



## February Newsletter 2022

Regular Meeting Feb. 10 6:00 PM  
Board Meeting Feb. 24 6:00 PM



program and has his CFI FAA Pilot rating. He now has 300 hours of flying experience. He said that he has always dreamed about becoming a pilot and flying an airplane. Not only is he a pilot but he is also proficient in music. In High School he played the Trumpet and professionally plays his Base Guitar at the Johnny Cash's Bar in Nashville. He is working on getting 1000 hrs. of flying to move on to being an airline pilot.

### **Program Speaker** **Mr. Lawrence Williams**

Of course you all know this guy as "Larry", but if you ever had the opportunity to read his six-page résumé you too would give him a whole lot of reverence. I can't tell you how fortunate we all are to have Larry as one of our Members of this prestigious EAA Chapter. We have had several members who have had key roles in the world of Aviation. We have had 3 members involved in AEDC the most important Scientific Testing Center in the world, a top Astronaut, an Air Force General, and Three War Experienced Bomber and Fighter Pilots. Now add to our list one of the most experienced and productive FAA Administrators, Larry Williams. You have heard the famous FAA expression "I am from the FAA and I am here to help you." but, in Larry's case he acts like "Ah I am from the FAA but, I am here because you are my friend". Larry will be talking about our relationship as pilots with FAA. He will cover Ramp Checks, ATC Deviates, and Enforcements. If we have time, Accidents and Incidents.

I have known Larry for many years at various Aviation Functions and personally when he was the Squadron Commander for the CAP. One day we had a CAP "Find Mission" involving a stuck ON ELT. We had a CAP 182 that had a special ELT Tracker that worked like an ADF the hard way. There were three of us, all pilots. The question came as to who would be PIC, Observer, and Larry. I was the greenest, with the Observer being the other pilot and he did not need the mission training. I assumed from Air Force customs that the Squadron Commander would be the PIC for the mission. So, when I got out of the way for Larry to mount the Left Seat, it was NO, NO, you need training, get in the Left Seat! So, here I am sitting in an airplane I never had flown before, with an FAA Squadron Commander in the back seat watching every move. So we got to the end of the runway to warm up and Larry asked the most stupidest question I had ever heard, "Dave, I bet you have flown only old aircraft"? So, I started to tell Larry my history of old aircraft. Larry said "Ah they all did not have to have shoulder harnesses did they" and then pointed to the shoulder harness tucked away over the door.

We are still in the heart of Winter, but Spring is right around the corner. It always seems as if it will never arrive, but the cold February days will give way to longer days for more flying and warmer weather. When it's finally warm again we will get to start flying kids at our

Young Eagles events. To be better prepared, we need as many of our volunteers as possible to complete the Youth Protection course and background check. It's not just for pilots! To do so, just log into your EAA account and go to My Account>Training Information>Go To Training.

Have a favorite Fly out lunch destination? We have resolved to fly out to lunch often in 2022 to honor our friend Frank Stephenson. While we will organize these quick trips, they can be spontaneous too....so let everyone know your favorite spot and let's go!

*Chris Hardee*

### **Adam Palermo** Vice President *and* **Member of the**

Adam is our new Vice President and hearing what our new President Chris Hardee's plans are, Adam will have lots of work ahead of him in the management of the chapter affairs.

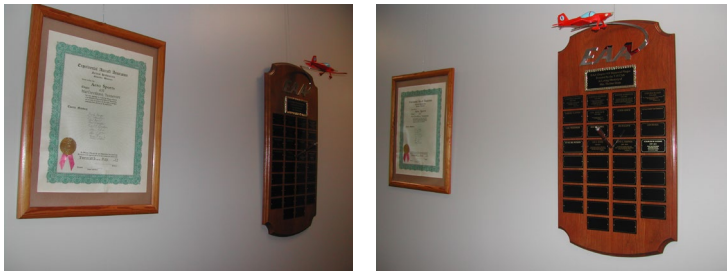
Adam lives in Hendersonville. He graduated from MTSU Aero Space in December in the Pro Pilot



So I fumbled around and got the shoulder harness on before takeoff. The weather was low ceilings and marginal to fly and I was in and out of scud most of the mission without a clearance. But we're on a mission! So, I fumbled around with the ELT finder and doing all kinds of turns to locate the squawking ELT. It finally led me to a small airport I didn't know about and declared that the ELT was there. So there was a voice from the back seat "Ah I figured it was there all the time." At an other time, I and the other pilot being the PIC had another mission in down town Nashville and found the ELT in the back of a pickup truck. So with two kills and Larry leaving as Squadron Commander, I decided to leave CAP

### EAA Memorial Plaque and Charter

because I could not handle CAP and EAA at the same time.



previously mounted between windows in the Old Terminal Building Meeting Room. They were rescued before the demolition of the Old Terminal and stored in a member's house. It took us some time to get them back up and we appreciate your patience. Now that they are up, we need to record the names of those who have passed away more recently. They are Gene Sloan, Holmes Ellis, Frank Stephenson, Nevin Wax, and Bob Caldwell.

**Time Change** Please Note that all Meetings ( Regular Monthly & Board ) held in the Terminal Building will now start at 6:00 PM. All other events will be as noted.

#### Comments on the January 13 Board Meeting.

President Chris Hardee got the 2022 Chapter Year off to a fantastic start with a very organized and well thought out printed Agenda. We have a great plan to make this year a great one for Chapter 419.

The above announced **Time Change** was **agreed upon**.

There were two standing Committees established:

**Young Eagles** Chair: Chris Hardee, Member: Adam Palermo, and Others.

**Web/Social** Chair: Jerry Swick, Member Adam Palermo, and Others.

**Young Eagles Meetings** were discussed to be held monthly between April and October, except for July. July as you all know is Oshkosh!

Regular Monthly meetings will be held on the usual Second Thursday of each Month.



Something new for the chapter in 2022 is to establish a **Monthly Membership Activity** to occur on a regular scheduled basis. One such activity is a fly-out to lunch to honor our beloved, deceased member, Frank Stephenson. As you see above, we enjoyed a nice lunch at the Homestead Restaurant in Centerville on January 27<sup>th</sup>. These lunches will be both scheduled and spontaneous with a lot of communication prior to each lunch. So, stay tuned!

If you have any Idea for program speakers or things you would like to fit into, please get in touch with any of the officers and get it passed to our President for action.

#### Officer 2022-2023 Term

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Board.....	Joe Blanton	586 215 7886
Board.....	Earl Grace	615 351 8811

### Frank Stephenson

My wife is a great proof reader of all my writings since engineers have no reverence for the English language. I had a little space left over and since Chris and I have mentioned our departed Friend, my wife suggested I put a picture of Frank in this space.



Frank and I gave a program, not so long ago, discussing the techniques in servicing engine spark plugs. Here, Frank is demonstrating a resistance in an aircraft Spark Plug. Often times the resistance goes up and produces poor engine performance.