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The Chapter's Ed Heath Room is located at Amsterdam Airfield in Fort Johnson. About 100 feet past the intersection of Rts. 5 and 67 (a mile and a half west of Amsterdam) turn onto Mergner Road. The airport is a half mile up the hill, on your left.

### MARCH MEETING

March 26, 7:30 P.M. - Amsterdam Airfield  
Business: Rearwin, State-Fly-In, Spring cleanup of airport  
Program: SUN 'N FUN - 1984  
Video tape and discussion - Ed DeRossi

### NEWS ITEMS!

--New Chapter 602 Newsletter Editor  
Dave Ellithorpe  
35-2 Woodlake Rd.  
Albany, NY 12203  
(518) 456-5453 - home  
945-1388 - Athens Airport

Rated Pilot, Ultralight dealer and instructor,  
LONG-EZE builder.

--Spraying Polyurethane paint?  
\*Approved respirator #3709 from  
B. Lann Equipment Co.  
Troy, NY (274-7888) \$79.20/case of ten  
Only approved spray mask for polyurethane painting,  
disposable.

--Chapter 44, Rochester  
OSHKOSH '84 AIRLIFT - \$339  
(See attached sheet)

...the next steps needed to make this project a reality.  
I would encourage all Fulton County residents in  
Adirondack Chapter 602 to write their respective Supervisor  
and the Clerk of the Board, Peter Wilson, to indicate your  
position on development of a county airport. Other contacts  
to make would be letters to our local newspapers and dis-  
cussions with your employers to make their positions known in  
a pro-airport stance.

Listed below are the current Fulton Co. Board of Super-  
visors and their districts:

City of Gloversville  
Ward 1 - Michael Tesi  
Ward 2 - Salvatore Landrio  
Ward 3 - Ellen Wood  
Ward 4 - Antony Buanno  
Ward 5 - Roy Ward  
Ward 6 - John Cotoia

City of Johnstown  
Ward 1 - Frank Vacek  
Ward 2 - Marcus Farrant  
Ward 3 - Fred ...

KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBER-Tony Rizzio (Number 3c)

Tony Rizzio, like many of his fellow members, got the flying bug on having his first airplane ride furnished by his uncle, Pat Rizzio. Pat was known to many of us locals as having owned among other planes that cute little bug of the '30s known as the Buhl BULL PUP, much admired by this writer. It is obvious that, since the PUP was single-place, he didn't ride in it; rather his first was in Pat's Luscombe or T-craft or Piper CRUISER. Anyway that bug bit hard and he immediately began building models of his favorite planes.

Being the tenacious type, he stuck with his new hobby and his models got progressively larger, one of his most recent being a 1/4th-scale one of the Beech Staggerwing which still hangs in his garage...still his favorite.

In 1976 he got into RC flying and soon became a master at it; today he instructs newcomers in that art and serves as trouble shooter for builders who want their model test-flown or modified for better flying characteristics. Sometimes a new model won't fly right because of a twist inadvertently built in and he is able to diagnose the trouble and correct it. He is a very active member of the LAZY 8s Model Club.

That first ride took place long ago at Nellis Field in Fort Plain. More recently he has taken flying lessons in a Cessna 152 from Richmor.

His first venture into flying Ultralights was a bit abortive; he bought a poorly designed one, the MAC, which had a basic flaw built in. It was so bad that the manufacturer was forced into bankruptcy and "back to the drawing boards".

One flight with Ed Di Rossi in his 2-place KING COBRA last fall was what he needed for encouragement. He got rid of the MAC and bought Di Rossi's QUICKSILVER and looks forward to a good season with it. When he has mastered that he will consider what to do next...possibly building an INVADER or an FP 202.

Since the closing of Sears Roebuck's Gloversville store Tony has been employed in their mammoth store in Colonie Center where he enjoys his work in their Display Department. His wife, Linda, is most helpful and supportive in his hobbies, for which he, like the rest of us who are so blessed, is grateful. Meanwhile he is impatiently waiting for the arrival of those great, warm blue days of spring so he can get back into the air.

His three all-time favorite planes are the STAGGERWING Beechcraft, the F-15 EAGLE and the Lake BUCCANEER, the first of which is illustrated here. OSB



**DIMENSIONS**

Wingspan.....32ft  
Length.....26ft 1½in  
Height.....8ft  
Wing area.....296.5 sq ft  
Wing loading.....14.3 lb/sq ft  
Wing chord.....(at root):5ft  
Airfoil.....NACA23012  
Stabilizer span.....11ft 6in  
Stabilizer chord.....4ft 10½in  
Landing gear track width.....7ft 2in  
Wheelbase.....17ft 6in

Cabin length.....8 ft  
Cabin width.....4 ft

**WEIGHTS**

Gross (normal category).....4250 lbs  
Gross (utility category).....4250 lbs  
Standard empty.....2570 lbs  
Empty (as tested).....2903 lbs  
Standard useful load.....1200 to 1400 lbs  
Useful load (as tested).....1347 lbs  
Cabin load (full fuel, as tested).....297 lbs  
Fuel capacity.....175 gallons