



# NavCom

**FEBRUARY 2008**

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

## February Chapter Meeting Features a Return Engagement by Alan Armstrong

Chapter 690 Vice President Lee Olson has announced that Alan Armstrong, Esq. will present the program after the Chapter's business meeting on Friday, February 8th.

Armstrong is a trial lawyer in Atlanta, Georgia, who represents victims and their survivors in relation to personal injuries and wrongful deaths arising out of aviation accidents and other forms of personal injury litigation. Alan represents airmen, aircraft

operators and FAA certified repair stations in aviation enforcement proceedings before the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation

Administration, and he crafts various aircraft contracts, leases and closing documents for clients in accordance with FAA rules and regulations. He also represents clients when aircraft are damaged or destroyed. Alan provides legal assistance to individuals or entities who wish to lease aircraft and/or operate aircraft under time share or interchange agreements permitted by the Federal Aviation Administration Regulations. He also



Alan Armstrong in Cockpit of his Kate  
Photo from [www.alanarmstronglaw.com](http://www.alanarmstronglaw.com)

has experience with proceedings brought under Part 16 of the Federal Aviation Regulations when claims are made that owners or sponsors of airports receiving Federal funds have committed acts of economic discrimination or denied aviation operators fair and reasonable access to airports.

Alan has written nearly one hundred articles on aviation law, which have been published in professional journals and periodicals. He is presently a contributing editor to the Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association Journal. He has served as editor of the National Transportation Safety Board Bar Association Newsletter and has written articles published in the Journal of Air Law and Commerce, the Transportation Law Journal, Air Law, Aviation Consumer, IFR Magazine, Air Classics, Plane & Pilot, and Southern Aviator.

Mr. Armstrong is among those lawyers listed in the Bar Register of Pre-Eminent Lawyers, which is published by Martindale Hubbell, and he also appears in Who's Who in American Law (11th Ed.), Outstanding People in the 20th Century, and Strathmore's Who's Who.

An avid pilot, Alan flies a replica Nakajima B5N2 "Kate" bomber in airshows and for film productions. He is a pilot with the Dixie Wing of the Commemorative Air Force.

Come join us for dinner at The Flying Machine at 6:00 P.M. and hangar talk at 7:30 P.M. in the EAA 690 Hangar. The business meeting will start at 8:00 P.M. Following a break for refreshments the "Shattered Sword" program will begin at approximately 8:45 P.M.

## A History of Tuskegee Army Flight Training



Official Tuskegee Airmen  
Photo of Samuel Jones, Jr.

On Saturday, February 2, 2008, after our monthly Pancake Breakfast, our special guest, Mr. Samuel Jones, Jr., will discuss some of the little known facts regarding the history of the TUSKEGEE ARMY FLIGHT TRAINING PROGRAM, how it came into being and who taught the program. Breakfast is served from 8:00 - 10:30. The program is at 10:30 a.m.

## Paid-Up Membership Prize Drawing

To encourage prompt payment of Chapter 690 membership dues, we are holding a second special prize drawing for an Aircraft Spruce Gift Certificate. All Chapter members who have paid their 2008 dues by the February 8th meeting are eligible. You must be present to win!

Congratulations to John Slemp, winner of the January Paid up Membership drawing.



## Chapter 690 Scenes



Photo by Joel Levine

◀ Mike Stewart gave a fascinating presentation on the logistics and planning for the 35 RV formation flight at Air Venture last summer.

V.P. Lee Olson presents a chapter mug to Bernie Dvorscak, who gave a most informative program on "The Shattered Sword," the untold Story of the Battle of Midway. ▶



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Saturday's sessions will include Flight Training & Education, Finances, Organizations & Non-Profits as well as Aviation Media and Aircraft Supplies & Services.

Exhibitors include: The Hiller Group, Auto Pilot Magazine, Angel Flight, Wings Financial Museum of Commercial Aviation, Kelly Aerospace, Falcon Aviation Academy, Mercy Flight, Technical College System of Georgia and Aero Sparkle.

### Dates to Remember

Air Academy Scholarship Applications must be completed and submitted by February 28th.

The Annual Chili Cook-Off is coming up – Plan to join us for a fun and delicious event on Saturday, March 22nd. Detail in the March NavCom.

AirVenture in Oshkosh – Starts on July 28th, goes through August 3rd.

