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News and Information for the Gwinnett County Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association
Chapter 690 Meets in Hangar #1 of the Sport Aviation Complex at Briscoe Field, 690 Airport Road, Lawrenceville, GA

The Best Safety Device for any Aircraft

The program for the Chapter meeting on Friday, March 14th will be presented by Pam Hollis. Pam is a Pilot who has pursued Advance Ground Training Certificates. She is the founder of LIFT Flight Training (which is currently in application process for 141 status). Her professional educating and consulting background was previously in the highly regulated healthcare field. Ms. Hollis is acting President and Chief Operating Officer of LIFT, LLC. LIFT provides educational services to aviation enthusiasts, recurrent training to licensed pilots, and comprehensive consulting to the aviation industry. Her company focuses on classroom instruction from beginning students to certified pilots. Lift also provides customized pilot training programs for Corporate Flight Operations and Charter Companies.

Pam's presentation is entitled "The Best Safety Device for any Aircraft." This device is something inexpensive and readily available for all aircraft, which is "A Well Trained Pilot." The discussion will focus on the importance of education from the earliest stages of your flight training throughout your career as a professional pilot or enthusiast.

Also, be prepared! A review of the keys areas of aeronautical knowledge needed for your next flight review will be presented.

Come Join Us!

Join in on the camaraderie at the pre-meeting dinner gathering on March 14th.

This month's menu will be burgers and hot dogs and all the trimmings, macaroni salad, beverage and dessert.

Just come to the hangar a little early before the meeting on Friday - around 6:30 would be good - and join us for food, fun and fellowship. A minimum donation of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12 is suggested. Any profits from the pre-meeting dinners will benefit the Chapter's scholarship fund.

Editors Note: Last month the fried chicken dinner was delicious and the dining area and tables were even decorated for Valentine's Day. Thanks to Lou and Sally Friedman and their helpers for instituting this fun new way to start an enjoyable evening and hopefully help send more youths to aviation camps and educational programs.

Monthly Pancake Breakfast
EAA Chapter 690
Lawrenceville Airport
8:00 to 10:30 AM



- ➔ April 5 - Selecting Your Aircraft Restoration Project
- ➔ May 3, 4 & 5 - Georgia Wings Weekend
- ➔ June 7 - Annual Poker Run
- ➔ July 5 - Annual Airplane Wash



Re: 2003 Chapter Dues

From Lee Craymer, Membership Chairman

Annual dues are \$30/Individual or \$40/Family. Pay at the meeting, online at www.eaa690.org (using PayPal) or mail your check to Lee Craymer at 2200 Ewing Chapel Road, Dacula, GA 30019.

A REMINDER . . .

The application Deadline for Tuition Scholarships to 2003 Air Academy in Oshkosh is March 15th. See information on page 6.

Recent Chapter 690 Scenes

Photos by Frank Wilcox



← Lee Rummel, PDK's Airport Director, and Past President of the Georgia Airports Assn. Presented a very interesting program after the February 1st Pancake Breakfast.

The dropped ceiling for the mezzanine was one of the last work projects completed by some of our members. Jim Neely and Greg Jannakos watch Tim Fulmer during the installation process, while Joel Levine and Barney Barnes "supervise." ⇒



← Duane Huff shows Walter Deere, Greg Jannakos and Reinhart Kuntz the latest work that was done on the New Standard's wing restoration.

Chapter members frequently gather at Valentino's before or after chapter meetings, work sessions and events - or sometimes hold committee meetings at the restaurant. Here enjoying a meal are Walter Deere, Reinhart Kuntz, Frank Wilcox, Duane Huff and Greg Jannakos. ⇒



Sun 'n Fun Celebrates the 100th Anniversary of Powered Flight!

It's a good year to travel to Lakeland to share their celebration of this milestone in aviation history.

April 2 - 8, 2003 (Wednesday - Tuesday)

Now is a good time to make your plans to share car rides, planes, tents, hotels, etc. Let members know if you have room or would like to ride along. And you can now it all on the chapter web-site:

www.eaa690.org

The NavCom

The NavCom is the official monthly newsletter of EAA Chapter 690, serving its members and other persons interested in the advancement of Aviation.

Original articles, art and photos are invited and welcome. Submit articles in Word 97 or ASCII format and pictures in jpeg, tif or bitmap format via e-mail to: lnor@akorn.net

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month, unless otherwise announced. **The deadline for the April 2003 NavCom is Wednesday, March 19th.**

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The President's Pitch

By Duane Huff



"Outstanding!" is what I would proclaim our February meeting to have been. Lou Friedman's fried chicken, potato salad and slaw were delicious. "Best fried chicken I ever ate," was a comment that was heard frequently after dinner. Thanks, to Lou & Sally and the Norths for a great meal. Rumor is that we may have BBQ Ribs for our dinner in March. Come and join us at 6:30 p.m. for dinner before the meeting.

