

# THE LANDINGS

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THE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

## President's Notes



As of this writing we are in between a fast moving thunderstorm with the Ford Tri-motor in the hangar. I want to thank everyone who helped last Sunday clean up the Administration Building prior to the Tri-motor's arrival. Also, a big thank you to all who have volunteered during the Tri-motor's visit. It has been a good time for members to get to spend time visiting with each other. The EAA Tri-motor crew has been great to work with.

Next meeting begins our summer potluck season. We'll be at Steve & Jess Rahlf's at 12:00 noon Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss this great event and the opportunity to visit with the Chapter 111 members.

The next day, Father's Day Geneseo Airport will have their annual pancake breakfast. There are always lots of nice airplanes and antique cars to look at..

Then Sunday afternoon and Monday morning, June 15-16 the Vintage Aircraft Barnstormer Tour will be at the Iowa City Airport. We went to Burlington a couple years ago to see them. Lots of great old historical airplanes.

On June 28<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Young Eagles event at the Davenport Administration Building from 9:00 A.M. until noon. We are in need of workers and especially need pilots for this event. Please contact the Young Eagle Co-ordinator, Keith Vasey 309-749-8881 if you can help.

Read about three of our chapter's members on Page 84 of the June edition Sport Aviation. Good job.

I will bring a copy of the 2008 Air Venture Arrival Notam, 29 pages. You can download a copy at [WWW.AIRVENTURE.ORG](http://WWW.AIRVENTURE.ORG).

See you Saturday, Jim Smith, President, EAA Chapter 75

## June Meeting

Chapter 75 will hold it's next meeting on June 14th. at Steve and Jessica Rahlf's farm at 3291 180th Ave. Muscatine, Ia. This is the first of our three pot luck dinners so please plan on bringing a dish or two to pass and you lawn chairs for that very special after-dinner social event. Plan on eating at Noon.

Due to the unusual lack of sunshine, please contact Steve at 563-264-2781 for runway conditions as his strip may be too soft for use. Steve also mentioned that the bridge on Hwy. 61 is under construction. Consider taking Vail Ave. as your detour.

Henry Rahlf is doing a little Spring cleaning at the hangar and invites anyone with items for sale or trade to bring them along

## April Meeting

The April meeting was well attended with 25 members and 4 guests present. Our guest speaker was Captain John Ackley, USAF Retired. Thanks go to Dick Morrow for arranging this wonderful program. Captain Ackley's presentation included several artifacts that he collected while serving in Europe during the war while flying P-38 fighters. Listening to John's stories you couldn't help but know that this was the stuff of legends and that Hollywood movies were made of. Thank you for your service John.



Next Meeting • June 14th, 12:00 noon • Steve Rahlf Fly-in/Drive-in

## EAA CHAPTER 75 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 12th, 2008

Deere-Wiman Carriage House, Moline, IL.

**General Information:** The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by President Jim Smith at the Deere-Wiman Carriage House in Moline IL.

**Treasurers report:** The treasurers report was read by Ed Leahy. A motion was made to accept the report as read and was approved by the membership.

**Visitors:** John Ackley, his wife and four other family members were present.

**Tech Counselor report:** None

**Flight Advisor:** Nothing to report this month.

**Repair Barn :** Cy Galley reported that he had attended Sun & Fun. He spoke about ELTs, indicating that the older 121.5 mhz units will be OK for continued use but the newer 406 mhz units have more power and are registered to a specific owner. Cy also stated that the Repair Barn letters for Oshkosh would go out about May 15th.

**Young Eagles:** June 28th is the date of the flight rally. Pilots and ground volunteers are needed at the Davenport Airport. Flying is from 9 am until noon.

**New Business:** Ford Tri Motor Flying dates are June 5th thru June 8th. See John Vahrenwald to volunteer. He has indicated that "morning people" and a publicity person are needed.

**Evening Program:** John Ackley presented a program on his experiences as a P-38 pilot during WWII. He also displayed several interesting souvenirs from the war.

