



NavCom

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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

Annual Awards Ceremony at AirVenture

On Wednesday evening July 30th, at the annual AirVenture in Oshkosh, Chapter 690 President Duane Huff was one of ten recipients of the EAA's annual Major Achievement Award.

The ten winners take center stage at the Theater in the Woods.



⇐ Duane proudly displays the beautiful plaque that he received as one of this year's honorees.
(Photos by Rick Gullett)

Come Meet our 2003 Air Academy Scholarship Winners

On Friday evening, September 12th, Wesley Hurley and Petra Ehler will be our featured guests. The two winners of this year's Chapter 690 scholarships to the Air Academy will re-count their experiences at Oshkosh, and tell us what role they hope aviation will play in their lives.

Please plan to attend the meeting and make these wonderful young people feel welcome.

Our chapter is privileged to be able to promote aviation interests and careers in numerous ways – the annual youth scholarships have become an important part of those efforts.



Saturday, September 20th

Gwinnett County Briscoe Field (LZU)
Lawrenceville, GA

Antiques → Warbirds → Homebuilts
Exhibits → Entertainment
Refreshments → Airplane Rides
→ Fly-By Demonstration →

Activities For The Whole Family -

Start your morning with one of EAA Chapter 690's notorious pancake breakfasts, then head out to the flight line to see the planes, maybe even take a bi-plane ride. When you tire from walking, attend an aviation related seminar or check out the activities in the aircraft workshops.

Static Aircraft Displays -

Several rare and interesting aircraft and aircraft projects will be on static display at this year's fly-in. Don't miss your opportunity to get up close to these magnificent machines and maybe talk with the pilot or builder. See some projects still under construction and find out what it takes to build your own airplane.

Visit The Exhibitor Booths -

Several exhibitors are expected at this year's fly-in. Maybe they'll have just what you have been looking for. For a list of exhibitors, check the web-site. (Also go to this page if you are a prospective exhibitor, we would love to have you join us.) www.eaa690.org

Members and Guests Enjoy Annual Post Oshkosh Bash



Thanks to Frank Wilcox for the photos from the Post Oshkosh Bash.

⇐ Attendees get in line for some of the delicious food that is an integral part of Chapter 690's Annual Post Oshkosh Bash.



Rainy weather gave Bill Ferguson and Charlie McCormick an excuse to use the grills in the Chapter's great kitchen. ⇒



⇐ Jeanne Ferguson and Bonnie McCormick made sure the food was attractively served and replenished as needed for the "hungry hordes" at the Bash.

The first table begins to fill with hungry ⇒ members and guests, enjoying the burgers, hot dogs and side dishes.



As is traditional, there was no formal business conducted. Photos, slides and stories were shared by those who were just back from Oshkosh.



⇐ EAA Founder Paul Poberezny with Chapter 690's Major Achievement Award Winners Frank Wilcox, George Cowan and this year's recipient, Duane Huff. Missing is Sue Adams, another chapter member who received this prestigious award.

Paul was at Fernbank to present a Centennial of Flight program on "EAA – The Dream of Eagles." The next day he attended the Young Eagle Rally at Charlie Brown, where he visited with Hal Weekley and other old friends, and met some of the people who are working to achieve the 1,000,000 YE goal.

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 October 2003 NavCom is Friday, September 19th.**

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The President's Pitch

By Duane Huff



Awesome! Cool! What an absolutely neat and exciting experience to walk on stage at the Theater in the Woods and receive the Major Achievement Award, presented by Mr. Bob Mackey, Vice President of Chapter Relations. This was a once in a lifetime memory that I will never forget. Thanks again to Chapter 690, especially those who nominated and supported the nomination, for giving me the opportunity to receive this award.

Congratulations to our Wild Blue Wonders for their national competition and the superb way in which they represented Chapter 690 and Georgia. I was especially excited to see their rubber powered airplane that they built flying up in the rafters of the Eagle Hangar. Maybe next year they can pull out a win. Debi Huffman is going to try and have them at our September meeting.

Also at our September meeting, for the program, we will have our two Air Academy students tell us of their experiences at Oshkosh this summer. The business part of the meeting will primarily be about GAFI (Greater Atlanta Fly In), what has been planned and recruiting volunteers to help on September 20th the Fly-In date. Be ready to accept a job that you would like to on that day. Any help will be much appreciated and hopefully there will be a lot going on that you can enjoy.

