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Placerville EAA 512 Newsletter

May 2019

Prez Sez...Fun Raising

The 2019 flying season is well under way and I hope everyone is getting out there and participating. We've been busy so far this year at the Chapter taking care of building maintenance, working on some upgrades, and getting some new coordinators and committees up and running to handle things like fundraising. Everything is going pretty smoothly; now I think it's time to switch focus from fundraising to "fun raising" - so get out there and fly if you can! This month will mark the start of our chapter picnics at 6 pm (1800 hrs), immediately prior to our general membership meeting (check the Strobe to see if you need to bring a side dish or a dessert). Lots of fly-outs and fly-ins going on, and don't forget Oshkosh is coming up quick.

Also, on the fun side, but still in the works, we're planning a dinner out in the near future. It will be a chance to socialize with other chapter members and will be a chapter fundraiser at the same time. Expect more details soon.

Some kudos to chapter members are in order. To all of you who have participated in the monthly pancake breakfasts, whether as volunteers, promoters, or flapjack consumers; thank you. This event is growing steadily, and currently brings in enough income to more than cover our basic operating expenses for the year. We have lots of great volunteers for which I'm grateful, but there are a few I would like to mention specifically. Looking back at my articles so far this year, Jim Wilson's name comes up a lot and that's because he does a lot: ground school, flight simulator, pancake breakfast, Young Eagles/Eagle Flights, and now the Flying Start program coming up May 18. If you are able, help Jim support the Chapter by volunteering for the Flying Start program - we need pilots and mentors.

*Pilots take
no special
joy in
walking.
Pilots like
flying.*

Neil Armstrong

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Another member deserving special mention is Kim Stein. Kim has done a great job the past few years in her role as secretary, and I want to thank her for a job well done. Kim will be resigning this position shortly due to mounting duties at work; so, we'll need another chapter member to step up and take on this important role. Thanks to Dale Kral. In addition to being our Chapter "Tool Master", organizing and servicing all our chapter tools and equipment, Dale recently overhauled the automated sprinkler system that keeps the lawn and flower beds green. Then he repaired the lawnmower on top of that! Finally, thanks to the entire Brand family: Jason, Audrey, Helen and Walter. They've all done a great job sprucing up the hangar and grounds, much of it completely on their own initiative.

By: Al Herron

Flying Start Event

Saturday May 18, from 8:00am to 11:30pm, Chapter 512 will host a [Flying Start](#) event. Pilots and ground support crew needed for **Eagle Flights**. 25 people have registered to attend the event. Some are rusty pilots and some are dreamers. Following a 1 ½ hour presentation, chapter pilots will offer 30-minute Eagle Flights. We need 7 pilots and aircraft available and ready to launch by 9:30am.

This is a great opportunity to welcome people to the Chapter over coffee and donuts, and grow participation in local aviation. After we've finished giving flights, we'll cook-up some hot dogs and snacks!

If you wish to participate and support Chapter 512, please sign-up at the General Meeting (15/5) or call or text Jim at 916-337-6700.

[Pilot Sources](#)

Young Eagles

On **June 8**, we're holding a Young Eagles event. We are looking for volunteer pilots and ground crew. If you'd like to help out, please sign up on the new youngeaglesday.org website. We have **30 Young Eagles** signed up, and are preparing to fly all 30.

Pilots need to create a login on the new website and complete the required information. The website matches pilots with kids and credits the pilot for Young Eagle flights. [Sign up](#)

Ground Crew also need to create a login, but are not required to be pilots or EAA members. [Sign up](#)

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[Here is a resource](#) for Frequently Asked Questions.

How to get started:

- Go to smile.amazon.com
- **Sign in** like you would your normal amazon account.
- On the right, the site will ask what charity you'd like to donate to. You can search among thousands of charities. If you want to help our chapter out, **search for:** Hangtown Chapter 512 Experimental Aircraft Association Placerville.
- Once you've selected your charity, check the disclaimer box.
- **Yay!** Now you can continue your regular shopping!

Just remember to always start your shopping at smile.amazon.com!

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Flying Club Anyone?