### Landmark Aviation Offers a Gas Discount for EAA Members

\$1.00 off / Gal. on Weekends

\$1.50 off / Gal for Young Eagle Pilots

### Commentary on "A Safety Note" On Page 5 of the January NavCom

*With thanks to Allan Coles for his important critique –*

Technically, everything in the column is correct but might be a little misleading. Staring at a point in space will enable you to pick up the relative motion of other objects (aircraft). But those are the ones that you're going to miss anyway. The real danger lies with the objects that display no relative motion. They stay in that same spot until, unless an alteration is made, collision occurs. Unfortunately, keeping your eyes moving doesn't do any good either because the eyes have to focus to really see something. The trick is to scan the sky in little discreet steps, stopping just long enough to let your eyes focus, and then moving on to the next point. Surprisingly, if there was an item worth noting in one of those looks, your mind will catch up with it a step or two past and snap you back to the point where you saw that item, for a more thorough check.

### FIND RENTAL AIRCRAFT ON NEW WEBSITE

#### From EAA eHotline Volume 8 Number 5

A new website helps pilots find aircraft that are available for rent. [www.RentPlanes.com](http://www.RentPlanes.com) offers users the ability to search, free of charge, from a database of more than 700 businesses nationwide. Users can search using criteria such as airport or make and model of airplane. Matt Walsh, CEO, developed the website in hopes that the services it provides will help grow general aviation, and eliminate the frustration of finding aircraft to rent. Visit [www.RentPlanes.com](http://www.RentPlanes.com) to learn more.



### Young Eagles Scheduled for Third Saturday in February and March

Pilots and Ground Crew needed on Saturday, February 16th and Saturday, March 15th. Come volunteer – It's a good cause and good fun too!



## 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](mailto:lnor_l@bellsouth.net).

Deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month, unless otherwise announced. The deadline for the March 2008 NavCom is Wednesday, February 20th.

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## Hangar Talk

By Debi Huffman, Chapter 690 President



What a wonderful year 2008 is starting to be for Chapter 690! We had a fabulous turnout for both of our January events. We gained a real appreciation for the level of skill and discipline required to fly in a formation of thirty-five as Mike Stewart shared his experience setting the world-record, formation flight with thirty-four other RV pilots, at our pancake breakfast. At the Friday chapter meeting, our friend Bernie Dvorscak brought us "The Untold Story of the Battle of Midway." We had many of our members in attendance, including several new members, as well as several guests who read about the program in the local media. All present would agree that we learned some history that wasn't taught in school! Thank you, Bernie for putting together such a fine program.

Cliff Aiken, our Membership Chairman, proudly reported that we had seventy-one members who had paid their 2008 membership dues. We added several to that number at the January meeting, where we held a drawing for an Aircraft Spruce gift card. Only those members who were current and present were eligible to win. Congratulations to John Slem, the winner of that gift card! And a heartfelt "THANK YOU," to Aircraft Spruce for their support of our Chapter and sport aviation in general. **Remember, we will hold another drawing at our February 8th meeting.** There will be more competition, as more members will have paid by then. The only way to be eligible to win is to have paid your 2008 dues and to be present at the meeting. I look forward to seeing you there!

As most of you know, Chapter 690 is a very diverse group. We have members of all ages, both men and women, single and married, families, pilots, builders, educators and enthusiasts of all kinds. That's part of what makes us so special. Some of us are talking about adding a new dimension to this group... We think we have a lot to offer to single enthusiasts who are looking for a place to share their love of aviation with other singles. If you have some ideas and would like to work with a team to plan some activities for single aviation buffs, I would love to hear from you. Please e-mail or call me at, [debi.huffman@fernbank.edu](mailto:debi.huffman@fernbank.edu), 770-314-5653. With your help, we may create a model that can be adapted by chapters all over the country. Let's get started!

February will be a busy month at EAA 690. We expect standing room only at our pancake breakfast as we host the "Tuskegee Airmen" for our program. We have invited the Fernbank SEMAA high school juniors to attend again this year. So come hungry and come early to get the best seat in the hangar! You won't want to miss our Friday, February 8th program, presented by Alan Armstrong, pilot, author and attorney who specializes in aviation law. We are also hosting the AeroElectric Seminar, the Mooney Aircraft & Pilots Association, and an FAA Safety Seminar. A good turnout is expected for all events!

