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WWII Roundtable and Low Country Boil Saturday, October 13, 2007 – 7:30 P.M.

In conjunction with the visit if the B-17, Chapter 690 will again host a WWII Roundtable and Low Country Boil. Seating is limited. Reservations are strongly recommended. Tickets are \$20 / person in advance, \$25 at the door with R.S.V.P. Your check is your reservation. Contact Lnor Levine via e-mail at LNOR.L@BELLSOUTH.NET or call 678-770-18776 for reservations. (More info about the program is inside.)



IMPORTANT NOTICE – CHANGE OF PLANS

There will be no regular Friday night Chapter 690 meeting this month due to unusual circumstances.

Our guest speaker had a change of plans, the B-17 will be here for the weekend, we will be setting up for Saturday evening's WWII Roundtable and Low Country Boil, and Friday will be a full day of working with B-17 flights and tours – sooooo... the meeting has been cancelled.

For those of you who are volunteering in any capacity that day, a group will gather at The Flying Machine after the B-17 Tours are over. All who can make it to the airport that evening are invited to join us for dinner.

The Nominating Committee has proposed a slate of Chapter Officers for the next 2 years, and 2 New Members of the Board of Trustees for 3 year terms. Our elections are scheduled for November 9th. *Please see the Committee's report on Page 5 of this issue of the NavCom.* Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the November meeting.

THANK YOU!

EAA Air Academy Scholarship winner Robert Bruce and his family (Scott, Laura & Jeff) thanked the Chapter with a very special cake for the members to enjoy. It was almost too pretty to cut up to eat – but that didn't stop us!



Photo by Joel Levine

Annual Project Recognition Planned in December

If you (or another active Chapter 690 member) completed a project in 2007, please contact Duane Huff at 770-962-3117 or duanehuff@yahoo.com as soon as possible. He needs the name, airplane type and date first flown.

Chapter 690 Scenes

Photos by Joel Levine



◀ An attentive audience listened to the stories of the lucky members who attended this year's AirVenture in Oshkosh.

Four of our seven 2007 Scholarship winners talked about their experiences at the Air Academy to attendees at the September meeting. ▶



Pictured above are Benton Chambers, Stephen Woolfitts, Robert Bruce and Dakota Neilson.

Some of the Participants in the Post Oshkosh Bash Program -



Fred Huppertz



Steve Ashby



David Posey

Lots of Reasons for Smiling Faces at Chapter 690



Photo by Joel Levine
Some members of the Ground Crew take a Brief Moment to "Smile, Please."



Photo by Jerry Shingleton
"Pa" Joel & Andrew Levine return from a flight on the Ford.



Photo by Joel Levine
Dave Balthaser & Georgia Mills couldn't resist the music.



Photo by Joel Levine

Completed Projects Can't Help but Bring a Smile!

◀ Jamie Painter and his new RV.

Larry Dickinson and his new RV ▶



Photo by Joel Levine

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. Please submit articles in Word format and pictures in jpeg, or gif format via e-mail to: lnor_l@bellsouth.net.

Deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month, unless otherwise announced. The deadline for the November 2007 NavCom is Saturday, October 20th.

Permission is hereby granted for the reproduction of NavCom articles by other EAA Chapters, provided that proper credit is given to the author and to the NavCom.

Thanks to Jeanne Ferguson and the other members of the merry band who fold and label the NavCom, and to 690's interim "Postmaster" Greg Jannakos for mailing the newsletter.

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Hangar Talk

By Debi Huffman, Chapter 690 President



The calendar says it is autumn, and finally there is a hint of cooler weather to prove it! Last month we hosted the Ford Tri-Motor with record attendance. Over the visit, we flew 96 full flights. That is, 960 people! If weather had been better for the next stop, we would have easily surpassed the 1000 mark! Among our guests were many former Eastern Airlines employees. Steve Ashby's authentic Italian spaghetti supper and the Elgin Wells Group kept us thoroughly entertained on Saturday evening! Tom Poberezny called me to personally congratulate our chapter on such a successful tour. He emphasized that he meant more than just flights. The EAA staff reported on the enthusiasm, camaraderie and dedication of our members. Every time we meet, I am reminded of just how fortunate we are to have the greatest chapter on this earth!

