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#### Meeting Friday, May 4, 2018, 7:30pm

EAA Clubhouse, Grand Haven Memorial Airpark (3GM) 16446 Comstock St, Grand Haven, MI 49417

## Flying Adventure Trips to Exotic Locations



Please join us for our May EAA Chapter 211 meeting. Our guest speaker will be commercial pilot, business man and accomplished aircraft builder/restorer Herb Harney. Over the past few years, Herb has also been an organizer of several flying adventures. You may remember his last visit to us about three and a half years ago recounting his group's 2014 tour of the East coast of the United States, including flying the scenic New York City Hudson River Corridor .

This time Herb will be sharing highlights of two flying adventures; first to the Bahamas, "hopping" to multiple locations, then to Canada, staying at a single location and flying day trips from the "home base."

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**Chapter 211 Library:** Over the years, we have been blessed with many donations to our library. Well, we've run out of room and we need to make some decisions about what to keep and how best to dispose of what we do not need. A few of the books we have are pretty valuable, but it takes someone with knowledge (and maybe a little research) to determine their value. Please contact any board member if you would like to help with this project.

#### **Prez Sez**

Hello,

I bet "FREE BEER" gets your attention faster than "12 hours of seminars at the EAA Leadership Academy." (I told the EAA team they needed to work on their advertising, so here is my pitch).

For the low price of getting yourself to Oshkosh, you can learn about all the resources EAA makes available to local chapters. But wait, there's more: Tired of the crowds at the museum during Airventure? You get a free



after-hours tour. Also included - Free room and meals - Dining with EAA staff - Money back guarantee.

I had a great time, and recommend the leadership academy for anyone interested in holding a chapter office. And yes, there was a refrigerator stocked with free beer.

Fly Safely,

Larry Schwartz EAA Chapter 211 President (2018)

"Fuel is liquid altitude - the only time you will have too much is when you are on fire." – Author Unknown

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#### EAA Chapter 211 Meeting Minutes - 2018-04-06

Submitted by Paul Overbeek

#### Attendance: 25

#### Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance - 19:30

The April 6 Chapter 211 meeting was called to order by President Larry Schwartz.

#### **Attendance and Visitors:**

A total of 22 members were in attendance, and we welcomed three visitors, Wayne Keegstra, Bob Sprik and Tony Gwinn.

#### **Previous Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the March 2, 2018 meeting minutes.

#### Treasure's Report and the Past Month's Expenses and Receipts:

We currently have a total fund balance of \$2881.81, \$40.00 petty cash, and \$20.00 in coffee fund. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the treasure's report.

#### **Technical Reports:**

Jack reported the loss of power experienced by a J-4 Cub.

#### **Old Business:**

Warren passed around a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping with the Young Eagles Event on June 2, 2018.

#### **New Business:**

Approximately mid July some sections of the airport will be closed for resurfacing of the taxiways and ramps. The runways will not be affected, but use caution if landing at Grand Haven airport as some sections maybe closed.

August 18th was picked for the summer picnic. The date is subject to change depending on the progress of the resurfacing project.

A "Get Well" card for Ben Ennenga was passed around and signed by everyone. Ben received the card the next day and expressed his heartfelt appreciation.

#### Coffee Break - 20:00

Coffee, Cookies and social time!

#### Program:

Wayne Keegstra provided the program with the history of building his clipped wing Cub. He showed a series of pictures and a video of the first flight.

#### **Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 21:45

## **ATTENTION:**

Please come to the May meeting ready to have your picture taken for the Chapter 211 Roster!



### Flying Adventure Trips ... Continued from Page 1



Herb will talk about planning the trips, setting up registrations for participants, planning and logistics of setting up accommodations for the event. Then, he will share information about 2018's Flying Adventure, being planned now, and how you might be about to join in all the fun!









## **Upcoming Events and Meetings Dates**

May 4, 2018 - Regular meeting. - Herb Harney, Flying to the Bahamas & Canada

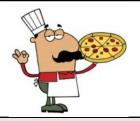
June 1, 2018 - Regular meeting. - To be announced

June 2, 2018 - Young Eagles Event, Grand Haven Memorial Airport

July 6, 2018 - Regular meeting. - To be announced

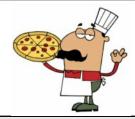
July 14, 2018 - Young Eagles Event, Grand Haven Memorial Airport

August 18, 2018 - EAA Chapter 211 Family Picnic



#### PIZZA!

A lot of us guys like to go to Clover Bar for pizza after our regular meetings. We'd love if you would join us. It's a great chance for us all to get to know each other better, and to talk more about our favorite subject... AVIATION!



# **EAA Chapter 211 Member Projects in Progress:**

Ken Allen – RV 6
Ed Cech – RV 9A
Paul Dannenberg – Pitts
Scott Degaynor – Bede 4
Scott Dykstra - RV 7A
John Gill - Acro Sport

Brian Greene – RV 7A

Tom Marotta – Velocity

Gary Moshluk – Aero Commander

Bill Vandermolen – 4-place Cub (FINISHED!)

Bill Verduin – RV 7

Bob Vink – Fisher Youngster & RV-12 (FINISHED!)

John Wilkes – RV 8 (FINISHED)

Dale DeWeese – RV 9A

John Boer – RV 9A

#### **Propane Tank Makes Nifty Turf Roller**

When Joe Konecny, of Pemberville, Ohio, saw a small rounded-end lawn roller, he got the idea for a way to make a bigger one.

His brother, who works for a propane company, found him an old 10-ft. long rounded tank that's 3 ft. in dia. Empty, it weighs about 500 lbs.

"The tank had been empty for years, but, to be on the safe side, I totally filled it with water before doing any welding," he says. "I made a roller stand to set it in and rotated it as I welded."

Full of water, Konecny guesses the tank weighs about two tons.

#### **Dale Makes Nifty Chapter Project Proposal**

So I was thinking... What would you all think about making one of these as a chapter project, and donating it to the Grand Haven Memorial Airport? It doesn't look like it would be too difficult, or time consuming, or costly! It would be really nice for the airport to be able to roll the turf for a "grass strip."

Two of our members have already indicated they may have a source for cheap propane tanks. Several of our own pilots have planes they would like to fly off of grass, not to mention many others at the airport. And it would be a nice donation for our chapter to make to the airport.

So what do you think? Can I get your support?



A friend made spindles for each end with a bearing that slides over them that attaches to a frame made from scrap pipe, he says. A clevis hitch hooks it to the tractor. He keeps the tank about 1/4 full of water.

"Its rounded ends don't scuff the lawn when I turn," he says.

The entire project, including tank, cost him about \$130.

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