Larry Bishop and I picked up Paul Poberezny at the Airport on Friday, August 15th, the day of the Centennial of Flight program "EAA-The Dream of Eagles." What a privilege to be able to spend time with a legend and hero of all of us, and to listen to many of his flying experiences. Our intent was to take him out to the EAA Sport Aviation Complex and show him

around, but circumstances did not permit. Traffic and time were the main reasons. (When he left on Saturday, Paul said he enjoyed seeing all of our beautiful cars in Atlanta). Everyone has expressed how great it was to hear him speak and tell his stories of his aviation adventures. Many thanks, to all of the Chapter 690 members who attended the program. I was pleased and proud to have so many 690 members there.

On Saturday, August 16th, Sixty-three Young Eagles were flown at FTY (Fulton County) Airport with Paul Poberezny and Col. Hal Weekly present. This was a joint effort of area EAA chapters and Warbirds 17. Chapter 690 pilots flew twenty-four of the sixty-three Young Eagles. Several of our regular ground crew helped as well. Thanks to all who participated.

All reports from the Post Oshkosh Bash indicate that there was a good turn out and that everyone had lots of Fun, Food, and Fellowship. Tess and I were in Missouri, with our son and family. I had lots of fun flying LZU gliders with my six year old grandson. He learned the difference between a loop, a wing over, and a stall. After one particularly good flight, he came running up to us and declared, "I am just a natural." Then he quickly asked, "What's a natural?"

At the AirVenture Chapter Leaders' Workshop, when talking about membership, these two questions were suggested for all to think about. I present them to you to think about. What would you like to get out of your chapter membership? What would you like to contribute to your chapter?

Remember we can accomplish more if we all pull together.

Have You Forgotten Your Dead Reckoning?

Chapter 690 member, Pilot and CFI Ken Sharp will present a program of special interest after the 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast on October 4th. Please join us for what promises to be an informative presentation.

Push to Privatize ATC System

By Diane Earhart – E-mail: earhart500@aol.com

Diane is an ATC in St. Louis, MO. She has been a speaker at the Annual Wings Weekends at LZU.

As you probably know, there is legislation in congress now about contracting towers. 69 towers including SUS and CPS are in immediate jeopardy. AvWeb's question of the week is about contracting in general. Please go and vote your opposition. And, make your thoughts known to AOPA, too. They are actually supporting the current bill in congress, which makes ATC inherently governmental for only 4 years. Interesting to note that some of the jobs they have recently made "inherently governmental" include seafood inspectors and the ones who oversee the animals performing in Barnum and Bailey. But they think ATC is okay to go to the lowest bidder. Go figure.

Please share this with your aviation friends. Here is the website to go to for voting--it's one question and takes a nanosecond:

<http://www.avweb.com/qotw/>

Let's band together on this! (In case you're not clear, the answer is "NO".)

We must all fight this. You might say you don't fly out of these airports affected and therefore it does not affect you. You'd be wrong. It might not affect you today but it WILL affect you soon. The way the current bill is written, it addresses towers that do not have radar co-located. This would eventually include St. Louis and O'Hare and lots of other high level facilities. This is everyone's fight. We also firmly believe that it's a foot in the door for those that want total privatization. If it's "easy" to privatize the smaller facilities, the rest of the system is weakened and all the facilities and the ATC and GA system as we all are accustomed to will cease to exist.

Privatization has been tried and FAILED in Canada, Australia, and Britain. There were controllers from Canada who testified in Congress saying that it does NOT work and the US has the ATC system that is the envy of the WORLD.

The current bill that will be looked at in congress within the next few weeks has a lot of information for aviation included in it. The ATC privatization issue was tagged on at the end. It's not solely about privatization, and because of this AOPA and several other alphabet groups are supporting it with the attitude that it's more good than bad. This bill MUST be stopped and rewritten in a way that all the good plus bad is not lumped together. If you're a member of AOPA or the other alphabet groups, write or call them, too.

If you wonder what it will be like, I can put you in contact with my ATC friends and pilot friends in England. They will tell you how difficult and expensive it is to fly and how much privatized ATC does NOT work. (When I was in England last year, the headline of the day was how the government had to bail out the ATC system for the year to the tune of about \$40 million.)