**Summer Pot Lucks:** June-Steve Rahlfs; July-Davenport Airport; August-Steve Beert. All are at Noon.

**Fly In Breakfast:** Gaylon Johnson mentioned that Chapter 410 is having a Fly in Breakfast on June 8th.

**Adjournment:** The regular meeting adjourned for coffee and the program at 7:45 pm.

*Submitted by: David L Jacobsen*

## EAA CHAPTER 75 DIRECTOR'S MEETING

May 09th, 2008

Deere-Wiman Carriage House, Moline, IL.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm by President Jim Smith. Members present were Jim Smith, Mike Nass, Ed Leahy, Steve Beert, & Dave Jacobsen. Absent were Chris Nitz and George Bedeian.

**Treasurers report:** Ed Leahy reported -Cash on hand: \$112.77; Savings Account Bal.: \$4625.35; Checking Account Bal.: \$3458.38; & the C D Balance of \$4728.12 for a total of \$12,924.62. There is \$1585.95 in the Repair Barn Account. A motion to accept the report was made by Mike Nass and seconded by Steve Beert. Approval was unanimous.

Ed also mentioned that there were 26 members that had not yet paid their 2008 dues.

**Air Academy:** Jim Smith reported that there 5 applicants this year to the air academy that have been accepted.

**Ford Trimotor:** The dates are June 5th thru 8th and members should contact John Vahrenwald to volunteer. Insurance for the event is set and a hanger has been donated by Carvers to store the aircraft during its stay in Davenport.

**Young Eagles:** The date is June 28th at the Davenport Airport with flights from 9 am until noon. Pilots and ground volunteers are needed. An event is being planned for Clinton in September or October.

**Glasair Project:** There is now a complete inventory of the project and it has been found to contain all factory updates.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn the directors meeting at 6:40 pm was made by Mike Nass and seconded by Steve Beert. Approval was unanimous.

*Submitted by: David L Jacobsen*



**Chicken Barbecue at Geneseo.** In conjunction with the Annual Aeronca Fly-In held at Kewanee each April, Kent Johnson graciously hosts a chicken barbecue at his home on east end of Gen-Air's airstrip on the Friday evening of the Aeronca event. This was a very casual event and it provided a relaxing opportunity for fly-in participants and local pilots to get together for some real, down-to-earth, tail-dragger hanger flying. During the gathering we were treated to a spot landing



demo by the local parachute club. At first we thought them to be a flight of turkey buzzards homing in on our chicken. A little later, chapter member Dean Maupin flew in and gave us a aerobatic exhibition in the Citabria. All in all, it was a wonderful evening of new found friends, fun flying and tasty food.  
*Ron Franck, editor*

## Monthly Program Schedule

- June - Rahlf's Fly-In Pot Luck
- July - Smith's Hanger Pot Luck
- Aug. - Beert's Hanger Pot Luck
- Sep.- Primary: Roger Nightingale  
Alternate: Bernie Nitz
- Oct - Primary: Jim Snyder  
Alternate: Bob Thomas
- Nov - Primary: Nate Bush  
Alternate: Don Grundstrom

Please notify your alternate if you are unable to fulfill the responsibility of presenting a program so that he or she can prepare a program in your absence.

## Change of Address

Amanda Smith is "on the move" with a new mailing address. Please update your Roster  
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# I Fly the Gobosh G-700S



Saturday, May 10th I took the opportunity to fly the Gobosh G-700S at the company's hanger at Moline. Several other Chapter 75 members also took time to fly this neat little airplane, which is LSA compliant. I liked this airplane a lot and the visibility was fantastic. With my limited number of hours, I didn't have any trouble getting a feel for its flying characteristics and even made the landing myself. They are forming a new flying club soon. For more details call Pat Rynott @ 737-3435.  
*Ron Franck, editor.*



Our guest speaker for April, Capt. John Ackley is seen in the back row, eighth from the left.



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