



New Year, New Officers, New Opportunities

The beginning of the New Year has seen some ridiculously cold weather, we're talking about bone-chilling cold; and "don't want to get out from under the covers" cold. We look forward to warmer days ahead.

The Officers for 2014 are: **President-Randy Epstein** He is retired and said that he is happy to have a full time job again. As the editor and wife of the President, I can honestly say that he has been devoting a large part of every week day to his important role.

Vice President-John Morgan John is definitely a "let's get it done" kind of guy and that attitude will be helpful in keeping the chapter moving forward.

Secretary-Shellie Kirk is

an excellent business woman and brings a lot of great ideas to the chapter. As well as keeping track of what happens at our meetings, she will be another great asset to the chapter.

Treasurer-Jeanne Ferguson As most of you know, Jeanne has been a big/involved member of the chapter of many, many years. She never hesitates to jump in with both feet to get something done. She is very willing and able to keep the accounting of the chapters money in excellent order.

For EAA Chapter 690, there are numerous reasons to get going. The Young Eagles Program got off to a great start as you will see on page 2.

The DC-3 is coming to our chapter on May 10th. We will have a trivia night, a Chili Cook Off, a "Wash a Plane" Day and so much more. We are working to get the area businesses involved with the chapter. But the most important thing is getting you involved with your chapter. In the message from the President, you will see more opportunities to get involved. With your help, we can make this the most exceptional year for the amazing EAA Chapter 690.

Membership Dues

Membership is an important part of EAA Chapter 690 and the EAA National Organization. The dues are an integral part of keeping the chapter running smoothly and providing exciting activities for it's members. We are formulating new programs and opportunities for the 690 chapter members and those exciting events

will be shared with everyone very soon. But in order to bring you the programs that you have come to enjoy as well as new ones, we need everyone to pay their dues on a timely basis. Our new Treasurer, Jeanne Ferguson, will be at a table in the hangar during the pancake breakfast on Saturday, February 1st, ready and

willing to give you the opportunity to pay your dues then.

We appreciate your support of your chapter and we look forward to sharing new events with you in the near future.

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Special points of interest:

- **Sat. 2/1-Pancake Breakfast 8-10:30** followed by a program by Herb Rusk
- **Mon. 2/10-Board Meeting @ 7:30pm**
- **Fri. 2/14-Chapter Business Meeting @ 8:00** followed by a program yet to be announced
- **Sat. 2/15-Young Eagles starting @ 8:30am**

Our Young Eagles Program was Flying in January

Our Young Eagles Coordinator Duane Huff reported that we flew 18 young people on Saturday, January 18th. A great start to the New Year.

Due to bad weather, we had not flown any Young Eagles in November or December. It was very cold, but six pilots were able to fly 18 very excited young Eagles.

Pilots for the day were; Steve Ashby 2YE, 1flight, David Balthaser 4 YE, 2 flights, Randy Epstein 6 YE, 2 flights, Ron Fried 2YE, 2 flights, Fred Huppertz 5 YE, 2 flights, and Chuck Roberts 1 YE.

Our Young Eagle Gals for the day were Jeanne Ferguson, Shellie Kirk, Gay

Roberts, and Lynn Zahner. They work the registration, print certificates, fill in the Log Books, assign Young Eagles to the Pilots and generally keep things running smoothly.

The Ground Crew included Bob Krone and Art Farmer (Safety Briefings), Hugh Colton (Simulator) and Bill Ferguson (Safety Officer) along with Michael Carlin, John Reitz, Rich Hopkins, and Herb Rusk as (Loafers) oops, I mean Loaders.

Again, many thanks to those who volunteer and make our Young Eagles sooooo! successful.



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Great Opportunity for our OLDER Young Eagles And Other Future Aviation Students

Kris Parsons is the Scholarship Chair for the Georgia Business Aviation Association (GBAA), here in Atlanta, GA. We are a non-profit organization which assists and supports businesses in the State of Georgia who either run an aviation-based business or use aviation or aircraft to further their business pursuits. A large portion of our annual membership fees and event proceeds go to our scholarship fund to provide deserving Georgia high school graduates a means to pursue either an education or career training in an aviation-related field.