Timeless Voices

By Jeff Patnaude

I'm writing to bring a new program from EAA to your attention, and to ask for your help and ideas.

"Timeless Voices" is a program sponsored by EAA to collect interviews of Aviators--- War veterans, barnstormers, homebuilders, or just people of note. The interviews will go to the national headquarters in Oshkosh where they will be available for viewing through the Internet and exhibited at the museum. Their motto is "Let no story go untold."

Teachers, students, historians and family members will be able to access these interviews and witness firsthand the efforts of past generations to build American aviation to what it is today, and what it will be tomorrow.

Being a professional videographer, a pilot, and a member of EAA 690, my interest is to gather a number of these local stories for EAA. Each Chapter member probably knows of someone who may fit the bill for something like this and that's where I need your help. I'd very much like to hear from you regarding suggestions or ideas of individuals who you think would have a good story to tell. I know that we can make a significant contribution as a Chapter.

I plan on doing the interviews at my company's studio located in Duluth, but may consider coming to that person's home. Subjects with WWII service will be considered first. The interview process itself is fairly painless and shouldn't take longer than an hour at best.

Detailed information about the program and a number of stories can be found on the Internet at <http://www.timelessvoices.org/>

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The toll free number to call is 1-866-I FLY SAFE. When you call, you will be asked to enter your zip code. When you talk to the live person, you will be asked to give your name and you should say that you're a registered voter in [your state] and you want your representative to vote NO on the Flight 100 (or Aviation 100) bill. If you know your representative's name, that's even better, but it is not mandatory. This is a receptionist that's making the tally, and that's okay. It's really important to do this. So far they have only received 1000 phone calls nationwide!!! It's fast and easy and we HAVE to do this.

Safety is not for sale

Don't privatize Air Traffic Control

NATCA -- National Air Traffic Controllers Association

Have You Flown Any Young Eagles Lately?



As of August 31st, the EAA web-site (www.eaa.org) Reports a total of 962,009 Young Eagles so far. That means we only have to fly 37,991 more Young Eagles to reach our 1,000,000 goal. The August totals (11,545 reported) were not yet complete, so that number should change.

Chapter 690 added to that total last month by participating in a regional Young Eagle Rally at Charlie Brown Airport on August 16th. Our chapter members flew 24 of the 63 Young Eagles who took to the skies that day, at an event attended by EAA Founder Paul Poberezny, and retired B-17 Pilot Hal Weekley. Also participating were volunteers from Chapters 6, 268, 976 and Warbird 17.

Our thanks to the Pilots who flew that day: Gary Austin, Joy Ballard, Tom Crowder, Richard Grey, Rick Gullett, Richard Haney, Chuck Huber, Duane Huff, Ed Kobs, Ted Rabenko, Duane Roberts, and Dick McSpadden.

Thank you to the load masters who assured the safety of the Young Eagles on the ramp: Kerry

Bedsworth, Debra Freeman, Roger Harden, Russ Jackson, Greg Jannakos, Tanya Mayville, Charles McCormick, Melissa Rottenberg, and Carl Shapiro.

Thank you to the Ground Crew who kept track of all the Young Eagles: Joy Epperson, Tom Epperson, Cathy Johnson, Helen Kobs, Joel Levine, Lnor Levine, and Judy Vance.

If I missed anyone, I apologize – it was a hectic day, and some volunteers may not have signed the logs.

Thank you to Coca Cola for providing beverages for the volunteers and participants, and to the FAA for the use of their hangar. And special thanks to Liz Porter and Debi Huffman who did so much in advance of the Rally, as well as working ground support, to make sure that it would be a success.

Our next Young Eagle events are scheduled for the following Saturdays: September 6th, October 4th and December 6th. If you can fly or work as ground support, please join us in giving the experience of Flight to young people. The Young Eagles' smiles are more than worth a few hours of your time.

A Changing of the Guard

The nominating committee is getting ready to meet and seek leaders for the next two years for Chapter 690. Nominations will be presented at the October meeting, elections will be held in November, and installation of officers will be at the annual holiday dinner in December.

We have a large and active chapter, one that you should be proud to call your own. The Chapter needs the support of its members to continue to thrive. Please consider running for an office if you are called upon. It's a very satisfying organization to be part of – and more-so if you are an active member. We have been fortunate to have such good leadership through the years, and the talents of many other members could only serve to strengthen the organization.

