



Get Your Tickets NOW!

Chapter 95 Annual Holiday Banquet

Saturday, January 13, 2017

**Autobahn Country Club
3795 Centerpoint Way, Joliet, IL**

**Cocktails - 6:00 pm
Dinner - 7:00 pm**

Now is the time to get your tickets for the Chapter 95 Annual Holiday Banquet. This is a time for **FRIENDS, FUN**, and **FOOD** and is open to **EVERYONE** and **ANYONE!** You do not need to be a chapter 95 member to attend. The more the merrier!

Dinner tickets are \$35.00 per person.

Cash bar will begin at 6:00pm with dinner at 7:00pm.

As Treasurer, Jacque Nawojski, will again be selling the Banquet Tickets. She will have them available at THIS FRIDAY'S November Chapter meeting or you can mail her a check. Banquet tickets are \$35 a piece. You can also write your check to include your 2017 chapter dues at the same time, if you like.

Please make out the check to: EAA Chapter 95

If you mail your check for Banquet tickets, please send it to: Jacque Nawojski, 1603 Devonshire Ln, Shorewood, IL 60404

If you have any questions, you can call Jacque at 815-741-3982 or e-mail: jen.norton1943@sbcglobal.net

Even if you aren't able to attend, please RSVP that to Jacque too. She usually calls or emails everyone who hasn't RSVP'd and it is much nicer when she doesn't have a big list to deal with. (hint, hint)

This is a GREAT event to CELEBRATE 2017 and LOOK FORWARD to 2018!

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!



November Chapter Meeting

THIS FRIDAY, Nov 17th

Grundy County Farm Bureau

**Last Chapter Meeting of 2017 &
POTLUCK DINNER @ 6:30pm**

It seems like winter (at least cold, dreary weather) has hit us pretty fast already. I am already having withdrawals not seeing my aviation friends at least a few times a week on Taildragger Tuesdays and the weekend. So, I hope you will all come out for a fun, social gathering for our last Chapter meeting of 2017.

As we all love to eat, we are combining our chapter meeting with a chapter potluck. So come out and have some good food and friendship and a fun evening. The chapter will be providing the meat, please bring your favorite dish to pass!

Elections: We will be conducting elections for Vice-President, and 3 Board Member positions. Please consider helping out and throwing your name in the ring. If you are interested in any of the positions, please contact Pete DeCraene @ 815-210-5840.

Hope to see everyone there!

Reminder: 2018 Membership Dues

Please remember to pay Jacque for your 2018 membership dues. Dues are \$25.00 for the year or \$35 for you and a spouse.

You can pay Jacque at the November Chapter meeting, when you buy your Banquet tickets, at the holiday banquet in January, or send her a check anytime in the mail. The member ship form is on Page 6 of the newsletter.

Please make the check out to EAA Chapter 95. If you mail it, address to: Jacque Nawojski, 1603 Devonshire Ln, Shorewood, IL 60404.

From The President ...



Hi all,

Wow how time flies as Thanksgiving is only two weeks away it is time to reflect on the many things we all have to be grateful for. Family, Friends, Health, Our Military Personnel / Veterans, The Right to enjoy or passion of Aviation, The Air we breathe and the food we eat just to name a few things.....

Next Friday 11-17 is our annual "Pot Luck" meeting as we all like food. The chapter will be providing the meat and each of you bring a dish to pass. Please make your specialty dish as everyone has something they excel at so bring this to share with your Chapter 95 friends and family. Elections will be held for Vice President, Secretary and three board members so if you would like to run for a position please let Pete DeCraene know asap as he will be our election official this year. I would encourage anyone interested in a position to get your name on the ballot.

Signing off now until next month;

Be Safe, Healthy & Happy,
Mark

Chapter 95 Meeting Minutes - Oct 27, 2017

Meeting called to order @ The Grundy County Farm Bureau @ 7:30pm by President Mark Molle with 20 in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance recited

Secretary's Report by Warren Roddy – Accepted as reported in October Newsletter.

Treasurer's report by Jacque Nawojski –

Income: \$200.00

Expenses: \$105.00

Young Eagles Fund: \$3947.73

Available Funds: \$4542.82

OLD BUSINESS:

9-24-17 Joliet Open House - There was a good turnout and our chapter signed up a new member (Gregg Ida). Pete DeCraene brought the table and canopy, Larry and Jacque Nawojski did the setting, and Mark Molle flew in.

