

## President's Notes



This is the month for the big Christmas Potluck. It is one meeting you don't want to miss. The little folks and spouses always have a good time as well. REMEMBER – it starts at 6:00P.M. (not the usual 7:00). Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Turkey, both regular and smoked and ham will be provided. We will have coffee and Cy Galley will be bringing the soda. We always look forward to seeing what Deb Jacobsen comes up with for table decorations.

A visitor from the North is scheduled to arrive at 8:00P.M. If you have young ones coming with you be sure to bring a package for them from Santa. Sometimes even some a bit older are surprised with a package from Santa.

While we await the arrival of our visitor from the North we will be discussing programs for next year. So bring along all those good ideas. We can then schedule the coming year's programs. June, July and August are on the schedule for summer potluck events and December will be the Christmas Party. Therefore, we are only looking for eight programs.

If you know of a young person wanting to go to EAA Air Academy in 2009 in the Senior Division, please contact me or the secretary George Bedeian so we can get the procedure started. This is a wonderful

experience for young aviation enthusiasts.

Thanks to Mike Nass for filling in for me at the November meeting while we spent a little time in Texas.

Also, thanks to the folks who said "yes" to serving another term of office for 2009.

To those who won't be at the meeting, have a happy, blessed holiday season and we look forward to seeing you often in 2009.

Looking forward to the festivities on the 13th, good food and good fellowship.

Happy flying - Jim

## November Meeting

Last month held yet another successful meeting for EAA Chapter 75. After the usual business portion of the meeting, there was a very interesting program. Colonel Richard Asbury, USAF Ret. talked to the membership. He flew in three wars and is a true American hero. He brought with him his very proud daughter and son-in-law. I'm sure everyone in attendance enjoyed his speech. I'm sorry I couldn't make it.

## December Meeting

If you skipped over Jim's President's Message, go back and read it. This month is the annual Christmas potluck. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. See you next Saturday at 6:00 P.M.

## Aeroscholars

Through the generous support of EAA donors, over \$42,000 in AeroScholars scholarships will be available this year to high school students, ages 14-18. AeroScholars is a series of two online aviation science courses that can earn a student up to 6 college credits, and prepare them to take the FAA Private Pilot written examination. Each scholarship includes the course materials, live help and technical support, college credit upon successful completion, and one year EAA student membership. Spring semester applications must be received by January 8, 2009.

FMI: [www.aeroscholars.org](http://www.aeroscholars.org)

**EAA CHAPTER 75  
MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

NOVEMBER 8th, 2008  
(Deer-Wymann carriage house, Moline, IL)

**General information:** The meeting was called to order by Chapter Treasurer Ed Leahy at 7:08 P.M.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ed Leahy read the treasurers report. Chris Nitz made a motion to accept the report as read, and it was approved by the membership.

**Visitors:** Tonight's visitors were as follows, Kraig Love son of RV builder Jim Love, Jeff Kludt of Spoon WI, Brother in law of Mike Nass and Mr. & Mrs. Craig Barr daughter and son in law of tonight's program presenter Dick Asbury.

**Tech Counselor Report:** Cy Galley reported of some new TSA proposal that would require planes of 12,500 lbs and above, to have to supply a manifest and other inconvenient items before takeoff. Just another unnecessary security measure.

**Flight Advisor:** Nothing to report.

**Repair Barn:** Cy Galley mentioned the changes going on at Oshkosh this year to make it friendlier for the visitors. They are putting in new roads and moving some buildings around. It's part of an ongoing upgrade to the convention grounds.

**Tool Library:** Nothing to report.

**Young Eagles:** Our Young Eagles rally at the Clinton airport got off to a slow start because of bad weather. We were able to give 20 Young eagle rides, and call it a success.

**Old Business:** None to report.

**New Business:** The new 2009 EAA Calendars are in. They are available from Ed Leahy at \$6.00 each. See Ed for your calendar before they are all gone.

Elections were held for chapter Treasurer and Secretary. Ed Leahy will serve as Treasurer and George Bedeian will serve as Recording Secretary. Both will serve for the next two years.

**Announcements:** Keith Williams reported that Glass air has not been sold yet. We had three inquires and one of them asked a lot of questions. It is priced at \$40,000.

**The November program:** Tonight's program presenter was Dick Asbury. He is a retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Colonel. Dick is a world war two fighter Ace. He flew P51 Mustangs over Germany and got five and a half kills. He also flew during the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He talked about his Military career and mentioned some of the places he was stationed, and the different planes that he had flown.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

**EAA CHAPTER 75  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

NOVEMBER 8th 2008  
(Deere Wymann carriage house, Moline, IL.)

**General Information:** The board meeting was called to order by chapter treasurer Ed Leahy at 6:08 P.M. The following board members were present, Ed Leahy, Chris Nitz, Dave Jacobsen, and George Bedeian. Those not in attendance were, Jim Smith, Mike Nass and Steve Beert.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report for October was read by Ed Leahy. A motion was made by Chris Nitz to accept the minutes as read and was seconded by Dave Jacobson and approved by the board.

