



January 2022

Heart of Ohio
EAA Chapter 402



Our condolences go out to Wendy. Her father, Terry Hollinger, passed away on Wednesday, January 12th. Obituary at www.mcpeekhoekstra.com

EAA 402 December 2021 Meeting/Holiday Banquet

Chapter 402's annual Christmas Banquet was held at the Elks Grill Room on North Third Street in Newark, Ohio on the evening of December 21st, 2021. There were approximately thirty-seven in attendance including our guest speaker and seven members of the Licking County Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol. Kenneth Hughes acted as Master of Ceremonies for the event. Ken welcomed all and invited Barney Kemter to offer the invocation before the meal. The delicious dinner was prepared and served by Larry Wise of Heritage Catering.

Speaker Bruce Johnson enthralled the audience with stories of his military and commercial flying adventures and of his experiences as an aviation accident investigator. Bruce presented many slides of the airplanes he has flown and the accidents he investigated and even a picture of the airplane he is building. After his talk, Mr. Johnson was presented with a copy of the book Three-Eight Charlie by the publisher Wendy Hollinger as a gift from the chapter and Wendy.

Unfortunately, we were unable to have the Christmas carol sign along that had been planned. For that we apologize to Marie Bailey and Charlie Rhoads who had done so much to prepare for the sing along, Marie to lead the singing and Charlie to play the keyboard accompaniment.

After dinner and talk there were awards presentations with the officers receiving service awards and pins. Wendy Hollinger was awarded a special certificate as chapter MVP for 2021 in recognition of her fifteen years as editor of the chapter's monthly newsletter. Barney Kemter was also awarded a certificate recognizing his many years of service to the chapter in various capacities. Our long-time technical advisor Sam Huff

Chapter 402 Meeting Dates and Locations

- January 18, 2022
- February 15, 2022
- March 15, 2022

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- 1) Preferred method is to pay on the chapter web-site <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea402> Join-Renew page, select the proper option and Buy Now.
- 2) Put payment in the dropbox in the clubhouse.
- 3) mail check to:
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- 4) See the treasurer at the next meeting.

was acknowledged for his service and congratulated on his recent reception, in the FBO, of the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award.

The event ended at approximately 9:30 pm.



Bruce began his talk with military aviation and flying the A7D.



Wendy presents her book Three-Eight Charlie to Bruce (out of picture).



Bruce Johnson
Sam Huff
Ken Hughes



EAA 402 Technical Advisors
Steve Brown Sam Huff

EAA402 Young Eagles Program

At the Christmas dinner I gave a short presentation about the chapter's Young Eagles Program, and I mentioned some of our pilots and the numbers of kids they had flown. I apologize for overlooking some pilots at that time and I wanted to set the record straight. Here are the numbers of kids flown by 402 pilots. These numbers are taken directly from the EAA National Young Eagles Logbook.

Rollie Bailey	435	Michael Harris	434	Bill Corban	418
Charlie Rhoads	337	George Fackler	214	Bernie Volpe	136
Jeff Wheeler	97	Jim Wright	97	Jess Ours	94
Barney Kemter	75*	Tom McFadden	60	Ken Hughes	49*
Dale Ratcliff	44	Ralph Brandon	43	Dick Perdue	20*
Leota Lane	8	Roy Hurt	6	Dan Glaze	3

Most pilots fly three kids at a time, however those shown with an * by the number fly only one kid at a time, thus the lower quantity. Even though we are unable to draw on as many pilots as before we will continue to hold YE rallies and offer Young Eagles flights and adjust our registration accordingly. Many thanks to the pilots and volunteers that have made our program a success over the years.

Young Eagles Coordinator Tom McFadden

Board of Directors Meeting January 10th

Summary of BOD Meeting January 10, 2022

Board members present: Bernie Volpe, Ken Hughes, Robert Marriott, Rollie Bailey, Scott Kennedy, Tom McFadden. Members excused: Leota Lane. The meeting was opened at 1300 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Item 1: Barney Kemter has requested to be replaced on the board in view of his pending move from the area. The board members accepted with gratitude for Barney's past service. Leota Lane is his replacement.

