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FEBRUARY MEETING

Double-emergency pilot Keith Fuller will be February's guest speaker. Keith, a Prescott Pusher owner, experienced a landing gear failure shortly after takeoff followed moments later by an engine fire. Multiple unrelated emergencies are rare and usually only occur during battle. However, Keith had his own battle going, within the confines of his cockpit in the friendly skies near his home base of Columbus, Ohio. Join us at 7:30 on Tuesday, February 23 as Keith reveals the good and bad of how he handled the situation as it unfolded moment-by-moment.

Important - This meeting will be held at the T-28 shop in Crystal Lake. If you've not been there before, the shop is off of Route 14 a quarter-mile west of Rt. 31 in the industrial suites directly east of U-Haul and north of (behind) the Citgo station. Pull into the Citgo station on the north side of Rt. 14 and make an immediate 90-degree turn to the left (west) in the station and past the pumps. Then drive behind the oil change place. The shop is in the brown N-S building and the entrance is on the east side about midway down.

ANNUAL BANQUET

Dennis Fitch, our intended banquet speaker, has informed us that he will not be able to attend due to a serious illness. Let us all keep him in our thoughts and prayers that he may have a speedy recovery. Tim McCarter will speak in his stead.

Tim is currently the maintenance supervisor for Amphib Inc. at Kenosha. He has been actively involved with the restoration of numerous aircraft including Grummans (Widgeon, Goose etc.), P-51s, and a Sea Fury. He has an extensive warbird background, including several Russian aircraft. He currently maintains a Cessna Citation CJ3 and owns a Stinson Reliant. His presentation will include a number of photos of these aircraft activities, and should be very informative and entertaining.

So we hope that you are already planning to join us for a wonderful evening at the Crystal Lake Country Club or will make your reservations shortly. February 27, 2010 - 6:00 arrival with a cash bar. Dinner served at 7:15.

Beef 35.00, Chicken 30.00, Salmon 30.00. Please make your check out to EAA Chapter 790, complete the form in the attached .pdf, and mail to:

EAA Chapter 790
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AURORA TOWER VISIT

Ole has arranged a visit to the Aurora control tower on February 27 at 10:00 AM at the Aurora Tower, 43 W 690 US Route 30, Sugar Grove, IL 60554. Tom can only accommodate 8 people at a time in the tower cab, so we will split up into groups. So far 11 are signed up. Please contact Ole at 847-639-5408 if you'd like to go.

LETTERS IN RESPONSE TO JIM PRATT'S ARTICLE

Email from Steve Buss, EAA Headquarters, to the editors: "I really enjoyed the story about Jeff Skiles in the latest newsletter. Would you mind if we shared the newsletter with the rest of the Chapters as one of our featured newsletters? Please let me know. – Steve Buss"

Jim's excellent article was forwarded to Steve with his permission.

Email from Jeff Skiles to Jim: "Thanks - nice pictures and a very nice article. I'll look forward to seeing you and that beautiful Luscombe in the spring. – Jeff"

PRESIDENT ELTON'S MESSAGE

Wow, what a time in Daytona! I was able to be at three races in two days. That's over 1000 miles of racing. There is nothing like seeing a race from the pit wall. I have a lot of pictures on my Facebook page in case you would like to see them. The only thing that could have made it better would have been being able to fly down there myself instead of flying commercially. Hopefully the weather will be getting nicer soon with spring getting closer and that means we'll be getting back into the air. Can't happen soon enough can it!

As you know by now, it's time for our annual Chapter 790 banquet. We are still taking your reservations but we need to know if you plan to attend now! You'll find details about the banquet above in this newsletter.

We had a great board meeting this month. We have lots of great activities planned for the coming months that you don't want to miss out on. We'll have more on chapter activities for the upcoming season at the meeting, so be ready to hear about some great events! Remember that this month's meeting is at the T-28 restoration building in Crystal Lake. Bring a friend and share aviation with them!

Elton

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

EAA Chapter 790
Board Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2010

The EAA 790 Board meeting was held at the Schaumburg Airport. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. Attendees were Glen Brisson, Brad Delisle, Elton & Nancy Eisele, Ron Liebmann, Rob Nelson, Mike Perkins, Ole Sindberg, Jim Pratt and Bob O'Quinn.

January Meeting Recap: The presentation by Ole, Clyde Ericson and Ron Wilson at the January Chapter meeting on their experiences with the Global Peace initiative was one of the best. This is the of type presentations that will draw higher attendance by our own members and bring in new potential members as well. Thanks again Ole, Clyde, and Ron!

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Lon Danek was unable to attend this evening's board meeting.

Banquet: As a reminder, the banquet is fast approaching (Saturday, February 27th), and reservations need to be confirmed by February 19th.

Our scheduled speaker, Dennis Fitch, had to cancel due to a serious health issue. We wish Dennis the very best in his recovery.

The board will solicit suggestions for a replacement speaker. Elton also agreed to contact EAA for a list of suggested speakers.

New Members: Bob O'Quinn volunteered to draft a "welcome letter" to be distributed to first time visitors to our chapter meetings. Bob agreed to complete the "welcome letter" within the week. Bob suggested that such a letter could also serve as the Chapter 790 website home page introduction.

Chapter Website: The importance of the Chapter website was discussed, particularly for attracting new members and keeping the membership updated

with upcoming activities. Rob Nelson and Brad Delisle volunteered to assist in jumpstarting the website.

Chapter 790's Future: In past years, Chapter 790 was at the forefront of EAA initiating programs such as The Ambassadors, KidVenture, and an award winning newsletter, just to name a few. With the loss of several members to Chapter 1414, it is critical to rebuild our membership to the level it once was. The future of Chapter 790 depends on new ideas and new members. Elton suggested that a new Membership Coordinator is needed to spearhead this effort.

Upcoming Events: In addition to the banquet on February 27th, Ole reminded everyone of his Engine Inspection Clinic to be held at the Lake in the Hills Airport (Ole's hangar, P-34) on February 6th at 9:00 a.m.

Chapter Meetings: Elton made the suggestion that members need to know more about each other including the recent flight experiences, cross country flights, projects, new ratings, future goals, etc. One easy way is to go around the room at the beginning of our chapter meetings and have everyone introduce themselves and talk how aviation is impacting their lives.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted, Jim Pratt, Board Member

OVERHEARD

Cherokee: "Charlevoix unicom, this is Cherokee 234 Xray. What are your winds and active?"

Unicom: "Cherokee 234 Xray, the winds are out of the east at five, active runway is zero nine."

Cherokee: "Charlevoix, I'm out here by the cement plant, and it looks like the winds are out of the northwest."

Unicom: "Cherokee 234 Xray, are you landing at Charlevoix or landing at the cement plant?"

(Courtesy Avweb)

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