10-14 & 10-15 Red Bull Air Races in Indianapolis - Mark took his camper and reported they had an awesome day for racing on Saturday, while cold and gusty winds on Sunday made it really challenging for the pilots. They were landing and taking off downwind with winds gusting out of the northwest at 15-25 knots. They flying was pretty amazing and the AOPA put on a nice party with a country band.

NEW BUSINESS:

10-7-17 Young Eagles at Joliet Airport. This event is rescheduled for tomorrow. The weather is looking marginal at best. 5 pilots are planning to fly. The forecast was discussed and we decided to try to do it. If we have to cancel, it will be in the morning.

John Musgrave noted they used to taxi DC3's thru the big hangar at Joliet (that's still there). In so doing, passengers could load and unload under the shelter of the hangar in inclement weather.

10-26-17 C09 Morris Airport Committee Meeting - Charlie Gibbs attended. He reported that the contract for the new parking lot will be let in January or February and funding has been approved to install PAPI lighting on both ends of the 18-36 runway. Also, a row of new hangars was previously approved.

Holiday Banquet Committee - Rita Saribekian, Kelly Miller, and Jacque Nawojski have volunteered. Tricia was to chair, but has family health issues. John volunteered his wife, Rita, to chair the committee.

November Potluck Meeting and Election of Officers/Board Members - The Chapter will provide the meat and everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to pass.

There will be elections for Vice-President, Secretary, and 3 board members. Pete DeCraene volunteered to be our election official. Let Pete or Mark know if you would like to run.

Guest Speaker:

John Musgrave (alias Rocket Man) made an excellent presentation on his recent forced landing due to total loss of power. John definitely practiced what he reminds us... "keep flying the airplane".

Treats:

Mary Jo and Bill Shain provided treat. Thank you!

Brett's Adventure at AirVenture 2017

By: Brett Vokac

My vacation at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2017 turned out to be one of my greatest Oshkosh trips ever. This one was filled with firsts, surprises, and excitement. Here's a day-to-day summary on how it all went.

Saturday, July 22

I left for Oshkosh on Saturday, July 22 with my mom for the first time. We had a smooth drive to the AirVenture campgrounds with beautiful weather and no traffic. We arrived at around 6:00 and were warmly greeted by my dad and our neighbors Michael Foss and Tricia Wagoner. I was pumped to get the week started. The five of us settled in our camping spot with a cozy campfire and socializing.

Sunday, July 23

I spent my first full day at Oshkosh with my dad. We did some shopping and explored the Warbirds and Homebuilt sections. We saw quite a few rare aircraft on display and taxiing in from the runway, including a Douglas A-20 Havoc, the P-63 King Cobra and a P-39. We also checked out Doc, one of two B-29s in the world still flying. The plane is named Doc because the well-known character from *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* is painted on its nose. I was able to get some neat photos of all these awesome airplanes. Later, our entire EAA chapter got together for our annual fish fry dinner at Wendt's On the Lake near Lake Winnebago. As usual, our meals were delicious and we had our group photo in front of the lake. I wrapped up the night with my parents, Michael, Tricia, and Tom and Robin Ellis for another campfire chat. We met some fellow EAA members from Indiana and Minnesota who stopped by to get cozy as well.

Monday, July 24

Monday was of course the first day of AirVenture 2017 and the most of my fun started on this day. I explored inside a Chinook military helicopter displayed at Boeing Plaza and stopped by the Warbirds section with my dad again. We visited the war reenactment camps, where people are dressed as World War II soldiers and had actual equipment, machines, and memorabilia from the war. We also met Theresa Eamen, who sings classic war-era songs and often performs prior to the Warbirds-in-Review presentations, and EAA Warbirds of America president Connie Bowlin. Next, I did my very first hands-on activity at Oshkosh. In the Woods Workshop, I learned how to build a real aircraft wood wing rib. The session began with a 45-minute instruction video, then the builders got to do the activity. With help from my dad, I cut the long sticks into the shapes necessary to fit the outline of the wing rib's jig with a handsaw. Next, I took small flat plywood chips and use epoxy to glue them on the ends where the sticks meet. Then I staple those ends so the sticks and chips don't fall off the rib. I had to leave my project at the workshop overnight for the glue to dry. Later that afternoon, I went down to the flight line for the opening air show. I saw a B-17 do some fly-bys with other aircraft, the Hartzell parachute skydivers, two biplane aerobatic performances, and a humorous performance where a pilot is acting confused, having trouble controlling and landing his airplane. Later that night, my parents and I checked out a classic mini drive-in restaurant and malt shop in Oshkosh called Ardy and Ed's for some sweet treats.