Reminder: The deadline for Air Academy scholarship applications is February 28. A few applications have already been received. Be sure to spread the word to any interested young people you know, who are between the ages of 12 and 18. The application is in the November issue of the NavCom. I can also e-mail you a copy upon request. Last year we sent seven students to Air Academy. We hope to match or exceed that number for 2008. If you would like to donate any amount to help meet that goal, please send your gift, earmarked for Air Academy Scholarships to:

Air Academy Scholarships  
Attn: Debi Huffman  
156 Heaton Park Drive, N.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30307

We also have the Margaret Wilcox Memorial scholarship for ladies who would like to pursue flight training. There is no deadline for applications and they are available upon request at my e-mail address above. In addition to those, we have the Elgin Wells Memorial Scholarship, which will be available to any chapter member pursuing flight training of any kind. Funding amounts are variable according to the success of our fundraising efforts during the year. So, your participation in chapter activities, such as the B-17 and Ford Tri-Motor visits, also benefit our future pilots! If you have been considering flight lessons, now is the time to begin. We would like to help you take flight!

By our February pancake breakfast, we will have a pronouncement of our weather outlook from the groundhog. Hopefully it will be "great weather for flying!" I'll see you at the airport!

Blue Skies!  
Debi ☺



## Realization of Early EAA Dreams

Dear EAA Chapter President and Newsletter Editor,

From time to time we have been sharing with you special articles from our founder, Paul Poberezny. He has passed along the following article that he thought would be an interesting reflection on the path that we as EAA have traveled since some of our early years.

This article is from 1964 and was in reaction to the plans to build an EAA Air Museum. It is interesting to see how the first sparks the visions of Paul and the first EAA members have ultimately led the association to having such a world class museum, headquarters, aviation learning center and convention facility.

It is a snapshot in our history and illustrates that by following our dreams we can accomplish many things. As a Chapter, these same thoughts hold true. While it can be hard to envision that your Chapter may one day have the Chapter hangar or clubhouse you wish for, or the financial abilities to have a scholarship program for young people, through determination, teamwork and a little inspiration your Chapter can realize its dreams.

Please feel free to share this article in your Chapter newsletters. (Ed. Note: Reprinted on Pages 5 and 6 of this NavCom).

Brenda Anderson, EAA #650581  
Chapter Administrator  
EAA-The Spirit of Aviation  
www.eaa.org

See you at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh-July 28 - August 3, 2008

## Vandals Strike EAA Chapter Clubhouse in Georgia - From [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org)

**January 31, 2008** — On early Monday morning, January 28, EAA Chapter 172's (Augusta, Georgia) chapter clubhouse was vandalized, causing significant damage to the building and three aircraft, according to the Richmond County Sheriff's Office. The clubhouse is located at the private Pea Patch Airport (61GA) in Blythe, Georgia. Aaron Hannsz, Richmond County investigator, said the incident occurred about 3 a.m. when a local resident heard gunshots from the direction of the hangar and called 911. A deputy arrived at the scene and saw graffiti on the outside of the clubhouse, including a swastika, a confederate flag, "KKK", and a peace sign.

It was later discovered that three aircraft were damaged by gunshots from what officials determined to be a 12-gauge shotgun. The damaged aircraft include a Taylor Monoplane owned by the chapter, which was undergoing restoration; a Zenith CH-801 under construction, owned by chapter member Jim McBurney; and a North Wing trike owned by Maj. Bill Amsink, a non-EAA member who rents space with the chapter. (Amsink is currently serving in Iraq.)

Also damaged by gunshots were a trailer containing some glider wings; a motorhome parked at a nearby carport; and other buildings hit by stray

shots, Hannsz said. Total damages were estimated at around \$34,000.

Sheila Connell, president of Chapter 172, said she was extremely frustrated and disappointed with what occurred. "Our clubhouse - it's so sad to see, they did so much damage," she said. "But the worst part was seeing the damage done to the airplanes."

Pea Patch Airport is a private facility owned by a group of about 20 people, she said. The Augusta Chronicle, which reported the story, said airport owners have established a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of whoever is responsible for the crime.



EAA Chapter 172 members stand in front of their clubhouse in a photo taken before vandals defaced it on January 28.

