

EAA Chapter 1094

Chapter Newsletter



January 2020

Greetings Chapter 1094 Members!

A Message from our new President, Jeff Secules

As we watch 2019 fade into the clouds, we now look ahead to a great 2020. As many of you already know, we had officer elections at our December meeting and outgoing president John Gandy was ready for a break. For some strange reason the members elected me as the new president for this year. I want to thank John for his past 3 years of dedication and service to the chapter. He was the second one to take me up for a flight here in Sulphur Springs and I will never forget it. I know he will still be flying many eagles, both young and old, for many years. He has many exciting things happening out in Mt. Vernon at Franklin Airport (F53). If you have not flown out there in a while, go check it out. We will have a fly-in there with breakfast and a meeting on August 15, 2020.

So, let me introduce myself. My name is Jeff Secules. I am a husband and father of two teenagers. We have lived in Yantis about 7 years and I am a native Texan. I have been a member of 1094 only about 2 years and I have had my Private pilot's license for – well never. Correct, I do not have my PPL yet. I have my medical out of the way, my student certificate from the FAA and I have been studying ground school for several years off and on. I do have my Part 107 license but come on, that is not nearly the same thing (although I've come to understand that the written is basically the same). You are probably wondering why the membership decided to elect a president who can't yet fly on his own – Great question. I assume it is because I do have what all of you reading this have: a passion for aviation and the desire to expose people of all ages to the wonders of flight. I also want to continue to see general aviation protected and the number of active pilots grow. We have to start somewhere and we might as well start here. The other officers of the chapter and I will need your support and help along the way to make this happen. This is critical so please take a moment to consider where and how you can. Everyone has different interests, skills, and abilities, so let us work together to utilize them for our joint passion.

In 2018, Boeing released numbers of needing 790,000 pilots globally by the year 2037. That is a huge number! One way or another all of those pilots will start out as student pilots, and work through maneuvers just like many of you did and that I hope to soon. It is a fact that the majority of current members in our club are older

and we know that it is increasingly hard get the average teenager to look away from their phone. That said, we also know that once we get them in a plane and the wheels leave the runway that they are usually transfixed out the windows looking at the world in a different viewpoint, phone forgotten in their lap. I have helped the past 2 years with our Young Eagle Flight Rallies and the smiles on the kids' faces are priceless. We need to work on figuring out how to keep that spark lit and fan the flames. Not only do we need to encourage young eagles, we also need to come up with some more ideas to help the many rusty pilots in our area back in the sky and to increase the number of planes overhead to be able to show everyone that aviation is still very much alive and well.

It was voted on and we have moved the meetings back to the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 AM in the conference room in the terminal building at Sulphur Springs Airport (KSLR). I know everyone's schedule is full but I hope that you can find some time to attend. Our first one will be January 18th and I would encourage you to be there to be a part of something awesome. I will even bring some donuts and coffee. We will have a business meeting, then talk about some of the things I have mentioned in this letter and I am sure there will be some lively discussion as there usually is. Our speaker for the first program is Marty Gould of Beacon Aviation. Marty is from Golden and his business is state-of-the-art digital aerial mapping using two different specially outfitted airplanes, a C-172 and a souped-up Beach 36A. He has a private strip but it's only 1,100 feet so be careful!

Weather permitting, we plan to fly-out afterwards to Cedar Mills on Lake Texoma (3T0) for a great lunch at Pelican's Landing. I also want to remind you that membership dues are now \$30 and are due starting at the January meeting. If you have not been a member in a while, I ask you to give us a shot again and invite your friends.

Now for the teenagers and kids looking at this: **TL:DR – Join us on January 18th to learn about aviation!**

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Bio for Marty Gould, our guest for the January 18th program:

Discovering aviation at OSU in late 1980, 13 months later, I had my private, instrument, commercial, multi-engine, CFI and CFII. Competing on the OSU Flight Team, I was able to win Top Pilot of the 4 states that comprise Region 4. After graduating in '81 with a BS in BA, and an Area of Concentration in Aviation, I taught Aviation to include aerobatics in a Great Lakes at Seller's Aviation, Enid Ok. In '84 I was hired by a Fortune 500 High Tech company till '89 then served as Dept. Head of IT for FDIC/RTC in Houston till '93. Resigning from FDIC in '93, I formed Beacon Aviation, Inc. which dedicated itself 100% to Aerial Mapping in 1997. Over the decades my company has delivered over 1,000 aerial mapping projects. Using state of the art traditional photogrammetric methods, BAI has been able to deliver aerial survey products that are second to none.

Here is a sample of our colorized vector file which allows for virtual fly-throughs. This sample if of 3F9, Mineola Wisner. <https://youtu.be/AdxCdfJJddY>

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Marty and his Thorp T18.



February Program Speaker: Tom Chandler

Our February meeting program is all set, as well. Tom Chandler will be the speaker. He is the Regional Manager for AOPA's Central Southwest Region.



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Calendar

January 18, 2020

Marty Gould Program
Lunch Fly-Out to 3T0

February 15, 2020

Fly-In for Breakfast?
Tom Chandler AOPA Program

March 21, 2020

Meeting to discuss Young
Eagles Rally

April 18, 2020

Young Eagles Rally from 9:00
until 12:00

May 16, 2020

Meeting

June 20, 2020

Meeting

July 20 – 26, 2020

AIRVENTURE!



August 15, 2020

Meeting

September 19, 2020

Meeting

AREA EVENTS:

EAA Chapter 1475



Pietenpol Air Camper "A Whole Lotta Rosie" Amateur Built Aircraft built & owned by Kevin Purtee

Mel Asberry, DAR-T, DAR-F, Guest Speaker
"Airworthiness Certification for Amateur Built Aircraft"

Saturday January 25, 2020 at 10:00 AM
Wood County Airport (KJDD) at Hangar



311 County Road 2355, Mineola, TX

A "borrowed" photo from Mid-America Flight
Museum in Mt. Pleasant. A great destination!