On Wednesday April 17 we tried something new at the General Meeting. We had a live presentation over the phone with Steve Batemen about AOPA flying clubs. Because our part of the airport does not have Wi-Fi, we tried an unusual method of presenting our program.

Jim Wilson provided a lap top with a PowerPoint presentation about flying clubs projected on the big silent screen. Steve Bateman, representative of flying clubs at AOPA, had sent the presentation to us via e-mail. Then at 7pm (10:00 eastern) we talked with Steve while he narrated the show. We listened over Jim's cell phone with a small speaker for over an hour. It worked well. Everyone was quiet and tuned-in with the program. We were able to ask questions and get answers in real time; it was very informative.

We learned a lot about forming a flying club from the presentation. It looks like Jim is working on doing just that as he has had several small meetings with graduates of our private ground school and EAA 512 members. Several flight instructors have heard and expressed an interest also.

Jim has signed up to help out and work with Steve at the [Livermore AOPA Fly-in](#) next month, Friday & Saturday (21st, 22nd of June).

So, with some luck and hard work, Placerville may soon satisfy the needed alternative for flying.

By: Dick Wampach

Fund Raising Committee

Back when Chapter 512 was founded, in the Golden Age of Aviation (ok, it was in the '70s, but still pretty special), there were lots of fund-raising ideas for the Chapter's future. Bob O'Hara said the Chapter once raffled off a "Truck for a Buck". They sold \$1.00 tickets for an actual 4-wheel drive truck!

Amazing things can be done with good ideas and that is why our Fund-Raising Committee would like to hear your ideas.

This committee was recently formed with the goal of generating some Chapter development funds for the benefit of both the Chapter and the community.

Please feel free to share your fund-raising ideas/concepts with committee members: Bob O'Hara, Judi Gordon, Tracy Bertram, or Committee Chair Monica Breaux.

(The only bad idea is one we haven't heard!)

By: Tracy Bertram

Editor's Notes (Probably Important)

If you have articles or pictures, you'd like to have published the upcoming newsletters, **please** have them submitted by at least the 2nd Friday or Saturday of that month. These are buffer-dates to ensure your content will get published.

Clarifications:

Articles can be sent as Word.docx, PDF, or just plain e-mails. All formats are compatible.

Pictures can be sent by way of attachments or links to websites, etc. DO NOT send images in PDF form because the pictures cannot be copied and therefore will not appear in the Strobe.

Feel free to send other aviation related content for Things to Do n' Ads, or just individual pictures (with/without subtitles). These can be added upon request or (if unspecified) saved for when there's extra space to be filled in the newsletter!

If you want it published, send it to the Editor (Helen Brand) at:

more_right_rudder@yahoo.com

...and remember...if you want it published on time, please send it *before* the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Thank you!

Sincerely, the Editor



The Pancake Production

There is much that goes on behind the scenes in preparation for the “Big Day”. For example: the day before, the hangar is cleaned—counters to floors get sanitized, tables and chairs are set out, inventory is taken, and a food order is sent out for pick up. On Saturday, many of these troopers (volunteers) show up around 6am to fire up the grill and prepare all the necessary ingredients that go into making breakfast. At 8am, and sometimes earlier, our customers start rolling in and flying in. We often have fabulous people who join our crew and fill in wherever needed. They help relieve the cooks periodically, clean tables throughout the event, and provide a friendly atmosphere for our hungry patrons. At the end of the day, a clean-up crew takes over to restore orderliness to the kitchen for the next event. There’s also the entry gate guardian who directs traffic, welcomes newcomers, and cautions them with airport etiquette. And there’s also the front desk, where upon entering the 512 Hangar, meals are purchased and information about our programs is provided.

At the end of the day, our crews exchange smiles on a job well done and most head home for a nap...or so I’m told!

A great big thank you to the wonderful volunteers Bob, Robin, Doug, Jim, Dick, John, Dale, Judi, Aileen, Al, Dave, Tracy, Helen, Walter, Audrey, Sean, Alex, and all of you who jumped in on the side to make the day a great success!

