



# The Frederick Flyer

## President's Message

Greetings, EAA Chapter 524 members and friends,



2014 was an outstanding year for our Chapter. Your Board members, and committee members worked with the best interest of the Chapter and the aviation community in mind.

Many of you have come to the airport to help with events such as Women Fly it Forward,

International Learn to Fly Day, workshops, Young Eagles, the Global Flight events, Chapter program presentations, AOPA's 75th Anniversary Fly-in, and the B-17 Tour. This coming year we will try to expand our events, to more family picnics, at least one fly-in and more educational programs. We will concentrate on safety programs, proper ways to maintain our aircraft, airport safety and flight safety.

To accomplish this we need our members to participate and be active in the aviation community. Please give us your feedback and look for others who would benefit from membership in our Chapter. The more of us that are working together, the better we can serve the community and the more fun we can have doing it.

Working together, I believe we will have one of the best years of my term as your President - because of the efforts of you, our Chapter members!

Wishing you clear skies,

**Mark Gosselin**  
*EAA Chapter 524 President*

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## December Program

We've had a last minute change of plans for our December program. Mark Pankratz was scheduled to talk about flying in the Washington D.C. Special Flight Rules Area but he's been scheduled for a flight across the pond at that time. So instead, we thought we'd do a combination hangar flying/EAA Chapter Video Magazine session. The main portion of the video is the story of Jim Moss' recreation of the Gee Bee Q.E.D. The "Super Q.E.D. II", completed by Jim's team after he passed away, is a highly modified replica which first flew a little over a year ago and made it to Oshkosh this past summer.

Join us Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.




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## November Membership Meeting Minutes

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Meeting brought to order at 7:09 pm by Mark Gosselin

Guests: Jason Schultz

Secretary's report accepted as read.

Treasurer's report accepted as read:

October Income: \$5,191.50

October Expense: \$720.44

October Balance: \$10,939.91

Progress reports: Joe Halleman reported that he put the left wing on his plane with help from Ernie and Jerry.

Mark Gosselin shared that the Sr. VP of Knowledge at Google broke the free-fall parachute record by completing a jump from 135,908 feet. He also shared that Cory Puuri from EAA wanted to do an article about our SportAir Workshops for the e-Hotline newsletter and possibly an article in the January edition of Sport Aviation magazine.

50/50 was \$50; \$25 each to the Chapter and the lucky winner.

Mark Pankratz introduced the speaker for tonight, Lt. Col. Eric Puschmann who presented "Road to a Homebuilt".

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Submitted,

Erick Webb, Secretary

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## Two Minutes of Aviation Majesty

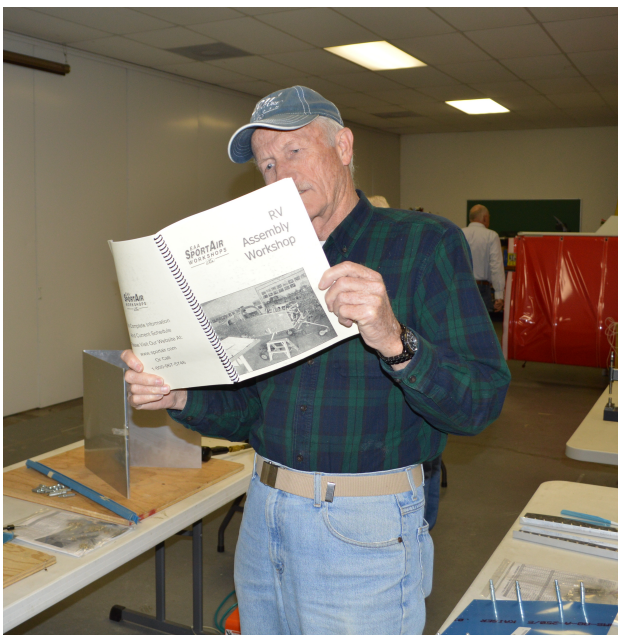
Mark Pankratz wanted to share [this video](#) with us.

*Even if you've seen it. Still worth the two minutes! And a Happy Thanksgiving to all. Mark*



## November Meeting Highlights

During his updates as part of the business meeting, Mark mentioned that he had been contacted by Cory Puuri from EAA about the possibility of their doing an article on our Chapter's involvement with the SportAir workshops. Mark made sure that Cory was aware of the role that our Chapter played in the evolution of the workshops from their humble beginnings here in Frederick into what they are today. Cory requested that we provide some high-resolution pictures of what the setup for a workshop in our hangar looks like. If the article does happen, it would appear in the January edition of Sport Aviation, so that means the deadline is tight and Cory needs the pictures as soon as possible. Therefore Mark asked if any volunteers who had helped with workshops in the past would be willing to do a quick setup of the hangar for a simulated RV Assembly workshop on the night we would have had our regular Board meeting. So the following Thursday, several volunteers showed up, Doug Kelly brought some spare kits, and we had fun pretending we were puzzling over the instructions, punching a hole through a skin where there wasn't one with the C-frame dimpler and drilling into our fingers. Mark and Ernie took lots of pictures, some of the outtakes are included here.



