

# EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION - CHAPTER 55 FEBRUARY 2025

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

After some recent sub-zero days, it is good to have a warm-up even if only for a short while.

We are in our planning period for our upcoming spring and summer activities. One event this Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, is a visit to "Warbirds of Glory" Museum with EAA Chapter 1056 at New Hudson Airport. We will get a tour of the facility and get an update on the restoration efforts of Sandbar Mitchell, the museums B-25. Those who plan to attend should be there promptly at 6:30pm at the museum's hanger at the airport. Some folks are also gathering before for dinner at the New Hudson Inn at 5:00pm.

Coming up on March 21st is American Rosie the Riveter Day at Capital Region International Airport. Unfortunately, even though LCC graciously offered to lend their hangar for the day, the Tri-Motor folks didn't have enough interest by places on our itinerary to make the visit happen.

Just as a reminder, we have moved the day for Dawn Patrol back to the Sunday after our Saturday June meeting day/First Young Eagles day – Sunday – Father's Day - June 15. Busy weekend – please plan on volunteering.

See you at our meeting on Saturday, February 8th!

#### **CHAPTER 55**

**BOARD MEETING**: 7:00pm; Wed. February 5<sup>th</sup>

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING**: 9:30am; Sat. Feb. 8th with Breakfast served from 8:00am to 9:00am

#### **SCHEDULED PROGRAMS:**

#### **FEBRUARY**:

Dave Trojan – SR-71 Blackbird History and Accident Investigation

#### MARCH:

TBD

#### <u>APRIL</u>:

TBD

CONTACT **JON IVERSON** WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS: 517-980-3011 or jon.h.iversen55@gmail.com

## **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 - to an informal monthly gathering. Come whenever you can. (Gentlemenplease tell your significant other.) If you would like to receive a reminder, send email to <a href="wickie7463@gmail.com">wickie7463@gmail.com</a> See you at BookSellers on the town square in downtown Mason; 9:00am; on February 21st!

#### "THANK YOU" BREAKFAST TEAM!



January Chefs Mason and Janet Samson, along with coordinator Joe Madziar



And, delayed pic of our December Chef, Allen Jencks (picture wasn't available earlier)

# **UPCOMING BREAKFAST TEAMS:**

#### **FEBRUARY**

Dave Groh Tom Schroeder Carol Spry Jim Spry Kirk Curtiss

#### **MARCH**

John Schwartz
Doug MacKenzie
Mark Jacob
Robert Kerr
Denise Bolen



EAA Chapter 55 Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, January 8, 2025 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Rick Laub. In attendance

were Rick Laub, Gilda Tucker, Jon Iversen, Doug Koons, Drew Seguin, Ken Drewyor, and Bob Clark.

Absent were Warren Miller, Jeff Shaud, Gabe Blosser, Gary Nicola, John Kuchar, and Greg Hover. Non-Board members present were Margie Clark and Frank Garcia. >Secretary's report was noted. Doug Koons made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Jon Iversen; motion carried. → Treasurer Drew Seguin gave a summary of the Treasurer's report. Regarding our finances, Drew stated that we need to be aware of and consider what revenues offset expenditures when we, as a chapter, make donations to other organizations. Discussion centered around possible ways to gain a better return on our capital. Huntington Bank and MSU Credit Union were two institutions mentioned which have good returns. Drew mentioned that we have a good working relationship with our current bank. Ken Drewyor made a motion to accept the report; was seconded by Jon Iversen; motion carried. →Renewal of our Mason Area Chamber of Commerce membership came up for discussion. The membership gives us some degree of visibility in the community. We have a vendor table at the Annual Business Fair. Membership coordinator, Vickie Vandenbelt, mans the table. Gilda Tucker joined her last year and gave positive feedback on the experience as being worthwhile in making connection with the community. Gilda made a motion that we pay the \$125 membership fee; was seconded by Jon Iversen; motion carried. >Jeff Shaud was absent, thus there was no Young Aviators report. >Regarding the Ray Scholarship, Doug Koons has no news. →Gabe Blosser was absent, thus there was no Rosie the Riveter report. → Regarding the Tri-Motor issue, Bob Clark hasn't heard back from Capital Region International Airport, thus there is no news. Doug Koons is responsible for post meeting closeout. → Rick Laub purchased a five cylinder radial engine from a YouTube ad for our Young Aviators to build. Ken Drewyor said that he made a similar purchase on Facebook which never arrived. Rick is skittish and is planning to cancel the order. Gilda mentioned that the Young Aviators have been invited to a pilots' organization in Indiana later this year to help build a Zenith 250. → Gilda brought up that name tags are ready to be prepared and issued. Rick has stepped up to do the preparations. Gilda mentioned that designations for officers and Board members should be included on the tags; but in a way that allows for changes. Rick has it covered and she gave the name tags to Rick. >This issue of the parachute was brought up. Dave Trojan has a parachute that he will sell to the Chapter or to an individual. The

