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2009 Awards Banquet *by Pete Gavin*



Our Annual Awards Banquet was held at the Eagan Community Center again this year, and we had Elizabeth Strohfus as our guest speaker. Liz is always a lively, entertaining speaker, and this year was no exception. As a WWII WASP (Women Airforce Service Pilot), Liz tested and ferried a long list of warplanes including the PT-19, BT-13 and AT-6 trainers, as well as the B-26 Marauder, B-17 Flying Fortress and the P-39 Airacobra fighter.

Liz said that the attitude at the time was “women couldn’t fly those airplanes — it takes a big man to fly. Well, we showed them.”

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\$5 extra dues to receive newsletter by paper mail in 2010

Costs of printing and mailing our newsletter continue to rise. It now costs \$1.25 for each paper newsletter we mail each month. Although most members are now taking the newsletter electronically, 44 still have paper mailed each month.

At its Sept. meeting, the Ch 25 board voted to charge an extra \$5 in annual dues for members choosing to get paper in 2010. October is the month for membership renewal. When you give Kris Olson dues for 2010:

Pay \$25 if you will take the newsletter via email for 2010.

Pay \$30 if you would like to receive the newsletter via paper mail.

As of January 1st, paper will be mailed only to those who have paid \$30 for 2010 dues.

Please call me at 612-866-6676 if you have any questions about our new policy.

-Pete Gavin, Chapter 25 Newsletter Editor

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Koser's Comments



I've received lots of positive comments about our annual banquet and our speaker, Liz Strohfus. It was truly a team effort to put the event together. BCFL Pat Halligan once again pulled off the reservations and arrangements in great form. Jon Cumpton organized the awards arrangements, Bill Brown confirmed the Young Eagle pilots and ground crew, Andy Hutchinson did an excellent job with the annual fund-raising campaign, and the entire board provided inputs on several aspects of the planning the banquet..

Don Ingraham is coming to our 21 October meeting to enlighten us on soaring and towing gliders. Don's company is Cross Country Soaring, and his experience should provide some good images, information, and response to member questions.

Richard Shearman an Inspector with the Mpls FSDO will attend our November meeting and will try to bring someone from the Airworthiness area as well. We must remember he IS an Inspector and on duty 24/7 so we need to have questions submitted ahead of time. He will address ramp checks, runway incursions, and the plastic license requirement by March of 2010. PLEASE submit your questions to me via email at least by 11 November so I can have a list of them ready for him.

We are indeed fortunate that Dick and Joan Navratil have agreed to host our Chapter 25 Christmas party. More details about that event will be forthcoming.

I am quite pleased to see the Pietenpol Project under Peter Denny's leadership developing as it is. Lots of folks are committed to the project, and quite enthusiastic about it. Our Bert Sisler Aviation Education Center is about to include an active airplane builders' workshop.

Incidentally, we now have a Pietenpol in our hangar, which should provide some positive motivation for members on the Pietenpol Project. How about that?

JFK

P.S.

See the note at the bottom of page 6 if you would like to come to next Wednesday's meeting early and help rig Bob Poore's pietenpol.

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This Month: Wed Oct 21st—Chap. Hangar—6 pm

Grill on at 6, Meeting starts at 7. Please bring something to share.

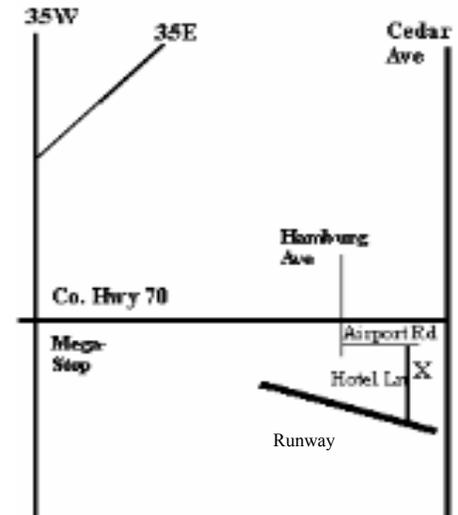
Program: Don Ingraham is coming to our 21 October meeting to enlighten us on soaring and towing gliders. Don's company is Cross Country Soaring, and his experience should provide some good images, information, and response to member questions. We will also be electing officers for 2010 (see below).

