

EAA Chapter 145 MEETING: Saturday, April 12 at 10:00am



GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER 145

Web Page (<http://www.EAA145.org>)

The April meeting will be on Saturday, April 12, 2008 in the back room at Riverview Airport.

NOTE THE DAY CHANGE FOR THE MEETING. Coffee and hangar flying at 9am (Officer's meeting also) with the business meeting starting at 10am. This change in day/time was promoted by several members as a means of bringing in their A/C during daylight hours.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Let Bob S. know if you prefer to receive the newsletter by e-mail in place of postal mail and check the chapter web page for information or send Bill W. items to put on the web.

April Program

Adventure 2008 is coming up soon at Oshkosh. This month's program will help you get prepared and in the mood with a DVD on Adventure 2007 highlights. The DVD has a wide variety of scenes and all the various activities at Oshkosh. You can help select the scenes you would like to review or look into some areas you couldn't get to, the choice is yours. Come on by and bring a friend.

March Meeting Report

Hugh was out of town so Dick met the group attending at the Gerald R. Ford Airport. There was an abbreviated business meeting due to the location. The presentation program, however, was quite extensive.

- SECRETARY'S REPORT: We began March with a total of \$5215.67 (\$921.40 (checking), \$4092.13 (saving) and \$202.15 in cash.) Increases were due to \$150.00 in dues collections and \$135.00 in hangar donations.

- OLD BUSINESS: 1. The Ford Tri-motor tour will still be in July (there will be no change to an earlier date). 2. The Young Eagles rally at

Greenville will be on April 26th. This will be the first Young Eagles event of 2008 at the Greenville airport and will be held from 9am to 12 noon. Pilots & ground crews are welcome. Check with Dick Foster for details. 3. We are going to Weeks' Hangar for the annual work crew on April 18-20. Anyone wishing to participate, who has not already notified Dick Foster, should do so immediately. We have been invited to dinner on Saturday evening.

- NEW BUSINESS: NONE

- FEATURED PRESENTATION: Tower Supervisor Steve Dooley presented an excellent PowerPoint presentation on the history of air traffic control, the training required and the operation of the tower. The group was then divided into two groups of 6 each and escorted to the tower and the radar room respectively. About an hour was spent in each area, with excellent instruction, discussion and questions on each of the areas. Many thanks to all of the tower and radar room personnel who made this trip one of the best in current memory.

Future program ideas we are working on: (Do you have any more ideas?)

Rag & Tube aircraft construction

National Weather Station visit

Hovercraft Shop visit...Don Bender

V tail Sonex...Evan Stroup

Are Quick-Build kits worth it?...topic for discussion

Visit to Jackson, light sport aircraft?

IA Refresher Course, how to inspect aircraft...Gleim's courses

Private airstrips in Michigan...Repeat visit by Steve Zelle?

Newsletter questions, suggestions or comments? Contact Bob Swietek

2008 Meeting Dates (subj. to change)

1/11	2/08	3/14
4/11	5/09	6/13
7/11	8/08	9/12
10/10	11/14	12/12

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