**Old business:** We are going to ask Roy Fisher, our news letter editor to remind everyone in the Chapter, via the next news letter and maybe, a mass E-mail about our annual Christmas party. It will be held December 13th and it will be pot luck as usual. The dinner starts at 6 P.M. sharp. Roast turkey and soft drinks will be provided by the Chapter. Also we have a Santa lined up for an appearance.

George Bedeian read the minutes from the last board meeting, and it was approved as read by the the board.

Our Young Eagles rally at the Clinton airport got off to a slow start due to bad weather. The Weather cleared up at about 10:00A.M. and we gave about twenty Young Eagle rides.

**New business:** Ed Leahy said that the new 2009 EAA Calendars for the membership are in. They are available at \$6.00 each.

At tonight's membership meeting, we will taking nominations for both chapter Treasurer & Recording secretary positions. Each will be for a two year terms.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

**These minutes respectfully submitted by Vahan G. Bedeian, Secretary EAA Chapter 75**

## Trivia Answers

Both of you that actually read this newsletter may remember the trivia from last month's newsletter. Here are the long-awaited answers to last month's questions...

- 1) Sacred Cow
- 2) Peanut One, piloted by James Carter (no relation).
- 3) From the names of the plane's designers, Artem Mikoyan and Mikhail I. Gurevich.
- 4) It's a parachute.
- 5) Publisher G. P. Putnam.
- 6) Just under 15 hours--14 hours and 56 minutes, to be exact. But Earhart's crossing covered fewer miles (2,026).
- 7) Charles Mannson.
- 8) Maureen O'Hara. From 1978 to 1981, she was president of 27 plane Antilles Air boats, an airline based in the Virgin Islands that had been operated by her pilot husband until his death.

Thanks again to Ron Frank for sending me these trivia questions!

## Paul's RV Status

This month, I have to admit that Paul is actually getting work done on the RV. As I'm writing this, the house smells horrible because he just came back from the paint booth (aka: the barn). The fuselage is painted (without too many runs) so the parts that are left are the wings and canopy. Pictures of the current project are posted elsewhere in this newsletter. Congratulations to Paul! He'll hopefully be in the air soon.

## Trivia Answers

Since these were so much fun the first time, we're going to do this again. Here are some more trivia questions sent to me by Ron Frank.

- 1) What was the horsepower of the four-cylinder engine in the Wright Flyer, the plane piloted by Orville Wright in his historic flight on December 17, 1903?
- 2) Why did the members of the rock group Led Zeppelin perform under an alias--The Nobs--when they appeared in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1970?
- 3) In World War II Navy slang, what was an airdale?
- 4) During World War II, what wearing apparel were American women encouraged to turn in for use in making parachutes?
- 5) What major Japanese company made the famous Zero fighter plane during World War II?
- 6) What is the longest recorded flight of a chicken?

## Grand Canyon Flight

I've had this story for awhile and kept forgetting to put it in the newsletter, but here it is. Chapter member Jerry Coussens recently took a trip out to the Grand Canyon with the goal of walking on the sky bridge built by the Hualapai Indians. He had been planning the trip for a year before he was finally able to make it with friend David Callahan. The full story should be a separate attachment in the email (unless I forgot to attach it, then look for it in another email). Sounds like a fun trip; I enjoyed reading about it!

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# Oshkosh Pictures

These are some more pictures from Oshkosh 2008 (They're a little late; so what?). George Bedeian sent them to me and I finally got around to putting them into the newsletter. Enjoy!!





## Other Random Stuff



Paul's RV before paint....



.....and after paint.



Chapter 75 Member Bill Swaim's Current Project.

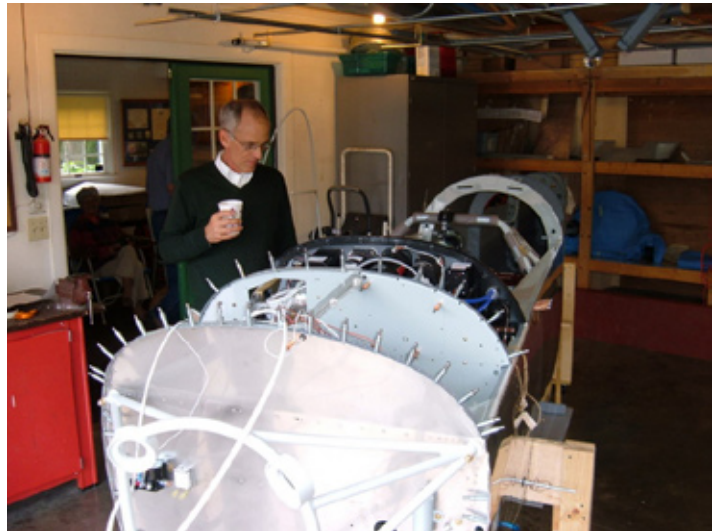


Not really a Chapter 75 Project, but it's still a beautifully restored P-38. Photo sent to me by Ron Frank.



# Wilson's Open House

Here are some pictures from Wilson's open house. Looks like a nice project. I'm sure all that attended enjoyed themselves.



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