If you are interested in serving as an officer or member of the Board of Directors or Trustees, please let your interest be known to our President, Duane Huff (770-962-3117) or nominating Committee Chairman Frank Wilcox (770-978-2403).

There is an art . . . to flying. The knack lies in learning how to throw yourself at the ground and miss. — Douglas Adams, 'The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy'

Funding Authorized for AB-DAR Courses

August 22, 2003 - The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) transferred allocated funds this week for the initial amateur-built designated airworthiness representative (AB-DAR) training sessions that newly designated AB-DARs must take before performing initial airworthiness inspections on homebuilt aircraft. EAA worked with the FAA to develop the new AB-DAR program, approved on September 30, 2002, as a way to help alleviate inspection request backlogs for amateur-built experimental aircraft builders. Many of these new AB-DAR inspectors also serve as EAA Technical Counselors and Flight Advisors.

For more info, visit the EAA web-site: www.eaa.org

EAA Forwards AC 20-27 Comments to FAA

EAA's review of the FAA's proposed revision to AC 20-27, which regulates the certification and operation of amateur-built aircraft, is complete and its resulting comments and recommendations were mailed to the FAA this week. EAA's comments are based on the Government Relations Department review and include significant input from EAA's 1,250 volunteer Technical Counselors (TC) and Flight Advisors (FA) ... (For more information, visit the EAA web-Site: www.eaa.org)

National Air Tour 2003

Announces Pilots and Aircraft for Historic Flight Re-Creation

More than two dozen pilots and rare aircraft to fly 4,000 miles across 21 states this September; Sponsorship from Ford Motor Company and participation from the "Spirit of Goodyear" among other announcements made at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh

OSHKOSH, Wis., (July 30, 2003) - It takes a rare group of experienced aviators to fly aircraft from the '20s and '30s more than 4,000 miles across 21 states. At EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, organizers for such a feat, known as the National Air Tour 2003, today announced the list of pilots from more than 20 states and Canada, and the vintage airplanes to make the historic journey.

"I have been flying for sixty years - all for fun. Flying my 1931 Sikorsky around the country is on my life's list of things to do. The National Air Tour will be one of my proudest accomplishments," said Pilot Richard Jackson of Rochester, N.H. "And best of all, I get to do it with a group of wonderful antique airplane folks and their magnificent aircraft."

The National Air Tour 2003 is the historic flight re-creation of the National Air Tours that took place from 1925 through 1931. In the mid-1920s, at a time when there was not even a single road reaching across the United States, the Tours were conceived to promote the safety and reliability of air travel. In this centennial year of powered flight, the Tour celebrates the legacy of the National Air Tours as well as the innovators and innovations from the era.

Departing on Sept. 8 from the Dearborn, Mich. area, the National Air Tour 2003 will fly a route that was planned, but never flown for a 1932 tour. The Tour is expected to return to the Dearborn area on Sept. 24, weather permitting. The National Air Tour 2003 will bring living aviation history to people in 26 cities, through the media and over the Internet at www.NationalAirTour.org.

Pilots and Aircraft on the National Air Tour 2003 Tour pilots are gathering from across North America to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime event. The all-volunteer list includes experienced aviators from more than 20 states and Canada. Many pilots and their crew have been restoring their airplanes for years. It takes thousands of hours and laborious processes to bring the vintage airplanes, which are often older than their pilots, back to flying condition.

The aircraft on the National Air Tour 2003 are the "best of the best" of America's vintage fleet. All the aircraft have extensive, interesting histories such as American Airline's oldest surviving airplane, the Stinson Tri-motor. This list includes one-of-a-kinds, Sikorsky flying boats, Ford Tri-motors and aircraft designed simply for pleasure rides.

Aircraft participating in the Tour were chosen based on their relevance to the original Tours and the era. Tour aircraft will display assigned numbers that were carried by the same make and model and in some cases the same airplane, in the original Tours.

In addition to the official ships on the Tour, modern aircraft will support the vintage airplanes just as accompanying ships did for the original Tours. These aircraft include: two Aviat Husky A-1Bs, as advance and observation aircraft; a DHC-6 Vistaliner, for media use; a 1966 Bushmaster for cargo; a Pilatus PC-12 for crew transportation; Antonov biplane for cargo and photo ship; and a Bell-47 helicopter for film and medical use. There are three additional aircraft whose participation is pending.

