



EAA CHAPTER 1279 (F70)

**Minutes of Chapter meeting held on 3/29/2025
@ Hangar A17**

Our guest speaker was Steve Snyder, the author of “Shot Down” which is a novel following his Dad and his crewmen who had their B17 shot down over France. They were with the “Mighty Eighth” who were the first to bomb Germany. The novel goes into detail from the perspective of each of the crewmen and their families. It also highlights the french people who risked their lives to help many of the crewmen survive.

Dan Ybarra presented Steve with a Certificate of Appreciation from our chapter.

Mark Gertz, who is an aluminum V8 engine expert, told us that hydrogen fuel may become available very soon.

Kiah, who is our Ray Scholarship recipient, received his private pilot license on February 22nd. Peter presented him with a gift.

Peter reported that our Chapter’s new 25th anniversary patches are being printed at this time.

We currently have 8 pilot volunteers for the Young Eagles Rally planned for April 12th. We have a few slots open for Young Eagles.

Peter told us that our Chapter has been selected for another Ray Scholarship sponsorship. This year it is valued at \$12,000 for the recipient.

Rick’s DR-1 has received sign off, so his first flight will be happening soon.

Dave McPhee has done the first start of the new engine for his Xenos.

Manny completed the first flight of his RV-6.

This past year's EAA membership survey has been received by our board of directors. 38 of our members participated in the survey.

There will be an airport open house at F70 at the end of April. We will plan to do an aircraft display to help support the event.

Our chapter awards dinner is planned for early May.

There are still a few of our members who haven't paid their chapter dues.

March ARB is asking for volunteers to be docents at their museum.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:16am.