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EAA CHAPTER 145

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**Chapter Meeting: October 12 Meeting for Chapter 145
Annual Bonfire and Hangar Flying at Riverview (08C)**

CHAPTER PROGRAM

The October 2024 meeting will be held for Chapter 145 on our normal second Saturday of the month, this month October 12. It's a Fall Bonfire with lots of pilot talk ("Hangar Flying"). For newbies, the bonfire is located on south side of the F-Hangars; look for fire and smoke. We will start about 6 PM and end about 8:30 PM or so. Hope for great fall weather.

This is a "Bring Your Own Food" event. The chapter will provide a variety of beverages, snacks and firewood. Remember to bring a chair to sit around the fire.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I don't know about you, but I am looking forward to the annual activities at Riverview, such as this month's bonfire and the Christmas brunch in December. This month's Bonfire and Picnic will be the pond just north of the C-Hangars. Note we will start about 6 PM to enjoy the cool of the evening around the fire. It's a picnic format so bring you favorite food item. We will supple pops and some snacks. A folding chair may be useful.

For our November meeting, Rick Saliers will be teaching us how to properly prepare and maintain your aircraft for the cold winter season.

We are on the lookout for people to take leadership positions. If you would like to serve in one of the leadership roles, please contact me at N49272Q@gmail.com.

Thank you, Randy Houtman

CAMPERS VISIT

We recently hosted a group of people from the campsite along the river next to the airport. They call themselves the West Michigan Wanderers. This was an opportunity to explain a little bit about Riverview (08C), operations, aviation practices, rules for access, and see some airplanes close up. Thank you to the Riverview ownership and staff for this show of friendship!

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VMC CLUB

The VMC Club meets on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Riverview Airport Lobby. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 15. Everyone is welcome to join in.

We have open discussions about flying topics, generally one or two ideas suggested by EAA National, and then whatever news, safety or Riverview information members find of interest. For example, in September we discussed temperature conversion Celsius to Fahrenheit quick calculations, useful during checking weather and performance charts. Also, what would you do if your engine hiccupped on take-off at a busy airport? Pattern is busy with students? Suppose there was a shorter, perpendicular runway but not the active one? Good discussions, hangar flying!

IMC CLUB

Our friendly local EAA Chapter 704 in Sparta routinely meets the second (2nd) Tuesday of the month for an IMC Club. October's meeting is scheduled for October 8 at 6:30 pm in the airport lounge at 8D4, 9100 Vinton Avenue, NW, Sparta. Confirm that meeting is scheduled by checking their website.

ORB AEROSPACE

Last month's Chapter 145 meeting was a visit to ORB Aerospace in Lowell, Michigan. A company dedicated to "building the world's largest humanitarian air force," they try to answer the question of how to use technology to deliver payloads anywhere in the world, even remote areas. This functionality needs to be scalable and affordable in third world countries, at the human level, not just usable in high tech environments.



ORB is receiving sponsorship from private funding for humanitarian needs, government support such as DOD, as well as missionary interests. The mission is broad, the needs are still being defined, the people to be served identified and the possibilities numerous. Great to see such efforts here in West Michigan.

NEW CHAPTER 145 GEAR

Chapter 145 has been preparing to offer a new look to our Chapter 145 apparel. Thanks to Nancy Priebe and a local supplier, Stitchtime, we will shortly have available shirts, hats, and embroidered patches for sale. Below is shown the proposed offering. Samples should be available by mid-October. A great idea for birthdays, holiday gifts or that cool pilot look, we hope to accept orders in the near future. Check out our bonfire in October for this new gear.

STITCHTIME



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Embroidered Patch
Iron On backing
Quantity-100
3.0" x 3.0"

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – NEW MEMBERS

Here is an easy way for us to double our membership numbers: If we look around and each of us finds another person to join the chapter then we double our size. So find a relative, find a friend, talk with a student, ask a person in line at Meijers, ask them if they like airplanes.

Is there someone new to this area with an interest in aviation? Do you know students who are considering a career in aviation? Feel free to bring along a guest with you. Members love to talk flying!

LEAVING YOUR HANGAR CHECKLIST

An idea from July Sport Aviation magazine: A Checklist to review just before you leave your hangar for the day. Post it on the door or near the light switch. Maybe locks, battery maintainer, covers in place, phone, GPS disks, tools needed back at your house? Might save a round trip from home.

This is similar to an old Russian tradition: It's traditional to sit in silence for a minute or so, often at the kitchen table, before embarking on a journey. It was believed that allowing yourself a moment's pause to put your thoughts in order would trick any bad domestic spirits into believing you were not actually leaving. It's also a chance to try to remember anything that might have been forgotten.

NEW MEMBERS

None this month.

NTSB SAFETY ADVISORY SA097

Just released, Safety Advisory 097, dated August 2024. Flying in Icing Conditions? Assess the Effect on Airplane Performance and Consult Your Pilot's Operating Handbook.

If you google NTSB SA097 you should be able to access this article. With Fall approaching and temperatures dropping, it might be useful to review your equipment, check its operation and review your procedures in the cockpit. This will also be the subject of the November Chapter 145 regular meeting.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 8	Sparta Airport (8D4)	IMC Meeting
Oct 12	Riverview Airport (08C)	Annual Bonfire
Oct 15	Riverview Airport (08C)	VMC Meeting
Oct 19	West Michigan Regional (KBIV)	Girl Scout Program

If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me

If you would like to be on the e-mail list for meeting, event reminders, or the newsletter electronically... please send your e-mail address to: saliersrick@gmail.com

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Liabilities: \$4195.00

Cash: \$85.85

Checking: \$263.85

Savings: \$5840.27

Total: \$6189.87



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DUES ARE \$25.00 PER YEAR – JANUARY 1st to DECEMBER 31st

Name _____

Co-Pilot / Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____

State / Zip _____

e-mail address _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

National Membership # _____

Aircraft Owned/Projects _____

Check payment: Bring this form to the meeting or mail to:

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