangar

Larry Nawojski paid for his Viking Honda engine

Michael Foss's wings are on his RV-8 - now rigging and attaching ailerons

Mike Ruffatto hopes to have his RV-7 flying in a couple of months

Tom Ellis is finishing the instrument panel on his Titan T-51 - project review combined with a Chapter dinner, tentatively planned for Saturday, April 16.

Lee Brinley's Adept Engine is being made

Introduced visitor (who also joined the chapter at the meeting) - Joe Swithin

Note to add new positions and names (Safety Officer, membership coordinator and chapter attorney) to the newsletter.

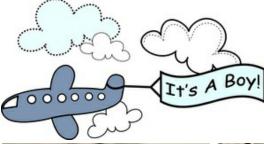
Glenn Vokac thanked Charlotte Curtis for her stories submitted to the newsletter.

An invitation was made for anyone to submit personal aviation sotries.

Guest Speakers EAA Chapter Video

Treats

Provided by Larry and Jacque Nawojski-Thank You!



## **CONGRATULATIONS to Mike and Eryn Ruffatto**

We are happy to announce that Mike and Eryn Ruffatto are the proud parents of a new baby boy! Adam was born on March 1st at 7:15am. Adam joins big brother Alex to the growing Ruffatto family.

## **Congratulations and Best Wishes**



## Arriving in Style

At the last Chapter Board Meeting, Tom Ellis arrived in his Rotorway Exec helicopter and landed in front of R-Place. Why? Because he could?





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## Hops & Props - 2016

Four couples were able to make it up to Hops and Props this year - Mark & Shelly Molle, Michael Foss & Tricia Wagoner, Matt & Kristine Kwiatkowski, and Tom & Robin Ellis





We would like to extend our condolences to Chapter member Michael Foss on the recent passing of his son Tanner. Tanner passed away on March 7, 2016 at the age of 19. Our deepest sympathy to Michael, Tricia, Drake, Chandler, and Ellie. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this most difficult time.



Most of you are aware that Al Franowsky (Our current EAA Chapter 95 vice-president) has been in the hospital and in a coma since Friday (March 4). He was rushed to the hospital when his heart stopped on Friday evening. They were able to get his heart started again, however he has not

gained consciousness and is still in a coma. Currently he is stable and all vital organs are working properly.

Please pray for Al, that he may have a full and complete recovery!

Please keep Linda in your thoughts and prayers!

Linda - We want you to know that your Chapter 95 family is thinking of you and praying for you and Al.



## **CONGRATULATIONS to Mark Molle**

Every quarter, two Young Eagles pilots are selected in a random drawing to win a Lightspeed Zulu Headset. Mark Molle was one of the winners from the 4th quarter drawing!

Pilots who fly a Young Eagle between January 1 and March 31, 2016 will be in the next drawing.



## Additional Motivation To Fly Young Eagles - Dine With the Chairman at AirVenture

All pilots who fly at least 10 Young Eagles between January 1 and June 30, 2016 will automatically be entered in a special 2 million program. Three pilots and their guests will sit with our current and past Young Eagles chairman at the Wednesday Young Eagles dinner. In addition, they will each receive weekly AirVenture wristbands and a flight in the Bell 47 over AirVenture 2016.

You do not need to wait for a Young Eagles event to fly kids, just pick up some Young Eagles forms in the chapter hanger (or ask Jana or Jacque for help) and fill them out whenever you take a kid age 8-17 flying.

## 2016 Chapter 95 Calendar of Events

Here is the current calendar of events. Some things may change, so continue to keep checking the calendar, but this should be a good start to put in your calendar and plan for. If you have any other ideas, please contact Mark Molle.

## March

18 - Chapter Meeting 7:30pm, John & Rita Saribekian treats

## April

- 16 Tom Ellis Titan T-51 Project Review (3:30pm) and Family Dinner Night (6:00pm) - Tom Ellis's house and Bulldog Ale House
- 22 Chapter Meeting 7:30pm, Dave & Kelly Miller

## May

- 14- Chapter Board Meeting
- 20 Chapter Meeting 7:30pm, Mark & Judy Kenney treats

## June

- 11 Young Eagles, Morris Airport 8am-3pm
- 12 Young Eagles Rain date
- 24 Chapter Meeting 7:30pm, Mark & Shelly Molle treats
- 25 Mark & Shelly Molle IL51 Fly-in/Drive-in

## July

- 15 Matt and Jana Trofimchuck Ice-Cream Social @ Morris Airport
- 24 Oshkosh Family Dinner Night @ Wendt's on the Lake
- 25 31 Airventure 2015 @ Oshkosh

#### August

- 20 Board Meeting
- 20 Riley Field Fly-in (Hosted by Dave Miller and Mark Perle)
- 26 Chapter Meeting 7:30 pm, Ron & Kathy Needham

## September

- 03 Open House
- 10 Young Eagles, Morris Airport 8am-3pm
- 11 Young Eagles Rain date
- 17 Bruce & Cindy Limbach Annual Pig Roast
- 23 Chapter Meeting 7:30 pm, Al & Linda Franowsky treats

## October

01/02 - Red Bull Air Races - Indianapolis, IN 28 - Chapter Meeting 7:30 pm, Bill & Mary Jo Shain treats

## November

18 - Potluck and Chapter Meeting 7:30 pm

## December

10 - Ugly Christmas Sweater Party - Pizza party/Movie night

## Reminder: EAT AT CHILI's

Please make sure you start using your Chili's vouchers! It is such an easy way for the chapter to make money, so please help us out and eat at Chili's a few times and get your friends/family to eat there too.

#### **Chapter 95 Officers:**

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## NEXT MEETING: Friday, Mar 18, 2016 at 7:30pm

Location: Grundy County Farm Bureau 4000 Division St (Route 47) Morris, IL

Look forward to seeing everyone there!!!!

Visit our website at http://95.eaachapter.org

Do you know someone who might be interested in joining our chapter? Please bring them to our next meeting and let them see what we are all about. Membership dues are \$25.00 per year.