*He's even got it right-side up!*

We'll keep you posted if we hear any more about the status of the article.

As Ernie O'Roark stood to give his Treasurer's report, he smiled and said it was a very unusual and a very gratifying one. As you saw in the meeting minutes, income for the month was over \$5,000! Our bank account balance is now almost \$11,000. This was due to the share of the proceeds our Chapter received for serving as host of the very successful B-17 tour stop. See the following article about how this influenced our decision about Chapter dues.

We've been fortunate to have some very accomplished aviators share their experiences with us in our programs this past year and November was no exception. Erick Puschmann, a retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel and current RV-7A builder, spoke to us about his experiences as an F-111 pilot and instructor and how they influenced his choices when he decided he wanted to build his own airplane. Safety was one of the topics and he recounted a harrowing takeoff accident he had in the F-111 which was caused by the failure of a single bolt but, like almost all accidents, was preceded by a series of events. Like many builders' stories, his was a tale of perseverance over many years. Particularly valuable for new builders was his summary of what he learned and things he would do differently if he could do them over again.



*Yeah, it looks real, don't you think?*



## Membership Dues Lowered for 2015

The financial status of our Chapter has improved dramatically over the last year. We hosted two events, the Ford Tri-Motor and B-17 tour stops, which generated significant revenue; held two SportAir workshops, and received a check from the closing of the former Aviation Education Center account. We have also completed and submitted an application to the IRS for 501(c)(3) non-profit status for the Chapter 524 corporation and we feel very confident that it will be approved in the coming months. That will allow us to solicit tax deductible donations and give us a Maryland sales tax exemption for Chapter purchases. Taken together, these events prompted us to review the current membership dues structure.

As many of you may remember, several years ago we had to raise our dues to the current \$50 level because our income was falling far below our expenses. The shortfall is primarily due to the monthly rent that we pay for the benefit of having such a nice facility for our meetings, our events and workshops, and as an option for members to complete final assembly on their projects. That decision to raise the dues to a level significantly higher than most other Chapters was a reluctant one but we felt we had no other choice at the time. Now however, for the reasons stated above, the Board felt we might have an opportunity

to lower the dues to a more affordable level. At a special meeting on November 12, the Board unanimously approved a change to \$30 for both individual and family memberships to take effect beginning January, 2015. We're sincerely hopeful that this change will help us to attract new members and to induce former members to consider joining us again.

However, it must be understood that, even if we succeed in boosting our membership, we will most likely never reach a level where dues alone will match our expenses. We will have to depend on our ability to supplement the dues with more revenue-producing events like the tour stops, the continuation of the workshops and tax-deductible donations from individuals and corporations. At our December membership meeting, Ernie O'Roark will provide our members who can attend with a breakdown of the current and projected income/expense scenarios.

A revised membership renewal/registration form is provided at the end of this newsletter and copies will be available in the AEC by the next meeting. Renewals for 2015 are due by the end of January. Please consider renewing/re-joining us and please pass the word on to other potential members.



## Upcoming Events

### Chapter Meetings

**December 4, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m. — Membership Meeting**

**December 11, 2014 @ 7:00 p.m. — Board Meeting**

### Other Events

## Chapter Program Schedule — 2014

Month	Program
January	Weather Postponement
February	A Wounded Warrior Learns to Fly
March	Banquet
April	Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh: Their Lives and Times — Gerard L. Blake
May	J-3P Cub — Tom Crone - Organizer Steve and Malcolm van Kirk - Speakers
June	The New Czech Air Force: Its Current Status and How We Got There — Brigadier General Jiri Verner
July	No Meeting
August	Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh: Their Lives and Times, Part II — Gerard L. Blake
September	Touring the Southeast — Mark Gosselin
October	An Evening with Aluminum Overcast - Malcolm Lawrence
November	Road to a Homebuilt - Eric Puschmann
December	Chapter Video Magazine & Hangar Flying Session

## Refreshment Volunteers — 2014

Here is a list of volunteers supplying refreshments for 2014. The Board of Directors thanks you for your support ( and munchies).

