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Chapter News—Let's Get Going!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



At our January meeting we discussed the possibility of taking over management of the MLAA Hangar. Larry Stevens volunteered to take a look at the building structure and report back. His report was not very encouraging and I quote “Without going into detail, the bottom line is, I recommend demolishing the building up to the hangar space.” I have also received a few e-mails from members that seem to be questioning my sanity for even bringing it up. The building isn't going to be demolished anytime in the near future, maybe in 8 to 10 years, but not now. So, we will continue to meet in the building during the winter months and at individual hangars in the summer months. Management of the building will remain with the MLAA Board and we need not discuss it any more. I would like to thank Larry for his time and report. Thanks so much Larry. This month we will be meeting at the MLAA Hangar and Dr. Limoge will be our speaker. Basic Med is becoming more relevant as our membership continues to grow older. The big dark cloud looming on the horizon is the runway rebuild. At this point the MLAA Board plans to go out for bids on the 11th of March and hopefully award the contract by March 31st. The construction will start at the end of June or early July and continue for 75-90 days. This means, best case, we will be flying again

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by the middle of September and worst case first of October. Anyone planning a flying trip to Oshkosh better relocate their plane/planes to another location before the end of June. We may get to fly some Young Eagles in May and June if weather permits. Let's hope.

See you all on the 23rd at 9:00 AM. Esther will have some more great pancakes and sausage cooked up for us and plenty of hot coffee as well.

For everybody who ordered name tags, I will have them at the meeting. Bring \$10.00 and pick up your tag.

Jim Steward

President, EAA Chapter 72



This portion of the MLAA Hangar needs to be demolished and rebuilt.



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The Mechanic's Creed and Maintenance Personal Minimums

I know some of our chapter members are familiar with The Mechanic's Creed but do you know anything about the man who wrote it?



MECHANIC'S CREED

Upon my honor I swear that I shall hold in sacred trust the rights and privileges conferred upon me as a certified mechanic. Knowing full well that the safety and lives of others are dependent upon my skill and judgment, I shall never knowingly subject others to risks which I would not be willing to assume for myself, or for those dear to me.

In discharging this trust, I pledge myself never to undertake work or approve work which I feel to be beyond the limits of my knowledge; nor shall I allow any non-certificated superior to persuade me to approve aircraft or equipment as airworthy against my better judgment; nor shall I permit my judgment to be influenced by money or other personal gain; nor shall I pass as airworthy aircraft or equipment about which I am in doubt, either as a result of direct inspection or uncertainty regarding the ability of others who have worked on it to accomplish their work satisfactorily.

I realize the grave responsibility which is mine as a certified airman, to exercise my judgment on the airworthiness of aircraft and equipment. I, therefore, pledge unyielding adherence to these precepts for the advancement of aviation and for the dignity of my vocation.



A copy of this creed suitable for framing will be sent to any mechanic who sends his name and address to Flight Safety Foundation, Inc., 471 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York.

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The Mechanic's Creed was written by Jerome F. Lederer in 1941 and can be summed up in three words, responsibility, integrity, and standards. No other industry depends so greatly on individuals to be proficient, mature, and skilled because people's lives rely on our ability to perform in a safe and correct manner. Even Charles Lindbergh recognized the integrity of Mr. Lederer and asked him to perform the final inspection of *The Spirit of St. Louis* aircraft before departing on his infamous Trans-Atlantic flight of 3600 miles from New York to Paris.

Mr. Lederer became a leader in Aviation Safety as a consultant to the Air Force and later directed the use of flight data recorders and anti-collision lights for the Flight Safety Foundation. "The Flight Safety Foundation was established in 1947 as an International non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to provide impartial, independent, expert safety guidance and resources for the aviation and aerospace industry. Today, membership includes more than 1,000 organizations and individuals in 150 countries. The Foundation is based in Alexandria, VA and has a regional office in Melbourne, Australia.



