

# SMOKY HILL E.A.A. CHAPTER #1127



## CHAPTER LETTER - APRIL, 2022

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### NEXT MEETING

#### CHAPTER MEETING -

<b>Program:</b>	<b>SUNDAY: April 10th, 2022</b>
<b>Host:</b>	<b>Terry Landon, Southwind Aviation - Flying &amp; shipping airplanes around the world</b>
<b>Where:</b>	<b>Jim Price</b>
<b>Who:</b>	<b>Ellsworth Municipal Airport</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>Members, Families and Guests</b>
	<b>2:30 PM</b>

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

<b>1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY</b>	<b>PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA &amp; YORK NEBRASKA PANCAKE BREAKFAST</b>
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY</b>	<b>BEAUMONT HOTEL, BEAUMONT KS (Starts again in April)</b>
<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY</b>	<b>BENTON AIR PARK</b>
<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY</b>	<b>ALVA OKLA, CRETE NEBRASKA FLY IN BREAKFAST</b>
<b>4<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUSTA KS &amp; ENID OKLAHOMA BREAKFAST</b>

## Secretary's Report – March 12, 2022

EAA Chapter 1127 met at the Airport meeting Room on March 12, 2022. President Dale Weinhold called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM with 18 members present and Milton Wehrman's guest Luke Finney.

Milton moved, and Larry F. seconded that the previous minutes be approved. Motion Carried.

### Treasurer's Report:

Jim H. reported that our bank account balances were the same as last month. Checking: \$4,251.69 Young Eagles: \$3,426.95. Larry F. motioned to approve the report, and Brad F. seconded.

### Young Eagles:

Larry F. mentioned the chapter earned \$335 from EAA in young eagle credits. He is open to ideas on how we should spend the money for our future EAA Young Eagle Days. Dale did mention it could maybe go towards the fuel used during the event.

Flight Advisor Reports: Keith H. brought up that SkyWest is pulling out of 39 locations around the United States due to the pilot shortage. He also stated that United Airlines has projected it will have to hire over 10,000 pilots this decade to keep up with demand. Tom M. mentioned Delta Airlines is trying to push 700 pilots through training per month for the next two years.

Jim P. shared that Junction City will be having a Fly-in on June 5 and then have a movie night that night with a big air show the next day.

### Old Business:

Dale reminded everyone about their dues and that there were six calendars left for \$14 apiece. He also mentioned that the chapter would not be going to the Augusta Career day on April 22 to help out, but people are more than welcome to go and help by themselves. The last thing he mentioned was EAA Learn to Fly Day is on May 21, but we cannot participate in this event unless we find an instructor.

### New Business:

Dale talked to the new counselor at Ellsworth High School and figured out a deal to have a career day for the high schoolers at 9K7. Larry G. and Keith H. mentioned offered their expertise to talk to the kids later in March.

Marty H. brought up the idea of having a BBQ at an old Missile Silo near McPherson for the June meeting. He will get the specifics and get back to the group on this.

With no further business, Mike O. moved, and Jim H. seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried, and we proceeded to watch a presentation from Anthony Hefel (Airline Captain and Chairman for the NAA) on aerobatics.

Anthony Henke  
Chapter 1127 Secretary

**FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:** Well Spring flying is here, won't be long we will be looking at the hot days of summer. So far we seem to have had a lot of wind and unsettled weather. However, the sling on my arm and not the weather is what is holding yours truly back. Just can't work the throttle. So flying time in March has been a big Zero for me.

If you missed our last meeting you missed a great program. For those of us that know almost nothing about aerobatics, it was very interesting. Max has also lined up a great program for this month.

Our guest speaker will be Terry Landon of Southwind Aviation. Southwind is a company that fly and ship aircraft everywhere in the world. Sounds very interesting. Thanks again to our VP Max that continues to line up a great bunch of programs. Also at our April meeting we intend to finalize plans for holding a meeting and tour at the old missile silo near Wilson. Traditionally we do not have a meeting in May because of the Mothers day conflict, so the missile silo will probably be in June. My thanks to Keith and Larry for coming over to Ellsworth to put on an aviation career program for the interested high school students in Ellsworth. Unfortunately, we didn't have any students that came down to enjoy our program. However, we are on the schedule for a class as part of Career Day at the high school in 2023.

We usually look forward to the fly in at Abilene in May to kick off the pancake fly in season. Unfortunately, that will not be the case this year as Abilene has decided to cancel the activity for this year. Like most clubs they just don't have the help necessary to put the event on. Seems all clubs are suffering a bit from the old member syndrome. EAA 1127 will also soon be in the same situation if we don't get some younger members. If you know of someone that is interested in aviation, try your best to help them realize their dream. I visited with a young man the other day that expressed interest and I tried to funnel him to someone that could help him with instruction. Again we welcome all young aviation enthusiasts especially those that are students at K-State Salina. As has been our policy while a student, their dues are waived, just come over and join us. Our chapter also needs to decide at our April meeting if we want a fly in in August. I hope the answer is yes. Since we don't meet in May, we will need to approve the fly-in flier at the June meeting. There still are some fly ins to attend, some every month at chapters in Kansas and Nebraska. If you want to fly, there is something to fly to.

My flying schedule and my health schedule did not match up well this year. I will not be able to fly until the end of April at the earliest. Unfortunately, the old Skyhawk is due for an annual in April, so I am in the process of figuring out how to get it over to Jim Curtis in Abilene.

Not much for me to report. Activity on the new runway at Ellsworth has picked up again. Looks like we will have a completion this summer, don't know if it will be ready for the fly in, but maybe. We also have been awarded a grant for a new AWOS system and have applied for a grant for a new rotating beacon. So improvements continue at 9K7. Looking forward to seeing all of you on April 10<sup>th</sup>, see you then.

Recently seen this: "There is a big difference between nearly right and exactly right". Lets hope we all do things exactly right when in the cockpit!!

Dale Weinhold, President, Smoky Hill EAA#1127

