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Thoughts Aloft

Manitowoc EAA Chapter 383 Newsletter

Chapter Logbook

by Chapter President Jim Zuege

The February meeting will be all business because we don't have a speaker lined up.

We will talk about:

Airport day in June. What we want to accomplish, how we will do it, and who will do it.

Saturday, February 24th will be a fun day. We have a group of students coming from Valders High School with their instructor Kristin Eben. They would like to see the planes in our hangar and learn about them. They will have aviation related questions and possibly set up future Young Eagles flights. We would love to have chapter members share knowledge and experiences with these aviation enthusiast students. It's so nice to see kids interested in aviation. Lets help them get even more excited about it.

I'm working on a speaker for March. The speaker lined up for April is from the FAA Flight Service District Office in Milwaukee.

See you at the February meeting!

Jim



Monthly Meeting

2nd Wednesday
6:30

KMTW

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January Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order on January 10, 2024 at 7:03 p.m.

Announcement: Yearly dues are owed in January and cover you through the end of the year. The system of paying yearly dues in any month is no longer being used.

Information: The Chapter bank accounts have been rearranged to earn interest.

Volunteer Opportunity: Help work on the damaged Seabee. Help is needed with aluminum fabrication, metal straightening, and painting. No experience is required. Contact Jim Zuege if you can help. (920) 255-5142.

Opinions needed: Would you like to have a light meal or snack before meetings? [Take a 30 second survey](#). Click on the red link to take the survey.

Thank you to David Juckem who gave a great presentation on how homebuilt aircraft are judged at EAA AirVenture. Here are some notable tips:

- Be receptive to any criticism. You can make corrections (typically minor) to increase your chances of success next year.
- Be detail-oriented. Something as small as painting on the side of a flap or aileron can give you an advantage.
- Do your homework. Read up on acceptable parts and hardware.
- Innovate. Add extra touches as long as they are safe.
- Consistency is key. If you paint one side, paint the other side as well.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.