By: Audrey Brand



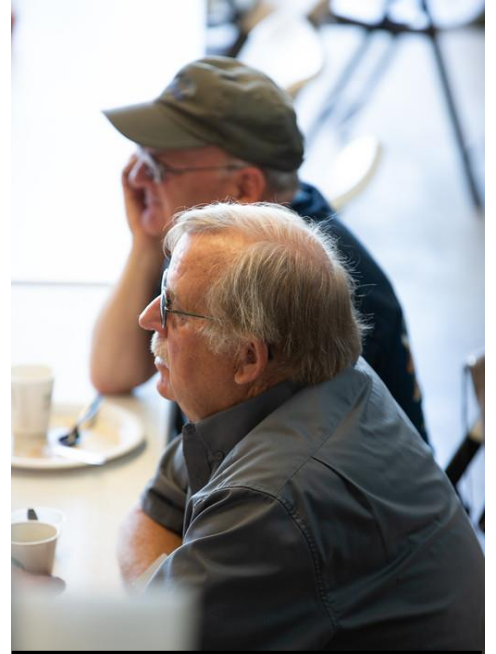
From Left to right: Helen, Aileen, Bob, and Dick



George



Al



Jim



Judi



Walter

Calaveras Fly-In

We are very fortunate to live in an area where there are so many beautiful places to fly our planes to and enjoy meeting people while sharing our common interest in aviation. One of these places is the Annual Calaveras Fly-In put on by the Mother Lode Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 484 at Calaveras Co Airport (CPU). This year it was held on the last weekend in April and the planets aligned just long enough with our family schedule to allow us the opportunity to fly over and join the fun.

Calaveras Airport is a short 25-minute flight from Placerville—depending on your aircraft. For those of you owning supersonic aircraft, like Cherokee's and Mooney's, it's probably a lot less. But our little Citabria hums along the foothills giving us ample time to enjoy the spring colors of wild flowers and pot farms.

Along with our friend Jim Wilson, who graciously offered to fly half of our family over, we departed in one Cherokee and one Citabria at 7am. Communicating by way of 122.75, we were able to keep each other in sight. The scenery below was beautiful and we soon arrived at our destination.

The airport manager, Kathy, was helping to direct traffic and give ground instructions when we landed. After parking, we headed over to partake in their pancake breakfast. By that time, it was beginning to get very busy with arrivals from all directions. Having finished breakfast, we went for a walk up and down the taxi way and parking areas, enjoying the variety of displayed aircraft and occasional high-speed fly-bys. Adults and children were lining up to get airplane rides and a band was setting up to perform in one of the hangars. Even a few antique cars arrived for the event.

So, fuel up the plane, gather your friends and family, and head out to one of the nearby fly-ins on the calendar. Maybe we'll see you there!

By: Audrey Brand



From Left to Right: Helen, Jim, Jason, Walter



Fore-ground: Audrey Background: Calaveras Airport



From Left to Right: Jason, Jim



Calaveras Airport from the ground.

Dates	Event and Details	Location
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RECURRING EAA 512 MEETINGS EVENTS

1st Tuesday 7pm	IMC/VMC Meeting	512 Hangar, Placerville Airport
2nd Wednesday 6pm	Chapter Board Meeting	512 Hangar, Placerville Airport
3rd Wednesday 6pm	General Meeting & Social Hour [Social Hour starts 6pm, Meeting 7pm] Potluck Picnics from April to October	512 Hangar, Placerville Airport
1st Saturday 8am April—October	Pancake Breakfasts	512 Hangar, Placerville Airport
6/8/19	Young Eagles	512 Hangar, Placerville Airport
6/15-16	Father's Day Fly-in	Columbia Airport, CA
6/21-22	AOPA Fly-In	Livermore Municipal Airport
7/22-28	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh	Oshkosh, WI
10/5-6	California Capital Airshow	Mather Airport
10/12/19	Young Eagles	Placerville Airport

LODI AIRPORT CAFÉ (I03)

If you're looking for a good excuse to go flying somewhere for lunch, the Lodi Airport Cafe (right off the Lodi Airport Runway) is a nice place to visit. They serve an array of delicious meals such as burgers and sandwiches. But, it's not just their food that's good, it's also the friendly service that greets you when you walk in the doors.