At our regular chapter meeting, we highlighted Jamie Painter, our latest member of Van's Air Force. We also celebrated the next generation of pilots who attended Air Academy during the summer. While the chapter enjoyed these, I attended the Leadership Conference on Aerospace Education in Washington, D.C. Georgia had great representation, more than any other state! This was an opportunity for aviation and space education leaders from state and federal government, associations, education, and the aviation industry to share ideas regarding today's needs and available support within the context of national education policy and the workforce. It was an impressive gathering!

The NBAA was held in Atlanta September 25-27, and we had several chapter members in attendance. It was huge, filling two complete exhibit halls and overflowing into the lobby! Steve Buss, EAA Young Eagles Executive Director, visited EAA 690 and some of our members for an ice cream social on Sunday. Tom Poberezny was at NBAA, and extended his greetings to our Chapter.

September ended in Washington, D.C. at the NASA SEMAA awards banquet. One of my former students, Liam Rattray, was recognized as a SEMAA Pioneer, blazing a trail for others to follow. Liam's trophy was very nice, but the big surprise was a scholarship and summer internship at NASA Glenn

Aeronautics Research Center! He, along with two other recipients left the meeting very happy!

Meanwhile, the Transportation Engineering Foundation of Georgia has been busily incorporating and building a web site, www.tefga.org. TEFGA was formed to involve the aviation, automobile, and maritime industries in schools to assist teachers and students with career planning, course selection and certification, standards and evaluation, and promotion of the industry. They will be involved in hosting Georgia SKILLS USA at LZU in April of 2008.

The big news for October is that the EAA's B-17, Aluminum Overcast, is returning to Briscoe Field October 12-14. We will have covered seating and refreshments for any veterans who come out to see her. So please tell your friends and family to come on out. There will be flights and tours. Flight and tour info are on page 1 of the NavCom. On Saturday, October 13th, we will once again host a Low Country Boil and WWII Roundtable in the Chapter Hangar. Jack Barker, retired Public Affairs Officer for the Southern Region of the FAA will be our Master of Ceremonies, and our Talk. Hangar Talk Veterans will be Jerry Sheffer, B-17 pilot, Clyde Carlson, B-17 bombardier, and Louis Duran, B-29 command gunner. Seating is limited, and you are running out of time to reserve your seats. This will be an event you won't want to miss!

If you want to see some familiar faces on TV, be sure to tune into PBA's "Atlanta Voices--Memories of World War II" on October 15th at 8 p.m.

Of course, you will want to be in Athens on October 20 to help celebrate 100 years of Georgia Aviation with Pat Epps, his family and friends. Pat's father, Ben Epps designed, built and flew the first airplane in Georgia in October of 1907. For additional information on Athens Ben Epps Airport visit <http://www.athensairport.net>. On October 22, Georgia Public Television will air a documentary on Georgia's centennial of flight. The program will begin at 10:00 p.m.

I look forward to seeing you at the hangar.

Blue Skies!
Debi ☺

What is the Recipe for a Great Event?

Ford Tri-Motor Recap

By Dennis Crosgrove

Start with the old hands – you know, the ones that show up whenever there is something that needs to be done.

Add a great start from Jerry Shingleton.

Add at least one new green member who knows very little about the Chapter, the airport, or National.

Add super EAA volunteers from Oshkosh & EAA 690.

Add an event manual from EAA, Great weather, a terrific airport community, and all of the wonderful people from around Atlanta.

Add a fantastic night of good food, good friends, and great entertainment.

Mix well, blend some sweat, hard work, and a lot of fun and you get a terrific event.