Sat Oct 17th—Young Eagles at 9am, BSAEC hangar at Airlake.

Young Eagle volunteers, please contact Bill Brown for more information.

Sun Dec 13th —Annual Christmas Dinner at Dick Navratil's

Directions to Chapter Hangar at Airlake: South on I-35 to Hwy 70 (Megastop), then East to Hamburg Ave (3rd stop sign.) Right turn and South to airport perimeter road. Left on airport perimeter road then right on Hotel or India Lane. If the surface is dry, please park on grass between hangars.



EAA Chapter 25 Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2009

Presiding Officer: John Koser

Location: Bert Sisler Aviation Education Center (BSAEC) at Airlake

Business meeting discussions

Tom Youngdahl, a guest visiting our meeting was introduced.

Our annual chapter banquet is October 4 at the Eagan Community Center. Liz Strophus will speak about her experiences as a WASP during WWII. Tickets are \$17 and available from Kris Olson.

Our fundraiser raffle is drawing to a close. The ticket return rate has picked up and we are about \$150 behind where we were last year at this time. Please turn in your sold tickets to Andy Hutchinson. He will accept them up through the first part of the banquet.

We have 10 kids lined up for our Young Eagles rally on Saturday. We also have an event scheduled at New Richmond on October 3. Call Bill Brown if you can help with ground crew or as a pilot. Bill is also looking for volunteers to help give a tour of Airlake Airport to a Home Schooling Group on September 29.

Peter Denny proposed that the chapter take on a project to build a Pietenpol. The members expressed interest so Peter will head a committee to further research the proposal.

Lou Martin volunteered to head up a team who would take on a project to clean the F86 that is on display at the local City Park. Contact Lou if you would like to participate. Lou also commented on his son's experience flying Predator drones in the military.

October meeting: Election of Officers for 2010

Here is the current slate of nominees for 2010. Please come prepared to nominate any others you may have in mind and cast your vote!

President	John Koser
Vice President	Terry Carmine
Secretary	Craig Nelson
Treasurer	Kris Olson.

2010 EAA Calendars

EAA Calendars for 2010 will be available from the chapter again this year. Please let John Koser know if you would like one reserved for you!

John Koser commented that we have received a letter from MAC indicating that they are researching developing standards of appearance for hangars and that an inspection of hangar exteriors will occur at Airlake.

Our October chapter meeting will feature Don Ingraham who will discuss sailplane soaring with Cross Country Soaring at Faribault Airport.

Program

Movie night. A portion of "Kitty Hawk: The Wright Brothers Journey of Invention" was shown.

Submitted by Craig Nelson

2009 Banquet

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She qualified as an instructor, and began teaching instruments to male pilots going overseas. For one shooting drill, she was asked to dive into gunners but not go below 500 feet. She heard 50 feet. With her AT-6 skimming just above rooftops, it sounded like thunder and “everyone hit the deck,” she said.



Banquet speaker Liz Strohfus with Chapter 25 president John Koser

In an aviation industry still dominated by male pilots, Liz certainly serves as a role model for women entering aviation today. But it is also fair to say that her indomitable spirit, can-do attitude, tolerance, sense

of humor and persistence would well be modeled by pilots of either sex.

Chapter president John Koser did a great job as MC, and extends his thanks to all who worked to make the night such a success (including Banquet Chairman for Life Pat Halligan!) and all the others who helped to make the banquet a success. Awards for 2009 are listed on page 5.



