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Chapter 304 March Meeting Speaker

Thank you Mark Sekelsky from the National Weather Service NOAA in Grand Rapids, MI . We learned much and are better informed as to the entire process of weather reporting



April 1st EAA304 Meeting Cancelled as Covid-19 spread continues

March Board Meeting Minutes

All board members were present along with one guest, Joan Feldvary.

- 1. Old business. There was no old business to discuss
- 2. New Business
 - a. Charlie Moore -No new business

b. Tracy Boyers – Tracy would still like to investigate the possibility of doing a group project for our chapter. We agreed to continue talks on this topic.

c. Chuck Furgason presented the Treasurers report. It was accepted and seconded as presented.

- d. Greg Mears
 - i. Board and General minutes submitted on time

ii. Discussed the possibility of opening the monthly meeting with short videos supplied by EAA national. These videos typically run 10-20 minutes. Greg felt that it would help the membership understand why EAA national membership is so important. Greg and Joan have created a new page on the website with examples of these videos for member review. We'd like the members to let us know what they think with an email to Greg at secretary@eaa304.org

3. Facebook/Web page team updates: a. Hits on our Facebook page were up 96% for the month

b. Website continues generate inquiries about our chapter and we gained two new members through it.

- c. Greg/Joan are working on the new "free" website, however it's not what we had hoped it would be.
- 4. Brainstorming session: Guest Joan Feldvary. Joan addressed the board on various ideas to help the chapter grow and to float some new ideas about the annual Pancake breakfast. Membership feedback is appreciated
 - a. Board voted 4-1 to purchase EAA tablecloth and banner for use in various chapter events

b. We need recent EAA or flying related magazines for the sign-up table at the Pancake breakfast. Tracy Boyers offered to bring a bunch in.

c. Discussed the new membership application. Greg will have ready by middle of March.

d. We would like to know how the membership feels about having Saturday morning coffee/donuts meetings once or twice a month. Members should email Greg at secretary@eaa304.org and let us know what you think

e. Discussed plans for annual barbecue. Tentative date is the August 5th meeting or the Saturday following. Would like to know what the membership thinks.

f. Special Events -John Feldvary getting us the Ford Tri-Motor again in August

g. We need to recognize new members with something other than a newsletter. A welcome letter would be appropriate. Greg/Joan volunteered to create one

h. Charlie needs to advertise and remind members that coffee/popcorn available in hangar before and after the meetings

i. Investigated the possibility of selling pop and water at the Pancake breakfast. Tabled idea for April meeting.



Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm so we could prep the room for our guest speaker

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Useful Website Links

EAA National Site http://www.eaa.org/eaa

Jackson County Airport http://www.co.jackson.mi.us/232/airport Solo Aviation http://www.soloaviation.aero/ Skyway Aviation http://www.skywayjxn.com/default.htm Lumen Christi Aviation Club http://www.304youthaviation.weebly.com Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) http://www.aopa.org/ MDOT Aeronautics http://www.michigan.gov/aero NOAA National Weather Service http://www.aviationweather.gov/adds/ Federal Aviation Administration http://www.faa.gov/

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EAA	April 1st	6:30 p.m. Chapter House - MEETING CANCELLED
Chapter 304	May 6th	6:30 p.m. Chapter House - Pancake Breakfast planning
MEETINGS	May24	7:00 a.m NOON Pancake Breakfast

Check out the EAA Chapter 304 Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/EAA-Chapter-304-624715834287473/ Check out the new Website https://eaa304.org

General Meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

We had a total of 15 people in attendance, 4 of which were guests to our chapter

Charlie Moore Reminded everyone to please use the sign in sheet so we can keep track of members and guests attending our meetings.

Chuck Furgason gave our Treasurers report

John Feldvary then gave an update on Airport business

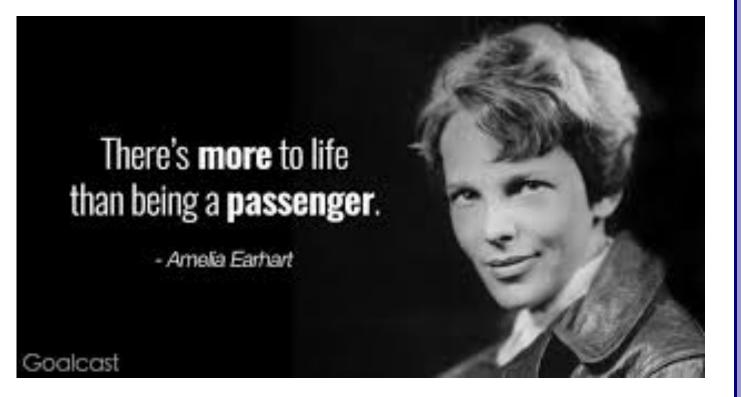
Apron/Terminal Ramp reconstruction starts up again on May 27th and runs through September 1st. There will be no disruption to our Pancake breakfast

John notified us that the RSAT (Runway Safety Meeting) on March 17 at 10am in the EAA 304 meeting room is cancelled.

