

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION - CHAPTER 55 JANUARY 2025

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Rick Laub (eaa55.president@gmail.com)

As we all deal with the winter doldrums and the hunkering down, Chapter 55 is moving forward into the new year. Sure, we have our share of snowbirds that have flown south for the winter, but the rest of us will find warmth and companionship and a great breakfast right here in Mason, Michigan.

Personally, I hope that I will be working to finishing up my airplane build this winter if my son's schedule cooperates. The Rosie-the-Riveter day will be happening soon at the Lansing airport, and we will be doing our planning for Dawn Patrol, MAD, and Young Eagle days. We finished up 2024 on a strong financial footing even with the expense of the roof recoating.

Looking forward to a fun year of fellowship and service. See you on Saturday!

SCHEDULED PROGRAMS:

JANUARY:

Jon Iversen – Wings of Mercy

FEBRUARY:

Dave Trojan – SR-71 Blackbird

MARCH:

TBD

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CHAPTER 55

BOARD MEETING: 7:00pm; Wed. January 8th **MEMBERSHIP MEETING**: 9:30am; Sat. Jan. 11th with Breakfast served from 8:00am to 9:00am

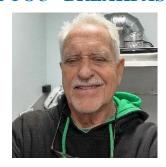


2024 Chapter 55 Christmas Party

Something New For the Ladies!

Chapter 55 "Ladies Coffee Break" on the third Friday of each month! Our Member Coordinator, Vickie Vandenbelt is inviting all ladies – members, members wives, & guests pilots to an informal monthly get-together, If you would like to be on the reminder list-email wickie7463@gmail.com See you at BookSellers on the town square in downtown Mason; 9:00am; on January 17th!

"THANK YOU" BREAKFAST TEAM!



December Chefs Stan Chubb & Allen Jencks (Picture of Allen not available)

UPCOMING BREAKFAST TEAMS:

JANUARY John Coron

John Caron John Yurkon Mason Samson Lisa Fredline Don Frank Janet Kinney

FEBRUARY

Dave Groh Tom Schroeder Carol & Jim Spry Kirk Curtiss



EAA Chapter 55 Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, December 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Rick Laub. In attendance were Rick Laub, Gilda Tucker, Gabe Blosser, Ken Drewyor, Bob Clark, Doug Koons, Jon Iversen, and Gary Nicola. Absent were Greg Hover, Warren Miller, Drew Seguin, Jeff Shaud, and John Kuchar. Non-board members present were Robert Miller, Dave and Debbie Groh, and Margie Clark. Due to the absence of Treasurer Drew Seguin, Gary Nicola made a motion to table the Treasurer's Report until the Member Meeting; Jon Iversen seconded; motion carried. ★Secretary's Report was noted. There is an error in the report that was brought to the Secretary's attention by Member Coordinator, Vickie Vandenbelt prior to this meeting. The minutes stated that the new board members assume leadership responsibilities at the January board meeting. In truth, the new board (members) assume leadership at the December Board Meeting. Gary Nicola made a motion to accept the report as amended; seconded by Bob Clark; motion carried. *Young Aviator's Leader Jeff Shaud was absent, thus there was no report given. (Editor's note: Jeff let his Aviators know, via email, that the upcoming Sunday's