Jerry Shingleton did a great job of getting the Tri-Motor event organized, then due to outside demands turned the reigns over to Steve Ashby and myself (the newbie). As it all worked out, I coordinated the details of the visit and flight line operations and Steve coordinated the Spaghetti Dinner. I was terrified that I would let the committee and the Chapter down; after all I'm still learning to put the names and faces together of the Ford Tri-Motor committee members, let alone the members at large and the airport community. No worries, Mate. All I had to do was point the members and volunteers in the right direction. Larry Bishop was on top of all the paperwork. I asked for copies and updates out of good form, because that is what a project manager does; it was all handled by an expert. Thanks, Larry. What about coordinating ramp space, hangar, fuel, parking, etc.? No problem. Duane Huff and Bill Ferguson said they had a handle on that, and they did. Ticket sales for the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser were handled by Lnor Levine – and it was a sell-out! Next big item... publicity!! Did someone say Joel Levine? Yes, someone did, and what a job he did. Great newspaper coverage, Channel 11 Wes Sarginson Side Story, AutoPilot, AJC, Rockdale Citizen, Fox 5, Scott Slade on WSB – not to mention the flyers the press releases, and the ever present tri-folds. Much of the success of this event is thanks to Joel, assisted by Lnor, and of course the wonderful members of the press that shared their time and their media with us.



Photo by John Reitz

Wes Sarginson mikes Cody Welch up for his interview.



Photo by Depkin

Bill Ferguson gives the o.k. for the crew to take-off.

What do you do when you're at the office and the Ford Tri-Motor is on short final – a full day ahead of schedule and needs to be met? Just call Duane. Sure he's on the other side of Atlanta, but he got to LZU before I did. The list is long and continues – everyone gave 110% and then asked, "What else can I do?" I will attempt to thank all of the companies and individuals that helped so much and made a week in August one of the most fun and most memorable of my life (and my life really hasn't been boring).

Remember, I'm still putting names and faces together. If I miss someone, it is a fault of my memory, not because the Chapter and I personally do not think that everyone that showed up and helped in any way deserves a tremendous "Thank you." It was a lot of work, but it was many times more fun than it was work.

Huge Thanks to:

Cody Welch for flying over 76 flights in 5 days and being a great historian and ambassador for EAA.

Sean Elliot for flying the other 20 flights and coordinating the visit as head of EAA Aircraft Operations. **Jay and Abby Friddell**, and Cody's wife **Jackie** for all of the terrific ground support at the ticket sales table and merchandise trailer.

Reggie Baker, Director of the Aviation Institute of Maintenance for literally turning the keys to their hangar and offices over to EAA 690 for the duration of the event, and being the most gracious hosts one could ever ask for.

Maj. Jim Weed and all of the wonderful **CAP Cadets** that managed the parking, provided refreshments for the public on the weekend, helped everywhere, and spread a general level of enthusiasm for aviation everywhere they went.

Fred Myers of AIM, who helped out in various and sundry ways. He made the work of all the volunteers easier.

Elgin Wells, Jr. for the terrific entertainment at the dinner. What can you say? Awesome entertainment!!!

Arrington and Blount Ford for the crew car and the wonderful gelato which everyone enjoyed.

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What is the Recipe for a Great Event?

Ford Tri-Motor Recap - (Continued from Page 4)

By Dennis Crosgrove

The Flying Machine for all the food, support, power and use of their facilities.

I want to go on, but space and time limits the details. If I have missed anyone on the Committee, you have my sincere apologies and thanks for all you've done.



Photo by Doug Mills

A happy group awaits take-off aboard the Tri-Motor.

Thanks to the following that went way above and beyond the call of duty and maybe even good sense – from all of the planning through the execution of the event:

Dennis Crosgrove
Bill/Jeanne Ferguson
Duane Huff
Debi Huffman
Joel/Lnor Levine

Doug/Georgia Mills
Fred Myers
Lee Olson
John/Chely Reitz

Thanks to all of the rest who contributed greatly to the effort.

Barry Bates
Bob Bryan
Walter Deere
Mike Cartin
Andy Farmer
Art Farmer
Lee Hockman

Greg Jannakos
Michael Kiah
Kylie Lowry
Jim Nelly
Carol Page
Larry Wallis



Photo by Joel Levine

Jill East is ready and eager for her flight in the Tri-Motor's right seat.

Last, but by no means least, a very large **Thank You** to the dinner crew and the Over-the-Hill gang.

