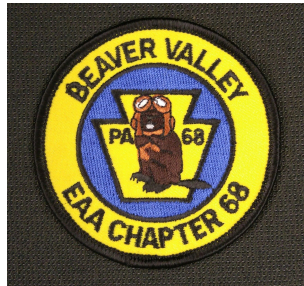


Newsletter



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Our Chapter has not held a regular monthly meeting for several months now, however, with recent improvements in the state of the current health crisis the Chapter 68 Board of Directors have decided to move forward and reinstate the regular monthly meeting beginning this coming Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. and will conduct the meeting at Dewey Clawsons.

Please feel free to exercise your choice to decide whether to attend or not. No harm, No foul. If you choose to attend and wish to wear a mask for additional protection please feel free to do so.

This meeting will feature a presentation of something. We discussed several topic options at the virtual board meeting held earlier this week, and I'm certain that regardless of whichever topic it is it will be informative. They always are.

Below are the driving directions to Dewey's. If you have GPS in your vehicle it will get you close enough to his driveway.

"The Bar'n"

To Dewey's place (GREEN ACRES) 611 Anderson Rd. Enon Valley

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From Chippewa, NW on 51 to Little Beaver Rd. (Where 51 changes from 4 lanes to 2 lanes.) Turn rt on Little Beaver Rd.

Cross the RR tracks then turn rt at next cross roads, Anderson Rd.

1.9 miles to wide paved drive. Big rocks on both sides. Directly across the street from a small gray house with white trim.

Go up the drive and park behind the barn.

Come on in.

From Ohio:

Take 14 into PA. First left after crossing the State Line, Anderson Rd. About 3 miles on the left, wide paved drive. Big rocks on both sides. Directly across the street from a small gray house with white trim.

Go up the drive and park behind the barn.

Come on in.

Dewey

or from BVI...



Start out going northeast on Piper St toward Darlington Rd.

0.02 miles



Turn left onto Darlington Rd.

0.11 miles



Take the 1st right onto Mckinley Rd.

0.11 miles

Sals Ristorante and Bar is on the right

If you reach Cessna Dr you've gone about 0.1 miles too far

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Turn left onto Constitution Blvd/PA-51.

3.42 miles

If you reach 37th Street Ext you've gone about 0.7 miles too far



Keep right at the fork to continue on Constitution Blvd/PA-51.

3.34 miles



Turn right onto Little Beaver Rd.

0.85 miles

If you reach Anderson Rd you've gone about 0.8 miles too far



Turn right onto Anderson Rd.

1.85 miles

Anderson Rd is 0.7 miles past Braden Rd

If you are on Mud Bridge Rd and reach Parker Hill Ln you've gone about 0.7 miles too far