Andy Zimmerman held all in rapt attention with his talk on the engineering accomplishments of the Wright brothers. Several of the ladies in attendance expressed their interest in the program and how great Andy was as a speaker. Thanks again to Debi Huffman for her continued efforts to obtain quality programs for our monthly meetings.

It was a pleasure to have Matt Smith (LZU Airport Manager) and his wife at our last pancake breakfast. Matt introduced the speaker, Lee Rimmel. His talk about general aviation airports and security was very informative and interesting. Thank you Joel Levine for another very good 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast program.

Tim Fulmer has scheduled our first Fly-out for March 8th to Beech Mtn., NC to go skiing. Your president

hopes to go and renew the skills of a boyhood winter activity. Join us and maybe you will be able to get another photo of your president in an awkward position. Check the Chapter 690 Web-Site for details.

The Board of Directors, at the last meeting, voted to present to the chapter the possibility of joining the South East Regional Fly-In (SERFI). Look for Tim Fulmers article in this NavCom for more details. A vote will be taken during the March meeting.

The 690 Fly-In committee has met three times and are ahead of scheduled planning. The event will be held on September 20th. Next comes the assignment of the many tasks necessary to have a big Fly-In. When you are asked, please be ready to commit to a job that you would do for this activity.

Young Eagles was weathered out in February, so we will fly some on March 1st and also on March 22nd.

Needed: a volunteer or two to oversee the annual Awards Banquet/Holiday Party in December. If you would take care of the food or decorating, please talk to me about doing this.

EAA 690 = E-exciting
A-aviation
A-activities

Young Eagles Update

By Debi Huffman



Young Eagle Flights were grounded due to low ceiling on February 15th. However, the families seemed to enjoy the videos of Oshkosh that were shown during the "wait-and-see how the weather goes" time. They were also treated to an extensive orientation by Duane, and they were eager to hear about other opportunities such as Air Academy and Centennial of Flight Scholarships!

The Fernbank kids have been rescheduled for March 22nd. Some of the local Gwinnett kids will fly at the 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast on March 1st.

As of the last posting on the EAA web-site, 882,769 Young Eagles have flown with 117,231 to go between now and December. If you know a young person between the ages of 8 and 18 who would be a prospective Young Eagle, contact Duane Huff duanehuff@yahoo.com or Greg Jannakos gpiann@juno.com. What a wonderful way to introduce youths to the experience of flight!



A Young Eagles Success Story

By Duane Huff

The Young Eagles program was in its infancy back in 1994 when Sue Adams, Y.E. field representative asked EAA Chapter 690 to host an area Young Eagles rally. The invitation was accepted and a committee was formed. A goal was set and months of preparation facilitated a very successful rally. On March 19th, 1994, six hundred thirty-five (635) young people became Young Eagles.

After all these years, and continuing to fly many Young Eagles, one might wonder if any of these young people are bitten by the aviation bug and continue in flying. Just by chance, the following story of Jenna Onken was found out, and reinforces the idea that other Young Eagles may be pursuing a career in aviation. And now, "Here is the rest of the Story."

The Rest of the Story

By Jenna Onken

I caught "aviation fever" in 1994, when Gwinnett County Airport was hosting a fly-in. One of the things being offered were airplane rides for children, called Young Eagles Flights. My dad has always had a passion for flying, so naturally he was lured to the show. My brother and I were to go on a Young Eagles Flight after we sat through the ground school. That lasted probably around thirty minutes, and I was getting impatient. I may have only been a mere eight years old, but I was ready to conquer the skies!

The plane we were to take up was a four seater, and I got the privilege of sitting in the right seat. I was expecting a short, twenty minute flight, since that's what most of the other kids were getting. We actually wound up staying up for about an hour, flying to Kennesaw Mountain, over Atlanta and Stone Mountain, and then back to Gwinnett. Even after the plane was on the ground, I was still in the skies. I was completely ecstatic and knew then that I wanted to pursue a career in aviation. I remember telling my parents I wanted to be a pilot, and they laughed and didn't believe me, but they were very wrong.

