



THE SPORT FLYER

NEWSLETTER OF THE SHELBYVILLE EAA CHAPTER 1326

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Chapter 1326 meets monthly on the Thursday PRIOR to the 4th Saturday of the month in the Shelbyville airport at 1800 (or 6:00 PM, whichever you prefer.) Any changes of meeting date and venue will be announced in the newsletter or by text message.

Last Month's Meeting

EAA Chapter 1326
Shelbyville Airport
Conference Room
Mark Stauffer, Presiding

The November 18th meeting kicked off at the usually scheduled 6PM.

President Stauffer kicked off the meeting with a quick summary of the agenda. Mark's time was limited that evening so only two primary items were on the agenda, first whether we'd have available manning for the upcoming fly-in breakfast the weekend after Thanksgiving, and the Chapter Hangar Lease issue.

Mark Cannon, the Wharton's and the Kelly's said they'd be available to help with breakfast, and with "el-Presidente" Mark also being available, the group decided there was enough support to host the monthly event.

As some of you may be aware, the hangar and tiedown rentals for Shelbyville airport had basically doubled and there was a lot of protest by aircraft owners about the new rates, plus the doubling of the EAA Chapter 1326 hangar rent was possibly going to become prohibitively expensive. At the November Airport Commission Meeting, the Commission decided to offer Chapter 1326 free use of the hangar for breakfast and events but the airport would lease the floor space to a commercial customer. After the decision to make Ch-1326 that offer, the Commission subsequently decided to cancel the doubled rates and reassess the new rates. After the Ch-1326 board discussed the offer, they decided that losing control over the floor and airspace in the hangar was NOT to the Chapter's advantage, and given the fact the Commission had just revoked the previous rate increase, Ch-1326 lacked sufficient information to make a

decision as to whether they could or couldn't afford to rent the hangar. The Board requested a representative relay to the Airport Commission that although Ch-1326 didn't discount the offer of "free space" for the use of Breakfasts or other events, that losing control of the hangar was NOT in the Chapter's best interest, and that the Chapter wished to add for an extension of the existing lease at a lower rate until the Commission had set new official rates and the Ch-1326 board could re-evaluate their options. New Ch-1326 Secretary, Randy Kelly, volunteered to relay the board's position to the Airport Commission at the upcoming December 2nd Commission meeting.

Because of the uncertainty of everybody's schedule over the holidays, no specific date was set for either a December meeting or a holiday party.

Editors Follow-Up

Randy and Leigh Kelly and Helene Wharton attended the 2 Dec Airport Committee Meeting and Randy passed on the Chapter's position as requested by President Mark Stauffer. The Chapter's request stirred significant discussion during the meeting, with the end result being the Committee voted 3 to 2 to renew the Ch-1326 lease at a rent of \$250/month. The contract contains a 90 day notice clause allowing KSYI airport officials to modify the rent once new rates are set. So for the time being, it appears EAA Ch-1326 will retain control of the hangar. The 6 January 2022 Airport Committee meeting was cancelled because of the ice/snow storm and has not been rescheduled. Once it is, we expect the subject of tie-down and hangar fees to still be a "hot" topic at the next board. We'll update folks when the meeting actually happens.

Kommandant's Korner

Happy New Year Chapter 1326!! Here we are again at the beginning of a new year. Even though the past two years have been a challenge, I'm excited about what the new year can bring for our chapter. More on that in just a moment.

First, I need to thank someone dear to my heart and the chapter's heart. Susie Henderson has been an active member of Chapter 1326 for over 15 years and has served as secretary and produced the newsletter for most of those years. Susie was part of the planning committee for the very first Shelbyville Airport Aviation Day and has served on every planning committee since. She also was actively involved in organizing the Fly-In Santa event and other airport parties and gatherings. The list goes on and on. If it was related to aviation, Chapter 1326, or Shelbyville airport, Susie was most likely involved. To many, Susie was the "face" of Chapter 1326 because she was the first person most talked to when they came through the door for our monthly fly-in breakfasts. Susie has promised me that she won't be a stranger at the monthly breakfasts. We may not see her every month, but we will see her. That is why we are not saying goodbye, but rather "see you soon." Susie, from the bottom of our hearts, thank you for everything you have done for this organization!

I'd like to welcome Randy Kelly into the role of Secretary and Newsletter Editor. Randy, and his wife Leigh became members of the chapter last year and have been an active part of it since day one. Randy volunteered, and was quickly elected, to serve in this role. Thank you for volunteering Randy!