Connell said that members had planned to gather at the clubhouse and clean up the building this coming weekend, but they were informed that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Security wants to check out the incident, as it happened at an airport. Connell noted that the chapter

did not carry insurance on the building.

EAA has been in contact with chapter leaders and will determine what, if anything, EAAers can do to help, said Steve Buss, EAA director of Chapters and Young Eagles.



Rainier Ehrhardt/Staff Augusta Chronicle  
Maggie McBurney, 6, walks past the EAA's clubhouse, which was defaced with graffiti.



Rainier Ehrhardt/Staff Augusta Chronicle  
Bullet holes are seen in a Zenith CH-801 aircraft as owner Jim McBurney examines the damage.



## A CHAPTER'S POINT OF VIEW

*Last month member Jim Loyd of Peekskill, N.Y. expressed in an article, "A Member's Point of View" the many opportunities that are available to EAA with the establishment of its National Headquarters Building, "an EAA research and development center." Many of his ideas parallel the thinking of the Directors of EAA, and others who have worked closely with them on the matter, and are an indication of the great potential that can be contributed to our cause by creating this educational institution.*

*EAA can feel proud of its members for the many hours that are contributed to our cause and I am especially grateful to EAA Chapter 34, Dallas and Ft. Worth, Texas, for the consideration and thought given to the matter of our Headquarters facility as many and varied opinions will determine what is best for the organization. I am presenting here the letter received from the chapter along with my answer to them. I have not attempted to answer all the questions raised, but instead have tried to present information that may be helpful in future chapter discussions. It is always difficult to put warmth into words.*

*P. POBEREZNY,  
President, EAA*

### EAA

National Headquarters  
Hales Corners, Wis.  
Gentlemen:

EAA Chapter 34, Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas, respectively submits the following concerning the EAA Air Museum.

We, to a man, feel your bid for donations to the Museum fund has fallen below expectations because of several reasons.

Since Wisconsin is not centrally located and has the added disadvantage of being geographically located in a spot that makes it difficult for even near neighbors to the east and southeast from making the trip without difficulty, they will naturally feel reluctant to donate, no matter how worthy the cause.

Your distant friends and members probably never will come within a thousand miles of the place except at Fly-In time. If the Museum were located in the same city as the Fly-In is held in, you might then receive a few more visitors. But who, except a few, will go to the Fly-In, then trudge additional miles to go to the Museum?

Since this is a Museum for and of the EAA, military and type-certificated aircraft are as out of place as a hobo at the Waldorf. Although the Air Museum received a unanimous "thumbs down" (by our chapter), everyone agrees that a Headquarters building is needed and in order.

We are not saying discontinue the project altogether, because one of the American traditions is to plunge ahead if you have a dream and believe in it strong enough. The EAA itself is an almost insurmountable dream come true, but what we are saying is that you picked an unlikely project that will capture the imagination and support of many. You do need greater support than you are getting.

Tearing someone's project apart is easy, but offering helpful suggestions is another story altogether. We could offer prizes and scholarships which all members could compete for. Money collected for

educational aids, books, movies, etc., and made available to the members on the local level might be more kindly received. We could use a good plane, certified and available in kit form. Certification costs money!

Perhaps we could use a Credit Union. That takes money, too. Members with good local credit could obtain loans to build or rebuild aircraft. Stockholding members would also profit, thus making it different than the one way proposition of a straight donation. One Chapter 34 member, as an example, with excellent credit ratings, was refused a bank loan of \$730.00 to buy a partially finished Rose "Parakeet" (well worth the money), and an additional

undisclosed amount to finish it because it wasn't a certified aircraft. He could have bought a \$4,000X0 automobile with his signature.

Suggestions could continue for quite a few pages, but we believe we have made our point.

Sincerely yours,  
Ray L. Alien, Secretary-Treasurer  
8005 Laura  
Fort Worth 18, Texas  
Chapter 34, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Texas

Dear Ray:

We received your letter of March 12 and read with interest the chapter's comments regarding EAA's efforts to put a solid foundation under itself—one that should last many years and serve the many and varied interests of the people who have come to participate in all phases of aviation.