I flew a little more over the next couple of years; it was hard seeing over the dash, so most instructors advised me to wait until I was a little taller. When I was a freshman in high school, I joined Aviation Explorers, led by Mr. Steve Haslup. This program really increased my knowledge about general aviation, as Mr. Haslup taught us about everything from what an aileron does to how to plan a cross-country flight. After Explorers, I joined the Civil Air Patrol at Gwinnett. CAP really helped me to learn a lot about



myself, both physically and mentally. I was challenged constantly, and always motivated to settle for nothing less than my best. Civil Air Patrol taught me a lot, including Air Force courtesies and customs, how to wear a uniform, and most importantly, TEAMWORK. Every task can be accomplished if everyone cooperates. I took several Orientation Flights with CAP, and with each flight, my love for flying continued to grow.

In November 2000, I started working at Astron Enterprises, a flight school on the field. It was fantastic being surrounded by pilots all the time, and I loved hearing their stories. Working at Astron gave me the most insight into what a career in aviation is really like. I began taking flying lessons at Astron, and still am today. Although flying has been put on hold several times due to school, I haven't let the fire die out.

On November 1, 2002, I finally soloed for the first time. I was so thrilled, but slightly terrified at the same time. I had finally done it, achieved what I had been yearning for, for so long. I am still working on getting my license, and hope to get it by the time summer comes.

Status of Robert North's Kidney Transplant

Fundraising efforts are continuing for the post-op medication fund for Robert. Profits from the sales of the Teddy Bears (\$10), Cookbooks (\$12), Green Ribbon Pins (\$3) and Variety Entertainment Of Atlanta coupon books (\$15) go towards that goal.

Kidney transplant candidates are asked to raise a minimum of \$50,000 to help with the cost of post-op care and medications. Please contact Lnor Levine (770-394-5466), Larry Bishop (770-448-7648) or Ron Mulvaney (770-640-0149) if you would be willing to help with a chapter fundraiser on Robert's behalf.

In a recent set-back, Roberts brother Steven has been rejected as a donor by a panel at Emory.

Checks for donations and purchases may be made to The National Foundation for Transplants, and "Donation for Robert North" should be indicated in the memo portion of your check. Mail checks to: The National Foundation for Transplants, P.O. Box 217, Grayson, GA 30017. Donations are tax deductible and receipts are available for cash donations. Any and all assistance that you can give in this effort will be greatly appreciated by Robert and his family.

An Intro to Mountain Flying (without the plane)

By Tim Fulmer

Our first fly-out activity for 2003 is set for March 8th. We will be headed north to the great white expanse (or at least as much expanse that you can create with man-made snow machines) to Beech Mountain Ski Resort (www.skibeech.com) in North Carolina. Our destination airport is Avery County A/P (7A8), where the very hospitable folks at Avery Aviation (averyaviation.com) have pledged to help us in every way that they can. From the airport we will take a short drive of 15 miles or so to the slopes for a day of skiing, tubing, ice skating, or just sitting around and watching other folks struggle with the loss of friction.

The costs for the trip will be as follows:

Required:

Rental van - Approx \$50 split evenly between all of us that go (or all that will fit in the van)

Lift Ticket - \$45 for the full day (less for half days, tubing, etc., see the web site)

Skis, Poles, and Boot Rental - \$12 for the full day

Optional:

Jacket Rental - \$8 /day

Bibb (funny pants favoring overalls) Rental - \$7 /day

Gloves - \$6 /day

Obviously, if you only plan to watch, there will be no need for you to rent any equipment. We will expect you to fund your portion of the van rental.

Go to the chapter web-site at www.eaa690.org and register for this fun filled day. On the web-site you will see "message" boards; click on these. One of the message boards is titled "The Air Czar's Realm." This is where we will stick all of the pertinent fly-out information and where you, yes you!, can post your requests for a ride, your desire to participate, or you utter amazement that any of us would venture off on such a foolish endeavor. So please, go visit the web-site and post your thoughts today.

See you on March 8th. Everybody should schedule his or her departure to arrive at Avery County by no later than 9:30 a.m. Anybody without web-site access is invited to call me (Tim Fulmer) at 404-538-5244. This is also the number that I can be reached at on the morning of the fly-out.



UPCOMING AVIATION EVENTS



March 15 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 - Friendship Flights and Annual Chili-Cook-Off

Mar 20 - 22 – Cincinnati, OH. Dr. Albert B. Sabin Cincinnati Convention Center. 14th Annual International Women in Aviation Conference. Celebration of Flight: Saluting the Past, Embracing the Future. www.wiai.org/

Mar 22 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Young Eagle Rally. Contact Greg Jannakos gpiann@juno.com

Mar 29 - 30 – Marathon, FL. Marathon (MTH). 6th Annual Seafood Festival Flyin. Fresh seafood, lobster, music and misc. Contact E Waldorf, 305-743-0835

Apr 2 - 8 – Lakeland, FL. Lakeland Linder Regional (LAL). Sun ' n Fun EAA Fly-in. Celebrate 100 years of aviation at our annual Spring Celebration of Flight. Sun ' n Fur invites all segments of the aviation community to enjoy the best fly-in experience ever. 863/644-2431.