Ford Motor Company Sponsors the National Air Tour 2003 Ford Motor Company is celebrating 100 years of powered flight and its aviation heritage by sponsoring the National Air Tour 2003. It was > Ford Motor Company, under the direction of Edsel and Henry Ford, who helped our nation realize the potential of civil and commercial aviation. Edsel B. Ford II, grandson of Edsel B. Ford, is the honorary chairperson of the 2003 Tour.

The original National Air Tours were conceived by a group of Detroit businessmen to promote the safety and reliability of aviation and received significant support from Edsel and Henry Ford. By supporting the Tours and lending the Ford trusted name, they helped convince a skeptical public that passenger flight was a sensible means of transportation.

Goodyear Blimp to Greet Tour Return in Dearborn Goodyear built its first helium-filled public relations airship, the "Pilgrim," in 1925 - the same year as the first National Air Tour. By 1930, there were six Goodyear blimps flying and participating in public events. In fact, a Goodyear blimp celebrated the start of the 1929 National Air Tour in Dearborn.

To honor Goodyear's role in the original National Air Tours one of three Goodyear blimps operating in the United States, the "Spirit of Goodyear" based out of Suffield, Ohio, will welcome the return of the National Air Tour 2003 over the skies of Dearborn and Detroit, arriving on Sept. 23, operating from Sept. 24-25 and departing on Sept. 26.

The National Air Tour 2003 is being organized by the Minneapolis-based Aviation Foundation of America. The foundation is a 501(c)3 public charity designed to preserve and promote America's aviation heritage at a grassroots level through initiatives such as historic flight re-creations, airport preservation projects and educational programs. The Aviation Foundation of America is an official partner on the U.S. Centennial of flight Commission along with the FAA, NASA and the Experimental Aircraft Association.

For a complete list of Tour stops and historic photos, please visit www.NationalAirTour.org. Suzanne Fedoruk, for the National Air Tour 2003 sfedoruk@mn.rr.com 612-861-7807

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. **NOTE: The listing below includes the latest event and program changes known as of 8-31-03.**

September 6-7 – Saturday & Sunday

Great Georgia Air Show,
Peachtree City

September 9 - Tuesday

Film: "Last Reunion, Mighty
8th Airforce"
Bob Powell

September 19

Owning Your Own Airplane
George Harrison

September 20

EAA 690's Greater Atlanta
Fly-In (GAFI)
Gwinnett County Airport
Lawrenceville

September 26

Founding a New Industry: The
Wright Brothers' Achievements in
Aeronautical Science & Engineering
Andy Zimmerman

October 3

Impact of Aviation On the
Community: Being A Good
Neighbor
Lee Remel

October 17

Looking Ahead, Back to the
Future....
Bob Cassanova

October 18 – November 30

Women in Flight Exhibit

October 24

Experimental Aviation
by Col. Mike Merritt and C.P. "Pat"
Moore

November 7

Keeping Aviation Safe for All of Us
Russell Goutierez

November 21

Learning to Fly
Julius Alexander

December 5

Pearl Harbor: Awakening
The Sleeping Giant

Grand Finale:

December 13 - Saturday

Dinner Dance and Silent Auction at
Delta Airline's Heritage Museum

Georgia's Centennial of Flight Celebration to Offer Youth Scholarships

The Centennial of Flight Celebration (CAF) is sponsoring scholarships for Georgia students interested in attending aviation or space related programs during 2004. Qualifying programs include aviation summer camps, space camps, accredited flying schools, and soaring programs. Other programs may be submitted for approval. Applications are available at all Centennial of Flight lectures and related events.

The Wingman Scholarship Program was established as part of Georgia's CAF Celebration to assist area students who hope to attend aviation-focused programs geared to their age group. To help raise funds for the scholarships, a \$50/ticket raffle is being conducted for a ride aboard Delta's beautifully restored DC-3. The tax deductible donations give you a chance to win a round trip to your choice of several destinations for you and nine friends.

Limousine transportation for a local tour and lunch are included.

Scholarship applications are due by December 31, 2003. A completed original application for the program that the student wishes to attend must be attached. Other requirements are listed on the scholarship application forms. Scholarship recipients will be announced in February 2004.