meeting was cancelled.) *Rick Laub welcomed the two new board members Jon Iversen and Doug Koons. ★Rick reminded the board of the Christmas party Sunday, December 15th. Gilda Tucker had planned to play Christmas music on her violin during the dinner hour. She expressed concern that the music may conflict with the party, the room being small and the violin sounding big. The general consensus was that Gilda would not play but would be a part of the social activity during dinner instead. The "Member of the Year" will be announced at the Member Meeting. Close outs for January through May are as follows: January-Doug Koons, February-Jon Iversen, March-Ken Drewyor, April-Gabe Blosser, and May-Gary Nicola. *Jon Iversen, new Program Coordinator, will be the program presenter at the January Member Meeting. He brought up the names of four possible future presenters, provided the board approves and the potential presenters consent to do a program. There was discussion but no action was taken. Names will be withheld until a definite decision is made and presenters are listed in upcoming newsletters. **\(\Delta EAA \)** National owns a tri-motor aircraft that they fly to chapters for rides. It is a large plane and requires a large hanger for housing. Doug Koons suggested that we set up a sub-committee to research the possibility of having the aircraft here. They are available to come in May. Bob Clark agreed to chair the committee. *While at Selfridge Air Base recently, a group from our Chapter noticed a parachute from WWI on display at the museum. Dave Trojan mentioned that he owns such a parachute that he is willing to part with. Discussion ensued regarding acquiring the chute and displaying it in our member hanger. No decision was made. **★**Debbie Groh was on hand to explain sponsorship of the upcoming Rosie the Riveter event at the Lansing Airport. The event honors women who contributed to the war effort during WWII. Three such women will likely be at the event. Sponsorship entitles the sponsoring organization to set up a vendor table highlighting their purpose, events, etc. At the last Member Meeting, it was decided that our Chapter would sponsor the event with amount between \$250 and \$500. Gabe Blosser made a motion to sponsor the event in the amount of \$500; Jon Iversen seconded; after discussion, the motion carried. The event takes place March 21st, 2025 from 4:30 to 7:00pm. Gabe volunteered to man the vendor table. Margie Clark paid \$130 for decals for the float used in the Mason Christmas parade.

The decals replace the banner that has been used in the past. Gary Nicola made a motion to reimburse Margie the \$130; Doug Koons seconded; motion carried. ★We discussed the date for both MAD (Mason Aviation Day), and Dawn Patrol for 2025. Last year Dawn Patrol was, for the first time, held on a Saturday rather than Sunday. Attendance was good and the event went well. Gilda made a motion to that the event take place on Saturday the 21st of June; Bob Clark seconded; motion carried. MAD is held the third Saturday of August which, next year falls on the 16th. \star Gilda brought a Christmas card for Johnny George for all to sign. Johnny is our former maintenance man who retired, moved to Mississippi then came down with cancer, and is undergoing very aggressive treatment. ★Gilda brought the fifty name tags that were given our chapter from EAA National. All regular attendees who do not already have a heavy plastic name tag will receive one of the new ones once the names have been typed up on someone's computer. Gilda will inquire at the Member Meeting who already has the durable tags and will give a completed list to Rick of those who need a new tag. ★The meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm. Respectfully submitted, Gilda Tucker, Secretary.



EAA Chapter 55 Membership Meeting, Saturday, December 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:32am by President Rick Laub. *After singing the National Anthem, Rick thanked the breakfast team, Allen Jencks, and Stan Chubb. Next month's breakfast team consists of John Caron, John Yurkon, Mason Samson, Lisa Fredline, and Don Frank. ★There were forty present including six guests. Guests include: Dennis and Emily Bennett, Elizabeth Kester and her mother Laura, Kevin Mason, and Gayland Tennis. Dennis began skydiving in 1998 and has logged over 1,000 jumps. Being so close to airplanes piqued his interest in Aviation. He is a student pilot and is a student at LCC in Aircraft Maintenance. He came today with his wife Emily. Elizabeth Kester is also in the Maintenance Program at LCC. She works with airplanes and helicopters. Elizabeth brought a large number of framed pictures and certificates of past pilot Russell Hilding. She is donating these to the chapter and to any individual who may be interested in owning some. (Editor's Note: See Member Minutes in December 2024 WingTips for

