

## MARCH MEETING

Thursday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m., at the First Federal Savings and Loan building on the Beallwood connector at Whitsville Road.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

The Valiant Air Command is having their annual warbird airshow at the Tico Airport, Titusville, Florida (near the space center) on Saturday, March 10th and Sunday, March 11th. The gates open at 10 am and the show starts at 1:30 pm. Admission is \$6 and for an additional \$2 you can roam the flightline.

Starting on Sunday, March 11th and continuing all week thru Saturday the 17th is the 10th annual Sun-'n-Fun fly-in and airshow in Lakeland, Florida. The Sun-'n-Fun is the first big bash of the season with many of the warbirds from Tico migrating over, especially for the first part of the week. Activities continue all week with flybys, forums, all sorts of large and small aircraft on display and flying, hot air balloons, many ultralights, flea markets, commercial exhibits and sales, corn roasts, a ground loop party and too much more to name.

Everyone should get together at the meeting and compare notes, possibly some of us can get together while we are there.

??????????????????

I've noticed that Skip Farfield's Ercoupe is back on a tiedown, so his annual must be finished, but no one has seen it fly! Speaking of flying, Ray Allens' Cessna 172 is always flying, how about everyone else?

Ray has closed his shop at the airport and moved it back to his home, but never fear Ray is still in business!

Jir Monk and John Myrick were recently seen working on their Cessna 175 "Skylark", is this an indication that spring is almost here?

Leonard Smith, with Eddie Hodges' help recently completed an annual inspection on his Cessna 152,

...and Ed Browns Cessna 172 has been seen in front of his hangar with the cowl off

...and Bob Jones' Ercoupe has recently taken up residence in the Aircraftsmen South shop, ... so spring must be just around the corner.

## PORTABLE RADIO

Earnie Shelton has suggested that the Chapter acquire a portable 720 channel VHF comm radio (such as a Terra unit) that can be made available to the members as needed. Many of us have only one radio and if it is broken we are grounded. (as I recently was) Some of our cross country types might find it handy to have a backup also. A new one can be bought for around \$450, what does everyone think?

