Meeting <u>was</u> Saturday; Apr 24, 2010 @ 0900 Breakfast at 0800

Program

The program for this Saturday will be presented by Art North on the XC-142A. Come early for breakfast!

EAA CHAPTER 175 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH

DATE: March 27, 2010

LOCATION: EAA Chapter House, Tampa Executive Airport (VDF)

ATTENDANCE: 35 (approx.)

The business meeting was preceded by a cookout from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m., hosted by the chapter, with Silver Lady Ercoupe owners and Steve Reisser's ground school class invited to join in. The luncheon was organized by Art North and Earl Groff, with Gordon Knapp bringing the food and Earl doing the lion's share of the burger cooking. Ginger Adelston served as hostess, making sure everyone had enough to eat. Thanks to all for making this gettogether a well-attended and pleasurable social.

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Business Meeting

President Bud Yerly opened the meeting at 1400, reminding all that old paper FAA pilot's licenses will no longer be valid after March 31st. The process to obtain an authorized replacement is easy---fill out the simple form available on FAA's Website (as well as via AOPA and EAA links) and send it in, along with \$2.00 for processing and a replacement will be sent to you.

Bud then asked Ginger to brief us on the Women in Aviation International Conference (WAI) recently held at the Coronado Springs Resort, Disney World, in Orlando. Ginger was there to assist EAA in the exhibitor area, promoting the organization and offering six month free trial memberships to attendees. EAA's booth featured a huge blow-up photo of women aviators taken at AirVenture last summer. Those who came by the booth signed the wall hanging group photo, as well as taking a poster-sized copy as a

Approximately 125 souvenir. other organizations were there, including: AOPA; the International Society of Women Airline Pilots: Embry-Riddle; the 99s; the University Aviation Association; many of the other "alphabet" aviation organizations; most of the military branches; FAA; other government agencies; airlines; manufacturers aircraft and aviation equipment makers and even the National Gay **Pilots** Association. Some 3,000 participants attended. Five inductees were admitted to the WAI Hall of Fame, including: Kathy Sullivan, the first American woman to walk in space; Alice du Pont Mills, who earned her pilot's license at age 18---in 1929---and Suzanna Darcy-Hennemann, chief of Boeing's pilot training program. WAI funded \$688,000 in aviation scholarships in the past year, bringing its total to \$6.7 million since the program's inception. Ginger's talk was accompanied by a number of photos she took at the annual conference. (An item of note for our newer members---Peggy Chabrian, Ph.D, wife of Jerry Chabrian, a former very active member of this chapter who now lives in the Daytona area---is President of WAI.)

Gordon noted several items relative to Sun 'n Fun Fly-In. First, Maj. Dave Chael, who spoke to our chapter about the mission of CENTCOM while he was on assignment there several years ago, will by returning to Sun 'n Fun in a T-6 Texan II, his daily "office" now as a flight instructor at Vance AFB, Enid, OK. This will be Dave's

third visit to Sun 'n Fun since his CENTCOM days. He is an EAAer, restored (and is endlessly improving) his 1959 V-tail Bonanza, and active in his home chapter. Next, Gordon reported The Lakeland Ledger ran a nice color spread about the Florida Air Museum in its weekend edition recently. The museum recently received a \$10,000 educational grant to develop the history of flying boats and other aviation development in Florida. Gordon noted grant money has all but dried up in the recession, so this is a significant item. Lakeland Linder Airport terminal will soon have a new restaurant, The Hangar, replacing Tony's. The operators are central Florida residents and experienced in the business. Polk County School District, one of the state's largest, has nominated Sun 'n Fun for the State of Florida "Educational Business Partner Award", an important recognition. Lastly, Gordon informed the group that an official announcement regarding the new Central Florida Aerospace Academy (the aviation division of Kathleen High School, Lakeland, located on the Sun 'n Fun site in the old maintenance building. now outfitted classrooms) will be forthcoming during the fly-in. While he, as a board member of Sun 'n Fun, has some additional knowledge of this announcement, Gordon was not at liberty to comment further--except to assure the chapter members it will be an extremely significant announcement. Details will follow.

Make-up Minutes from the January and February meetings will be forthcoming. There was no Treasurer's Report, as Tom McLinskey was on assignment with the school system this weekend.

Bud turned the meeting over to Pete Lansbery. Pete noted he has been a member of Chapter 175 since 1977, has served as Treasurer as well as a number of projects and has been Chairman of the Sun 'n Fun Volunteer Kitchen, the chapter's major fund-raiser, for 18 years. This will be his last year as chairman. Rich Denton, Pete's co-chairman "under-study" last year, will be very involved in managing the operation this time with Pete and will take over fully in 2011

Pete then reviewed procedures for volunteer parking, record keeping for service awards and other details of the upcoming event. He reminded members help will be needed several days before the official opening day of the fly-in, April 18th, as volunteers will be at their posts or setting up and need lunches. We'll prepare the building and kitchen on Saturday the 3rd at 0900. The operation will start on Friday, the 9th and work up as opening day nears, hitting full daily production by Monday, the 17th. Pete then distributed credentials to all in attendance who will be working in the kitchen.

In closing the meeting, Bud thanked Jim Williams for donating a goodly number of aviation magazines and books to our chapter library today.

There was no program today other than planning for the Volunteer Kitchen and distribution of credentials. The meeting concluded at 1445.

Submitted by:

Gordon Knapp

Secretary

For the fun of it!

- 1. Sun-n-Fun Information: http://www.flyingmag.com/ news/flying-sun-n-fun
- 2. (You need to sign up if you want to hear the program. No cost.) http://www.eaa.org/chapters/resources/articles/1004 chapter webinar.asp
- The Russkies sure made 'em "big and ugly"---but, also fascinating. http://jalopnik.com/549023
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