more about Russell Hilding.) Kevin Mason is retired from the fire department and from the Marines. He wants to learn to fly and to build a plane. Gayland Tennis, a guest of Claus Buchholz, is a former director of the LCC Flight School and owns several aircraft. ★Secretary's Report was noted. Mark Bathhurst made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Jon Iversen; motion carried. ★The Treasurer's Report was summarized by Rick Laub in Treasurer Drew Seguin's absence. Mark Bathhurst made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Joe Madziar; motion carried. (Doug Koons is acting treasurer today in Drew's absence.) *Jeff Shaud's Young Aviator's Report: At the last Young Aviator's Meeting, Jeff explained how electrical systems work, including Ohm's Law. This month's Young Aviator's Meeting is cancelled due to the Chapter Christmas Party. Next year, the Aviators are invited to the Mishawaka (Indian's) Pilot Association. The organization is in Indiana. The Youth division of the organization invited them to join in building a zenith 250. ★Young Eagle's Report was given by Margie Clark. She thanked the pilots both at our chapter and others who joined us in giving rides to 270 young people this year. Doug Koons, Ray Scholarship Committee Chairman has no news. We will know in February if we will be awarded a Ray Scholarship name tags that were given our Chapter from EAA National (as a result of Gilda and John attending the Leadership Academy) have arrived. She asked for a show of hands of those who already have heavy plastic name tags. The fifty tags received will be given to members who regularly attend first then to all who desire a tag, until they run out. **†** The Christmas Party is tomorrow. Margie is opening up last minute reservations for anyone still wanting to attend. Cost is \$15/person. ★Also discussed was Rosie the Riviter Scholarship, trailer decals, Jon Iversen and new programs for 2025, recognizing new board members, and the Ford Tri-Motor visit. Details of these topics are in the Board Meeting Minutes. ★Jeff Shaud and the Young Aviators want to participate in the Rosie event. The Tri Motor event could be a two or three day event. EAA National handles all the details. Our only responsibility is flight line security. \star Gilda passed around a Christmas card for everyone to sign. The card goes to Johnny George; details are in the Board need to renew membership for both National and local Chapter EAA. She also reminded members to

hand in their questionnaires for Member Spotlight. **★**Jeff Stetson brought up that using the entrance door during presentations is disruptive and that we should consider another means of gaining access to entering and exiting the room. There is a door at the back of the room away from the presenter that can be used but only leads to the large hanger, and isn't an exit from the building. Discussion stopped at this point and no resolution was forthcoming. *Jeff also brought up that all Chapter members, past and present, should be honored when they pass away whether or not they still attend meetings or even live in the area. Sport Aviation Magazine lists the names of those who have passed away along with the Chapter they were from. He noted that some of our deceased members have not been listed in the magazine. Gilda is going to follow up on this along with talking to Vickie, the Membership Coordinator. **★**The balance of the meeting was largely a presentation of awards. The awards given were as follows: Member of the Year award went to Doug Koons. Certificates of Appreciation from the Chapter went to: Gary Nicola – Lawn Care, Jeff Shaud – Young Aviator's, and Deanna McAlister – WingTip Newsletter Editor (retired), Certificates of Appreciation from National: Terry Lutz – Flight Advisor, Doug Koons – Ray Scholarship Chairman, Margie Clark – Young Eagles Coordinator, Gilda Tucker – Chapter Secretary, Rick Laub – Chapter President, John Kuchar – Chapter Vice President, and Drew Seguin - Chapter Treasurer. Joe Madziar our Newberry Scholarship Coordinator announced this year's scholarship winners: Elizabeth Kester – \$1,500 toward completing her LCC Aviation Maintenance Program, Dennis Bennett - \$1,000 toward completing his LCC Aviation Maintenance Program. Margie Clark, Young Eagles Coordinator gave Certificates of Appreciation to pilots and ground crew who helped make the YE events successful. Those awarded include pilots: Pat Salow, Doug Koons, Terry Lutz, John Orine, John Bobcik, Deanna McAlister, Reid Baldwin, Bob Clark, Don McAlister, Jennifer Jacob, Kirt Curtis, Mark Jacob and Bill Purosky. Ground crew: Mark Bathhurst, Rick Laub, Karen Meirndorf, Bill Bezdek, Joe Madziar, Mason Samson, Gabe Blosser, Karen Hover, Claus Burchholz, Michael Rosencrans, Kris Garcia, Frank Garcia, Megan Hayslette, Allen Jencks, Janet Samson, Wyatt Shaud, Drew Seguin, Jeff Shaud, and Gilda Tucker. Other Awards/Certificates/Recognition went to: Vickie Vandenbelt – Membership Coordinator/Liason with