We note with a great deal of pleasure your attached chapter report which indicates much activity in the homebuilt, antique, rotary wing, and World War I aircraft field, as well as some new designs on the drawing board. I feel pleased knowing that from my basement office in my home over 1,000 miles away we have in some small way contributed to your aviation activities and knowledge—and it may never have happened if we would have been discouraged by the many comments of people in aviation who in the early years of EAA said we were a bit tetchd and that our efforts would set aviation back many years. I wonder, too, at your statement that our friends would never come to Headquarters to view the collection of aviation material and seek to explore it for educational reasons, when for years now members and members-to-be have been coming to our home and EAA's basement office in ever increasing numbers in search of education. Visitors not only from a distance of 1,000 miles, but thousands of miles. Not a day goes by that dozens of members or people interested in real down to earth aviation do not stop in or call us by phone.

I realize that it is difficult for people so far away to realize the benefit derived from what EAA has done, not only here at Headquarters, but by the almost 200 chapters and the many individual members — to see the reports on the activities of the many chapters, to attend many of these chapter functions or fly-ins, the requests received each day for help, educational material, photos, and to see and examine light aircraft structures of many and varied types, as well as engines, books and drawings.

Establishing this Air Education Center as a part of the National EAA Headquarters has been a great personal challenge. There are many problems and anyone attempting to do the same will find that preconceived ideas on

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# Benefits Of A National "Experimental Aircraft Association, Inc."

By Robert G. Huggins  
Secretary-Treasurer, Chapter 10  
4915 S. Detroit, Tulsa 5, Okla.

THE QUESTION is asked . . . "Why have a national organization?" Perhaps it would be more to the point to ask "Why have a local chapter?" A score of local chapters have been formed and are functioning satisfactorily because so many of us have found it desirable and beneficial to get together with friends who understand our language and like to talk about things we ourselves are interested in.

The question . . . "What can I get out of it?" . . . has already been answered in a satisfactory manner for more than 20,000 of us who are attending the meetings of these local chapters. The question now is . . . "What more can I get out of a national organization?" The existence and extensive membership of our active national organization demonstrates that group objectives can be more effectively promoted by a national organization than by scattered and unrelated local organizations.

Only a national organization could sponsor an Air Museum to display the progress in design and development of light aircraft from the early days of wood and wire-braced construction through the present-day construction methods used by EAA members in their own homebuilt aircraft.

The national organization, with its fine leadership and large membership, has considerable prestige with the FAA. Its reputation for cooperating with the government has won for the EAA a pleasant relationship with all government agencies, both in Washington and throughout

the nation. The cooperation and understanding thus far shown the EAA and the individual aircraft builders by the FAA personnel is one to be proud of and has been very instrumental in increasing the interest in sport-plane development. These gains made by our national organization could not have been accomplished by individuals or even local chapters.

It can provide you with the opportunity to participate in the largest aviation event in the nation. The annual EAA Convention and International Fly-In, a six day midsummer event, strictly informal, lets you meet EAA members from throughout the world, swap ideas and information; view hundreds of homebuilt aircraft, displays, lectures and flight demonstrations; all this, plus the awarding of many trophies, as part of the program. They make available reference books and films on aviation, and SPORT AVIATION, the official monthly publication of the Experimental Aircraft Association, Inc.

Membership in this organization devoted to private aviation will give each individual member an increasing awareness that, in his effort to improve his own technical knowledge and skill in his chosen field of interest, he will be contributing to the progress of aviation as a whole. General recognition of the aims and accomplishments of such an association will inevitably increase the public esteem and prestige of its members.

(Reprinted from Tulsa, Okla. Chapter 10 "Little Mag" newsletter.

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how to accomplish this goal will constantly change as economics and people will play a most important part.

For example, the free military aircraft for an outside display have already aided the cause of EAA in the areas of public opinion, both local and national, and have played a big part in aiding our struggle for a tax exempt status with the Internal Revenue Service.

I am aware that in discussion, and in our own conversations here at Headquarters, this planned Air Education Center is often referred to as the Air Museum as previously stated in SPORT AVIATION. When we planned its name we found that in accordance with the laws of the land, we were limited as to what we would call it and yet comply with the provisions of both State and Federal laws recognizing tax exempt institutions and without this

privilege our battle would almost be lost before it had begun. But with visionary thinking one can see the great value such an institution can have on light aircraft and engine development and through the creative ability of mankind and the sharing of resources among people, we can offer a bit to society.

Whether financial support is given to this educational effort by the members of EAA, or not, I shall not be lax in my efforts to make available to them, aeronautical education both through physical displays or through publications and other associated activities. I shall find a way to financially support this worthy and much needed facility so that we can better serve the members, the chapters and all who seek help.