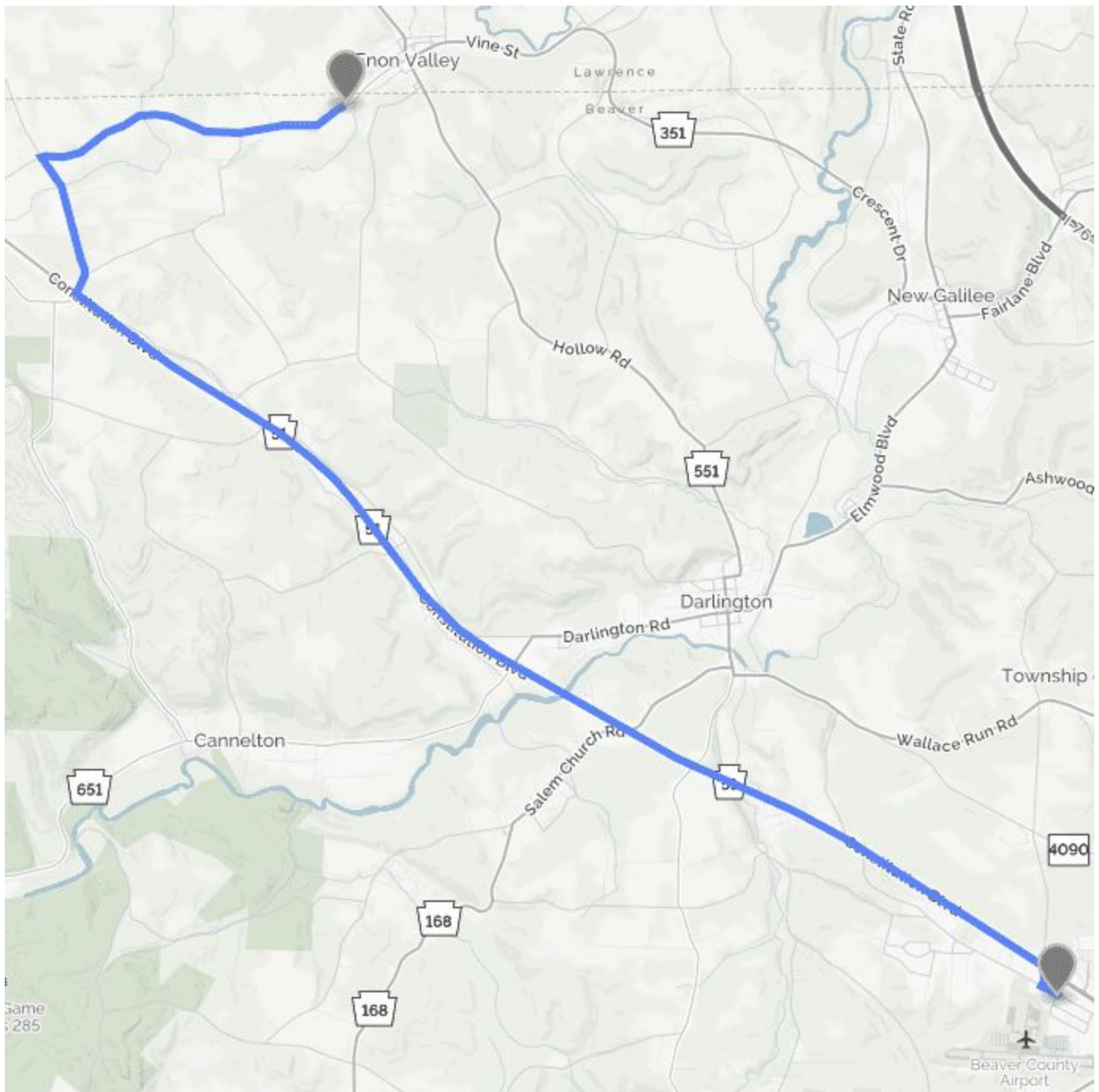


611 Anderson Rd, Enon Valley, PA 16120-1715, 611 ANDERSON RD is on the left.

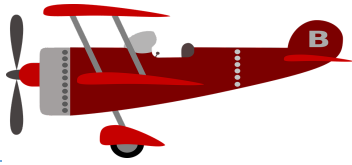
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Your destination is 0.6 miles past McRoberts Rd

If you are on Vine St and reach Railroad St you've gone about 0.3 miles too far



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It's time to get back to talking a bit about projects and airplanes. For those of you who attend the monthly meetings you're familiar with the time that is spent by each of us regularly updating the group with respect to our individual contributions to the activity of homebuilding and airplane ownership. i.e. our projects.

We were thinking about doing this in the Newsletter more recently than now but were unable (or unwilling) to risk our health and the health of others by making personal visits to members, interviewing them, and updating their projects here in print. In retrospect I guess it could have been done via telephone or text but that wouldn't have been any fun.

So to kick this off for this season I decided to update you all on my most recent projects status, the RV.

Now most of you all know that I did complete a project. It's a Sonex Model A, which is hangared at BVI, certified and aching to be let loose. Circumstances of late have effectively delayed my attempts to get airborne, but that's a story for some other time.

Late last year, after tucking the Sonex away for it's winter nap, I located and acquired an RV-7 project that had been started but unable to progress due to the untimely passing of its owner. R.I.P. James King. I promise to do my best to see that your efforts were not wasted.

The timing was right. With winter on the doorstep I knew that I would easily find time to continue along with this build.

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Here's a pic of my isolation therapy. The tail cone section is riveted and the mid and forward sections have been cleco'd and ready for final riveting.

If you look closely you may notice what looks like a reclining lawn chair on the backside of the fuselage.



(This is the only pic of me working on the RV. I better save it.)

Well, it is. For the time being I'd like to refer to it as a riveting tool. You see I've been trying to figure out how to position myself in a way that would allow me to set as many of the rivets without the help of another body, mostly because of this Covid thing, and I find that when I recline beneath the longeron I can actually reach many more that I previously thought possible. I don't recall seeing this trick anywhere in Tony Bingelis's manuals. I must have missed it.