One of the main fundraising events for the CAF is the Dinner Dance and Silent Auction to be held at the Delta Airlines Heritage Museum Hangar on Saturday, December 13th. Tickets for the event are \$50 per person. The evening's music will be by The Modernaires and dinner will be provided by Low Country Barbecue. For additional information about the dance or to purchase your tickets, please contact Debi Huffman at debi.huffman@fernbank.edu or call her at 678-874-7136.



SouthEast Regional Fly - In

Oct. 3,4&5 2003

Evergreen, Alabama

Come and enjoy the events of SERFI '03

Home of Friendly Folks & Flying Fun Since '91

This fly-in is sanctioned by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), headquartered in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and is put together by Fifteen local EAA chapters in the Southeast:

#108, Ft. Walton Beach, FL
Ultralight #105, Pensacola, FL
#152, Birmingham, AL
#190, Huntsville, AL
#268, Cartersville, GA

#351, Enterprise, AL
#416, Mobile, AL
#485, Pensacola, FL
#690 Lawrenceville, GA
#786, Meridian, MS

#822, Wetumpka, AL
#825, Bessemer, AL
#909, Evergreen, AL
#1209, St. Elmo, AL
#1265, Magnolia Springs, AL

Last fall a group of Chapter 690 members attended the annual Fly-In in Evergreen, and all had a wonderful time. After a presentation last January by Gerry Poltorak, SERFI Fly-In Chairman of the Board, Chapter 690 representatives attended SERFI planning meetings. A recommendation was made by Tim Fulmer that Chapter 690 join 14 other chapters in the South East who combine their man (and woman) power to put on a class regional event, and the members voted to do so.

Now is the time to ante up. Plan to attend and volunteer your time to help make this year's SERFI Fly-In better than ever. For more info contact Tim at tfulmer@collinsandarnold.com or visit the SERFI web-site at www.serfi.org.

A Parts Source Recommendation

By Joel Levine

What's that old saying, "Royalite parts aren't forever?" Well, after owning the "mouse" for seventeen years out of it's thirty-seven year life, it was finally time to replace the stabilizer tips and the dorsal fin cover, with the wing tips close behind. In searching for a source (you wouldn't believe what Beechcraft wanted!), I contacted a local company that Bob Stewart, our local Musketeer guru recommended.

Aero Glass, Inc. in Griffin is the manufacturer of replacement parts for a good number of Cessna, Piper and yes, some mouse parts. David Lusk, the owner of the company, makes a nicely finished part at a very fair price. I found David to be good to work with and a man of his word. Our parts arrived when he said they would and were ready to drill the mounting holes and apply the final paint. Give David a call if you need replacement parts. He can be reached at 770-227-6106 or lusk_2@msn.com. The company website is www.aeroglassinc@aol.com. You won't go wrong.

A Neat Web-Site to Visit

The following is a list of airports subscribing to AirportMonitor. You can view an AirportMonitor site by accessing the airport website, to see how AirportMonitor is integrated into the airport web-site environment, or by going directly to the AirportMonitor page. Links for both approaches are provided below.

Boca Raton Airport

www.bocaratonairport.com/index.asp
www.bocaratonairport.com/core_noise.asp

John Wayne Orange County Airport

www.ocair.com/
www4.passur.com/sna.html

Los Angeles International

www.lawa.org
www4.passur.com/lax.html

Louisville International Airport

www.louintlairport.com/
www4.passur.com/sdf.html

Nantucket Memorial Airport

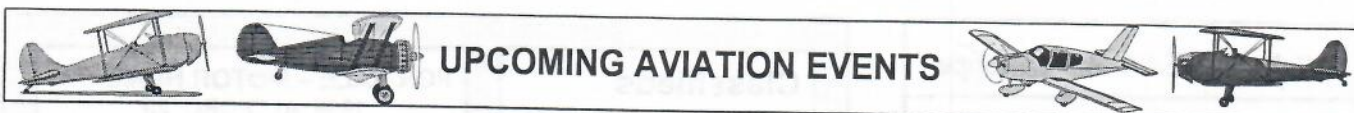
www.nantucketairport.com
www4.passur.com/ack.html

New Orleans International Airport

www.flymsy.com/
www4.passur.com/msy.html

Westchester County Airport

www.westchestergov.com/airport
www4.passur.com/hpn.html



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Saturday, September 20 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690 – Greater Atlanta Fly-In (GAFI) For Info Contact: Duane Huff at 770-962-3117 or Mike Stewart at 678-571-9319 Web-Site: www.eaa690.org