Sincerely,  
PAUL H. POBEREZY  
President

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## Minutes of the January 11th, 2008 Monthly Meeting of EAA Chapter 690

The monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 690 held on Friday, November 9, 2007, was called to order by Debi Huffman, President.

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

David Posey announced that all the Hal Weekley books have been sold and the proceeds will be contributed to the Margaret Wilcox scholarship fund. David thanked Duane Huff for his assistance and called Frank Wilcox this week to let him know of our success.

The December monthly meeting was our annual Christmas dinner and awards program. The minutes of the monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 690 held on November 9, were published in the NavCom. Dennis Crosgrrove made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Fred Huppertz, seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by those present.

The Pancake Breakfast and Program is on the first Saturday of every month. Our next Breakfast and Program is on February 2.

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, February 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Trustees meeting was held on Tuesday, January. The minutes of this meeting are published in the NavCom. Our next board of Trustees meeting will be held Tuesday, January 29 at 7:30 p.m. EAA 690 membership is invited to attend all of our meetings.

### Committee Reports

Publicity – Joel Levine – Joel reported that the program for Saturday, February 2, will be presented by members of the

Tuskegee Airmen. Saturday morning programs are scheduled for the first half of 2008. Posters are available.

NavCom – Lnor requested that material in by January 20. Also we have oil analysis kits for \$12.00.

Membership – Cliff reported that we currently have approximately 85 membership renewals to date (for 2008) including renewals received at this meeting.

Project Visits – none scheduled at this time.

Tool Room – Chapter tools are available to loan to members. A current listing of tools is posted on the web site.

Food Service – no report

Historian – no report

Young Eagles – Duane Huff – We fly the third Saturday of every month. We need pilots and volunteers for our January 19, Young Eagle Rally.

Fly Out – Nothing scheduled at this time. Jamie Painter is our Fly-Chairman for 2008

### New Business –

EAA Chapter 690 will host the AeroElectric weekend seminar on February 9 and 10.

David Posey is planning a milling machine seminar and training in May.

After a brief break for coffee and snacks our speaker was Bernie Dvorscak who brought is an outstanding presentation on the Battle of Midway.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Larry Bishop, Secretary

## January 2008 BOT Meeting of EAA Chapter 690

To All:

The EAA Chapter 690 Board of Trustees meeting for January 2008 was held on Tuesday, January 1, 2008 in the Chapter Hangar at 7:30 PM.

Attending were:

David Rowe	BOT Chairman
Dennis Crosgrrove	BOT Member
John Kimmons	BOT Secretary
Larry Wallis	BOT Outgoing Secretary
Bill Ferguson	BOT Outgoing Member
Debi Huffman	Chapter President

Absent:

Lee Hockman	BOT Member
Wayne Whitaker	BOT Member
Bob Zahner	BOT Vice Chairman

The meeting was called to order by BOT Chairman David Rowe; discussed the transition of duties from outgoing BOT Secretary Larry Wallis with John Kimmons volunteering to take on those duties with assistance from Larry who also passed along a cd-rom with all BOT files. Selection of Vice Chairman was left open to discuss with Bob Zahner at next BOT meeting.

The following items on the 2007 action item list were discussed:

Item 1. SIGNS in TOOL ROOM. Completed and in place.

Item3. MOVING SIGN DISPLAY. Dave Rowe is testing the software to confirm it still works.

Item 4. NEED TO REFINISH HANGAR FLOOR – Dave Rowe will seek a new quote for top coating a net floor area of 2200 square feet. The target date for getting the quote is the February BOT meeting. The target date for finishing the work is April 25-26, which is the fourth weekend in April of 2008.

Item 8. REFURBISH THE SIGN THAT IS ON THE FRONT OF THE CHAPTER HANGAR – This item is completed.

Item 10. ASSISTANCE FOR ROUTINE CLEANING / SETUP OF HANGAR. Dave Rowe is preparing a sign-up list to be circulated at Chapter functions to request assistance for the "Over-the-hill gang" in keeping the hangar clean and setting up for the various events during the month.