Café Info: lodiairport.com/lodi-airport-cafe

Pilot Info: lodiairport.com/airport-services-information

Recommended by,
The Editor

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FOR RENT

Hangar Space Available

The Gordon Family (Cameron Airpark - O61) sold their biplane and now have room in the corner of the hangar for a homebuilt approx. 25' wingspan/21' long. A Cessna 150 lives in the hangar too. It is a daily commuter when the weather is good.

This is a nice hangar at a private airpark residence. It has a bathroom, electricity, lighting, and a compressor too.

For more information, please contact

Judi Gordon at:

glennandjudi@gmail.com

ANTIQUE AIRCRAFT DISPLAY AND FLY-IN

At: 1C9 - Frazier Lake Airpark

7901 Frazier Lake Rd, Hollister, CA

Frazier Lake Airpark's Antique Aircraft Display and fly-in will be held on the first Saturday of every month throughout the year of 2019, and additionally on Sunday in June, July, and August.

Hours are from 10am to 4pm
Admission and parking are FREE

Contact www.frazierlake.com

LIVERMORE
Livermore
Fly-in

June 21-22

At KLVK

Livermore Municipal Airport

Livermore, CA

[More Information](#)

Weight & Balance

BY AUDREY BRAND

Feeling a little cramped in the cockpit? I know what you're thinking. After attempting to wriggle into those summer clothes: it's been a long winter! Maybe you are planning the first cross country of the year and are looking for food ideas that travel well and are packed with the right kind of sugars and proteins to keep you alert. We would never put the wrong fuel in our planes but often forget to refuel ourselves properly!

After years of back packing in the wilderness and many long legs in a Mooney to Idaho, Montana, and Alaska with my dad, I have discovered that the recipe below covers all those bases. You can

customize this to your liking which I do all the time especially if I am out of something or want to substitute for variety. With all due credit, a very good

friend shared this recipe with me and then I tweaked it. No regulations here! *Note: this recipe is just sticky enough it won't explode in the cockpit but doesn't require a napkin. I wrap each one individually for convenience.*



Johnson Creek, ID

Survival Bars

Preheat Oven 325F. Lightly grease 9x15" pan. Bake 25-30 minutes until golden brown.

WET ingredients - Mix together separately in a medium bowl (about 3-3 ½ Cups)

- ½ C Olive oil
- 1 C Maple syrup or sugar free syrup
- 2 Eggs
- 1 C Applesauce or jam/jelly/fruit sauce

DRY ingredients – Mix together separately in large bowl (about 10 Cups)

- 2 C Quick Oats
- 1 ½ C Whole wheat flour (for gluten free use coconut flour, or almond flour)
- 1 C Chopped Almonds
- 1 C Chopped Walnuts
- 1 C Sunflower seeds
- 1 C Shredded coconut
- 1 C Dried fruit (cranberries, blueberries, apricots, pineapple, dates)
- 1 ½ C Chopped dark chocolate chips - *my favorite ingredient!* (for gluten free use carob chips)
- 1 tsp. of cinnamon or allspice

Pour **WET** into **DRY** mixture and mix together thoroughly with a spatula. Then spread and flatten into greased 9x15" pan,

Bake for 25-30 minutes at 325F. Let cool completely. Cut to desired size and enjoy!

STORAGE – On a counter 6 days. Refrigerate 3 weeks. Freeze 6 months.

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NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA)

Hangtown Chapter 512

3483 Airport Road

Placerville, CA 95667

www.512.eaachapter.org

Note: Membership in EAA National is required for membership in local EAA Chapters. Application for both memberships may be made simultaneously. All Chapter memberships are family memberships.



