

The Frederick Flyer

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President's Message

Greetings, EAA Chapter 524 Members and Friends,

I would like, on behalf of the Board members and myself, to wish all of you and your families a Happy New Year!

Our annual Banquet is Saturday, March 11th. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you there as can make it. I know as in the past it is a wonderful night out with our aviation friends. We have a great program planned as well as good food. In my opinion there couldn't be a better place to celebrate our year than at the NACC! Come celebrate with us!

Our Chapter is going strong: with the J-3 project that many members are helping with, the workshops we host a few times throughout the year, our monthly meetings with interesting programs, our work in the aviation community, and the support we give to the airport events. We are set for another wonderful year!

Your Board is interested in expanding our activity base. I would like to ask our members if there is any other way any of you could think of that we could be of help, or any programs you would like to see added or improved. Please drop me a note or catch me or any of the Officers at the banquet or at one of our meetings.

Very excited about this coming year!

Wishing you clear skies,

Mark Gosselin
EAA Chapter 524 President



Chapter Banquet

Spring is just around the corner and that brings the promise of a return to outdoor activities. But there is also an indoor activity coming up to look forward to: our annual Chapter banquet. This year it will be held on Saturday, March 11th. Last year was the first time it was held at the AOPA National Aviation Community Center (NACC) and also the first time it was catered by Canapés. Both of them were so well received we're going for a repeat this year.

And if the aviation venue and great food aren't enough to make you want to attend, I'm sure you'll want to be there for a very special program!

Anne McCombs has been working for the National Air and Space Museum in the restoration shop since 1988, beginning at the Garber Facility and currently at the Mary Baker Engen Restoration Hangar in the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center. The Hubble Space Telescope SDTV, Hughes H-1 "Racer", B-29 "Enola Gay", and space shuttle "Enterprise" are among the memorable projects she has worked on. Prior to her career at NASM, she

worked for the EAA for eight years in Oshkosh.

Her presentation will feature a discussion of the Museum's restoration philosophy and techniques, and how they have evolved over the years, as well as some "behind-the-scenes" anecdotes about a few favorite and not-so-favorite aviation and space artifacts.

Doors will open at 6 p.m., with dinner at 6:30. The buffet will include hors d'oeuvres to get started, then chicken piccata, plank salmon and Tuscan Pappardelle with vegetables, rice pilaf and bread knots. There will also be dessert. Bring your own alcohol if you wish.

For those who have the time, we could use a hand at the end for a quick clean-up.

Cost is \$50 each. It's okay to pay at the door but if you plan on coming, please let Ernie O'Roark know by Saturday, February 25th. It's important that we let the caterer know the head count by then.

Hope to see you there!

Last Call for Dues

If you haven't renewed your Chapter membership for 2017 yet, please consider doing so by the banquet on March 11th. Dues for this year are still \$30 for both individuals and families. The registration form can be found at the end of this newsletter.

We have several new members who joined late last year who have been patiently waiting for their badges. We'd like to send in an order for new badges as soon as possible, so if you have not been a paid member for a few years and would like to re-join, please do so before the banquet so we can include you in the order for badges.

Thanks.

Project Report – Bearhawk

Neil Dickinson and I are fellow RV builders. We were both working on our projects in the early part of this century; his an RV-8A, mine an '8. We helped out at an RV workshop in the old FCC hangar at a time when Ken Scott from the Van's factory was still teaching the

occasional session. We traded building tips, I gave him his first RV-8 ride and I was honored to serve as a ground crew member at his first flight. If you haven't seen his airplane, it's beautiful.



Bearhawk Project Report: continued

When a few months ago he told me he had gotten the itch to build again, I was not too surprised at first. After all, lots of RV builders become “repeat offenders”. However, when he told me what he was building, I *was* surprised. I had never even heard of a Bearhawk. It’s about as different from an RV as you can get: tube, rag, aluminum — and plans-built. No matched-hole, snap-it-together kit here. I had to learn more.

Why a Bearhawk? Well, an RV-8A is a fast cross-country machine but it won’t carry two people and full camping gear to some rugged locations in Idaho. Neil told me that the creator of the Bearhawk is also an engine builder and he designed an airplane so he could load his engines in the back for delivery. It’s a four-place airplane, but the rear seat comes out easily to expose a cavernous baggage area. And the airplane has plenty enough useful load to take advantage of it.

I recently paid a visit to Neil’s home shop to check on his progress. To get his project started, he decided to purchase a partially completed fuselage. He found two partners who had teamed up to build a couple of previous Bearhawks, sold them and intended to build two more for themselves. When they ran out of time and money, they decided to put them up for sale. Neil visited them in West Virginia and was impressed with the workmanship on the fuselage frames. The partners had taken the time to build special jigs even for things as small as the control sticks and linkages. Neil showed me how their attention to detail extended to forming the control stick tubing to form a nice, smooth radius before welding it to a tab—even though that won’t be visible in the finished airplane.



Satisfied, he struck a deal with one of the partners for his fuselage, rented a truck and he and his wife transported the fuselage and tail assemblies back to Sykesville.