Steve Ashby
David Balthaser
Lauren Brown
Walter Deere
Peter DiTomaso
Jill East
Rosemary East

"T" Diddy East Jeff
Gwathney
Georgia Mills
David Posey
Chely Reitz
Betsy Schaknowski
Rita Shingleton



Photo by Joel Levine

The Kitchen Crew is ready to serve the Spaghetti Dinner.

EAA Chapter 690 to Hold Elections at November 9th Meeting Nominating Committee Makes Recommendations

The Nominating Committee met on Tuesday, September 18th in the Chapter Hangar. In attendance were John Reitz (Committee Chmn.), Larry Bishop, Jerry Shingleton (via phone), Jeanne Ferguson, Lnor Levine, Debi Huffman, Duane Huff, Joel Levine and Bill Ferguson.

The Chapter needs to elect new officers for two year terms, and 2 new members to the Board of Trustees (BOT) for a term of three years each, to replace the Trustees who are rotating off after their three year term is completed in January. Per the Chapter By-Laws, BOT members cannot succeed themselves.

Proposed Candidates:

President: Debi Huffman
Vice President: Lee Olson
Secretary: Larry Bishop
Treasurer: Michael Stewart

Board of Trustees (Vote for Two):

Dennis Crosgrove, Robin Drake, John Kimmons

Additional nominations may be made from the floor the night of elections. Members are asked to please be sure that their nominees are willing to serve in the position if elected.

Aviation History - Charlie Brown's Story

B-17 Story – Taken from the BBC Web-Site

Thanks to Jim Sweat for submitting this article.

Charlie Brown was a B-17 Flying Fortress pilot with the 379th Bomber Group at Kimbolton, England. His B-17 was called 'Ye Old Pub' and was in a terrible state, having been hit by flak and fighters. The compass was damaged and they were flying deeper over enemy territory instead of heading home to Kimbolton.

After flying over an enemy airfield, a pilot named Franz Steigler was ordered to take off and shoot down the B-17. When he got near the B-17, he could not believe his eyes. In his words, he 'had never seen a plane in such a bad state'. The tail and rear section was severely damaged, and the tail gunner wounded. The top gunner was all over the top of the fuselage. The nose was smashed and there were holes everywhere.

Despite having ammunition, Franz flew to the side of the B-17 and looked at Charlie Brown, the pilot. Brown was scared and struggling to control his damaged and blood-stained plane.

Aware that they had no idea where they were going, Franz waved at Charlie to turn 180 degrees. Franz

escorted and guided the stricken plane to and slightly over the North Sea towards England. He then saluted Charlie Brown and turned away, back to Europe.

When Franz landed he told the c/o that the plane had been shot down over the sea, and never told the truth to anybody. Charlie Brown and the remains of his crew told all at their briefing, but were ordered never to talk about it.



More than 40 years later, Charlie Brown wanted to find the Luftwaffe pilot who saved the crew. After years of research, Franz was found. He had never talked about the incident, not even at post-war reunions.

They met in the USA at a 379th Bomber Group reunion, together with 25 people who are alive now - all because

Franz never fired his guns that day.

Research shows that Charlie Brown lived in Seattle and Franz Steigler had moved to Vancouver, had moved to Vancouver, BC after the war. When they finally met, they discovered they had lived less than 200 miles apart for the past 50 years!!



Photo by Scarlett Auten

Duane Huff volunteered to assist with the EAA Booth at the NBAA Show.

HELP PLEASE:

It's still not too late – If you know someplace where a poster can be displayed, please put the B-17 Poster on the next page up where the public can learn about the historic plane's visit to Lawrenceville, and the availability of rides and tours. Thanks!

Chapter 690 Young Eagles Report

By Duane Huff
EAA YE Coordinator of the Year



Slim pickin's for the Young Eagle rally this month. Fred Huppertz flew the one young person that came that morning. Another pilot and plane was available but not needed. Our faithful ground crew of Jaime Painter, Jeannie Ferguson, Jamie Painter, Bill Ferguson and Greg Jannakos were there to carry out their duties. All was not lost as some valuable work was done in the hangar. The leader of the group that was scheduled to be there was ill and could not get the group to the rally.