Terry Carmine receives 2009 Ron Oehler Chapter Service Award



2009 Banquet

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Chapter 25 Awards for 2009

Ron Oehler Chapter Service Award

Terry Carmine

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John Koser

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Ron Oehler

Mike Dolan

First Flight Award

David Maib RV-10

Jim Hancock Pitts Model 12

Aviation Service to Youth

John Schmidt

Chapter Fundraiser

Andy Hutchinson

Newsletter Awards

John Koser

Craig Nelson

Pat Hoyt

Peter Denny

Pat Halligan

Jon Cumpton

David Maib

Steve Adkins

Bill Brown

Lou Martin

Jim Ladwig

Phil Schaffer

Norm Tesmar

Greg Cardinal

YE Top Gun

Mark Kolesar

YE Ramp Champ

Kris Olson

YE Pilots & Crew

Jon Cumpton

Don Eide

Bob Foster

Pete Gavin

Mark Kolesar

Lou Martin

Craig Nelson

Paul Pankratz

Gary Rosch

John Schmidt

Norm Tesmar

LeAnn Aakre

Bill Brown

Paul Brown

Terry Carmine

Mike Dolan

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John Koser

Ron Oehler

Kris Olson

Tech Counselors

Bob Eckstein

Peter Denny

Mark
Wilson
wins
2009
raffle
drawing



EAA Chapter 25

Pietenpol Project

EAA Chapter 25 is considering building a Pietenpol as a chapter activity.

Many of us don't have either the knowhow, space, time or money to do it alone.

This is a great opportunity to come together with fellow enthusiasts to share in the excitement of building and flying.

The more we have involved, the less expensive it will be to build. When the Pietenpol is up and flying, you will have the opportunity to share in ownership, a remarkable historical airplane to fly and maintain.

Chapter 25 has in its membership, a number of builders and pilots with experience in building and flying this airplane.

To build this airplane, this is what you will want to consider:

Am I prepared to join EAA 25 (Based at Lakeville Airport)?

Am I keen to learn new skills, engage in the building process and contribute my share of the costs? (A finished Pietenpol works out around \$11K.)

Am I prepared to work as a team, even include members of my family in the process (Chapter 25 families are important to us as members, especially our children? (They are our future aviators!))

If you think you lack the knowledge and skills, remember this:

"Nobody has all the information, but everyone has SOME of the information"



***EVER THOUGHT
ABOUT
BUILDING AND
OWNING
A PIETENPOL?***

***For more information,
contact***

***Peter Denny
763-226-0473***

G'Day Everyone,

This is an invitation to chapter members, and avid Pietenpol people, who have nothing to do for the hour and a half leading up to the next chapter meeting, Oct 21st. The activity is to assist Bob Poore rig his Pietenpol in the chapter hangar. We meet at 5:30 pm at BSAEC.

-Peter Denny

Stuff for Sale/Wanted

For Sale: Cont. 0200--100hp, 350 SMOH. Eng Mount off 150G and clean prop, Elwood Kruger 612 812 8317 kruec1040@yahoo.com

For Sale: 2024-T3 Sheets; 1 ea. - .020 4'x12', .025 4'x12', .016 3'x13', .032 4'x4'. \$1, sq/ft. Also smaller pieces. Monel Pop Rivets \$.05 ea. Latches - Hartwell H4600, \$3 ea. Call Jim Mayer (952) 469-2347.

PROJECT FOR SALE: 2001 KITFOX LITE SQUARED (Kitfox Model IV Tri-Gear) - Factory-rigged wings, Airfoiled tail, Conventional cowlng, Electric elevator trim, Strut fairings. No engine. Asking \$10,000.
Ben Adamowski - badamowski@comcast.net - 952 949-2186.