Chapter 512 Dues: \$20.00

Please make checks payable to: EAA 512

Name* _____

Spouse's name: _____

EAA number* _____ Expires*: _____ # of participating family members : _____

Mailing address* _____

City* _____ ST* _____ Zip* _____

Home phone number (____) _____ Cell phone number (____) _____

E-mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

**EAA Chapter 512
Monthly Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2019**

Meeting called to order at: 1850 by: Al Herron

Board Members Present:

- Al Herron, President;
- Jim Wilson, Vice President;
- Judi Gordon, Treasurer;
- Kim Stein, Secretary;
- Dick Wampach, General Director;
- John McPherson, General Director;
- Tim Sullivan, Past President

Other members: Dale Kral

Business from the Floor, Changes to Agenda - No

Approval of Minutes – Judi made motion, John 2nd- passed.

Board Member Reports

➤ **Al Herron – President**

- Approval of budget: Kim motion to accept as presented, Tim 2nd passed

EAA 512 Budget 2019			
Activity	Budgeted Expense	Expected Income	Net
Action Awards (Benevity, Smile, etc.)	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
BOD expenses	\$450.00	\$0.00	-\$450.00
Chapter Gear	\$1,300.00	\$1,000.00	-\$300.00
Consumables (picnic supplies, watre, etc.)	\$650.00	\$0.00	-\$650.00
Dues	\$0.00	\$480.00	\$480.00
Hangar Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	-\$1,500.00
Fees & Taxes	\$920.00	\$0.00	-\$920.00
Fundraising Committee	\$500.00	\$0.00	-\$500.00
Ground School	\$150.00	\$0.00	-\$150.00
IMC/VMC Club	\$100.00	\$0.00	-\$100.00
Kitty Donations	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$900.00
Membership Meeting	\$200.00	\$0.00	-\$200.00
Pancake Breakfasts	\$3,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00
Recycling	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Utilities	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	-\$1,400.00
Total			\$2,810.00

- Key positions
 - STEM Committee – need at least two more members, JC Brandt is willing to be a member
 - Communications Director – open

➤ **Jim Wilson – Vice President**

- Flying Start: May 18th 8am; need pilots for 20-30 minute flights
- Young Eagles: June 8th need ground volunteers and pilots
- Pancake breakfast: \$911.00, \$79 donations; served 180 meals
- Storage building: waiting for pick up

➤ **Judi Gordon – Treasurer, Membership**

- Audit of 2018 finances completed, two corrections made.
- Transfer of funds from Union Bank to Chase Bank in process

- Accounts as of 4/30/2019:

Business Basics Checking/Scholarship (3172):	5028.56
Non-Profit Checking/Working (5051):	7574.00
Business Savings/Scholarship (9961):	2927.14
Business Savings/Airport Security (5504):	3221.99
- Membership update: 41 paid membership; Judi has sent out email and will call those that don't respond.
- **Kim Stein – Secretary**
 - Looking for a replacement, due to starting a new business and working full time
- **Dick Wampach - General Director**
 - IMC/VMC Club: Judi will share an experience next month; AOPA presentation went well
 - Fly Ins: SVPA Minden on Friday
 - Fly Out: Oshkosh, let Dick know if you want to go
 - Modesto – 2nd Saturday of each month
 - Oceano – 10-12th May
 - Columbia - June 1-2nd
 - Nut Tree – 3rd Saturday of each month
- **John McPherson - General Director**
 - Article in Mt. Democrat
- **Tim Sullivan – Past President**
 - Hangar cleanup, repair & maintenance projects:
 - Front sensor light
 - Flooring for balcony
 - Replacement for sky lights/windows, due to leaks
 - 4 EAA Work benches will be built
 - Seal roof
 - Insulation
 - Fan and Exhaust hood

Committee Reports

- **Fundraising** (Judi reported out)
 - Goal \$10K year
 - IDEAS:
 - Legacy Planning
 - Grant writing for STEM, El Dorado Community Program
 - EAA Membership Directory (with advertising)
 - Sizzler Bash-For-Cash event planning / Chick Filet and other restaurants in the area
 - ♦ 20% donated back
 - ♦ Monday June 10th, backup Thursday 13th 4-9pm
- **Dale Kral – Tool Master**
 - Sprinkler system repaired
 - Lawnmower repaired
 - Tool wish list collected

Meeting adjourned at 2110 by: Al Herron