As I said earlier, I am excited about this new year. I have a list of several goals I would like to see the chapter achieve this year. This is an initial list and may be modified as the year goes on as needed, but I wanted to start somewhere.

- Young Eagles rally on International Young Eagles Day in June 2022
- Complete one EAA Young Eagle Build and Fly Program (RC Model program)
- Organize 2-3 "fly out" events to locations within an hour's flight of KSYI
- Revitalize our programs at chapter meetings
- Add a short informational topic/program at the end of our breakfasts
- BUILD OUR MEMBERSHIP

This last goal is our most important! To accomplish any of the preceding five goals necessitates an increase in our membership. This will not be an easy task. Tenants at Shelbyville Airport have known about our chapter for years, yet they have not become members. Why? I believe this is largely a branding issue. Many pilots think EAA is only for homebuilders and experimental aircraft. Many on the field think Chapter 1326 is only looking for "cooks" for the breakfast. It will take a lot of effort to change their

minds, but I believe it can be done. I have a few ideas how we go about this which I'll present at the next meeting. I hope you are as excited as I am for the upcoming year. Together we can make this a great year!
Mark

2021 November EAA Fly-in Breakfast



"Chestnuts roasting on an open fire, Jack Frost nipping at your nose." Welcome to the holiday season, time to visit family, mow the lawn and trim the final time, and wonder "how the heck are we going to fit in EVERYTHING we want to schedule the final six weeks of the year. So as perfectly predictable, the very first agenda item on the 18 November EAA Chapter 1326 Board Meeting was "is anybody going to be around to host the final Fly-In-Breakfast for the year?" Between the Chapter 1326 "Project Police" and "Team Minion", we found enough volunteers during the Board Meeting to man the 26 November setup and 27 November Breakfast. When the "core team" of minions (Mark Cannon, Helene and John Wharton, and Leigh and Randy Kelly arrived at 0800 sharp Friday, the two winged residents of the EAA Hangar had already vacated the floor and the steam table, picnic table, and chair assembly began in earnest.



Where did the airplanes go?



EAA-1326 Team Minion Randy and Friend wiping tables

When the ceremonial “biscuit pan pre-population” exercise began, the team discovered two pans of biscuits from the October breakfast hiding in the oven. The biscuits looked pristine, but even the most dedicated Tennessee crows would have found them palatable without the use of a convenient “dually” to run over them to soften them up. This caused several jokes among the team about the use for month old biscuits.



Hockey anybody??

Saturday arrived in due course

with nice crisp freezing air and clear skies, so the Saturday crew immediately started the coffee brewing and preheating the griddles. Our first customers showed up about 0815 (15 minutes before the official start time), just about the time we started the eggs, pancakes, and sausages.



Can't have breakfast without Helene breaking a few eggs!



Mmm. Homer likes pancakes.



First customers arriving.

The last “long pole in the tent” were the grits, which made it into the pan just about 0830 sharp and we opened “the line” for business. Planes started arriving a little after 0830, at first a few, then they kept coming, and by 0900 the flight line adjacent the Ch 1326 hangar was FULL. (One of the minions took some pictures, but we didn't actually count the number of arrivals.)



Visiting Swifts and an RV-4



A full flight line of Breakfast participants ☺



A full hangar of customers!

We ended up with over 100 participants, and the Shelbyville "Lineboy" running the fuel truck said he was "5 planes behind" all morning, so it was a good day not only for the Chapter, but also for the Shelbyville Airport folks. Thanks to the Ch1326 cooking and cleanup volunteers, Mark Cannon, Helene and John Wharton, Sharon Tinkler, Claire and Mark Stauffer, and Leigh and Randy Kelly.

Randy "Kanard" Kelly

-Staff Writer and Minister of Propaganda

WELCOME part-time Guest Editor, "Evil Editor Zurg" (Who the Heck is That?)