John was able to secure for us another visit from the Ford Tri-Motor august 20-23. Volunteers are needed to assist with the ramp. Please email John if you are interested. <u>T-6flier@gmail.com</u>

Mark Sekelsky from NWS-NOAA Grand Rapids was our guest speaker this evening. His presentation lasted over an hour, and we had a very active Question and Answer section after his presentation.

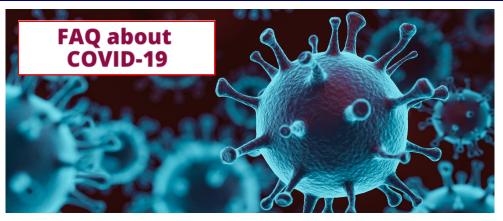
He covered what his responsibilities for his area, (Grand Rapids Lansing area). His office puts out severe weather alerts in conjunction with the storm center in Kansas City. He fine tunes warnings for local areas. Showed us support links for pilots and weather resources. Focused on the Jackson area and precipitation and visibilities for the quarter. His PowerPoint presentation will be available on our website at www.eaa304.org



Good News is You're the Pilot; Bad News is that Time Flies



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March 27, 2020

Should I take additional measures during the COVID-19 pandemic to mitigate the risk of SARS-CoV-2 coming into my home on food and food packaging?

Currently there is no evidence of food or food packaging being associated with transmission of COVID-19. It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads. CDC notes that in general, because of poor survivability of these coronaviruses on surfaces, there is likely very low risk of spread from food products or packaging that are shipped over a period of days or weeks at ambient, refrigerated, or frozen temperatures. It is more likely that a person will be exposed by person-to-person transmission involving close contact with someone who is ill or shedding the virus.

Consumers can follow <u>CDC guidelines on how to protect yourself</u>, especially the advice on frequent hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; and frequent cleaning and disinfecting of surfaces.

If you are concerned about contamination of food and food packaging you have purchased from the grocery store, wash your hands after handling food and food packages when you return from the grocery store and after removing packaging from food. In addition, it's always critical to follow the 4 key steps of food safety—clean, separate, cook, and chill – to prevent foodborne illness. FDA also has advice about safely selecting and serving <u>raw produce</u>.

If a worker in my food processing facility has tested positive for COVID-19, should I test the environment for the SARS-CoV-2 virus?

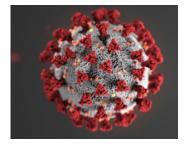
Currently there is no evidence of food or food packaging being associated with transmission of COVID-19. Therefore, we do not believe there is a need to conduct environmental testing in food settings for the virus that causes COVID 19 for the purpose of food safety. Cleaning and sanitizing the surfaces is a better use of resources than testing to see if the virus is present.

Facilities are required to use personnel practices that protect against contamination of food, food contact surfaces and packaging and to maintain clean and sanitized facilities and food contact surfaces. Although it is possible that the infected worker may have touched surfaces in your facility, FDA-regulated food manufacturers are required to follow Current Good Manufacturing Practices (CGMPs). Maintaining CGMPs in the facility should minimize the potential for surface contamination and eliminate contamination when it occurs. With the detection of the coronavirus in asymptomatic people and studies showing survival of coronavirus on surfaces for short periods of time, as an extra precaution, food facilities may want to consider a more frequent cleaning and sanitation schedule for high human contact surfaces.

Is FDA providing flexibility regarding the nutrition labeling of packaged food for restaurants and other businesses?

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, restaurants and food manufacturers may have food not labeled for retail sale that they wish to sell at retail. The FDA has released a <u>guidance document to provide restaurants and</u> <u>other businesses with flexibility regarding nutrition labeling</u> so that they can sell certain packaged food during the COVID-19 are device

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20 THINGS TO DO WHILE YOU ARE SOCIAL DISTANCING YOURSELVES

- 1. Detail your Plane so you're ready for spring
 - 2. Inventory your airplane parts
 - 3. Sort something in your hanger
- 4. Get that Instapot out of the box and try a new recipe
- 5. Go through your closet and find 40 things to donate
 - 6. Review your friends list on Facebook
 - 7. Reread all of the *Flyer* newsletters you can find
 - 8. Dust off your treadmill and use it
 - 9. Hydrate drink plenty of water
- 10. Count your toilet paper squares so you know if you have enough
 - 11. Call a friend or family member on the phone to talk to them
- 12. Purge old paper and electronic files (receipts, bills, emails, etc.)
 - 13. Read a book or two or ten
 - 14. Watch all of your DVD movies
 - 15. Write an article and submit it for the next *Flyer* newsletter

16. Take a nap every day

17. Start/finish one of the home projects you have been procrastinating on

18. Repeat #1

19. Pray for an end to the COVID-19 and health for all nations

20. Stay calm and relax

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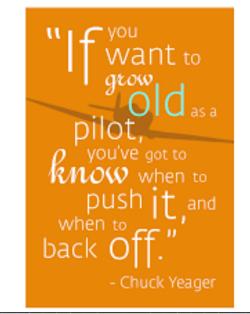
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