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## Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of EAA Chapter 690

January 8, 2008

### Attending Members:

Cliff Aiken	Lnor Levine
Larry Bishop	Lee Olson
Debi Huffman	Jamie Painter
Fred Huppertz	

### Absent Members:

David Rowe	Mike Stewart
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### Visitors:

Don Hall	Joel Levine
Duane Huff	John Reitz

A quorum was present.

The Board of Directors 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.

Newsletter – Lnor Levine – Please send all information for the NavCom to Lnor by the 20th of the month. If anyone is having problem with the delivery of the NavCom, please contact Lnor.

Publicity – Joel Levine and Debi Huffman are recruiting a chapter member to organize and plan programs for our monthly 1st Saturday Pancake breakfast programs. Joel has programs committed for the first half of 2008; we are looking for someone to help starting with the last half of 2008.

Debi Huffman – President - Debi is recruiting additional chapter members to fill key positions in Hospitality, Project Visits, Fly Outs and a Singles activities.

Young Eagles – Duane Huff - Duane reported that Young Eagle pilots are needed at Fulton County (FTY) next Saturday and that we are expecting about 30 Young Eagles will fly with us on our regular Young Eagle 3rd Saturday

event on January 19. Also, we are planning for the "Georgia Skills USA" event which is an aviation science fair to be held at LZU on April 24, 25 and 26. We will be assisting and offering Young Eagle flights on the south side of the airport on Saturday, April 26th.

Membership – Cliff Aiken - Cliff reported that 2008 Chapter membership renewals are ahead of schedule. Lnor and Cliff are reviewing membership status of aircraft owners who are based on our property.

Board of Trustees – The Board of Trustees will have quotes for refinishing the hangar floor by the February Board of Directors meeting. The project will be completed by the end of April.

John Reitz - Friday Night Programs – Our December meeting is our annual Holiday Party and Awards Banquet. There is no monthly business meeting in August when we have our annual Post Oshkosh Bash. John will work with Lee Olson, our new Vice President (as of January 1, 2008), on Friday night programs for the first half of 2008.

**Old Business:** None

### **New Business:**

Bob Nuckolls will bring his well known Aeroelectric Seminar ([www.aeroelectric.com](http://www.aeroelectric.com)) to EAA 690 on February 9th and 10th in the Chapter Hangar. Breakfast and lunch will be available Saturday, breakfast on Sunday.

Our by-laws require that the Board of Directors elect officers at the first meeting of each year. The officers elected for 2008 are Jamie Painter, Chairman; Lee Olson, Vice Chairman and Larry Bishop, Secretary.

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

Larry Bishop  
Secretary, EAA Chapter 690

## January 2008 BOT Meeting of EAA Chapter 690 – (Cont. from Page 8)

Item 12. HOT WATER DISPENSER FOR KITCHEN. Completed by Dave Rowe.

Item 13. FILLING IN MUD PUDDLES – DRIVEWAY TO PARKING LOT. This item was completed by manual labor (Duane / Greg / Dave) and with assistance from bobcat operator working with the fencing crew (with superb diplomatic persuasion by Dave Rowe).

Item 17. HONDA MOWER REPAIRED. Spring project to repair a Honda Lawn Tractor that was donated by John Slemp.

Item 18. UPDATED AUDIO DESIGN / EQUIPMENT FOR HANGAR. Dennis Crosgrove agreed to chair a sub-committee and work with Doug Mills and John Slemp to develop a plan with several alternatives to present to the BOT and BOD for review.

Item 19. REPLACE SOME FOLDING TABLES – We have approximately 20 folding tables of various lengths stored in the hangar. Duane and Debi will decide which ones to sell

and replace a few of them with newer plastic folding tables of length six feet.

New Item – install air filters on HVAC units; will need to fabricate the metal to hold filters in place.

Need to confirm that EAA 690 is an IRS-qualified Charity; Dennis to check with Steve Ashby.

These minutes represent the highlights of the meeting. If I have omitted anything of significance, please let me know and I will reissue.

The February meeting of the board of Trustees will be on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the Chapter Hangar. All members are welcome to attend.

Attached to this email is the latest version of the BOT Action Item Log, dated January 1, 2008.