January	No meeting	July	No meeting
February	Jack Fromm	August	Joe Halleman
March	No Meeting	September	Mark Gosselin
April	Erick Webb	October	Mark Gosselin
May	Ernie O'Roark	November	Jack Fromm
June	Mark Pankratz	December	Leftovers

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## Workshops

### **EAA SportAir Workshops at the AEC**

RV Assembly - January 17-18, 2015

### **EAA Events**

Go to EAA Events at: <http://www.eaa.org/news>

Go to EAA Aviation Calendar of Events at: <http://www.eaa.org/calendar>

Go to AirVenture at: <http://www.airventure.org/index.html>

Go to EAA SportAir Workshops at: <http://www.eaa.org/sportair>

## Chapter Website

The EAA Chapter 524 website can be found at: [www.524.eaachapter.org](http://www.524.eaachapter.org).

The website has contact information and details about current Chapter events.

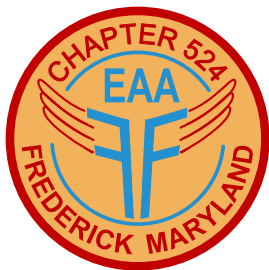
Also on the website, you can find archived newsletters and a membership join/renewal form.

## Chapter Facebook Page

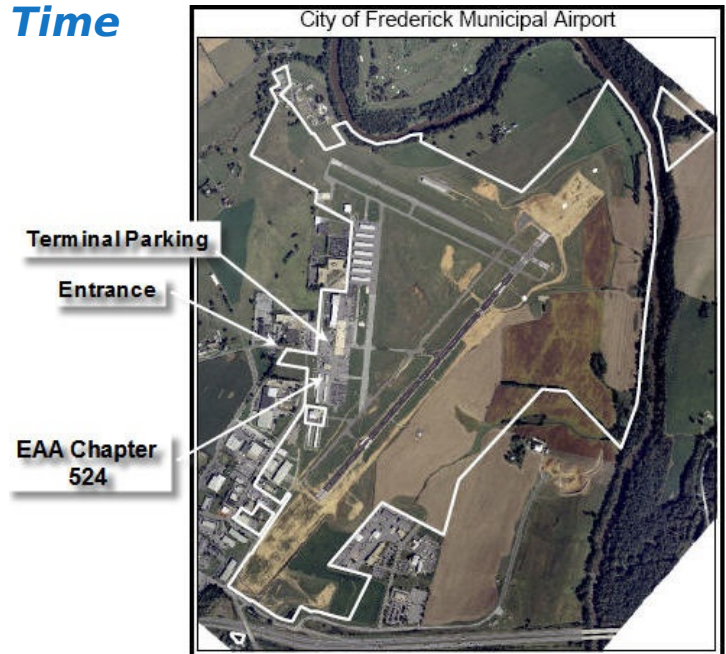
You can find us on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/EAA524](http://www.facebook.com/EAA524)

## Chapter Meeting Location and Time

Chapter 524 meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Aviation Education Center, located at the Frederick Municipal Airport. As you enter the airport, park in the Terminal Parking lot. Walk south past the Frederick Flight School (yellow building). There are signs on the end of the second row of hangars for the Chapter. Additional information can be found on the Chapter website.



Frederick Municipal Airport  
330 Aviation Way  
Suite J, Box #9  
Frederick, Maryland 21701



## **EAA Chapter 524 Membership Application**

- Annual dues are \$30 for individual or family membership. Fill out this form and return it with your dues to the Chapter Treasurer.
- Cash or check accepted. Make check payable to **EAA Chapter 524**. Bring the form and dues to the next meeting or mail to **Ernest O'Roark, 809 London Court, Frederick, MD 21701**.
- If you have a question about your membership, contact the Treasurer at 301-694-0053 or cadfael1@aol.com. These dues help support the Chapter and are not applied to the national organization.

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### I. Registration Information (Print please)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Member Status: New \_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ No Changes: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: Individual (\$30.00) \_\_\_\_\_ Family (\$30.00) \_\_\_\_\_

Other name(s) if Family Membership \_\_\_\_\_

EAA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_ Member Since: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (for receiving notices & newsletter) \_\_\_\_\_

Aircraft/Projects/Interests \_\_\_\_\_

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### II. For Official Use Only

Status: New \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_ Individual: \_\_\_\_ Family: \_\_\_\_

Dues Paid: Check \_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Year (Jan. – Dec.) 20 \_\_\_\_

Treasurer's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Roster updated \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Deposited \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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### III. Member's Receipt for EAA Chapter 524 Dues

Date paid \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Dues paid for fiscal year 20\_\_\_\_

Renewal – Individual/Family Membership Dues: \$30.00\_\_\_\_\_

New – Individual/Family Membership Dues: \$30.00\_\_\_\_\_



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