

EAA Chapter 145 MEETING: Saturday, March 14th at 10:00am



GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER 145

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

The March meeting will be on Saturday, March 14, 2008 at the Riverview Airport Main Hangar.

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.

March Program

The topic for the March program will be "How to build an RV (Van's RV aircraft)" presented by Chapter members participation. After presentation of some basic information, we will have a roundtable discussion with a number of Chapter members who have or are building RV's.

February Meeting Report

The February meeting was held at the meeting room of Riverview Airport hangar on February 14th. The meeting commenced with the Secretary's report as of February 1st, 2009.

Cash on Hand:	\$202.15
Saving:	\$3849.17
Checking:	\$389.38
Total:	\$4490.70

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes of the Chapter meeting and Treasurer's report as published in the newsletter approved by a unanimous voice vote.

The annual trip to the Kermit Weeks Hangar was discussed. A tentative itinerary was passed out for members review. A copy of the itinerary is attached to this newsletter and posted on the Chapter website for member's review. If anyone is interested in attending this trip, it is requested that they notify Dick Foster ASAP so that accommodations can be made for lodging and transportation. When contacting Dick, please

indicate whether you can drive or will need a ride.

NEW BUSINESS:

The possibility of a visit by the EAA Tri-motor was discussed to determine interest. By a unanimous vote it was recommended that the Tri-motor be invited back this year. James Zeman will work with Northern Air and Rapid Air to hangar the Tri-motor as the Universal Forest Products hangar is unavailable this year due to construction on their taxiway. The EAA National HQ will be publishing a 30 second public service announcement, to be shown at the March meeting, which can be used for TV and movie theatres.

Now is the time to start thinking about AirVenture 2009. This year EAA National is allowing reservation of organizational campsites. The creation of a Chapter 145 compound at Air Venture 2009 will be discussed during future meetings as details are available.

YOUNG EAGLES UPDATE

This year's calendar of Young Eagles flights is beginning to develop. One is scheduled for late May at Greenville and another one in September in Lowell. Anyone interested in participating as a volunteer pilot or ground support crew is asked to contact Dick Foster at the phone number listed at the end of this newsletter.

NEW MEMBERS

New members James Grant and Pat Morrell were introduced and welcomed. We're glad to welcome you both.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION UPDATE

If you have not already done so, please complete a new membership form and return it as soon as possible to Bob Swietek during the monthly meetings or email/mail to me at airdale69@aol.com or 6962 Bridgewater Dr. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. There will be blank forms at the March meeting for your convenience. It takes everyone in the chapter to make meetings a success, so put your two cents into the pot.

ANNUAL DUES

THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER FOR DELINQUENT MEMBERS. Members not yet paid should make arrangements ASAP with the chapter treasurer to continue as an active member.

QUIZ ME

Q1: You are a builder of a WAR ½ scale corsair (wood torsion box construction). You have just finished cutting and fitting all of the wood frame members for the fuselage and main spar. Now you find you need to cut some solid steel pieces for the main gear. Would you cut these pieces on your table saw?

A: Attend the March meeting

Future tentative programs for 2009 we are working on: **(Do you have any more ideas?)**
April: Private Airstrips in Mich.: Steve Zelle
May: Sail planes: Irv Jousma
June: Backpack Flyer: Terry Luke
July: RC Fly-in: Ron Fritz

Newsletter questions and suggestions contact Bob Swietek.

Remaining 2009 Meeting Dates (subj. to change)

4/11 5/9 6/13 7/11 8/9 9/12
10/10 11/14 12/12

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