Mason Chamber of Commerce, Pat Salow – Program Coordinator (retired), Bill Purosky – kitchen set-up, John Bobcik – Webmaster, Greg Hover – MADD and Dawn Patrol Coordinator, Joe Madziar -Newberry Scholarship Coordinator, along with Ken Drewyor and John Kuchar - Newberry Committee Members. Congratulations to all who contribute to making every aspect of our Chapter and its various outreaches and events successful!! Everyone is important! We couldn't do it without you!! ★Ivan Bradley asked who our Technical Build Advisor was. Rick referred him to Carl Franz in Howell as we have no acting advisor. Margie asked for volunteers to move tables, in configuration for tomorrow's party, at the conclusion of today's meeting. *Jeff Shaud suggested that we move the picnic tables into the large hanger and out of the winter weather. The meeting adjourned at 10:30am. Respectfully submitted, Gilda Tucker, Secretary.

Happy New Year!



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DAVE TROJAN

I have been a member of Mason Chapter 55 since 2021 and also a member of Jackson Chapter 304 since 2021. I joined after moving to Michigan from California in 2021—currently Vice President of Chapter 304 in Jackson. I'm not a pilot and never really wanted to be one. I'm happy to let someone else drive. I do not own a plane but want to build an

EAA plane float for parades. I was born in Detroit, Michigan, and grew up in Livonia, Michigan. With my parent's permission, I joined the Navy in 1979 when I was 17 years old. I am a Navy veteran who served 21 years as an Aviation Electronics Technician mostly in Hawaii and the Pacific area, retiring in 2000. After retiring I became an Aircraft Engineer for the Marine Corps in Hawaii. I then married my wife, Christine, (a former Army Huey Pilot) and she joined the Air Force. Together we traveled the world for more than 10 years due to her assignments. I earned a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University majoring in Aviation Business Administration and Accident investigation. I have investigated and visited over 500+ military aircraft crash sites all across the country and the world. I have written over 80 published articles for numerous local newspapers and aviation magazines, including Naval Aviation, WWI Aero, and Warbirds International magazines. I have been featured on the Armed Forces TV network, podcasts, and YouTube. I completed my first book "Wreckchasing 102" in 2023. I am currently writing several books documenting my explorations and discoveries. I like to discover the facts, fill in the blanks, explain the mysteries of why the planes crashed, and finally lay the questions to rest by speaking and writing about their stories. The stories give light to those who have sacrificed so much to give us the peace we enjoy today. My latest venture is "Project Remembrance" remembering those who were killed in aircraft accidents by placing memorials at their crash sites, writing about them, and sometimes accompanying family members to the crash sites. Christine and I moved to Michigan in September 2021 and shortly thereafter joined the EAA. As a hobby, I restore aircraft instruments and panels and am always looking for surplus gauges. I recently contributed to the restoration of the Corsair at the Selfridge Field Museum. (Editor's Note: Dave is probably one of the most knowledgeable military crash site historians in the country, if not the world. Our Chapter is indeed honored to have such a knowledgeable individual in our midst. You will find that Dave is very approachable and always happy to humbly share his knowledge and expertise with anyone and everyone interested. I also believe that Dave has quite adequately not only answered the question "What would I do if there were no limitations", but he has blasted any limitations out of the way and is living his dream.)



YOUNG AVIATORS By Jeff Shaud (jlshaud@wowway.com)

See you at the hangar.