question was asked "Do we want a parachute decorating the walls or ceiling of our hangar?" The general consensus was "No." Ken Drewyor made a motion to table the parachute issue; seconded by Jon Iversen; motion carried. → The date for Mason Aviation Day (MAD) is settled, however discussion ensued over the date for Dawn Patrol (DP). One member said that having DP on a separate weekend takes up too many summer weekends. The idea of having it on a separate weekend was to lighten the workload of having DP and YE back-to-back. There were those who favored both scenarios without coming to agreement. It was decided that the issue would be brought up before the general membership meeting on Saturday, for further discussion. It was decided that a decision would be finalized in February. →A director is needed to coordinate activities of MAD and DP. Greg Hover, our director of last year, is out of town for the winter. The need for a new director will be brought up at the Saturday meeting. A decision on a new director will be finalized in February. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm. → Respectively submitted, Gilda Tucker, Secretary.



EAA Chapter 55 Membership Meeting, Saturday, January 8, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am by President Rick Laub. → After the

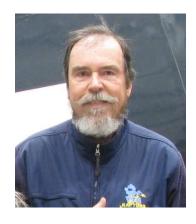
National Anthem, Rick thanked the breakfast team, Janet & Mason Samson, and Joe Madziar. Next month's breakfast team consists of Dave Groh, Tom Schroeder, Jim and Carol Spry, and Kirt Curtiss. → There were 32 present, including two guests; Betty Drewyor (Ken's wife) and Rick Sprague, guest of Jon Iversen. → Secretary's report was noted. Jon Iversen made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Robert Miller; motion carried. → Treasurer Drew Seguin summarized the Treasurer's report. Drew mentioned that, based upon a suggestion brought up at the Board meeting, he was working on putting some of our assets into a CD to earn interest and increase revenue. John Kuchar made a motion to accept the report; seconded by Frank Garcia; motion carried. +Gilda Tucker had a few announcements, 1) membership renewal is mandatory for both chapter and national membership. Renewal forms are available if there are changes from last year. 2) there is an "Open Hangar" Saturday, February 1st from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Terry Lutz's hangar. Food and entertainment will be provided. 3) The latest Member Roster is being passed around for any

changes that are needed. →Jeff Shaud was not here, but Rick confirmed that there is a Young Aviators meeting Sunday, January 12th, at the builder's hangar from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. > Margie Clark, Young Eagles Coordinator, gave the example of Chloe Miner as one whose first flight in a small plane was a Young Eagle's flight. Chloe (who is present) obtained her Private Pilot license, and went on to become a Certified Flight Instructor. She is working toward her Commercial license. Incidentally, she is a YE pilot. Pilots who fly YE must have an updated Child Protection form on file. Because of the number of YE flights given last year, EAA National reimbursed our Chapter \$1,675 that we can use toward YE expenses. It comes out to \$5 per child. Volunteer pilots and ground crew are needed to make YE events a success. → Doug Koons, Ray Scholarship chairman has no news. →Bob Clark, chairman of the Tri-Motor event – see Board meeting minutes. Just in – Rick just received the news that Capital Region International Airport will house the Tri-Motor. → Rosie the Riveter event – Gabe Blosser; Chairman; see Board meeting minutes. >The new Board assumes official responsibilities as of this meeting. Congratulations to newly elected and returning Board members. → Dawn Patrol date for 2025 was discussed. Deanna McAlister suggested that DP and YE occur the same day with DP from 7:00 to 10:00 am and YE from noon to 2:00 pm. Margie countered that, a) brochures are already out with times and dates and, b) people show up as early as 8:30 am for YE. Others countered that it isn't a good idea to have a breakfast just prior to YE flights. Some are not accustomed to flight. Most agreed that it would be best to have YE on Saturday and DP on the following Sunday. Joe Madziar reminded us that the purpose of separating the weekends for each event was due to the extra workload. Nevertheless, Jennifer Jacob made a motion to move the DP from Saturday to the Sunday (June); Ron Johnson seconded; the vote was 31 in favor and one opposed; motion carried. YE will be June 14th and DP June 15<sup>th</sup> (Father's Day). → The meeting adjourned at 10:02am. → Respectfully submitted, Gilda Tucker, Secretary.



