

EAA CHAPTER 1128

Two Harbors Helgeson Airport

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It's snowing again, Yippee! The land of eternal winter is beginning to get me down. In an act of unjustified optimism we have scheduled our next meeting outside. On **Thursday, May 4** we will meet at **Hangar #40** for our first BBQ meeting of the year. Plan to be there by **5:00** for burgers and all the trimmings.

Last Meeting

It was still daylight when we convened the April meeting but it wasn't terribly warm. We shared some snow and mud stories before we got down to business. The treasurer reported \$3585.00 in chapter coffers and a motion was passed to reimburse the newsletter editor for postage. Seth asked for ideas addressing Minnehaha principal Brett Archer's request for a presentation to his students. Mike told us Tom Betts of chapter 272 needs our help at a Flying Start event on May 20. He also reminded us that International Young Eagles day was coming up in June. We discussed the Scholarship that the Arrowhead Eagles are offering again this year. Jon showed some pictures of his visit to the Commemorative Air Force's Texas wing in San Marcos. They have lots of classic warbirds in their collection, a B-25, C-47, BT-13, T-28, T-6 and a Bell P-39 Airacobra to name a few. They also have a tribute to the famed "Doolittle Raid" including a model of the SS Hornet that launched the raiders. Bud gave a detailed account of his Sonex build with lots of pictures and some sage advice, "It's all about sequence!" He brought the lesson home by telling us of drilling out 380 rivets that were set out of sequence. Seth ran a video of a successful rejected take off by a P-51 pilot and showed a picture of the new paint job on Scott Udenberg's Cessna. It looks good. Mike told us a new EAA chapter has formed over in Ashland, Wisconsin. We agreed to have our first BBQ meeting in May.

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The Airport Commission has not met since MNDOT representatives were here, we're waiting to schedule their return. There was a flurry of airport activity on those beautiful spring days two weeks ago but now the flurries are just snow. I hope we get some decent weather for our next meeting. Don't forget Jim Hayes' 93rd birthday party at his hangar on April 29. There will be food and cake and the birthday boy will be there at 1:00. Rooby enjoyed some exercise on those two nice days but now she just sits in her hangar drumming her fingers in frustration. I have already accomplished the first part replacement. One of her brake master cylinders failed at a weak point I accidentally introduced during construction. You're never really done building your homebuilt aircraft.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the airport for our next meeting and.....

.....Happy Landings!.....