April 5, 2003 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast and Aviation Program. Selecting Your Aircraft Restoration Project. E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

Apr 26 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Young Eagle Rally. Contact Greg Jannakos gpiann@juno.com

May 2 - 4 – Lawrenceville, GA. - Gwinnett County Airport, Briscoe Field (LZU). 4th Annual Georgia Wings Weekend. A weekend of flying and training. Special guest speaker Ben Sliney. Contact Sue Adams, 770/613-9501.

May 3 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast and Aviation Program. Program in conjunction with Wings WeekendTBA. E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

May 31 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Young Eagle Rally. Contact Greg Jannakos gpiann@juno.com

June 7, 2003 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690, Annual Poker Run & Pancake Breakfast. E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

June 7 – Frederick, MD - Frederick Municipal (FDK). 13th Annual AOPA Fly-in & Open House. The largest fly-in event on the East Coast.

July 7, 2003 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690, Airplane Wash & Pancake Breakfast., E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

July 8-13 – Huntsville, Alabama - The Ninety-Nines International Conference -Contact Lisa Cotham

July 29 - August 4 – Oshkosh, WI - EAA AirVenture Oshkosh. For more information on EAA and its programs, call 1-800-564-6322 or visit the EAA web-site at www.eaa.org.

Note: Chapter 690 Activities are italicized.



The nation's longest-running aviation camp, the EAA Air Academy, presents a complete schedule of residence programs during summer 2003. Chapter 690 is sponsoring two full tuition scholarships for this summer. **The deadline for applications is March 15th.** If you know of any qualified and interested young people, please contact:

Duane Huff at a meeting, by phone at 770-921-4423 or e-mail duanehuff@yahoo.com or Debi Huffman at a meeting, by phone at 770-483-0245 or by e-mail debi.huffman@fernbank.edu

This year's Air Academy programs specifically for youth include:

Primary Aviation Fun Camp (June 21-25 or June 27-July 1). Designed for ages 12-13, this introduction to the world of aviation is fast-paced with plenty of hands-on activities. Also includes ample recreation time, including the Air Academy Lodge Challenge Course.

Intermediate Aviation Experience Camp (July 8-13 or July 15-20). For 14- and 15-year-olds include workshop activities and "in the air" experiences. Science and technology come together to expand a young person's horizons and raise new possibilities for their future.

Advanced Aviation Leadership Camp (July 22-31 or August 2-11). The original Air Academy program for young people ages 16-18. provides a first-hand experience in recreational aviation on the ground and in the air, designed to enhance the participant's leadership skills as well as their love of flight. Includes participation at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We're so glad you joined us!

Terry & Wendy Anderson
Ted C. Andrews
Barry Britt
Daryl Glidewell
Bryan Holt
Brandan & Becki Lail
James Lawrence
Jeff Mayworm
Larry & Jean Roeder
Al Sisarsky

... And Welcome to our New "Family" Members

Jill Balthaser
Jeannie Ferguson
Bonnie McCormick
Mary Neely
Jeannie Ostergaard

Aviation on T.V.

March 3rd -- 9:00 PM EST History Channel. A 90 Min. program on the history of the P-38 pulled from the Greenland Ice Cap.

February 20th marked the debut of "Centennial Minutes" on the Discovery Wings Channel, a series of one-minute segments produced by EAA Television, featuring milestones of powered flight's first 100 years. Centennial Minutes will run at the top of each hour during regular Discovery Wings programming through December 17, 2003.

Happy St. Patrick's Day



2003 Land-A-Member Sweepstakes - EAA Giving Away a Sonex Kit!

Join EAA, renew your current membership, or recruit a new member during 2003 and you could land a new Sonex kit in EAA's 2003 Land-A-Member Sweepstakes. The prize airplane is a quick-build kit complete with an 80-hp Aero Vee engine kit, tools, hardware, training, and everything needed to complete the sporty two-seater. Aircraft Spruce & Specialty Co. will provide instrumentation and accessories. All you need to do is devote the building time, and EAA can help there, too, through its outstanding Technical Counselor and Flight Advisor programs.

