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Hangar Talk

News from Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 211,
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EAA Chapter 211

MEETING FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5TH, 2010

COUGAR

The EAA Chapter 211 meeting will be Friday, November 5th at the clubhouse at the Grand Haven Municipal Airport. The program is Ken Dannenberg talking about his new Cougar.

Air Force Museum Trip

The entire trip went well with 52 of the 56 seats filled. Overnight accommodations at the Hampton Inn, Sidney, Ohio were very nice. Also, the continental breakfast in the morning was very good. When we all got to the museum, everyone went their own way where their interests led them. The exhibits are all extremely well done, as one might expect. A lot of us crossed paths in the very nice cafeteria around lunch time and exchanged impressions. More of the same activities after lunch when many took in one of the three one hour features

shown at the IMAX theater until the bus pulled up out front at 4:50 PM.

We watched movies on the DVD player and several screens situated around the bus. The trip back home was more subdued because of tired feet. And, for icing on the cake, the Chapter 211 treasury is a little fatter by \$186.00!

Officer Election

It is again the time to elect three board members for 2010 who will also serve as officers for 2011. Think about becoming a board member, then contact a current board member and offer to help. By becoming a board member you get to guide chapter activities for the two years. So if you have some ideas about chapter activities or direction this is your chance to lead. It is your help that keeps the chapter active.

Christmas Party

The Chapter 211 Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 4th, 6pm, at John Gill's hangar in Sparta. It will again be a party with the Sparta chapter.

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Prez Sez

I hope all of you kept your eyes open because in a flash summer changed to fall. All who attended last months meeting sure got a education the speaker was great. Our Christmas party will once again be at John Gills hanger on December 4th. With just a small commitment each month you can help our organization, we need officers for the board please volunteer. See you at the meeting November 5th 7:30 PM.



Tom Marotta

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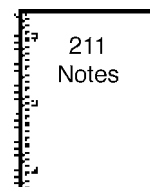
Editors Notebook

November... The wind howling outside sounds cold.

I think I have missed more meetings this year than any other year. I will work to do better next year.

This is an important time of year for the Chapter. This is when we pick the three people who will give some of their time guiding the chapter. It is a two year commitment; one year as a board member and one as an officer. You run the chapter meetings and attend board meetings. The rest is up to you. Some years the board has big plans, like inviting the Tri-Motor to visit or rehabbing the clubhouse. Some years the chapter, and the board, takes it a little easier after completing a big plan. As someone who has been watching the boards for almost 20 years I have never seen a board member who regretted serving. So, talk to a current board member and let them know that you would like to take two years to help the chapter.

George



More from the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum



EAA Chapter 211 October 1 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by President Tom Marotta leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Twenty two members were present and we were honored with the presence of one guest. All business was set aside and the meeting turned over to our guest Dr. Greg Pinnell.

Dr. Pinnell has presented at Oshkosh several times and works closely with the EAA and AME's with numerous conditions regarding aviation related medical issues

Several examples were mentioned as to why pilots need an AME that understands their unique medical issues and the what, why, and how to correctly file needed information with the FAA.

The first major area of concern included at least fourteen key conditions that are disqualifications of our medical certificates. As these were presented, it was explained how some of these could now be

worked with by proper check ups and documentation.

The next topic concerned those common problems. A few mentioned were:

Hypertension needing a history of BP reading, ECG, Blood Sugar, Lipid panel, etc.

Diabetes needing a history, medication, A1c and related test.

Medications knowing name and dose, often if a problem there is another that will work.

Glasses most common problems can be solved with a copy of the most recent prescription.

Numerous clips of flight were interspersed with the presentation. Many WOW, breath taking shots, being Senior Flight Surgeon USAFR provided scenes that could be shared.

Dr. Pinnell spent time with special issuance conditions.

Some of these occur because of a lack of or incomplete documentation. If you have a special issuance you must carry the 1st page of the special issuance letter. Some pilots use their copier to shrink the letter, as long as it is readable it is legal. If you get in a difficult situation or think one is eminent, call EAA and talk to Sue S. She knows all the ropes and how to weave them into the net you need.

The online forms of Medxpress and Turbomedical were mentioned. Put down what is needed, keep a copy of what you put for each blank and most of all **if your AME does not open the form it goes away in sixty days.**

Many huge thank you for Dr. Pinnell for all the information that is a concern to all of us.

A personal note and thank you for the advice he gave to me two years ago that lead to the fulfilling of a 62 year old dream.



Mystery Aircraft



This months Mystery Plane is in Indiana



Last month's Mystery was the Wright Flyer

Air Force Museum



EAA Chapter 211 Calendar

November 5	Meeting
December 3	Meeting
December 4	Christmas Party
January 7	Meeting

**Pauls next
project?**



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