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

See you at the hangar.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: CLAUS BUCHHOLZ

I joined Chapter 55 within the past year, however I was an EAA member in the 1990's. I am a pilot current in SEL and Glider. I own a Citabria which I recently moved to a hangar at Mason Jewett Airport. I am also a CFI, but not current. I was a Commercial Pilot in a former life (before marriage and kids) and flew towing banners. I enjoy every aspect of aviation and fly as often as the weather permits. My day job is as a Systems Engineer. My hobbies are computers (I refurbish old computers) and sports cars. I also enjoy astronomy. With no limitations, I would fly jets and spaceships.

#### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DAVID VANDERMOLEN

I have been a member of Chapter 55 since around 2022. I join and fail to renew periodically. I am current in Multi, Instrument, and Commercial ratings. I am also a Ground Instructor. I have 1100 hours. I own a Zenith 750 STOL. My first flight in it was in 2021. I enjoy anything and everything aviation related. Career-wise, I am a Journeyman Software Developer. I develop primarily in Java for the web but can use a wide variety of tools and technologies. I would like to be a professional pilot for the latter part of my working life. If anyone has a lead/contact for corporate or personal flying jobs in lower Michigan, please let me know. When not at the airport or working, I enjoy being a dad and doing dad stuff. I also enjoy travel and looking at stupid stuff on the Internet. With no limitations of any kind you would find me with a summer job as a fire suppression pilot. In the off season I would be found as a contract corporate pilot or as a make/model specialist CFI.



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

As I talk to pilots, it is evident that there is precious little flying going on. This is a good time to catch up on reading Sport Aviation, and to bone up on safety maneuvers - visualize potential emergencies and what to do in each. One thing I've done is to show movies in my home about flight. Last month, I showed "The Spirit of St Louis" to a group of pilots.

For those who enjoy outdoor activity this has been a wonderful winter for cross country skiing, (out behind my East Lansing house.) There are a variety of fun things to do in and out of doors to make the most of the winter season. See you soon!



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

Rallys: June 14<sup>th</sup> – July 12<sup>th</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup> See you at the airport!



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

**NEW MEMBERS:** Chapter 55 welcomes new member Kevin Mason. Kevin is a student pilot. We also welcome new student member, Aiyah Al-Sewari. Aiyah is also active in our Young Aviators Group.

2025 EAA55 MEMBERSHIP DUES: Reminder that dues must be paid by February 15<sup>th</sup> in order to remain a member in good standing. If not paid, you will no longer receive the monthly newsletter and information – and we don't want that to happen!! If you are not certain if you have paid or not, contact me or Treasurer Drew.

#### **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.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

Mar 21 – Rosie the Riveter Day

Apr 1-6 – Sun N Fun

Jun 14 – EAA55 Young Eagles

Jun 15 – EAA55 Dawn Patrol (DP)

Jul 12 – EAA55 Young Eagles

Jul 21-27 – Air Venture Oshkosh

Aug 9 – EAA55 Young Eagles

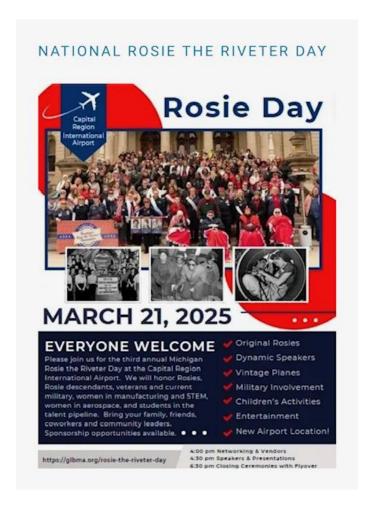
Aug 16 – EAA55 Mason Aviation Day (MAD)

# FLYERS FROM OTHER AIRPORTS POSTED

**IN TEW TERMINAL** 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/



# MASON JEWETT FIELD TENANTS & USER MEETINGS:

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

### **CRAA BOARD MEETINGS:**

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



RELAY FOR LIFE team Heartwood Glad Rags by Karen Meirndorf (krmdorf@yahoo.com)

We've joined Relay For Life to remember people who we lost and offer up support to anyone in our community who is afflicted by cancer. With your help, I hope to continue making a difference for our family and friends to enjoy more birthdays. Please join in our 50/50 fundraiser by purchasing tickets during breakfast at our next chapter meeting starting in March. Thank you for your continuing support of the American Cancer Society's research and services.