FROM THE EDITOR By Gilda Tucker (cwtucker1@comcast.net)

Happy New Year! Hope you all had a relaxing and very fulfilling Christmas time. Just a reminder to renew your National and local chapter EAA membership. You need to have this done by February to "stay on our roll". Also, I need your questionnaires to keep the Member Spotlight going each month. I find it very enjoyable to find out details about our membership through the Spotlight and so do other members. Starting in February, I am planning to write a monthly feature story about some Aviation related topic. I have a couple articles already in mind, mainly through requests from some of you. In February, I plan to share experiences and pictures from my recent tour of Selfridge Air Base near Willow Run. I look forward to seeing you soon!



YOUNG EAGLES COORDINATOR by Margie Clark (margieclark172@gmail.com)

Happy New Year!!! See you at the airport!



2024 Young Eagle Pilot Awards with Coordinator Margie Clark



2024 Young Eagle Ground Crew Awards with Coordinator Margie Clark



MEMBERSHIP by Vickie Vandenbelt (EAA55.mems@gmail.com)

NEW MEMBERS:

Chapter 55 welcomes new member Robert Benjamin. Robert has several pilot ratings but does not own a plane at this time. We also welcome Honorary Members Elizabeth Kester and Dennis Bennett, this year's Newberry recipients per below.



Our 2024/2025 Newberry Aviations Scholarship Recipients: Elizabeth Kester (L) and Dennis Bennett (R) with Scholarship Coordinator Joe Madziar (C)

NEWBERRY AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP

RECIPIENT: Congratulations to Elizabeth Kester and Dennis Bennett who were named the recipients of our 2024/2025 Newberry Aviation Scholarships. Elizabeth was awarded \$1,500 and Dennis was awarded \$1,000 toward their education at LCC-School of Aviation Technology, whose campus is right here at Mason Jewett Field. They each will also receive a free one-year Honorary membership in EAA Chapter 55 and a free six-month membership from EAA national.



Congratulations Doug Koons 2024 Member of the Year

OPERATION GOOD CHEER: Pilot Dave Groh and Co-Pilot Ken Vandenbelt flew to Pontiac Oakland County International Airport to participate in Operation Good Cheer on Saturday, December 7th, 2024. There was some bad weather in northern Michigan for most of the day. They loaded up and were assigned to take their load to Saginaw. They had a great time talking with fellow pilots and enjoying a good flight.

Operation Good Cheer, organized by Child and Family Charities, coordinated delivery of more than 20,000 gifts to over 6,700 children in need across Michigan for the holiday season with the assistance

of volunteer pilots, who donate their time, aircraft and fuel. Unofficial stats indicate 250+ planes and 10 helicopters participated this year – from small planes to corporate jets.









2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES:

In order to remain a member in good standing, your Chapter 55 dues for the new year must be paid by **FEBRUARY 15th**. Prompt payment assures your delivery of the EAA55 monthly newsletter, along with notification of any EAA55 and/or airport news. Dues can be paid by mail, at a meeting, or left in the folder for the Treasurer - for everyone's protection, please do not leave cash. We ask that you complete the renewal form even when paying in person so that we can assure that the information on our website is accurate and up to date. The online Membership Roster will be updated after the February 15th deadline.

THE EAA MISSION:

To grow participation in aviation, by inspiring people to fly, build, volunteer and outreach to promote aviation.

HANGARS FOR RENT AT TEW:

Brown Family; 517-528-5090 Tom Tuttle; 734-216-7532 Gabe Blosser; 517-896-0020

EAA55; Common Storage or Building hangar space;

Rick Laub; 616-755-6255 (waiting list)

MASON JEWETT FIELD FBO:

Great Lakes Air Repair 517-525-3673

Maintenance - Painting - Upholstery - Engines

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Mar 21 – Rosie the Riviter Day

Apr 1-6 – Sun N Fun

Jun 21 – EAA55 Dawn Patrol (DP)

Jul 21-27 – Air Venture Oshkosh

Aug 16 – EAA55 Mason Aviation Day (MAD)

FLYERS FROM OTHER AIRPORTS POSTED

<u>IN TEW TERMINAL</u> w/special thanks to Tony Kruckeberg of LCC. Be sure to check these flyers out if you are looking for a weekend place to fly!!

