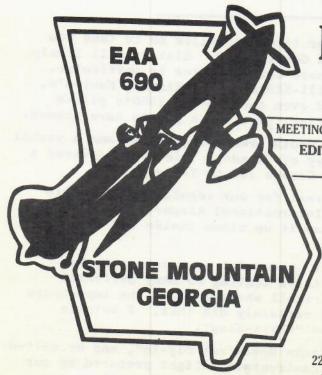
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### **EDITORIAL**

Please indulge me for a few minutes of your time, and allow me to take you back through 1984 in the happenings here at EAA Chapter 690. History will likely show that we are just ordinary types going nowhere doing nothing in particular. Well, not so historians cause this bunch of Chili-Kings, Award Winning Navion's, CFII's, A&P's, Classic's, Homebuilders, yes and even some -- ole 1950's pilots got what it takes to make a local chapter exciting, fun, and a joy to have around.

- JANUARY 13: Regular meeting with Ed and Mary Booth presenting slides and a verbal guide through the Great Northwest Territory of Canada. This event covered a trip they took in 1983 in their "Classic" Cessna 170 to Yellowknife.
- FEBRUARY 10: Gordon Washburn gave us a real treat for our regular meeting this month by arranging a tour (at Hartsfield International Airport) by Eastern Airlines of their new 757 aircraft. We saw it up close inside and outside, cockpit and all.
- MARCH 24: Our "CHILI COOK-OFF" was not only successful as a turn out, but words can not describe the experience of taste testing so many different chili samples in one afternoon. I don't recall who won since the importance of it all was to have a good time, and we certainly did that. I believe Harold Stalcup is still referred to as the "Chili-King".
- MAY 12: We had a jam-up time at our "Pancake Breakfast Fly-In", and we called it "AIR FAIR 1984" officially. It was a gastronomic delight prepared by our own Chapter 690 chefs.... (guys and gals). I met Brian Sprehn with my car trunk full of ice and his full of food at the crack of dawn that morning. Later that afternoon we ran into each other on the grounds, and he and I both shook our heads realizing we felt as bad as we looked, but it was worth every sore cell in our bodies. Others contributing just as much to the success of this day included nearly the entire membership.
- JUNE 1: The Chapter got it'self a new (free) newletter editor (big deal).
- JULY 13: Doug Vance, a member of our Chapter and a licensed practicing A & P mechanic gave a presentation at our regular meeting in July. He spoke on aircraft maintenance and how to save on the cost of annuals.
- AUGUST 24: We all attended a "Pitch-In" dinner at Harold and Kissell's home for our August regular meeting. We finally got a close up look at the Zenith Harold has been working for a short time...... We also saw slides of some real champion looking aircraft from the Oshkosh Convention.
- AUGUST 31: Henry Warner got a bunch of us together for a night at the stadium to see a Braves baseball game. Can't remember who won!!!
- SEPTEMBER 14: John Owens gave a presentation at our regular meeting on Financing your Homebuilt Project. You see John used to be a "loan shark" for Citicorp a bunch of years ago before he retired.
- OCTOBER 12: Our regular meeting gave us a chance to see video tape furnished by Cable Atlanta. They took the scenes at our May 12th "Air Fair 1984".
- NOVEMBER 9: Ken Sharp, CFII, is to have a presentation of slides and discussion to clear up a lot of misconceptions about flying and being a good pilot.
- NOVEMBER 17: John Henderson has arranged for 36-40 members to tour the FAA/ATC tower at Hartsfield International Airport...you know the busy, busy, busy one.
- NOVEMBER 30: 1984 Annual Banquet with TV's Channel 11 Heliocopter Pilot, Bruce Erion to be the main speaker. I understand there will be some awards too.

1985 promises to be an even better year for us!!!

John

## President's Message

### NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1984

The Chapter again had an excellent showing of individuals and aircraft Saturday October 20th at the Rome Airport. Thanks to the effort of the Rome EAA Chapter and a reasonably good day for flying, several of our members were able to attend. Would you beleive the award winning Navion was even in attendance! As it was, they will probably never invite us back since Ed won the trophy for the best Classic, and you know who's Skybolt won the best homebuilt while the spot landing was won by a Super Crusier based at Lenora. It's a tough job, but somebody's got to do it!

John Henderson has confirmed the date and time for the tour of the Hartsfield Control Tower. The FAA representative can accomodate about 36 to 40 people. The tour will consist of a guided tour of several small groups into the tower and radar area. The entire tour will last about 2 hours. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, November 17th. We meet at 8:00 AM in front of Service Merchandise parking lot east of Hwy 285 on Memorial Drive.

This month's meeting will have as it's main speaker one of our own members. Ken Sharp, a Certified Flight Instructor will show slides, have a thought provoking discussion, and clear up a lot of misconceptions about flying and being a good pilot.

The Chapter Officers have decided that since our Banquet is on November 30th we should consider it our December 1984 meeting, therefore, there will be no meeting as such at Stone Mountain Airport during the month of December.

Jom



Douglas MacArthur once said, "Old Soldiers never die, they just fade away". Pilots sometimes fit that description. 1984 was a year in our Chapter's history filled with excitement, joy, and some sadness. Yes--some sadness too at the loss of some very special members moving out of town to other responsibilities. Space would not permit me to list them and what they have meant to all of us over the years!!!

