



# The CHAPTER 221 FLYER

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## President's Message



Hello Everyone. Well, the weather has let up and finally gave us some really nice flying days. I got my three landings on day 87 of my 90 day currency since my last flight back in December. How about that, a couple days to spare!

Last month we had a very nice presentation on the use of electronic gizmos in the cockpit by Jim Whittles from WMU. Thanks Jim! I have been using my ForeFlight quite a bit since then and am slowly getting comfortable with it. Just have to remember to get it all set up before takeoff.

This month we will have another interesting presentation by my big brother, Tom Aardema who will be taking us down "An 18 year journey with home computer based flight simulation". Tom says "Technology advances have made what was once considered by many to be a game into a seriously powerful tool that is used by amateurs and pros alike for education purposes as well as just plain fun.

Flight sim will take you places you never dreamed of. In my case, England, literally, to meet a WW2 RAF veteran pilot who shared my interest. Home built cockpits, "simpits", provide a level of immersion that adds to the realism of flying. Join me in the cold and dark cockpit of a B1900D turboprop for a short flight from KBIV to an ILS landing at KMGK as well as circuits in a C172 and C185". You will also learn about how one goes about disassembling the fuselage of a Cessna 150 in a garage

and re-assembling it in the second story bedroom of a house in the Winchell neighborhood.

I look forward to seeing you all again at the usual time and place on Wednesday, April 1.

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## Next Meeting

**Wednesday, April 12th, 2015**

**7:00 PM**

**AirZoo East Campus**

## **Super Flight Simulator**



With Tom Aardema

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*Unless otherwise specified, our chapter meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the **Airzoo Flight Center Classroom** on the west side of the Kalamazoo-Battle Creek International Airport.*



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