Hey it's tough making a living as a "toon" character. You don't have to be a big fan of "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" to figure out life's a lot more complicated on the celluloid on the other side of the screen. It's even more hectic now as it takes expensive computer routines to animate and render toons unlike the old days when you could just doodle on a pad and fan the pages to make them move. That takes cash, wampum, bucks, Bitcoin, Ethereum to do that, so toons gotta work to stay rendered. EE Zurg (not to be confused with EE Smith, who was a science fiction writer) went into the editing business to make ends meet after being forced out of his full time government job in 1999. Oddly enough, Zurg had a passion of both endo and exo-atmospheric vehicles, especially exotic or experimental vehicles, so Zurg started editing articles for the Muroc EAA Chapter 1000 Newsletter. (Editors note; EAA Chapter 1000 was one of several EAA Chapters associated with the "High Desert" of the Southern California Mojave Desert region and met regularly at Edwards AFB.) He "served" in that position until Chapter 1000 dissolved in 2021 due in part to COVID restrictions, and local EAA members fleeing the land of Fruits and Nuts. Soooooo - EE Zurg had to find work elsewhere, and he heard there was some minor (but interesting) part time editing work with EAA Chapter 1326 in Tennessee and Chapter 661 in Texas. Believe it or not, Zurg is very private, but he DOES have an email address, which he hasn't authorized me to release. I'll have to ask him if he's willing to take mail and have me reply for him. In the mean time, if you have any specific questions (or answers) for Zurg, send them to me at electriccrow@pobox.com and I will forward for "his excellencies" consideration.

Santa Clause arrives at KSYI on Dec 11 2021!

Months ago, the Shelbyville Airport staff asked Ch1326 if we could help (as we've traditionally done) with the annual Santa fly in event. Of course the members of Ch1326 with minimal prompting said yes. So on the requested day and designated time, Mark Stauffer, Helene Wharton, and Randy and Leigh showed up to boil water and mix up hot chocolate for Santa, his helpers, and kids and parents. Hot chocolate, the wonderful fuel Santa carries to stay warm (at least according to the movies) as well as millions of kids (and adults) in cold weather. So, heat the milk and chocolate and sugar to the appropriate temperature ----- Rrrrrrrppppppp (sound of record needle ripping across the top of a vinyl record). --- Nooooo, this isn't rocket science, it just simple heat up water and add the instant hot chocolate. Easy peasy, except with instructions intended for mixing small or single cups of hot water into hot cocoa, and the realization that coffee "cups" aren't equivalent to measuring "cups". (Zurg notes: normal cups hold 8 oz of liquid, while normal "coffee" cups hold more like 6 oz, but for some reason the Ch 1326 coffee urns being used were 5.3 oz which was going o cause some small problems later.) Using home-economics measures, math, calculators, and some head scratching to determine the magic ratios, the team decided on the methodology to heat some of the water in the urns while fast heating water on the stove to make "concentrated" hot chocolate, then thinning it back out by combining with the water in the urns. The "scheme" worked almost perfectly, the small difference resulting in us making more hot chocolate than we actually needed.



"It says we need pi R squared cups of chocolate powder!"

After mixing the hot chocolate in the EAA hangar we needed to get it to the hangar designated as the venue for the event. Fortunately one of the KSYI lineman loaned us a golf cart to ferry hot chocolate to the event. We were not the only providers of goodies to the event. Also on the tarmac was a cart for Barrett's custom Hot Dogs, and Mooville Ice Cream. Anxious and hungry kids started showing up about 15 minutes prior to Santa's scheduled arrival time as well as the elves of Santa's forward advance team.



Elves Love Hot dogs

Sharon Tinkler and “Becky” from the KSYI airport staff volunteered to dispense the cups of hot cocoa. (With the cold wind, we had customers as soon as we walked into the hangar with urns.)



Sharon and Becky Greet Hot Chocolate Customers

About 11:00 on schedule, Santa arrived in a pristine mid 1960s Cessna 206 Skywagon. Santa was obviously expected as there was a KSYI “Follow Me” truck and elves with marshalling wands in place to escort and them marshal Santa’s ferry pilot into the designated parking spot.

Eager Early Elves awaiting Santa’s Arrival



Follow Me Santa. Hey, nice Cessna.



Line Elves at Work. Stop right there Santa.



Santa deplanes dePlane while Airport Manager Paul is wondering who’s invaded his ramp.

Santa disembarked and waved to all, then took the seat of honor to get gift requests from the kids. Depending on kids size, they either got to sit in Santa’s lap or sit on a non-airworthy experimental pedal car, with a real Piper yoke.

(EE Zurg note. Project Police Helene Wharton apparently has additional knowledge of this specific vehicle and was “requested” for a further report.)