Saturday, October 4 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690, 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast & Program: "Have You Forgotten Your Dead Reckoning?" presented by Ken Sharp – Young Eagle Rally - For info E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

Friday - Sunday, October 3 - 5 – Evergreen, Alabama - EAA Southeast Regional Fly-In (SERFI) Middleton Field - For info: Phone: 334-578-1707 Web Site: www.geocities.com/~serfi

Friday, October 10 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Meeting - Add-On Glider Rating with David Reynolds

Saturday, October 11 – Washington, GA – Washington – Wilkes County Airport – Please see details below.

Wednesday - Sunday, October 15 - 19 – Tullahoma, TN - Staggerwing Museum. Beach Party 2003, A Celebration. Sponsored by the Staggerwing Museum, Twin Beech 18 Society, and Beech Owners Group. For Info: 931/455-1974.

Saturday, October 25 - Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Annual Big Band Hangar Dance at LZU - 8PM - Midnight. 770-339-0804 (Leave Message) E-mail: dave.o@earthlink.net - Web-Site: www.eaa690.org

Thursday, October 30 – Sunday, November 2 – Atlanta, GA - 368th Fighter Group, WWII, 9th Air Force Reunion, Contact Information: Randolph Goulding 678-333-0241

Saturday, November 1 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690, 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast & "Flying Start" - For info contact Dave Haskell: curly26@aol.com

Saturday - Sunday, Nov 1 - 2 — Perry, GA - Perry/Houston County Airport (PXE). - Wings Over Georgia. The premiere airshow in middle Georgia is in its 4th year at PXE. Warbirds, Military, Aerobatic, and Classic Aircraft, Static displays, R/C demonstrations. Web-Site: www.wingsovergeorgia.com E-mail: info@wingsovergeorgia.com Info Contacts: Steve Weigandt at 478/987-8501 or Jason Riley at 478-987-5422

Friday, November 10 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Meeting - Lockheed Advanced Development Programs with Mike Merritt

Saturday, December 6 – Lawrenceville, GA – EAA Chapter 690, 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast & Program: "Using the Flight Advisor as a Resource" – Young Eagle Rally – For info E-mail: jlevine@akorn.net

Friday, December 12 – Lawrenceville, GA - EAA Chapter 690 Annual Holiday and Awards Banquet.

Saturday - Wednesday, December 13 - 17 – Kill Devil Hills, NC - First Flight Centennial Celebration

Monday, December 15 — Washington Dulles International Airport, VA - Smithsonian - Grand Opening: National Air & Space Museum - Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center - <http://www.nasm.si.edu/>

Saturday, December 13 – Georgia Centennial of Flight Celebration Grand Finale: Dinner Dance and Silent Auction at Delta Airlines' Heritage Museum Hangar – Please see details on Page 7.

Events and schedules subject to change. Please confirm with sponsoring organization.

Note: Chapter 690 Activities are in bold



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memories that we note the
passing of long-time chapter
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Contact Chuck Miller 678-642-
7703

Diane Earhart is cleaning house - and has put lots
of interesting aviation related goodies on e-bay. All
the proceeds from these auctions will benefit Flying
Scholarships for the Disabled. (Diane will even
pay for shipping.) So, check it out and see if
there's something you'd like. If so, you can then
bid for a good cause. Here is the URL to see all of
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ANNUAL HANGAR DANCE

October 25th, 2003

7 PM - 12 AM • MUSIC STARTS AT 8 PM

Location - on the South Side of Briscoe Field
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Featuring the Fabulous Big Band Sounds of
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Coffee, "Pop" & Desserts

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Make Checks Payable to EAA 690
Send to: EAA HANGAR DANCE
% Dave & Jeannie Ostergaard
2595 Kirkstone Drive
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For Additional Info:
dave.o@earthlink.net
Leave Message At:
770-339-0804

Make your plans now to attend the biggest social event of Chapter 690's year.

This year's dance will be moving to a larger hangar, thanks to the graciousness of David and Kelly Zorger of Aircraft Specialists. This will allow us to introduce a new feature – a Silent Auction. If you know of a business that you could approach to donate something – merchandise, artwork, airplane rides, dinners at restaurants, services, and the like, please contact us. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Jeanne Miller has agreed to head the decorating committee – and as some of you know, we have a good time transforming the hangar into an intimate ballroom. We will need a helium canister for blowing up balloons on the day of the dance. All help will be appreciated.