I trust that this will not become the rule for Young Eagle rallies, as I have fifty scheduled for October 20th. We will need many more pilots to fly them all that day. Also, we will be flying Young Eagles on the 6th at the Jackson County Airport. Lee Hockman is setting this up for the airport. Lunch is free, but you should eat breakfast at the EAA hangar before you leave for Jackson County.

The impromptu ice cream social on Sunday the 23rd was attended by sixteen chapter members and was a very nice afternoon. Steve Buss, Young Eagles Executive Director and Katrina Bradshaw were there from headquarters. Steve brought greetings from Oshkosh and answered several questions. I had the privilege of taking Steve on a flight to see Stone Mountain in the Chief. This was his first flight in an Aeronca Chief and the first time to see the mountain. Fun!!

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Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of EAA Chapter 690

September 14, 2007

The monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 690 held on Friday, September 14, 2007, was called to order by John Reitz, Vice President.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag, guests were introduced.

There was no business meeting and therefore no minutes for August, as we held our annual Post Oshkosh Bash on Saturday, August 11th.

The Pancake Breakfast and Program is on the first Saturday of every month. Joel Levine said that at our next Breakfast and Program on October 6th, Dr. John Tumblin will be speaking on the Lighter than Air Service and U-Boat activities on the East Coast.

The Saturday, November 3rd program will be presented by Paul Pratt on Internet Weather.

Our First Saturday Pancake Breakfast program on December 1st will feature Pat Epps whose presentation will be on the First 100 Years of Aviation in Georgia.

The October Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, October 12th. The speaker for this meeting is Jack English who has worked with PBS and will speak on the First 100 years of Flight.

EAA 690 Board of Directors meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the Tuesday evening prior to our regular monthly meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9th at 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Trustees meeting was held on Tuesday, August 28. The minutes of this meeting are published in the NavCom. Our next board of Trustees meeting will be held Tuesday, October 2 at 7:30 p.m. EAA 690 membership is invited to attend all of our meetings.

Committee Reports

The B-17 visit at EAA 690 will be from October 11 through 15. Volunteers are needed. Bill Ferguson reported that local fire and police departments have been notified. The next planning meeting will be Tuesday, September 25, at 7:30 p.m. Larry Dickinson and Duane Huff are co-chairing this event.

NavCom – Lnor request that material be in by September 20.

Project Visits – Greg Jannakos – none scheduled at this time.

Young Eagles – Duane Huff – We fly the third Saturday of every month. We need pilots and volunteers for flights tomorrow.

Oshkosh Highlights - Fred Huppertz flew in the Bonanza formation to Oshkosh and told us about his flight. Duane Huff was named the Young Eagle Coordinator of the Year and Debi Huffman was awarded the EAA Major Achievement Award. Also, Margaret Wilcox was one of the 2007 inductees to the EAA Memorial Wall.

A newly planned monthly feature will be a Highlight on and by EAA 690 members. As the first member to be chosen for this new feature, Jamie Painter presented a very nice slide show on the building and flying of his new RV airplane.

Program:

After a brief break for coffee and snacks, our speakers were five of the seven students who attended EAA Air Academy Camps in Oshkosh this year on Chapter 690 Scholarships. Congratulations to all of our 2007 Air Academy students. And thanks for your presentations.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry Bishop, Secretary

AUGUST 2007 BOT Meeting

To All:

The September meeting of the Board of Trustees, scheduled for August 28, 2007 was preempted by a planning meeting for the Ford Tri-motor, which would arrive the next day.

In addition, the BOT secretary (that would be me), forgot to send out the meeting reminder.

The October meeting of the board of Trustees will be on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at 7:30 pm at the Chapter Hangar. All members are welcome to attend.

Attached to this email is the latest version of the Action Item Log, still dated August 1, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Wallis, Secretary
EAA Chapter 690 Board of Trustees
Home Phone 770-394-5764

Sam Lyons to be a Hall of Famer – CONGRATULATIONS!!

Talented aviation artist and longtime friend of Chapter 690, Sam Lyons is going to be honored by being inducted into the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame.