Respectfully submitted, John Kimmons, Secretary  
EAA Chapter 690 Board of Trustees  
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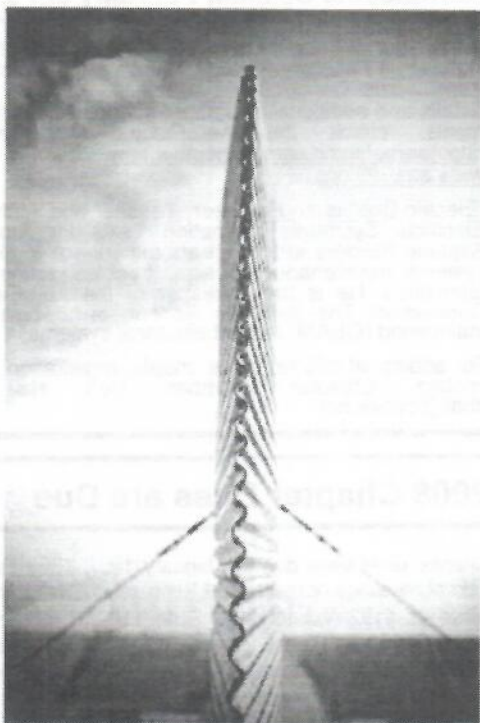
## Sun 'n Fun Confirmed

Aviation fine art photographer John Slemp has committed to an exhibitor's booth (N-17) at the 2008 Sun 'n Fun Fly-In in Lakeland, Florida. Held annually, this year's event will take place from 8-13 April, at the Lakeland Linder Regional Airport, and will feature aircraft, vendors, and organizations associated with General Aviation from across the USA.

John's work features black and white images that depict his classic interpretation of historic flying machines such as the Douglas DC-3, the Ryan ST, and the Ford Tri-Motor. Using a blend of old and new technologies, the images reflect John's deep understanding of the symbolic power of flying.

"Why aviation? It is the ultimate expression of personal freedom," explains John. "None of the normal human limitations apply. It is the perfect metaphor for how we'd like life to be." The images express John's fascination with aircraft and his appreciation of aerodynamic principles. "All aircraft are physical compromises that strive to strike the perfect balance between efficiency and payload, speed and range, durability and cost," he says.

For more information about the annual Fly-In or Sun 'n Fun's varied educational programs, access Sun 'n Fun's web-site at: [www.sun-n-fun.org](http://www.sun-n-fun.org)



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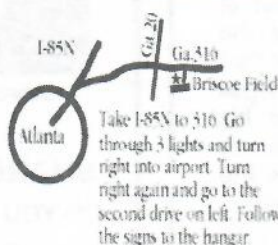


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## FEBRUARY MEETING

**Friday, February 8th, 2008**

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author and aviation attorney  
Alan Armstrong for an encore  
visit to Chapter 690.

**Visit the EAA 690 Web-Site at [www.eaa690.org](http://www.eaa690.org)**

## Through the Artist's Eyes

The program for the 1st Saturday Pancake Breakfast in March 2008 will be presented at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 1st.

Chapter member John Slem, a creative and talented photographer, will talk about Aviation Photography. Those of you who have seen some of John's work know how lucky we are to count him as a Chapter 690 member.

Born into a military family then stationed in Japan, John has been "on the move" for most of his life. He graduated in 1978 from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, with a degree in Psychology. Commissioned a lieutenant in the US Army, he served in a variety of command and staff



positions for over 10 years, in the US and abroad, before leaving the service in 1989. It was while stationed in West Germany that photography became a passion, which led to several award-winning images in the annual US Army-Europe Photography Competition.

John's professional photography career started at the Portfolio Center in Atlanta, Georgia. He enjoys creating location and studio images for commercial clients across the nation. A student pilot, John lives in Tucker with his wife, Marietta. To see some of his work and learn more about John, visit [www.aviationfineart.com](http://www.aviationfineart.com) and also [johnslem.com](http://johnslem.com).

## AeroElectric Seminar February 9th & 10th

A seminar will be conducted at the Chapter 690 Hangar on February 9th and 10th by Bob Nuckolls of AeroElectric Connection of Wichita, Kansas. For details and additional info about schedules, fees, and meals, check the AeroElectric web-site at <http://aeroelectric.com/whatsnew.html> and [www.eaa690.org](http://www.eaa690.org).

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For additional info re: costs, meals, registration, etc., contact Chapter member Don Hall at [dhall@donka.net](mailto:dhall@donka.net)

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Annual Chapter dues are \$30 for a single member, \$40 for a family membership, and \$10 for a student membership. Checks may be made to EAA Chapter 690.