If you've ever taken any instrument flight training, you've probably heard about setting personal minimums. IFR students are taught to establish personal minimums for weather and visibility as part of their routine decision making. It can be a life or death situation.

The FAA has recently established guidelines for "maintenance" personal minimums for mechanics. It can apply to Airframe & Powerplant Mechanics as well as Repairmen and Builders. Actually, it could apply to any profession. It is a simple checklist intended to assure safety in one's work. We can never be too careful in Aviation, no matter the task. A copy of the checklist is on the next page.

Randy Loyd, Newsletter Editor
A&P, DAR, Commercial, Instrument, SEL, MEL

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Federal Aviation
Administration

Maintenance "Personal Minimums" Checklist

Before the task

- Do I have the knowledge to perform the task?
- Do I have the technical data to perform the task?
- Have I performed the task previously?
- Do I have the proper tools and equipment to perform the task?
- Have I had the proper training to support the job task?
- Am I mentally prepared to perform the job task?
- Am I physically prepared to perform the task?
- Have I taken the proper safety precautions to perform the task?
- Do I have the resources available to perform the task?
- Have I researched the FAR's to ensure compliance?

After the task

- Did I perform the job task to the best of my abilities?
- Was the job task performed to be equal to the original?
- Was the job task performed in accordance with appropriate data?
- Did I use all the methods, techniques, and practices acceptable to the industry?
- Did I perform the job task without pressures, stress, and distractions?
- Did I reinspect my work or have someone inspect my work before return to service?
- Did I make the proper record entries for the work performed?
- Did I perform the operational checks after the work was completed?
- Am I willing to sign on the bottom line for the work performed?
- Am I willing to fly in the aircraft once it is approved for the return to service?

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January was Membership Renewal Month. The annual dues are \$25.00. Please make sure to pay your dues if you have not done so. You may submit payment by cash, check, or credit card to Secretary Esther Smith. Make your check payable to EAA Chapter 72. If you have already submitted your payment for this year to Sandy Martin, then please make sure Esther Smith knows about it. This is very important. Thank you.
EAA Chapter 72 Board Members



Chapter Financials

*Thank you for supporting
these EAA Chapter 72
members!*

EAA BRUCE MCCOMBS CHAPTER 72 Treasurer's Report

As of 1/31/19

Date	Purpose	Amount
1/1/2019	Beginning Balance	\$6788.61
1/18/2019	Walmart (Breakfast Foods)	\$ (11.94)
1/19/2019	Walmart (Receipt Book)	\$ (13.32)
1/20/2019	Deposit – Membership Fees	\$ 550.00
1/20/2019	Deposit – Breakfast Donations	\$ 65.00
1/24/2019	Check 4001-Jim Steward (Nov. Mtg)	\$(234.98)
1/24/2019	Check 4002-Randy Loyd (Newsletter Printing/Mailing)	\$ (61.73)
	Outstanding Check T102 - \$22.61	\$ (22.61)
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Current Savings Account \$25.00

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Chapter Meeting

Date: Feb. 23, 2019, Saturday

Time: 9:00 AM Breakfast & Social hour.

10:00 AM
Meeting

Place: MAAA Hangar

Program: Dr. Limoge speaks to us about
Basic Med.



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About Our Chapter

EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. **Meetings are on 3rd Thursday evening of each month** with a Young Eagle Rally and/or breakfast/brunch/lunch or other activity throughout the month on Saturdays. Look for the calendar of events to highlight special chapter events like Young Eagle Rallies, fly-outs, and all other chapter sponsored activities.

The Chapter Newsletter is published monthly, normally mailed and available on the website a few days before each meeting. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles, photos, etc. by submitting them to the Newsletter Editor in hard copy — email, pen/paper, as long as it's not verbal—by the first Saturday of each month.

Annual membership is \$25. Send to Sandy Martin, at 7505 Mallard Drive, Peyton, CO 80831, payable EAA Chapter 72, and start receiving the newsletter each month, attending the meetings and having a great time with sport aviation.