Every new and renewing EAA member in good standing on December 31, 2003, has a chance to win. Members receive an additional chance to win for each new member recruited during the sweepstakes period - January 1-December 31, 2003. Members who recruit a new member also receive an EAA 50th anniversary pilot's thermos.

For a complete description of the program and official rules, visit the EAA web-site at www.eaa.org.

They've Been Busy!

Dave Tulis says that he and Lisa have not been around lately because of the arrival of Lauren Elena on January 14th.



Dave invites us to visit the new arrival's web-site - <http://home.mindspring.com/~dtulis/wsn/page2.html>

The "Wright Stuff"

By Margaret Wilcox

Andy Zimmerman, Aerospace Engineer, C-130 Pilot and Flight Test Engineer, Takes Us Back to the 1900s with the "Wright Stuff"



At the February Chapter meeting Andy Zimmerman, the speaker told us in great detail "What the Wrights were up to." He described how these two self taught, bicycle builders from Dayton, Ohio studied all the information they could obtain on experimental flying and over a period of 5 years developed and flew the first powered airplane. The Wrights saw how others, including the great German engineer Otto Lillenthal, tried powered flights and were killed, so they started with kites, graduated to gliders and solved the challenges of pitch, yaw and roll before they added an engine and a propeller.

They went to Kitty Hawk, N.C. for their testing on the advice of their friend and benefactor, Octave Chanute, who advised them to get away from the crowds, and find a place where the landings were soft and the wind strong. The U.S. Weather Bureau suggested Kitty Hawk offered these advantages.

They went through trying times, especially in late summer 1901 when they had not yet mastered yaw control and on one flight Wilbur was almost killed. He declared, "Man will not fly in my life time or in a

thousand years." But they did not give up. They went back to Dayton and built a wind tunnel and taught themselves aeronautics. They made great progress that winter and returned to build a permanent camp at Kill Devil Hill, from which they had many successful glider flights the summer of 1902 learning to control the gliders.

They went home that winter to find an engine for their craft. They soon found there were no suitable engines available so they set their chief bicycle mechanic, Charlie Taylor, to building one. They also had to solve the problem of the propeller. The time was now February 1903 - exactly 100 years ago. That is where our speaker left us - with a promise to return with "the rest of the story."

Andy is an engaging speaker and kept the attention of the audience. His extensive background in aviation and interest in history enabled him to provide a story we won't soon forget. If you want to know more, there are copies of his article in the Georgia Engineer available at the Chapter Building or from Debi Huffman, debihuffman@fernbank.edu.



Some Internet Sites to Explore

By Jake Crause and Michele Chambre

A new web-site was just launched on December 21st, 2002 at www.homebuiltpairplanes.com.

Homebuiltpairplanes.com is basically a discussion forum centered on homebuilt aircraft and the techniques for building and flying them. I believe that it's a great format for Experimental Aircraft enthusiasts to get together to swap ideas, share stories, post pictures, add links, publish technical data, and simply chit chat about homebuilt aircraft. There is also an area for people to let others know what they need or what they have for sale. This site is in it's infancy at the moment, but I am confident it will grow quickly to become a great resource for the Experimental Aircraft community. Feel free to stop by and register (it's free). If you have any questions you can post them to the forum or send me an e-mail at admin@homebuiltpairplanes.com.

Thanks for your time.

Jake Crause

admin@homebuiltpairplanes.com

I am a pilot and my husband is a member of EAA (he is building an RV-4).

I maintain a web-site www.AirportHomes.com which has a lot of handy information about residential airparks. These houses have hangars and access to a runway. I think homebuilders are especially interested in these types of properties because they would have much more time to work on their project if they did not have to spend so much time driving to their local airports.

Please make a note of this web-site and visit when you have a chance.

Thanks for your time,
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www.AirportHomes.com



EAA 690 @ SERFI ' 2003; Flight Crew or Passenger?

By Tim Fulmer

As a member of EAA Chapter 690 we are privileged to belong to one of the premier aviation organizations in the south. Vision, good leadership and an active membership have allowed Chapter 690 to progress from a few friends huddled in a small FBO at Stone Mountain to an aviation organization that truly benefits the whole metro Atlanta area. Now we find ourselves at the forefront of a new opportunity; we have been invited to participate in the Southeastern Regional Fly-In (SERFI) and participate in sport aviation on a regional level.