For Sale: POWER TOW 12v aircraft tug, rated to 4700 lbs. Rigged for Cherokee/Archer, cost \$1395 new, asking \$700.
952-929-8725, hhavir@nbs-inc.com - www.powertow.com

For Rent: Hangar space at Airlake. Lot 38G, sharing space with a Sonex and Stinson. \$200/mo. Call 651 423 4273 or email lisamadams@frontiernet.net

For Sale: 1948 Beech Bonanza 35. T.T.A.C. 2980, Engine 22 SMOH. Prop & all Accessories 22 since overhaul. New paint & leather interior. Tip tanks, dual controls, all new windows, cleveland brakes. Many mods. VFR radios. At KLVN. Asking \$48,000. Al Morphew 952-985-5910 612-961-1546

For Sale: 1973 Cessna 150L TTAF 3300, 700 SMOH. White w/blue stripe. Exterior 8/10, interior 8/10. Michael single Nav/Com radio, ModeC Xpndr. Fresh annual. Portable GPS included. \$18,000 firm, similar in trade-a-plane for 23-24. Gerald Mercier, gjmerci@aol.com 612/861-6921.

For Sale: 40' x44' hangar 32G at Airlake Airport. A/C building tools, many misc. parts. A/C oil & filter, welder/tanks, 1968 Cardinal wings & tail feathers. Call Phil & Betty Funk at 612-578-3017 for viewing.

For Sale: Hangar #30, 48'x50'—Winsted Municipal Airport 10D-40' Electric Bi-Fold door; Concrete floor; Mercury Vapor lighting; 11' x 13' Garage door. 320/834-2824 be35_33_captn@hotmail.com

For Rent: Heated hangar space at KMIC. Space has good lighting and use of microwave, refrigerator, bathroom, lounge, and hot/cold running water. Rent dependent on type of A/C or use. Space comes with resident AP, IA, EAA technical counselor, and A/C welder. Call 763-494-6993 evenings.

Wanted: I am working almost daily on my Fisher project. Down the road I will need some instruments. This will be a VFR setup. Engine will be a Subaru. Let me know if you have something I might be able to use. Contact philschaffer@usfamily.net



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Mystery Photo—who is this?



Does this photo remind you of one of our Young Eagle pilots?

Can you guess who this is?

Come to the chapter meeting at Airlake on October 21st for the answer!!

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Chapter Events and Fly-Ins

Oct 21st Chapter Meeting at Airlake
Grill on at 6, meeting starts at 7pm
(see page 3 for directions)

Oct 17th 9am Young Eagle Rally
Contact Bill Brown for current info.

Dec 13th Annual Christmas Party
Dick Navratil has offered to host this year

Future meetings 11/18, 12/16, 1/20, 2/17,
3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20

Oct 17 Le Sueur Mn (12Y)

MN 99's fly-out 952/955-2802

Oct 25 Maple Plain Mn (MN69)

Fly-in, deep fried turkey dinner. Donation &/or bring food.
3,200 foot sod runway with 35' trees
at both ends. Corn on both sides.
Runway 11/29 125' wide. Private
airport 763-479-2274

Nov 21 Litchfield Mn (KUF)

MN 99's fly-out 952/955-2802

Dec 12 Anoka Mn (ANE)

MN 99's fly-out 952/955-2802

Return of the Sonex?

From John Koser just this week—Chapter officers are all expressing support for this project.

Folks,

Peter Denny just called me. He's been in touch with Dr. Brenda Cassellius, Associate Superintendent of Secondary Education for Minneapolis Public Schools. (She hired Peter and knows the aviation program he built.) She says the Sonex is available and can be delivered to the place of choice.

Also, Peter has several students who are now collegiates who want to work on finishing the Sonex. The wings are finished. The aft fuselage is finished. The tail sections are finished. Yet to be completed is the forward fuselage which includes the cockpit and firewall forward as well as the canopy. No engine is currently purchased. The engine mount is included, and its set up for the Jon Monnett designed Aerovee engine. I have the following questions:

Because we currently have hangar space, is it feasible to have the Sonex delivered to our hangar so it can be finished there?

Would a group of former students as well as possibly some chapter members like to work on finishing this airplane?

Because the former students would like to join Chapter 25, according to Peter, how does that affect the answers to the first two questions?

Thanks!
JFK

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