WEB EVENT CALENDARS:

www.eaa.org/eaa/events

www.funplacestofly.com/aviation-events.asp www.michigan.gov/aero/



CRAA BOARD MEETINGS:

4th Monday of the Month @ 4:30pm Marion "Babe" Ruth Community Room Terminal Building, Capital Region Int. Airport

MASON JEWETT FIELD TENANTS & USER MEETINGS:

First Wednesday of the second month of each quarter. The 2025 meeting dates are:
February 5th; May 7th; August 6th; and November 5th at 5:30pm in a classroom at the LCC Aviation Technology facility.

EAA55 = PILOTS, PLANES & BUILDERS:

Here is a list of those who are working on homebuilts and/or restorations, as well as pilots and their planes ... Additions, deletions & corrections appreciated:

Tim Allen; Fokke DVIII; Sopwith Scout

Mark Bathurst; Cessna 172

Gabe Blosser; Bushmaster SuperCub Amphib

John & Connie Bobcik; Kitfox 7SS

Denise Bolen; Cessna 172 Ivan Bradley; Zenith CH650B Claus Buchholz: Citabria

John Caron; Cessna 172

Stan Chubb; Beechcraft F33A Bonanza

Lewis (Bob) Clark; Cessna 172

Randy Coller; Cessna 182 & Hot Air Balloon

Dave Cook; RV-6A (w/Greg Hover);

Taylorcraft Ultralight Kirk Curtis; Cessna 182

Ken Drewyor; Kitfox (sold); V35 Bonanza

Albert Esser II; Piper Arrow Richard Floyd; Cessna 310 Adam Fogg; Piper Warrior II

Donald Frank; BE35P Mike Franzago; RV-8

Dave Groh; Stearman; Citabria;

Beechcraft A36 Bonanza; Travelaire;

PT-17 & AT-6 restorations Ward Harris; Cessna 177Bravo Gordon Hempstone; Cobra A

Gordon Hempstone; Cobra A

Ultralight & Avid Magnum project

Steve Houghton: RV-7A (Builder) (Sold)
Greg Hover; RV-6A (Builder) (w/Dave Cook)

Mark & Jennifer Jacob; C-120; Beech 18,

Cessna C-34 Airmaster project Allen Jencks; Fisher Horizon 2 Robert Kerr; hot air balloons

Doug Koons; Glastar (w/Bill Purosky)(Builders)

Rick Laub; Sling 4 project (Builder) Terry Lutz; Luscombe & RV-8 (Builder)

Doug MacKenzie; Zenith 701 & RV-10 project

Tim Martinson; RV-6A & RV-12; RV14A, RV-9 project (Builder)

Don & Deanna McAlister; Cessna 172

Chuck Moore; RV-12

Gary Nicola; Beechcraft Bonanza Grumman Traveler restoration Jim Palmer; Glasair III (Builder) Lee Paquette; Sonex (Builder)

Bill Purosky; Glastar (w/Doug Koons)(Builders)

Pat Salow; Zenith 701 (Builder)

Mason Samson; Aeronca Chief & Piper Tripacer

Drew Seguin; Carbon Cub EX2 & Carbon Cub EX3 project (Builder) Jeff Shaud; RV-7 project (Builder) Tom Sheehan; C-170 & Funk B85C;

Lincoln-Page 1928

Rockwood Shepard; RV-9A (Builder)

Jim Spry; RV-8 (Builder) (Sold) Jeff Stetson; Aeromot Ximango Bruce Thorburn; Cessna 172

Ken Vandenbelt; C-172; C-170; Stearman project David & John Vander Molen; Zenith 750 (Builders)

Michael Weck; Cessna 150

John Yurkon; J3C-65; PA28-181; C-172P

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This will insure you get the most up-to-date membership roster.

CHAPTER 55 CLASSIFIEDS:

FOR SALE: FLY MICHIGAN decals. Available in red, blue or white. Great for your plane and/or your car. \$5.00 each. Contact vickie7463@gmail.com



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