Tuesday, July 25

On Tuesday, I returned to the Woods Workshop to pick up my wing rib. I did some sanding on the border so the flat chips are parallel to the shape of the rib and removed the staples. My project turned out great. I really enjoyed this activity and I'm glad they plan events like this at AirVenture. Next, I looked around the Vintage and Ultralight/Light Sport sections. I saw some Stearmans, Wacos, and a 1932 Fairchild. I also visited the four exhibit hangars. I first met Warbirds Pin-Up Girl Paige Carson. I got my picture taken with her and a signed and smooched calendar from her. I also saw this one exhibit where you can get a personalized picture of aircraft parts that look like letters to spell out your name and a shop that has

these beautiful paintings depicting aircraft, military soldiers, and war scenes. Later that night, I watched the film *Sully* at the Fly-In Theater. The movie mainly focuses on Captain Sully Sullenberger's US Airways flight that crashed in the Hudson River in 2009 and his plan to save everyone who was aboard that flight. I thought it was a very good movie. Tom Hanks looked just like Sully.

Wednesday, July 26

On Wednesday, I did some shopping at the Fly Market. I had some down time late in the day and I socialized with some of our fellow chapter members to catch up on each other's week in Oshkosh so far. Our chapter decided not to do "Compound 95" this year and our camping spots were scattered, but most of them weren't too far from my family's location. I chatted with a lot of people, including the Trofimchucks, the DeCraenes, and the Shains. I also played the popular bean bag toss game with Michael Foss and his buddy Tracy from Omaha. We capped off the night by watching the first night air show. It was cut short due to the rain, but it still concluded with the big fireworks show.



Thursday, July 27

I was in for a big surprise from my dad on Thursday. We went to the Warbirds section and somehow my dad begins to shoot a video of me with his smartphone. He asked me if I knew what we were doing. I had a puzzled look on my face and said "I don't know." He said we're going on the B-17. I was about to get my very first ride in a Warbird aircraft. I was so speechless. The only word I could say was "really." We were escorted by a bus along with about ten other passengers from Oshkosh to the Appleton airport. Once we got there, the crew chief went over some guidelines while we fly and provided a brief history on the B-17 for us before we went aboard. The B-17 we were going on is the Aluminum Overcast. My dad got to sit next to the pilot in the cockpit during take-off. Our flight was amazing! For thirty minutes, we flew over Wittman Regional Airport and back to Appleton. I was able to get some awesome photos of the park and flight lines. While in the air, we were allowed to get out of our seats and look around the airplane. I saw the cockpit, the nose, the equipment provided, and the guns that were used by the airmen during World War II. I had such a great time. I couldn't thank my dad enough for giving me this ride. I can now and forever say I am an official passenger of a Warbird aircraft. When we returned to Oshkosh, we met Bombshell Girls Heather and Hope and got signed calendars from them. I got my picture taken with these two lovely ladies as well. We spent the rest of the day at camp, resting after our thrilling B-17 ride. I told a lot of our chapter friends about our ride and they shared their stories with me. I concluded the night by playing this hilarious word association game app called Heads Up with my parents, Michael, Tricia, and the Ellises.



Friday, July 28

Friday turned out to be a great day to be “blue” for me. First, a one-hour wait was worth it for me at the EAA Welcome Center as I had the pleasure of meeting the members of the famous F/A-18 Hornet Blue Angels precision team. I got autographs from all seven gentlemen, including the team captain. It’s such an honor to have the opportunity to meet these guys. I had to retire my hat they signed after this year’s Oshkosh trip. Later that afternoon, I got to see their amazing performance at the air show. Their performance included zip-line passes, a multiple criss-cross pattern, and their signature diamond roll maneuver. The air show also had fly-bys of the two B-29s and aerobatic performances from Patty Wagstaff, Matt Younkin, and the Aeroshell Aerobatic team. At nightfall, a bunch of us went over to the S.O.S. Beer Tent for some drinks and saw some live music from a tribute rock band.