SERFI is our regional fly-in event and is held each year (since 1991) in Evergreen, Alabama. Fourteen EAA Chapters consisting of 9 from Alabama, 3 from Florida, 1 from Mississippi, and 1 from Georgia currently sponsor SERFI. If we accept this challenge, EAA Chapter 690 will be fifteenth chapter. As a SERFI sponsor, EAA 690 would be expected to coordinate our efforts with those of the other chapters to help make SERFI the regional event it is destined to become. So why should we burden ourselves with involvement in a regional air show? Here are a few of my reasons:

- ✦ SERFI is our regional event - not being involved is akin to enjoying the warmth but never stoking the fire.
- ✦ The intimate size of SERFI means that our participation will make a difference and will certainly be appreciated (think in terms of getting involved with Sun-N-Fun twenty years ago).

- ✦ SERFI allows us opportunities that we may never have with our own fly-in - namely a real EAA sanctioned air show.
- ✦ Our participation will allow us to get to know EAA members from our neighboring states.
- ✦ My experience has always been that you get back much more than you give. Our participation in SERFI is certain to benefit us with our own Fly-ins, Hangar Dances, Fly-out events, etc.

Here is an interesting fact - since its inception in 1991, SERFI has been completely self-sufficient. The only money ever contributed by the supporting chapters is the original \$100 that each of the founding chapters contributed in 1991. SERFI is formally organized as an Alabama non-profit corporation and carries its own insurance for the annual event. The only contribution that we are being asked for is warm, willing bodies and an eager spirit.

You will certainly hear more about this effort at the March meeting. In the mean time, give some thought as to how you see EAA 690 participating in this, our regional fly-in. Do you want to be a part of the flight crew or would you prefer to be a passenger? Come to the March meeting and share your thoughts.

For more information about SERFI visit the web-site at www.serfi.org.

Classifieds

Ads run for 3 months. If you would like to continue the ad for an additional 3 months you must request it through the editor by e-mail, snail mail or phone call. This limit is set to keep the ads current and effective. Ads will be dated with month and year at the time of submission or renewal.

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Aircraft Lot for Sale

2 1/2 acre Hanger-only lot for sale at Spring Valley Air Park, 6GA4. Air park is approx. 3 miles south of Loganville off of Hwy. 81. Runway property is 3700 ft. with 2400 ft. currently usable. County water and electricity are available at the front of the lot but not connected. \$18,900.

Contact: Mark Napier (day) 770-236-6980 (evening) 770-682-3725
3/03



Educating women about the possible aviation careers available to them, providing mentors, and assisting with scholarships are important goals of Women in Aviation (WIA).

These goals are promoted at events like the annual WIA Conference. This year the theme of the 14th conference is "Celebration of Flight: Saluting the Past, Embracing the Future." It is being held on March 20th - 22nd in Cincinnati. For more information, check the organization's web-site: www.wiai.org

First Flight Centennial Celebration

From the EAA Web-Site



Relive History at the Wright Brothers' National Memorial Kitty Hawk, North Carolina

10:35 a.m. on December 17, 2003 — the to-the-minute 100th anniversary of the first flight.

The eyes of the world will look to Kitty Hawk. EAA and Ford Motor Company, through a special partnership with the National Park Service, will re-create the Wright Brothers' first flight at the Wright Brothers National Memorial by flying the authentic reproduction of the immortal 1903 Flyer. This historic re-enactment is an extraordinary tribute to the Wright brothers and to the legacy they left behind.

10:35 A.M. — EAA and Ford Motor Company will serve as host to our nation's dignitaries, top innovators, government officials and citizens of our country will gather at the Wright Brother's National Memorial to witness the re-enactment of the first powered flight. Following the scheduled flight, EAA

will orchestrate a series of historically significant aircraft in flight over the memorial, tracing the chronology of aviation advances from 1903 to the present.

12:00 P.M. — The EAA's Young Eagle program—a multi-year initiative to fly one million kids before the centennial of flight—will culminate with retired Brigadier General Chuck Yeager's flight of the one-millionth Young Eagle.

2:00 P.M. — The second flight of EAA's 1903 Wright Flyer Reproduction will commemorate the Wright's fourth and final flight of their Flyer on December 17, 1903. Following will be another round of historically significant aircraft fly-bys.

2003 Centennial of Flight Lecture Series at



156 Heaton Park Drive, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30307



The year 2003 marks a full century since the Wright brothers' first powered flight. To recognize this milestone in the history of civilization, the U.S. Centennial of Flight Commission has organized a national celebration.

Fernbank Science Center, along with the local aerospace industry and aerospace enthusiasts throughout Georgia, proudly hosts a series of special events throughout 2003. All are open to the public and free of charge.

The Fernbank Science Center Centennial of Flight Lecture Series is scheduled for the Planetarium Theatre on Fridays (unless otherwise noted) from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. There will be a reception and opportunity to meet the speakers afterwards. Call 404-378-4311 or visit the web-site <http://fsc.fernbank.edu> for details.