Santa Holds Court



Even dogs are welcome in Santa's Court

Despite the cold windy weather and a few spits of rain, it looked like they had a good turnout, probably somewhere between 150-200 people and enough kids to keep Santa busy for the whole 2 hour period.

A little before the official 1300 shutdown time, Leigh sat with Santa. (Santa says she wants a Cessna 150 Aerobat with red and blue checkerboard stripes.) Anybody know of one?



Leigh and Santa



Wait, that's not a Cessna 150!



KSYI Staff gets Santa time too!

As the crowd dispersed, Leigh, Helene and Randy started the hot chocolate cleanup. We "golf carted" the urns back to the EAA hangar, then donated about 5 gallons of hot chocolate to the Shelbyville Parks and Recreation and Airport folks. Finally we washed out the urns and put everything back away in the hangar until we'll need those things again for the fly-in breakfast next year. Thanks to Helene Wharton and Randy Kelly for the pictures.



Project Police Tales Wanted

EAA members. Do you have an interesting project you'd like to talk about or show us? Have you seen an interesting or unusual aircraft? Do you have an interesting maintenance or build story? Snap some pics and write up a short report, or make some notes to give to our staff writer Randy Kelly for inclusion into *The Sport Flyer*. We're not picky. We

don't care if you're from OUR EAA Chapter, some other EAA Chapter, or just an aviation aficionado – we'll publish your story anyway. ALSO, later in this issue you'll notice an *EAA Chapter 1326 Technical Assistants*. These are EAA and/or other aviation technology enthusiasts who may or may NOT be a real expert in that area, but are willing to share their knowledge and building expertise with other members who need some help (or just a sympathetic ear) while accomplishing their build. If you are able/willing to serve/help in this capacity please contact Randy Kelly at electricrow@pobox.com.

Project Police Aircraft Spotters Quiz



Evil Editor Zurg isn't called "Evil" for no reason. Despite a love of stellar warships to cruise his empire, he has a soft spot for antique and experimental aircraft, and has a tendency to torture other aviation aficionados about their obscure aircraft knowledge.

EE Zurg therefore issues this challenge to all you official (and unofficial) EAA Project Police to identify the aircraft in the following photo. This month's aircraft image was captured by EAA Project Police member Russell Erb (A.K.A. "Erbman" of Rosamond CA) during a trip to the San Diego Air Museum.



Some of the design features on this aircraft SHOULD look vaguely familiar to those on another historic aircraft. Send your answers (or guesses) to our regular editor/captive staff writer, Randy Kelly, at electricrow@pobox.com. The glorious prize for the correct guesser will be, uh, I don't know, I guess recognition by EE Zurg in the next newsletter for their superior experimental aircraft trivia knowledge as the 1326 Board hasn't given us any budget for awards (and with the hangar rent going up, we're not willing to ask for anyway.)

Web Site Update

Just for your information. EAA Chapter 1326 actually has a web site, but it's under construction at the moment. Details are sketchy at the moment, but rest assured, our Web Site is

hosted courtesy of somebody, with some web address, and some email/phone number to get anything posted too. Stay tuned (or "tooned") for more details.

Chapter 1326 Mission Statement

The Mission of the Shelbyville Sport Flyers Club, EAA Chapter 1326 is to enhance the quality of aviation life for its members by providing information about aviation, flying, and mechanical/maintenance knowledge shared by fellow members, guest speakers and special events which respond to the expressed needs and desires of all members.

Chapter 1326 Calendar

EAA Chapter 1326 Board of Directors Meetings are now held on an unscheduled, as needed basis. If you need to know when, you're already on the e-mail notification list.

Jan 22nd: 0730-0930L; Shelbyville Fly-In Breakfast

Jan 27th, 2021: 6PM; EAA Ch-1326 January Meeting, Shelbyville Airport Terminal (Rescheduled from 20 Jan)

Feb 24th, 6PM; EAA Ch-1326 Regular Meeting, Shelbyville Airport Terminal

Feb 26th: 0730-0930L; Shelbyville Fly-In Breakfast

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next "convenient" issue, with no attempt made to determine if they contain the standard aviator 10% caveat of truth. So there!

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- Kommandant's vision for 2022
- Nov 2021 Fly-In Breakfast
- Santa Clause came to town in an Skywagon?
- Out of work toon character accepts Sport Flyer Guest Editor position
- Plea for "Project Police" participation for new stories and technical assistance