The GBAA has opened the 2014 Scholarship Award window for those students that will be entering college or eligible to enter a trade school in the fall of 2014. For more information about our organization, please feel free to visit our website at: www.gbaa.org

We invite all of our high school scholarship award winners and their families to receive their award in person at our GBAA Annual Members Meeting and

Dinner, usually held in the first week of May. Since we book very well known aviation speakers for our annual members meeting, they all have been more than happy to help us present our award winners their scholarship checks. Imagine being a few months out of high school and having your scholarship check presented to you by Gene Cernan (last astronaut to walk on the moon), Michael Durant (Army pilot from which the movie "Black Hawk Down" was based), or Major Brian Shul (retired), the most famous SR-71 Blackbird pilot of all time (www.sledriver.com) as well as our 2013 featured speaker! These gentlemen represent just a few of the outstanding speakers that the GBAA has been privileged to book over the years.

This is an excellent opportunity that we hope many of you will take advantage of. Go to www.gbaa.org right away!!!

"Imagine getting your scholarship check presented to you by Gene Cernan (the last astronaut to walk on the moon)"

It's All About You!

The one thing that makes any organization like EAA 690 successful is the members. Without you, our members, nothing gets done and there can be no success. I hope that 2014 can be a year filled with opportunities for each of you to step up and help make your chapter successful. With Ron Alexander's DC-3 already on the schedule and hopes to bring the Ford Tri-Motor and/or B-17 to our area as well as other fundraising opportunities, we hope to present a lot of volunteer choices for each of you.

There are other areas we can use your abilities and enthusiasm. I hope that each of you will feel led to pursue an area within the chapter to volunteer some of your time. The more folks we have participating the less time each person will have to contribute. We have a couple of areas in need of assistance now. One of those is with our Young Eagles program. Duane Huff is, and has been for some time, a great coordinator for Young Eagles. He has asked that we seek someone

to assist in that effort. If you are interested in doing so, please contact Duane directly or any member of the chapter leadership. Another opportunity is with a new program that will be chaired by Shellie Kirk. Shellie is putting together a Young Eagle Ambassador program. Watch for info on that in an upcoming issue.

This will be the third year for our Summer Youth Aviation Camp. A third tier will be added this year which means we will need additional volunteers. The camp is scheduled for June 2nd – June 6th. If this fits into your schedule and you would like to be a part of this exciting program, please let Debi Huffman or Jeanne Ferguson know.

I look forward to a great year for EAA 690 and look forward to working with each and every one of you.

WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF???



Valentine's Day and the EAA 690 Business Meeting

The words Valentine's Day and Business Meeting should not be in the same sentence much less actually being on the same night.

If you're one of the ladies, I know what you're thinking, "There's no way I'm going to a meeting instead of a nice diner or something else extra special".

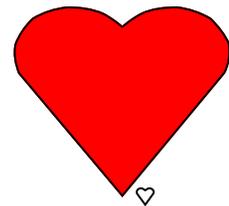
You'll be happy to know that several of the other ladies in the chapter were thinking the same thing. So you may not get a super romantic dinner, but we'll be having a very nice dinner before the meeting that we would love for you to join us at. That **location to be announced** in a NOTAM, so watch your emails.

If you're not able to join us for the dinner

Ladies, there will be something special for you !!!

because your man is taking you to that super romantic dinner, you will be pleasantly surprised by the atmosphere at the hangar and the special item just for the ladies. There will be good things for the man as well, so everybody come and join us for a different kind of fun Valentine's Day Business Meeting.

Hope to see you there and at dinner!!!



Membership Made Easy

We wanted to take this space to be sure everyone understands how membership with the chapter works. New members pay the following: \$10 for Students ages 19 or older; \$30 for Individuals and \$40 for Families with those amounts prorated dependent on when you join. If you are renewing your membership, dues are payable in full each year. There is no pro-rating of renewals.