Saturday, July 29

My sister Shannon came up to join us for the remaining two days of AirVenture. This Saturday was a family day. We first stopped by the Warbirds. Shannon, our mom and I looked inside the nose and the cockpit of the B-25 Yellow Rose. The space was very tight to climb and crawl through. It definitely wasn’t made for tall people like me, but it’s always a neat opportunity to get a view of a classic aircraft. Then we headed down to the flight line for the day and night air shows. The day air show started with the Warbirds showcase of fighter planes dropping bombs on the runway. Sean D. Tucker also performed his wild and crazy maneuver routine. The show concluded with an encore from the Blue Angels so Shannon and our mom can get an opportunity to see them as well. The night air show was just as exciting as the matinee one. We saw the Aeroshell Aerobatic team, Bob Carlton, Gene Soucy and much more perform with flashing lights and wing-tip pyros. It ended with the best fireworks show ever and the blazing Wall of Fire along the runway.

Sunday, July 30

On our last day of Oshkosh this year, we witnessed my dad purchase his new engine for his second Vans RV-8 and had a relaxing ride on the new Ferris wheel outside the Ford Hangar. Finally, we cleaned out the camper we rented and headed home until next year.

In conclusion, I truly enjoyed my week at EAA AirVenture this year. As always, I can’t wait to go back and do it again. Thank you, Oshkosh!!!

97Q Heads to New York

The first airplane Matt and I owned, Cessna 172 N7297Q. We bought it together in 1999, even before we got married. In 2004, we left the yoke and nosewheel behind and got our tailwheel endorsement and moved on to the Super Decathlon. We were lucky to sell it to Cindy Limbach and Blue Sky Aero and have seen a lot of our friends pursue their flying dreams in it. Very cool!! Cindy just sold it, so it is now headed to Ithaca, NY.

FUN FACT: Prior to this current sale, this airplane has ALWAYS been owned (or at least co-owned) by a FEMALE. :)





EAA Chapter 95 Membership Form

Date:

Address change or correction:

Yes

No

Please check one!

New

Renewal

Member

Name:

National EAA Number:

Expiration Date:

Spouse's Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-Mail address:

Certificates Held: _____

Children's Names: _____

Areas of Interest (Please check all that apply)

- Meeting and Flying activities
- Welcome and Social Committees
- Budget and Finance
- Young Eagles (Organization, Ground crew, Pilot, ect.)
- Fly-Ins, Dinners, Poker runs
- Builder's support
- Membership recruitment
- Newsletter and website
- Other (Please describe in the comments section)

Projects, Aircraft owned, Aircraft Interests:

Newsletter Preference: (check one) via e-mail printed U.S. Mail

Renewal and New Member Dues: \$25.00 or \$35 for Member and Spouse

Name Badge: \$7.00 each (Name(s) on Badge: _____)

Please fill out this form and send it with a check made out to **EAA Chapter 95** for \$25.00 or \$35.00 plus \$7.00 or \$14.00 for optional name badge(s). Send check and form to:

Jacque Nawojski
EAA 95 Treasurer

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2017 Chapter 95 Calendar of Events

Here is the current calendar of events. Some things may change, so continue to keep checking the calendar. If you have any other ideas, please contact Mark Molle.

November

17 - Potluck and Chapter Meeting 6:30 pm

December

09 - Ugly Christmas Sweater Party - Pizza party/Movie night



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**NEXT MEETING: Friday, Nov 17, 2017 at 7:30pm
(6:30pm Potluck)**

**Location: Grundy County Farm Bureau
4000 Division St (Route 47)
Morris, IL**

Look forward to seeing everyone there!!!!

Visit our website at <http://95.eaachapter.org>

Do you know someone who might be interested in joining our chapter? Please bring them to our next meeting and let them see what we are all about. Membership dues are \$25.00 per year.