Buddy Stallings, head of Eastern Aviation Fuels, nominated Sam. Buddy wrote, "Through his artwork and passion for aviation, Sam Lyons has drawn thousands into the world of flying. He has also preserved aviation history with his highly realistic and meticulously detailed paintings."

Sam will be the first aviation artist to be inducted in a black tie induction ceremony on April 26, 2008, to be held at the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins, GA. Sam will be joined by fellow inductees Ed and Connie Bowlin, Colonel Bert Atkinson, and Earnest Shelton. Congratulations to all!!

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of EAA Chapter 690

September 11, 2007

Attending Members:

Cliff Aiken	Jamie Painter, Chmn. BoD
Larry Bishop, Chap. Sec.	John Reitz, Chap. V.P.
Debi Huffman, Chap. Pres.	Jerry Shingleton
Lnor Levine	Mike Stewart, Treas.

Absent Members:

David Rowe

Visitors:

Bill Ferguson	Joel Levine
Jeanne Ferguson	Georgia Mills
Duane Huff	Lee Olson

A quorum was present.

The Board of Directors (BoD) meeting was called to order by Jamie Painter, Chairman.

The following reports were made by chapter officers and committee chairmen:

Treasurer's Report – No report this month.

John Reitz - Friday Night Programs – The October program will feature Jack English with a presentation of the first 100 Years of Flight in Georgia. Lorie Seymour is tentative scheduled to speak about Women in Aviation and her Aerobatic Flying. Duane is working on a music program for our Christmas dinner and awards program.

Newsletter – Lnor Levine – Please send all information for the NavCom to Lnor by the 20th of the month.

Young Eagles – Duane Huff - We have about 15 kids who are planning to fly this month plus our usual 15 to 20 kids who show up unannounced; expecting 30 to 40 kids total.

Board of Trustees – David Rowe not present; Duane Huff reporting - The Board of Trustees recommends that the EAA contribute \$10 per month to Astron for our use of their dumpster. A motion was made by John and seconded by Debi Huffman. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

The sign folks who are working on the Chapter Hangar sign are preparing a new quote. They have recommended that we remove the old sign and they will clean the area and install the new sign. This will be brought to the Board again when a revised quote is received.

Plastic airplane models that were donated to the chapter a few years ago are still in inventory. An individual is interested in these models and would like to look through our inventory with the plan to purchase all of them from the Chapter. A motion was made by John Reitz and seconded by Mike Stewart to authorize Duane to negotiate the sale of these plastic models. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Membership – Cliff Aiken - We have three new members who joined during the Ford Tri-Motor event. Our total membership is approximately 176.

Publicity – Joel Levine reported that publicity is under way for both our EAA B-17 visit in October. Our 1st Saturday pancake and breakfast programs for the remainder of the year are :

October – Dr. John Tumblin speaking on U-Boats and Lighter Than Air Ships

November – Paul Platt presentation on Aviation Weather on the Internet.

December – Pat Epps, 100 years of aviation in Georgia

Old Business: None

New Business:

EAA has introduced the new EAA Student Membership Kit which can be the next step for a Young Eagle on his way to becoming a pilot. The Student Members web site will launch October 1 and national membership is \$10.

Currently our EAA 690 Youth Membership is \$15 per year. A motion was made by Larry Bishop and seconded by Debi Huffman to reduce our chapter youth membership from \$15 to \$10 per year. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. The Board will take appropriate action to make this change to EAA Chapter 690 Bylaws.

EAA Speakers Bureau – All members are encouraged to join the EAA Speakers Bureau to help provide programs at nearby chapter meetings and events.

There was no further business to come before the board; the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry Bishop, Secretary
EAA Chapter 690



The celebrations around Georgia are still going on as 2007 draws to a close. Chapter 690 has done its part in programs and activities that celebrate 100 years of flight in our state – including the visit of the Tri-Motor that helped with early commercial aviation in Georgia, and next month's program by Jack English – who will present a program on "100 Years of Powered Flight in Georgia" at the EAA 690 Hangar on Friday, November 9th.