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In addition to the progress that the pic reflects, the empennage is completed and stored. The wings are about 25% done as well.

I have to admit that I am impressed with the RV building experience, so far, but where the Sonex was more of a fabricate and assemble process, the RV is much more of an assembly only process.

If any of you wish to have your progress in print, please contact me.

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On the lighter side...

A man wakes up in the hospital bandaged from head to foot.

The doctor comes in and says, "Ah, I see that you've regained consciousness. Now, you probably won't remember, but you were in a huge pileup on the freeway. You're going to be okay, you'll walk again and everything, however, your penis was severed in the accident and we couldn't find it."

The man groans, but the doctor goes on, "You have \$9000 in insurance compensation coming and we now have the technology to build a new penis. They work great but they don't come cheap. It's roughly \$1000 an inch."

The man perks up. So the doctor says, "You must decide how many inches you want. But understand that you have been married for over thirty years and this is something that you should discuss with your wife. If you had a five incher before and get a nine incher now she might be a bit put out. If you had a nine incher before and you decide to only invest in a five incher now, she might be disappointed. It's important that she plays a role in helping you make a decision."

The man agrees to talk it over with his wife. The doctor comes back the next day, "So, have you spoken with your wife?"

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“Yes I have,” says the man.

“And has she helped you make a decision ?”

“Yes,” says the man.

“What’s your decision?” asks the doctor.

“We’re getting granite countertops.”

the prez sez...

“Chapter 68 will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 7 PM.

Since Beaver County is still under yellow status, the meeting will be held in Lawrence County at Dewey Clawson’s home. We will limit the number in the gathering to no more than 25, and we will welcome any and all members who choose to attend with any precautions they may wish to take. This crisis is obviously one that cannot be taken lightly. We have endured unprecedented restrictions to our freedom and our way of life and we are finally pulling ourselves out of the dive. As adults, we can make the determination of assumption of the risk that remains, as all other counties around us transition to green status.

I want very much for our Chapter to return to normal functioning status. In the meantime, I believe that we can make an effort to return to normalcy within the limits and guidelines set forth through the mandate of our elected officials.

We are entering the prime flying months of our year. This is the time we earned through a long winter. We paid our dues to find the enjoyment that comes in this season. I was very disappointed to hear of the cancellation of AirVenture this year, as well as Sun N Fun and many other events that we take for granted. My goal is to find a way, within the guidelines set forth, to recover some of the activities we have enjoyed in the past

Elsewhere in the newsletter you will find a map to Dewey’s house. Enon Valley is adjacent to Beaver County but safely within the boundaries of Lawrence County. Chapter 68 will be in full compliance with the Governor’s mandate.

No one could have foreseen the devastation and ruin brought about by this health crisis. The propriety of the response and implementation of mandates will be the subject of debate for years to come. The implementation of restrictions was very quick, and the relaxation of those restrictions will be very slow. This will be the first membership meeting since the onset of this crisis. Respecting the concerns of our membership, maintaining safe practices, we will once again build ourselves up. There will be an end to this.

Did you know?

Pennsylvania has published SIX guidelines to navigate this crisis:

All responses will be data driven. That is, data will be collected and will be used .

Personal protection equipment and testing will be part of our daily regimen.

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Limitations will be placed on large gatherings. AirVenture, Baseball games, Concerts.

Individuals, employers, and health care facilities will be subject to guidelines.

Enhanced protections will be afforded vulnerable people.

Monitoring in place so that quick action can be taken to tighten restrictions if necessary.

I wish that one additional guideline was listed: Respect and restraint within the limits of Constitutional authority granted under our Representative Republic.

Who would have known that response to this crisis would include student loan forgiveness, grants to the Kennedy Center, minimum wage increase, grant programs, broadband expansion, health care coverage, housing subsidies, mail in ballots and free tuition?"

Tony Pavilonis

The monthly regular meeting will be held in "Dewey's Bar'n" on Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. (June 2.)
Directions are included above.

Reminders: The weekly "unofficial" meetings held at the Brighton Hot Dog Shop in Chippewa are suspended until further notice.

Officers: President Tony Pavilonis, Vice-President Dave Brunberg, Treasurer Dewey Clawson, Secretary Stan Kocuba

Board Members in addition to the current officers: Ed Campbell and Kenny Gray.

Newsletter Editor: Stan Kocuba

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