HELLO FROM NORTHLAND by Karen Meirndorf (krmdorf@yahoo.com)

Just a FYI to let our EAA55 pilots and co-pilots know we are still having lunch for all aviation enthusiasts that flys or drives in to the Roben-Hood Airport, Big Rapids MI every Saturday starting at 11:00am. It's a great way to find missing parts or info by talking to the pilots from around the state and those passing through.

We have a new airport manager, Kendra Herrema, and I think you will like her just as much as we all like Beth. You can also check out all the on-field happenings on our new Facebook page. The new fuel tanks should be up and running by now and plans for a runway extension is still on the books in the near future. Stop in for a cup of coffee and cookie anytime.



TRIP TO SELFRIDGE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE; MT. CLEMENS, MI; ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024

By Gilda Tucker

On Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, myself and three others had a private tour of Selfridge Air Base and Museum. The tour guide was none other than our own Dave Trojan. The tour began in the car on the way to the base. Dave gave us the history of the base and the aircraft that are housed there. Dave described the base as a small city. People at one

time lived there. There are houses, a chapel, two stores, and a cafeteria. The houses are now empty but the stores are still open, as is the cafeteria. Over the 100-year history of the base, there have been over 1,000 crashes associated with it. One is just a mile or two away. Dave researches crash sites then finds their location, looks for artifacts, and writes about them. The base was named after aviation pioneer, Lt. Thomas E. Selfridge. He was the first military officer to pilot an engine-driven aircraft. Unfortunately, he was also the first to die in enginedriven flight. He flew with Orville Wright. The base opened - and was activated - on July 1, 1917. At that time, it was an Airforce base, one of the oldest in the nation. Here pilots were trained, along with machinist, mechanics, gunnery personnel, and photographers. Charles Lindbergh completed his training here. Other Selfridge alumni include WWII heroes Carl "Tooey" Spaatz and Jimmy Doolittle. Over 100 generals were assigned here, earning the base the nickname "Home of the Generals". In the 1920's, air shows and national air races were held here. It remained that until the 1990's when it became a National Guard Base. Also housed here are bases for Air Force, Army, Marines reservists, and several Federal offices. Since the museum is closed for the season, only those who volunteer, work there, or have a military clearance can enter the base. Dave has military clearance. As such, he must drive into the base. The four of us, myself, Robert Miller, Claus Buchholz, and Ron Johnson piled into Robert's sedan. Dave drove us past the gate and into the complex. (Yes, Dave drove Robert's car – he must be in the driver's seat when we enter the base). Our first stop was the museum. Although not large, it is packed full of interesting aircraft, military items, military flight suits, and books about Aviation war history. Several of the aircraft are in separate buildings – buildings built specifically to house individual planes. One of those buildings, just built recently, houses the Corsair that Dave has had a hand in restoring. He restored the instrument panel. Our next stop was that building. In the same building that houses the Corsair there is a restoration project in process to restore a Jenny JN4 that crashed recently. All but the top wings of the bi-wing plane were damaged. Volunteers were at work doing restoration while we were there. Jennys were the first aircraft based at Selfridge in 1918. They were built between 1915