Last month I sent Don Husek, Editor of EAA Chapter 232 in Fairbanks, Alaska a copy of our "award winning" newsletter, and he returned the favor with a copy of his newsletter. In 1985 I'll introduce you to some of Don's humorous material——you won't beleive Don's story about the "Cat and Duck method of Flying"; even down to a checklist. He informed me that they still speak English up there and do accept American money; so, he said, "Why don't you come up and visit us". I'll leave that up to Ed and Mary Booth. Three years up there in -30 below during the late 40's was enough to last me a life-time.

It's mark your calendar time again:

NOVEMBER 9th: Regular monthly meeting.

NOVEMBER 17th: Tour - Hartsfield ATC Tower.

NOVEMBER 30th: Our Annual Banquet.

JANUARY 11th: 1st Regular meeting in 1985.

I think it was John F. Kennedy that said, "Ask not what your EAA Chapter can do for you, but ask yourselves what you can do for your EAA Chapter". Are you sure he didn't say that? Well, anyway lets see what we all can do for our EAA Chapter 690 in 1985.

Thanks for a good 1984!

Have You A Story To Tell — Tell It

RECRUIT A FRIEND

### SECRETARY'S NOTES

OCTOBER 12, 1984

### Minutes from the October Meeting

TOM FERRARO: Opened the meeting and asked everyone present to stand up and introduce themselves and tell what their project is. Tom then asked that the minutes of the September meeting be read by Henry Warner with Dick Strand to follow giving a report on the Chapter's obligations and current bank balance.

HENRY WARNER: Read the minutes of the September 1984 meeting.

RICHARD STRAND: Gave a report on the Chapter's obligations and current bank balance. Dick stated that the 1985 EAA Calendars were available to our members at \$3.50 each. Get yours NOW while they last.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Rome, Georgia "Fly-In" on October 20, 1984. All Chapter members are urged to attend this event.

After discussion on ATC visit, John Henderson agreed to reschedule this visit with FAA/ATC people until November.

American Medical Services Flight Team is being founded. Initial Chapter organizational meeting will be at Epps Air Service, PDK Airport, Thursday, October 18, 1984.

OLD BUSINESS: Holiday Banquet speaker, Mr. Bruce Erion...Tv's Channel 11 Heliocopter Pilot, is still scheduled. The banquet is for Friday night, November 30. Cocktails at 6:30 PM, Dinner at 7:30 PM.

NEW BUSINESS: Those interested in a Pilot refresher course for members should contact Ken Sharp, CFII, (a member). Tom Ferraro indicated he would be sending a letter to Spruce Aircraft Parts and Supplies concerning their service.





### MURPHY'S LAW AS APPLIED TO FLYING In Flight:

- 1. Bumpy days and passengers with weak stomachs will always coincide.
- 2. Aircraft availability is inversely proportional to the importance of a particular flight.
- 3. All warranty and guarantee clauses become void upon payment or just prior to failure, whichever come first.
- 4. On a long cross-country, home base will always be five minutes beyond the maximum range of the aircraft at the last planned fuel stop.

#### Don't Quit

When things go wrong as they sometimes will, When the road you're trudging seems all uphill, When funds are low and debts are high, When care is pressing you down a bit, Rest if you must but don't you quit, Life is queer with its twists and turns, As everyone of us sometimes learns. And many a failure turn about When he might have won had he stuck it out. Don't give up, though the pace seems slow You may succeed with another blow. Often the goal is nearer than It seems to a faint and faltering man. Often the struggler has given up When he might have captured the victor's cup, And he learned too late when the night slipped down How close he was to the golden crown Success is failure turned inside out, The silver tint of the coluds of doubt And you can never tell how close you are It might be near when it seems afar, So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit. Author Unknown



### LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

As your Committee in charge of the Annual Banquet, we are pleased to announce that the plans for the EAA Chapter 690 Annual Banquet have been completed.

The Banquet will be Friday, November 30, 1984, at Perimeter Inn North located at I-285 and Buford Highway. There will be a Cocktail Reception, a fine Banquet Buffet, and Entertainment. Part of the program for the evening will feature Mr. Bruce Erion, Heliocopter Pilot for the TV Channel 11 news and weather program.

Members and spouses, and friends, are encouraged to invite any quests that you would like to share this Holiday Season Festivity with, and to introduce them to EAA and our fine group of Chapter members.

The Cocktail Reception will be from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. This will be a cash bar and the prices include gratuity and tax.

The Banquet Buffet will be from 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM and will be \$16.00 per person which includes gratuity and tax.

It is important to make your reservations not later than the 12th of November. The Chapter is required to advance some of the money to Perimeter Inn North early enough to insure the space and facilities will be used. To call for your reservations, during the week evenings, telephone 938-9154 (Dick Strand, Treasurer).

To confirm your reservations, please mail the reservation slip below with your check made payable to: EAA CHAPTER 690. Remember not later than November 12, 1984.

Thank you for your cooperation in making this year's Annual Banquet a successful and enjoyable evening.

Happy Holiday Season,

Committee for the Annual Banquet . . . . . .

Tom and Julie Ferraro Henry and Janet Warner

Gordon and Jean Washburn Doug and Patrice Vance

Tucker, Georgia 30084

Names for Name Badges (please print)	Confirm reservations for:
	Member (@\$16.00)
	Spouse or Friend (@\$16.00)
	Guest (@\$16.00)
	Guest
Mail this slip with you	Mr. Richard Strand, Treasurer check to: EAA Chapter 690 433 Lake Ivanhoe Drive