New this year – sell 5 pairs of tickets, and you're eligible for a free ticket for your own use. Free dance lessons will be held the day of the dance – details coming soon.

Dave Ostergaard 770-335-5501
Lee Olson 770-284-6509

Submitted by, believe it or not, Food Committee Co-Chair,
Mike North. (With thanks to Kitplanes.)



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WANTED:

Smiling faces and willing hands to help at all of the great activities coming your way this fall as a member of Chapter 690. Please see the list of "Upcoming aviation Events" on page 9 (Chapter 690 activities are in bold) and plan to chip in. Your participation will make the events better for everyone!

COMPREHENSIVE WRIGHT BROTHERS EXHIBIT TAKES FLIGHT IN SEATTLE

The Museum of Flight announces the opening of its *Birth of Aviation* exhibit. Celebrating the 100th anniversary of powered flight, the exhibit reveals untold stories of Orville, Wilbur and their sister Katharine Wright and their struggles to turn an invention into an industry. Highlights of the exhibit will be never-before-displayed early documents of The Wright Co., long believed to have been lost or destroyed.

The independent, non-profit Museum of Flight is one of the largest air and space museums in the world. The Museum's collection includes more than 135 historically significant air and spacecraft, including America's first presidential jet. Also featured at the Museum are virtual reality simulators, interactive exhibits and hands-on youth areas and programs. The Museum of Flight is one of only nine museums in Washington that is fully accredited by the American Association of Museums.
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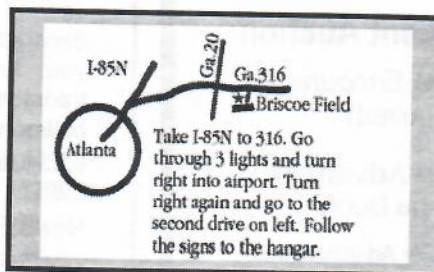
Come Join Us!

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.

Free programs start at 10:30 a.m.



**SEPTEMBER MEETING –
Friday, Sept. 12, 2003 at 8:00PM**

Program – Chapter 690's 2003 Air Academy Scholarship Winner's will tell us about their experiences in Oshkosh.

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

Thanks for the Visit, Paul!

EAA founder Paul Poberezny visited Atlanta last month. Paul's presentation "EAA – The Dream of Eagles" at Fernbank was part of Georgia's Centennial of Flight Celebration. The Friday evening event was one of the best attended in the series.



↑ Paul stops for a photo with Joel Levine, who was busy printing certificates for the Young Eagles at the Rally.

On Saturday morning Paul attended the Regional Young Eagle Rally at Charlie Brown Airport. Once again he had the chance to visit with some old friends, and make new ones. He shared some of his wonderful experiences with each person who wanted a chance to meet him. He graciously signed countless photos for those in attendance. Thanks to his personability and warmth, each person there felt they'd made a new friend.

Thanks for all that you have done and continue to do for aviation, Paul!

EAA Featured on DISCOVERY NETWORKS

The Discovery Channel and its digital aviation network, the Discovery Wings Channel, will air special programming this month that EAAers - or anyone interested in aviation and the history of powered flight - simply won't want to miss.

On September 17, The Discovery Wings Channel airs Oshkosh 2003: The Centennial Edition, an EAA TV-produced recap of the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh convention. The one-hour special focuses on piloting, economics of general aviation, homebuilding and access to the skies, EAA's unique aviation community at AirVenture, & a look ahead to aviation's 2nd century. Scheduled airtime is 9 p.m. EDT, with repeats at midnight and (Sept. 18) 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 1 p.m., and 4 p.m. Be sure to watch! Tell your friends!

On September 19, a two-hour documentary, The Wright Brothers: First In Flight, premieres on The Discovery Channel, focusing on EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk celebration, presented by Ford Motor Company, and the construction of EAA's authentic reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer. The program airs Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. EDT, with repeats at 11 p.m.; 11 a.m. Sept. 21; 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Sept. 25; and 6 p.m. Sept. 27. Portions of the program will appear on Discovery, along with same-day footage from EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk celebration and the planned first flight re-creation at Kitty Hawk, on December 17 at 9 p.m.