Jack Fromm

To be continued next month

Membership Meeting Minutes

02 February 2017

Meeting brought to order at 7:03 pm by Ernie O’Roark

Treasurer’s Report accepted as read

December Income: \$240

December Expense: \$826



Balance: \$8436.84
Scholarship: \$310

20 paid members

Secretary's Report accepted as read

Ernie reported that the Cub fuselage was done and will be picked up on Wednesday.

Chapter banquet will be held March 11. Cost is \$50 per person. The speaker is Anne McCombs, who is part of the restoration staff at Udvar-Hazy.

Jack Fromm made a snack signup sheet and encouraged others to sign up.

50/50 was \$50. \$25 to Sharon Libby and \$25 to the scholarship fund.

Dean Stickell presented a program based on his experiences with the Lightweight Fighter Program.

Meeting concluded at 8:36 pm

Submitted,
Erick Webb, Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes

09 February 2017

Meeting brought to order at 7:05 pm by Jack Fromm

Present were Jack Fromm, Mark Pankratz, Rex Bullinger, Ernie O'Roark, Erick Webb

Eleven people have paid for the banquet – around 15 have RSVP'd. Caterer will need firm numbers before the end of February.

Ernie will provide Erick a list of current, paid members to order name tags for those paid members who don't already have one.

Jerry Blake has booked the speaker for the banquet this year. Jack will get more exact info on the speaker from Jerry.

Rex got a note from Mark Forss today. He suggested June for a fabric workshop and August for an electrical workshop. He's going to look around businesses near the airport to see about borrowing a forklift to help with unloading the truck of supplies for the workshops.

March 11, 6:00 p.m. meet, 6:30 p.m. dinner, 7:30 presentation, out by 9. Will ask for volunteers to help with setup and with cleanup at the end to save cleaning fee. Caterer needs a headcount by February 25.

Anne McCombs is presenting. She is involved with restorations at Udvar-Hazy.

Email sent to Frederick airport. Organization out of Annapolis wants to show off restored TBM Avenger. But since they're talking about giving rides, it could present a problem with liability.

Mark started up his RV last week and did some taxi tests.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted,
Erick Webb, Secretary



Fly-out Destination



EAA Chapter 186 17th Annual Chili Cook-Off Manassas, VA Saturday, February 25th, Noon to 3pm

WHAT:

You're invited to join EAA Chapter 186 for our 17th Annual Chili Cook-Off!

Tickets are \$5 for those not in the contest, bringing food, or judging. Chapter 186 will provide all of the chili fixin's and beverages.

There is plenty of space to park your car or airplane. Bring out the entire family and learn about your local EAA Chapter 186, while enjoying some fantastic chili!

We are looking for cooks, chefs, judges, or anyone interested in enjoying an afternoon of great company and delicious chili!

Wanted: Chili Cooks

There will be 4 category awards and one main grand prize! Entries can be classic recipes, meatless, beanless, white, or even use surprise ingredients.

Chili entries will be judged by the following categories:

- Hottest/Spiciest
- Most Creative/Unusual
- Mildest/Wimpiest
- Best Presentation/Most Attractive
- Grand Prize – Best Overall

More details on When and Where and how to sign up can be found [here](#).



Upcoming Events

Chapter Meetings

April 6, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. — Membership Meeting

April 13, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m. — Board Meeting

Other Events

March 11, 2017 — Chapter Banquet, NACC

Chapter Program Schedule — 2017

Month	Program
January	Aviation Insurance Resources — Jon Shimer
February	The Lightweight Fighter Program — Dean Stickell
March	Banquet: Aircraft Restoration at NASM — Anne McCombs
April	Lightning Effects on Aircraft — Dan Morris
May	TBD
June	TBD
July	No meeting.
August	TBD
September	TBD
October	TBD
November	TBD
December	TBD

Refreshment Volunteers — 2017

Here is a list of volunteers supplying refreshments for 2017. The Board of Directors thanks you for your support (and munchies).

January	Jack Fromm	July	N/A
February	Jack Fromm	August	TBD
March	N/A	September	Jerry Blake
April	TBD	October	TBD
May	Rex & Sharon	November	TBD
June	Erick Webb	December	TBD

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Workshops

EAA SportAir Workshops at the AEC

Fabric Covering – June (tentative)

Electrical – August (tentative)

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.

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

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.



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Frederick IMC Club

Interested in learning more about IFR flying? Scenario-based discussions are available here. The Frederick IMC club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in AOPA's National Aviation Community Center. More information about the club and its mission can be found on our website at www.524.eaachapter.org.



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.

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 _____

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 ____/____/____

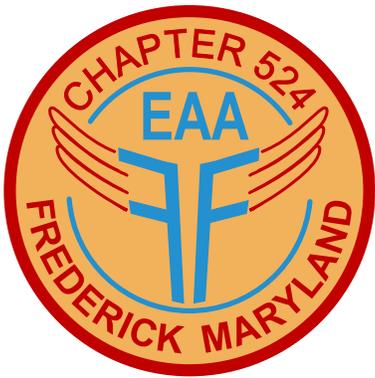
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III. Member's Receipt for EAA Chapter 524 Dues

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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