Item 2: Regarding the chapter's \$500 scholarship, No. 600-2201: Raanel Gibson is drafting a brief announcement, suitable for public release; this may be adapted from the revised Public Disclosure, dated 01/10/2022, and attached, however it was decided to hold off on radio advertising until the next scholarship is available. Scott Kennedy will provide the same announcement for his wife to use within the Granville and Newark school systems, probably to Middle School and High School levels. Tom will immediately provide an announcement to the Civil Air Patrol (CAP).

We will extend the deadline for applications to February 15, 2022.

Ken will make the necessary changes to the Scholarship Process Book, and provide the revised Application Form by Wednesday, January 12 to be placed on the 402 website.

Item 3: Calendar of events for 2022.

The YE coordinator asked for opinions as to whether to continue YE events

Heart of Ohio Fly-Outs

Fly--outs are the 1st Sunday and 3rd Saturday of each month, and usually depart from Newark/Heath Airport (VTA) at 8:00 am unless otherwise indicated below. Contact Rollie Bailey, Fly--Out coordinator, for more information.

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this year. Motion was made by Rollie Bailey and seconded by Scott Kennedy to continue this year and adjust registration as necessary. The motion passed. The first event will be June 11th as part of IYED. A second event is tentatively set for September 10th.

Pancake Breakfast. Setting of a date for the annual pancake breakfast was tabled until a later date when we know more about the FBO and hangar construction and whether or when the Friendship club will hold the Vietnam memorial this year.

Christmas Dinner. Tom suggested we move the Christmas dinner this year forward a week to get away from the closeness to the holiday and allow more members to attend. The board members agreed.

Eagle Flights. The members discussed the 2021 event and Ken volunteered to take the lead on having one in 2022.

Rollie mentioned that Roy Hurt had suggested having a Saturday morning gathering for EAA members and families and other local pilots. This would be a warm-weather event and action was tabled for discussion at a future meeting.

Item 4: Ray Aviation Scholarship

The board members discussed reversing our November decision to not apply for a Ray Aviation Scholarship since George Fackler and Bill Corban both have suggested possible candidates. After much discussion, the board agreed to apply to EAA for a scholarship.

Scott Kennedy will take the lead, talk to George and Bill, and will file the application by the January 31st deadline if the proposed candidates appear to be viable.

Summary submitted by Secretary Tom McFadden

Sam Huff Receives Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award

On Saturday morning, December 20, 2021, the FAA visited the Newark-Heath Airport, Treneff Field and presented Roger A. "Sam" Huff with the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. Courtesy of Chris Anderson, here is a photo of the presentation and photos of the certificate and plaque that were presented to Sam. Chris also posted a video of the occasion to YouTube which you can find at https://youtu.be/TQPQeYKtO_0. The video also has an extensive segment with Sam talking about his experiences in aviation. It is well worth watching. Congratulations to Sam on receiving this award to go along with the Wright Brothers Master Mechanic Award he received several years ago.

Sec., Tom McFadden



Leota goes to Alaska—Again

As many of you know, my family and I traveled to Alaska for a week right before Christmas. Our main two goals of the trip were to experience Alaska in the winter, and to hopefully see the Northern Lights. We got our first wish when a winter storm warning came over our area and we got over 10 inches of snow over the week.

The second wish was a little more elusive. We had seen a glimpse of the aurora on our flight in while we were above the clouds. We were beginning to worry that that would be all we would see if the sky would never clear. We were out looking for the lights every night in temperatures that dropped to -19. One night we even drove from Fairbanks to Delta Junction in a snowstorm, to return just in time to get breakfast before going to sleep for the day.

On our second to last night there we saw little pieces of green from behind the clouds, but it left us wanting more. On our last night, we were out and waiting. The stars and moon were bright, and we knew it was our best chance yet, if only Lady A would cooperate. Almost immediately a green band came across the sky and started swirling. As we scrambled to get our cameras ready and enjoy the show something that looked like an explosion of green came up out of the trees. The lights were dancing! A band of green, white, and purple shot across the sky and danced for a few minutes. Tears were shed and we were beyond grateful that we got to experience that on our first winter trip.

To relate this back to aviation, my past two trips in July of 2020 and May of 2021 the air museum had been closed due to Covid. On this trip we realized that it was now open for appointment only. We got a private tour of the air museum in Pioneer Park. I highly recommend this museum if you ever find yourself in Fairbanks. I learned a lot more about aviation history in general as well as Alaskan aviation history.

Leota Lane



Reminders

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