and around 1918. Our third stop was another building that houses a Spad biplane, and WW1 artifacts. After the indoor tours, we ventured outdoors in the cold, cold wind to see the planes out in the courtyard. There were around thirty aircraft out in the courtyard and one mobile control tower. After viewing the aircraft, we went back in to get warm. One of the planes outside is a P-3 Orion. Bob Ross, Airforce Master Sgt, (retired 2008) gave us a detailed tour of the Orion. These planes used sonobuoys to detect Russian submarines by transferring underwater sound back to the plane. Then "death charges" (I learned that term from the movies) were dropped down to destroy the subs. Our tour guide, Bob Ross, worked at the radar station in the plane. Of interest to me were the cartridges left over from the sonobuoys. They were discarded after the sonobuoys were used. Some of these plastic cartridges were used in the Star Trek shows. They were attached to bottom of the Starship Enterprise. Also of interest to me was an account Bob Ross gave us of his wife having the opportunity to ride aboard the refueling craft that refueled planes while in flight. His wife said they were close enough to the receiving plane that she could see into the cockpit. That experience would be a dream come true! Also housed at the base are 20 KC 135 tankers manufactured by Boeing in the 1960's that are still being flown. (Boeing 707's). Construction is taking place currently to house incoming KC 46 tankers. (Boeing 737's modified into tankers). About twenty A-10 fighter planes are at the base. They were built in the 80's and are gradually being phased out. After a stop at the museum gift shop to pick up a few books written during the WWII era, we piled back into the sedan and headed to dinner. We came back after dinner for a short stop at one of the stores on the base, after which we divided into our various vehicles and headed home. It was, except for the very frigid outdoor weather, a very enjoyable and very informative experience.



Bob, Ron, Gilda, Claus, Dave at Selfridge



Claus viewing Corsair Dave is helping restore



Volunteers Restoring the Jenny JN4



Bob Ross inside the P-3 Orion. Sonobuoy cartridges are visible in the background.



Sonobuoy Cartridges



Exiting the P-3 Orion after our tour



# "WINGS OF MERCY" MEETING PROGRAM GIVEN BY JON IVERSON SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 2025

The Wings of Mercy organization provides free medical flights for patients in need of long-distance transportation to or from medical destinations. The organization services the state of Michigan and is divided into two sections, east and west. For the past ten years, Jon Iverson has served as Mission Coordinator for the "Wings of Mercy - East" which services the eastern part of the state. Jon is an instrument rated pilot and has flown many missions. Other notable members of the organization are pilots Cody Welch (founder of W of M -East), retired Federal Judge Chuck Binder, Ed Felca, (former National Director of the Civil Air Patrol), Jason Morford, (W of M -E Vice President), and Deb Lund, Patient Counselor. The organization has flown 1,670 line missions between 1998 and 2014 and another 1,800 since then. Total miles flown is 1,550,000. The destination of most flights is the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota. Jon highlighted several stories of individuals who has benefited from the services of the organization. W of M also provides ground transportation if flight is, for some reason, unfeasible or if flight has, for some reason, been cancelled. The Air Care Alliance, another similar organization, has all VPO's (Volunteer Pilot Organizations) under its umbrella so that potential patients can be connected to it or to another suitable Aviation charity that fits the situation if the need is outside the scope of WoM. After describing Wings of Mercy, Jon highlighted "Wings for Michigan", a statewide flying and driving event that raises funds for W of M. (There is a website for this event that gives details and dates.) Since advertising for the organization is accomplished mainly through word of mouth, fundraising is an important aspect of the organization's continued existence. Funds raised are used to reimburse pilots for fuel and to pay for airline tickets for patients who choose to fly commercial. Pilots may request fuel reimbursement. Jon, as bookkeeper, remits reimbursement to pilots and patients with oversight by other BOD members. Pilots fly their own aircraft, are 100% in charge of their flights, choose their own co-pilot and agree to abide by WOM Flight Operations Guide. Many pilots also fly for WoM-West. Both organizations coordinate with each other as needed. Jon stated that there are issues between the FAA and VPO's concerning fuel reimbursement for Public Benefit that remains unresolved. In 2012, Congress ordered the FAA to come up with a solution. They have yet to do so. Chapter members listening to the presentation suggested that advertising for W of M be a part of the general event advertising associated with our chapter. Kris Garcia, President of the Lansing Regional Guild of Nurses asked for brochures to distribute to those who may be in need of the services of W of M. The issue of advertising will probably be brought up at the next Chapter 55 BOD meeting.



Jon Iversen Giving His Presentation

#### 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

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 & JohnVanderMolen; Zenith 750 (Builders)

Michael Weck: Cessna 150

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

#### **SENDING EMAIL BLASTS:**

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#### **MASON JEWETT FIELD FBO:**

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#### **CHAPTER 55 CLASSIFIEDS:**

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#### **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)

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