March 7

Women in Aviation

March 21

Greenland Expedition

April 4

Pilotless Flight

April 18

Pre-WWI -

Golden Age of Aviation

May 2

Wright Experience

May 16

Military & X-Planes

May 20 - Tuesday

Last of the Gentle Giants:
WWII Airships

June 6

Nothing "General" About
General Aviation

June 7 - Saturday

PDK Neighbor Day

June 20

The Business of Aviation

July 11

Legacy of Apollo

July 18

NASA Spinoffs:
From Space Into Your Home

August 1

Keeping Aviation Safe for All
of Us

August 8-10 - Friday - Sunday

AIRSHOW -

Incredible Age of Aviation
Atlanta Motor Speedway

August 15

EAA - The Dream of Eagles:

Vintage Warbirds

Aerobatics Homebuilts

Seaplanes Ultralights

August 26 - Tuesday

Pearl Harbor:

Awakening the Sleeping Giant

September 5

The Mighty 8th Air Force in WWII

September 9 - Tuesday

Feature Film - "Last Reunion,
Mighty 8th Air Force"

Minutes of February 14, 2003 Chapter 690 Meeting

Respectfully Submitted by Lou Friedman, Secretary

The EAA690 general meeting for February 14, 2003 began after the many members ate fried chicken, coleslaw and potato salad, which was prepared to raise money to send kids to Air Venture. After the Pledge of Allegiance, introductions by those in attendance were made. The minutes as published in the NavCom were approved. Mike Stewart gave the treasurer's report. Debbie Huffman gave a summary of some topics anticipated for future programs including March's, which shall be Women in Aviation. Although no formal membership report was made we have more than 100 members so far. Joel Levine gave a report for Publicity and has small and large posters available for distribution for those who have the ability to display them. Lnor Levine requested articles on time this month for the NavCom to assist her in meeting deadlines. She also announced that chapter mugs, wall and desk calendars, oil analysis kits, and books were all available for sale. In addition, coupon books (Variety Entertainment/ \$15), cookbooks and teddy bears can be purchased to aid in the funding of Robert North's medical expenses.

Plan on joining others to go skiing on March 8, 2003 at Beech Mountain for the next Fly-Out. Those working on the Fall Fly-In scheduled for September 20, 2003 were to meet at Valentino's at 6:30 on Sunday, February

16, 2003. The chapter is expecting a large turn out for Young Eagles, weather permitting, and if rain interferes March 22, 2003 will be the next scheduled date. Young Eagles may also fly during the March 1, 2003 pancake breakfast. The Chili Cook-off is planned for March 15, 2003 at approximately 5:00 p.m., with Friendship Flights first.

Debbie Huffman also highlighted upcoming events for Centennial of Flight, which will include talks by Paul MacCready and Col. Dryden (one of the Tuskegee Airmen).

Tim Fulmer spoke to the group regarding SERFI and will put an announcement on the web-site. A vote re: 690's participation will be taken later.

Mike Stewart donated beautiful model airplanes he used in competition - now soaring above the hangar.

Debbie Huffman spoke to the chapter regarding Wild Blue Wonders, a competition for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Eleven chapter members needed to aid and advise the children. The teams will compete in May.

Check the e-mail list and contact Joel Levine if the information regarding your name/address not current.

Andy Zimmerman, the guest speaker, entertained those in attendance with a talk on "The Wright Stuff."

Minutes of February 11th, 2003 Chapter 690 Board Meeting

Respectfully Submitted by Sally Friedman, Acting Secretary

Chris Madrid, Marketing Officer for Dixie Wing Commemorative Air Force, located at Falcon Field in Peachtree City, spoke to the board to inform the chapter of their organization, mission and goals for the future. For more information go to www.commemorativeairforce.org.

Program committee reports:

- A. Chili Cook Off - Friendship Flights
- B. Post Oshkosh Bash
- C. Fly-In SERFI - Tim and Duane attended a meeting in Evergreen, AL with members of 15 other chapters. Program has been hurt in past few years by weather. Costs approximately \$9000 to \$10,000 to put on event and this year they are starting with less money than usual (\$3000). All chapters will be asked to pledge to split any deficit, if needed, among all of the chapters (none anticipated) to comply with EAA rules. Board passed motion to help sponsor obligation and to provide a few warm bodies.
- D. Hangar Dance
- E. Air Academy
- F. Aviation Day Camp - Coordinators are getting started.