You may pay your membership dues in numerous ways: Giving cash or check to Jeanne Ferguson any time that you see her; through Pay Pal or mailing your check to Jeanne at:

**690 Airport Road
Hangar #1
Lawrenceville, GA 30045**

Or

**421 Billingham Dr.
Sugar Hill, GA 30518**

This year we will be giving membership cards to paid members. One of the things the membership card will be used for is to save individuals, adult family members and student members one dollar (\$1.00) on their breakfast. This Saturday we will have membership cards available to those who are current with their dues and by showing your card you will get the reduced rate on your breakfast.

As always if you have a question about this or other areas, feel free to speak to a chapter office or at-large board member or email us by going to <http://eaa690.net/Home/Contact>

WE WANT YOU



Hey Home Builders

I admire you guys as I'm sure many of us do. But we know the EAA stands for Experimental Aviation Association. That means that you all are really doing what this organization is all about.

What we're missing is information from you-updates, pictures, challenges, and so much more. We know you're out there and I will hunt you down.

Come on guys, let us hear from you very, very soon. You have until February 20th to get your article to me so there's plenty of time to put a few words down and send them to me at barbara_epstein@hotmail.com We all

would enjoy your stories so much. Again, I look forward to hearing from you.

Corbin Baby Ace Project For Sale \$10,000

This project is 80% complete. The airframe is complete from the firewall aft, covered with poly fiber and first coat of poly spray. A few of the completed parts include main gear with new tires, tubes, new bungees, fresh brakes, instrument panel, seat back and base in place. Wings are completed up to but not including covering. The wings

and tail feathers are assembled to the air frame. All control surfaces are rigged with new turnbuckles, cables and pulleys. EAA Designee inspections for welding and woodwork. Sport Aviation, the EAA magazine states: "The Corbin is surprisingly easy and satisfying to

fly." To view the project and for additional information, contact: Brennan or Susan Fernandez at 256-839-6409 or Box 235 Goodwater, AL 35072

Because of Your Generous Gifts



January 23, 2014

Gwinnett Experimental Aircraft Assoc.
690 Airport Road Hanger 1
Lawrenceville GA 30046

Dear Friends:

Thank you very much for your gift in memory of Mrs. Ann H. Epps. We were pleased to notify Elaine Epps of this thoughtful remembrance.

What a wonderful way to honor someone's life! So many children, youth and families continue to need our services, and because of help from supporters like you, the Children's Home can continue to reach out in love to these hurting ones. I want to thank you for your concern for these children and their families, which you show through your gifts supporting our ministry to them.

Thank you again for remembering us.

Sincerely,

Bob J. Bruder-Mattson
Chief Executive Officer





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It's all about the flying!!

Important Information to Remember

Every Month our Pancake Breakfast is the 1st Saturday with serving starting at 8:00.

Our Business Meetings are the 2nd Friday of each month beginning at 8:00 with an aviation related program following an update on the activities of your chapter.

To send the Editor your birthday and/or anniversary information, to notify her of anything you wish to sell or a partnership you may have or want, to send her an article you'd like included in the NavCom please provide that information to her no later than the 20th of the month you wish the information to appear. Send your information to barbara_epstein@hotmail.com



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Classifieds

For Sale

Everyday Products available at the Aero Shoppe

Large Coffee Mugs-\$15 These are extremely well made with a sectional on one side and Chapter 690 logo on the other.

Water Bottles-\$12 These are perfect for adults and kids to have watching or participating in any type of sporting event. They're really great any place, any time.

Personalized Large Coffee Mugs available upon special request. Please contact Ronald Hlozansky @ skeep5@bellsouth.net or by calling him @ 770-435-2104

Gift Cards (set of 8) \$10 and **Ceramic Coasters (set of 4) \$10** featuring aviation photography by our own John Slemp.

Airplane Products at the Aero

Shoppe

Oil Analysis Kits-\$12 Keep one on hand for those very important changes.

Spaces Available

Hangar Space for a "Van's RV" aircraft in the EAA Hangar #4. For details, call **Clyde Schnars @ 770-769-7177**

Ad Rates and Information

Member Ads run without charge for 3 months with a continuance available upon request to the Editor at barbara_epstein@hotmail.com

Commercial Ads are:

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1/8 page: \$15/issue, \$40/3 issues, 1/4 page:
\$25/issue, \$60/3 issues