You won't want to miss our December 1st program. Immediately following the "First Saturday" Pancake Breakfast, aviator Pat Epps will talk to us about Georgia aviation from the perspective of the son of Georgia's first pilot, Ben Epps. Pat's contributions to aviation are many – including the successful EPPS Aviation at PDK, and his leadership in the Greenland Expedition Society's recovery of a P-38F Lightning from under more than 200 feet of ice. Come join us as we welcome Pat to the Chapter and help us to let him know how much his contributions to aviation in Georgia are appreciated.

EAA HOSTS SPIRITED CHAPTER LEADERS ACADEMY

From:
<http://www.eaa.org/communications/eaanews/070920_chapters.html>



Duane Huff was one of 30 representatives of EAA chapters from 16 states gathered in Oshkosh last month for the first-ever EAA Chapter Leadership Academy, a two-day conference of group discussions, breakout sessions, idea sharing, and future activities planning.

Classifieds

Members 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.



Mark your calendar - You won't want to miss out on any of Chapter 690's meetings and activities.

Our regular 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfasts feature aviation programs or activities. Our meetings, on the 2nd Friday of each month, include programs on a variety of topics.

Old Yeller is up for adoption by a responsible and loving pilot. N5997S partnership is for sale. Joel Levine, the other partner, has to approve the adoption.

The aeroplane comes with two, count 'em, two, GPS units. One is a Lowerance and the other is an Anywhere Map unit with a year's subscription. Portable hand-held transceiver for a back up radio. Includes two headsets with Oregon Aero comfort mods.

Annual was done 1/07. In the words of the AI at the annual, "If you can get by the appearance this is most likely the best maintained aeroplane on this airport."

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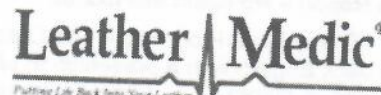
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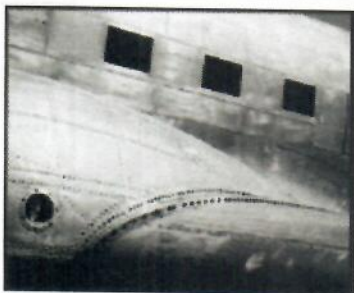
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Hi Neighbors! I'm cleaning out my hangar (not that it needs it :-)) and I've come across a set of cargo tie-down "bars" for any of the Piper family of planes which use the fuselage of the Cherokee-6, Seneca, et al. Many thousands of years ago, I used to haul a 450 lb. computer around the SouthEast, demo-ing custom integrated circuit design software. I used Cherokee 6's, Lances (that's the R.G. version of the Cherokee 6), and a Beech A-36. To haul this load in the Pipers I would remove the second and third row of seats and these two tie-downs would bolt into the seat bolt locations down both sides of the A/C, providing tie-down loops down both sides. I haven't used them in centuries but they are still in good painted condition. I'll even wipe the cob webs off!! :-)) If nobody around here knows of someone who'd like to have them for free, they go into the pile of scrap steel to be recycled. **HAVE A GREAT DAY! Chuck**

Contact Chuck Roberts at <tailyddrager.96@comcast.net>

America's Challenge Gas Balloon Race

By Stuart Enloe of Atlanta Aerosports

As most of you know Andy Cayton and I are in the America's Challenge Gas Balloon Race, scheduled to start October 6, 2007 at 6 p.m.

Here is a link to the tracking web-site that is updated every 15 min. so you should be able to get an idea of where we are while flying across the country.

At this time it looks like we will be able to launch on schedule.

<http://www.balloonfiesta.com/>

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Quarterly Changes of Gate Access Codes

In accordance with the Airport Security Plan, the gate access codes will be changed on Monday, October 1, 2007 (the first business day of the new quarter). Chapter members can get the new codes from Joel Levine at jlevine@bellsouth.net.

Please remember that the security of the new codes is dependant on the airport tenants. Please do not share the gate codes with people that do not have a "need to know" the code.

LOST!! If you have borrowed serving items from the kitchen, or any other items from the hangar, would you please return them, as we are trying to assemble everything we need for the B-17 weekend and other upcoming events. Thank you!