- G. Young Eagles - Debbie may have 15 and Duane may have 27 possible kids flying - all need to hope for good weather.
- H. Fly-Outs - 1st scheduled, but no response. Message on web-site for ski trip to Beech Mt. March 8. Land in Jackson City, 15 miles from slope. Not necessary to bring anything as all can be rented on site. March Madness will be in effect - costs estimated to be approximately \$50 to \$60 for lift ticket and rentals. Other fly-outs in the planning include tubing and Macon.
- I. Library - members may want to donate copies of flying magazines - may consider buying CD Rom for Sport Aviation.
- J. Flying Start - November Pancake Breakfast
- K. Holiday/Awards Banquet - need chairperson. Wings Weekend - having breakfast for Saturday and Sunday.

Debbie discussed participating in Wild Blue Wonders Program and will ask for technical support from members. Posing proposition that the chapter might sponsor a team. Winning team will go to Oshkosh for semifinals and finals, winners to Kitty Hawk.



2003

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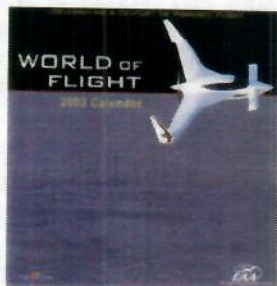
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For additional information, please check the Georgia Wings Weekend web-site at www.wingsweekend.com, or feel free to call Safety Counselor Sue Adams 770-613-9501.

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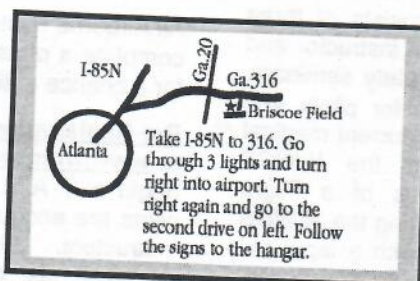
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Come Join Us!

Regular monthly meetings -- On the 2nd Friday of every month (except for August's Post Oshkosh Bash). In the Chapter Building at 8:00 p.m. Hangar flying before & after!

Pancake Breakfast and Aviation Program or Activity -- On the 1st Saturday of every month, in the Chapter Building.

Breakfast served 8:00 – 10:30 a.m.



MARCH MEETING -

Friday, March 14, 2003 at 8:00PM

Program - Pam Hollis will present a program on "The Best Safety Device for any Aircraft" - "A Well Trained Pilot."

Visit the EAA 690 Web-Site at www.eaa690.org

ATTENTION ALL CHILI LOVERS!

Chili Cook-Off Saturday March 15th

By Margaret Wilcox

The annual Chapter 690 CHILI COOK-OFF will be held on Saturday March 15th at the Chapter Building. All members and friends of the chapter and their families are invited to participate. Dinner will be served at 5 P.M.

What is a Chili Cook-off? Those who enjoy a cooking challenge and wish to compete in the contest will bring their favorite recipe of chili to be judged by a select group of judges and then devoured by all of us who are the real judges.

The chili will be judged in several categories: Antique (that old family recipe), Warbird (the hottest), Homebuilt (unusual ingredients and taste), Classic (best over-all) and Ultra-light (the one for the lighter taste).

There will be prizes and recognition. If making chili is not your thing, bring a salad or dessert to share. Drinks, condiments and table service will be provided. Please bring the chili to the Chapter Building no later than 4:30 to be eligible for the contest.

Starting earlier in the afternoon - 2 P.M. - there will be Friendship Flights for those members who do not have an airplane but would welcome a ride. Members with planes will be available to provide the piloting - weather permitting.

The chili cook-off is a long standing tradition for Chapter 690 and provides fellowship, food and fun for all the family. There will be table games for those who are not flying or enjoying "hangar talk."



I AM with the AOPA - and I AM Here to Help You

By Joel Levine

The Aircraft Owners and Pilot Association (AOPA) has developed the Airport Support Network (ASN) to maintain a communication channel for AOPA with airport management, advisory committees or commissions, and FBO's on local community airfields. The local ASN representative serves as a liaison to local pilots and/or local pilot groups, and monitors and reports to AOPA pending airport issues, which may arise - such as operational restrictions (curfews, noise abatement procedures), fuel prices & residential encroachment.

Emory Geiger, ASN Rep for LZU is an AOPA and EAA member and new Chapter 690 member. He served on the Gwinnett Airport Authority 1998-2000. He is a staunch supporter of the airport tenants and airport users.

On March 1st Emory showed an informative AOPA video, told us some interesting information about the improvements at LZU, and asked to be notified of things we hear that might be detrimental to General Aviation.