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Lawmaker Pilots

Have A Say on Aviation Bill

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In the fight over FAA reauthorization, it was Big Airlines vs. the little guy -- the little guy being private pilots, small regional airlines and airports. This time around, in an argument settled in the House and headed for a Senate vote, the little guy actually had some pull. Congressional pilots... have had a chance of late to espouse their "general aviation" perspective.

It is an informal caucus that appears to include one senator, James M. Inhofe (R-Okla.), and at least six House members who fly and legislate. Inhofe has been flying since the 1950s and owns three planes. He said that when he speaks on aviation issues, he tells the audience that he will work to combat the user-fee systems that private pilots object to and big airlines are pushing for.

The legislative fight concerns reauthorization for Federal Aviation Administration funding. Private pilots are pushing to keep the current "pay at the pump" fuel tax system, which both the House and Senate Finance Committee versions of the bill preserve, in part.

Flying House members include Reps. Robin Hayes (R-N.C.), John Salazar (D-Colo.), Leonard L. Boswell (D-Iowa), Darrell Issa (R-Calif.) and Collin C. Peterson (D-Minn.). Rep. Sam Graves (R-Mo.), a pilot since his teenage years, is on the aviation subcommittee and has his own 1967 two-seat Cherokee. He understands the challenges that general aviation users face, said his communications director, Jason Klindt.

EAA works hard to protect the rights of general aviation enthusiasts. Lend your voice to our efforts by becoming informed on how user fees threaten your rights as an aviation enthusiast. Visit www.eaa.org/govt/index.html

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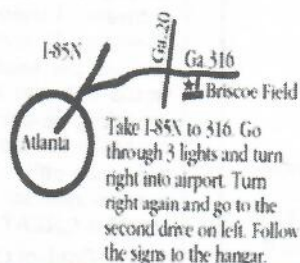


Come Join Us!

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 am



OCTOBER MEETING

Friday, October 12th —

The meeting has been cancelled. Join the volunteers at The Flying Machine for dinner after the B-17's Tours are done for the day.

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

November 3rd Pancake Breakfast Program - Weather on the Internet

November 3rd is the "First Saturday" of next month — so come join us for our monthly "all you care to eat" breakfast — with choices of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits, orange juice and coffee — all for the bargain price of \$5 per person (\$2 for children under 12). Then stay as Paul Platt brief us on the latest internet weather services available for flight planning. It should be a very informative session as Paul has accumulated considerable expertise in this area.

Paul and Sherri Platt have lived in Atlanta since 1994. They have two children, Christian age 10 and Michelle age 6.

Paul and Sherri both have instrument ratings and are part owners of a Cirrus SR22 in the AirShares Elite fractional ownership organization based at PDK. They were recently selected as "Owners of the Quarter" by AirShares Elite for their high commitment to safety and training and for their strong involvement in the aviation community. They joined "The Georgia Flyers" in 2003, and they also started "Paul & Sherri's Lunch-Bunch" which is open to anyone who enjoys flying and eating. They are both active Angel Flight pilots, flying missions whenever possible.



Sherri & Paul from a www.georgiaflyers.org web-site Gallery Album.



The deadline is approaching for this important legislation. Please see excerpts from the Washington Post article on page 11 of this NavCom and **take action to help save General Aviation** — It is that important!

User fees could destroy General Aviation as we know it, making it cost prohibitive to fly a private plane. Please take the time to read the info and then ACT!

Limited Seating Available for The WWII Roundtable and Low Country Boil

A delicious Low Country Boil, good fellowship, and reminisces by a panel of World War II Veterans who flew the B-17 will all be featured at the dinner on Saturday, October 13th. To purchase tickets, contact Lnor Levine at 678-770-1877 or <LNOR_L@BELLSOUTH.NET>.

The program's emcee will be Jack Barker, former Public Affairs Officer for the Southern Region of the FAA. Participants will be Jerry Sheffer, B-17 pilot, Clyde Carlson, B-17 Bombardier, and Louis Duran, B-29 Command Gunner in the Pacific and the Burma-China Hump.