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CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

- 03/19/22 – Young Eagle flights
- 03/23/22 – BOD meeting ZOOM
- 03/24/22 - VMC Zoom at 7:30 PM
- 03/26/22 - Chapter meeting 9:00
KLEE admin room
- 04/23/22 – Young Eagle flights
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KLEE admin room

BREAKING NEWS!

Lots of hard work by many members. We Thank You!

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Note from Newsletter editor:

My software used to create the original newsletter (circa 2006) was not operating well on newer versions, so decided on a new look with more input from members. Also, the email and website links should function from the pdf used in distribution, and you can access the prior month's minutes for review using the link below. Thanks! Marty

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President's Message



Things are starting to ramp back up at the EAA hangar! On Saturday 3/19

we will be flying Young Eagles again for the first time in many months and will be continuing through this year. It will be exciting to see YE's in the hangar and the air again, watching as they discover more about flying, fixing and aviation in general. I know we're all anxious to get the hangar buzzing with activity again.

Throughout these many months small groups of Members have been working on projects in the hangar and doing the best they could along the way.

Marty's EZ-UP inspection covers have been gaining acceptance with the help of Squadron 534 members meeting to run small assembly lines making product.

Chloe recently became our 3rd successful Ray Scholarship Private Pilot. We also received notice from EAA National that Chapter 534 has been granted our 4th Ray Scholarship!

Our March general meeting on 3/26 will be held in the Admin building in person again, without a Zoom component, and continue that way going forward. Board of Directors meetings will remain via Zoom for convenience.

I want to say a big "Thank You" to all of you and the Chapter membership in general for the support and compassion during trying times. Let's hope for good weather and crank up the fun meter!

Tailwinds,
Steve

Inspirational Quotes:

Guess if you don't jump, you'll never know if you can fly!

- Miranda Lambert

Operation "Hangar Clean Sweep" **NEW!**

Andre Nadeau



Next to the members, our hangar is the Chapter's most precious asset! It is the place where we meet, teach our youth, build planes, fly Young Eagles, store our "stuff" and more. As such, it deserves our top consideration and care.

This regular column will discuss all things related to our hangar. I intend to discuss a specific topic in each article.

Decluttering the hangar:

Most of you are familiar with the TV show "the Hoarders". This show deals with individuals filling their houses with unnecessary junk that they believe is treasure and that they cannot get themselves to dispose of. As a result, they have so much junk in their house that they can barely move.

It just so happens that we have a bit of a hoarding problem ourselves. There is so much stuff in the hangar that we can barely use the workshop, have no place left to store stuff, don't know what we have and where it is, etc. Not only is it unsightly and gives a bad impression to visitors, but it also **creates safety concerns** and make many of our activities less efficient and pleasurable. It is time to get rid of the stuff that we don't need.

This effort is already under way and many items have found their way to the dump or to donation boxes. Some of the items that we don't need have value and we need to decide how to best dispose of them. (More on that next month).

As we declutter the hangar, we are also re-organizing what we have in the common-use areas. If you are a hangar user, then expect that "stuff" may be relocated. The exception is that we will not touch anything in the aircraft project dedicated areas. Organizing those areas is the responsibility of those working on those projects.

Which brings me to our current dilemma **Donations!**

Thanks to all that have donated items to the Chapter. However, we have reached a point where we have most of what we need. There are some items that we are still looking for and that will be the subject of another column. Meanwhile, we are putting a **freeze** on further donations. Please do not donate anything to the Chapter without first verifying with me that we can use those items. I appreciate your consideration in this matter.

I am making a request for a couple of volunteers to assist me with hangar cleanup and re-organization. If you are willing, then contact me by Email (see below). If you are a neat freak, then this is absolutely the job for you and I want to hear from you.

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Departments

Ray Scholarships - Gretchen



On March 2, 2022, Rosie Rivera (far right) 18, a member of EAA 534 in Leesburg, Florida, earned her private pilot certificate and can now enjoy the wonders of flight on her own. Rosie is the third 534 recipient of the \$10K award Mateo Colmenaro (second from left) and William McCarthy already have competed their private and working on their instrument tickets We have just been granted a 4th Scholarship for 2022

<https://generalaviationnews.com/2022/03/07/ray-aviation-scholarship-recipient-now-a-private-pilot/>

Young Eagles - Jodie



Activities resume the month of March. We shall be hosting these rallies on the third Saturday of each month except when a holiday interferes with the intended date. Flying during summer months will be determined at a later time. We now have 11 chapter pilots available to fly Young Eagles!



**Need some flight!
Hours please!**



One of our long-term youth squadron members, Emily Lininger is trying to get back into the swing of flying and would like to add some time to her current hours as a right seater. If you can help Contact Steve Tilford

More Attitudes!

John H. Weber, CFI
November 24, 2021



How many of us are frightened by certain aspects of flying? As a new pilot, I know that I was scared of the concept of spins. I had the preconceived notion that “spin = death”. In some cases this is true, and this is one of the reasons the FAA removed spin training from private pilot training. I felt this was a fear that I should confront and deal with - the old “enemy that you know” concept. At that time, I approached Penny Wilson, one of two instructors I had flown with, and asked if she would teach me spins in the Aeronca Champ. She consented, and as we were taking off, she said, “If anyone asks, we are doing CFI training.” If training for a CFI, no parachutes are required. Guess who didn’t have parachutes? I learned spins to the left and to the right that day. The next week I went and asked Penny how she felt about her renters spinning the Champ. Her reply was, “If you are comfortable with doing them and want to try it-go ahead.” It was a very high pucker factor doing a spin solo for the first time. I actually lived through it, and wanted more.

I am a FIRM believer that taking a spin and unusual attitudes course in an aerobatic aircraft is one of the cheapest, and best, life insurance policies that we pilots can have. We were very fortunate when Steve Wolf and Kathy Hirtz were instructing at KLEE. I had a few hours with Steve and I believe he made me a better pilot. As a CFI doing flight reviews, I find that many pilots don’t even practice stalls between their flight reviews. I try to do a stall series in any plane that I am flying in. It is the best way to try and find your approach to landing speed outside of the POH. Recently, I read some articles about DPEs failing candidates for a pilot license because the student can’t/won’t stall out of a turn. How about doing stalls out of slips? Here again, misconceptions run wild, such as, cross-controlled stalls will spin! This is not necessarily so. Skids are very prone to spins, whereas slips are spin-resistant when you think about the aerodynamics.

Basic aerobatics are a great way to learn how to control your plane in all regimes of flight. You will learn that the stick/yoke doesn’t necessarily mean going up or down. It translates to the nose of the plane moving in a from your feet to your head motion. The rudder will move the plane in an “ear to ear” movement. The ailerons move the plane in a “head to hip” movement.

ALWAYS find an instructor that is comfortable and trained to deal with unusual attitudes and/or aerobatics before attempting these on your own. You may have to travel to someplace like St. Augustine to fly with Patty Wagstaff, but the training received could potentially save your life. An extreme example of this might be getting rolled in a wing tip vortex on final approach, most people even when inverted will pull the yoke/stick because that is “what makes you go up”. A push on the yoke and continue the roll and you might make it out of this situation. Once again, I want to see you having more attitudes!

<https://www.iac.org/aerobatic-flight-schools/usa/FL>

Project Updates

Pietenpol - Ted

Construction of the aileron for the left wing of the Pietenpol is being constructed with the help of Rosie Rivera, a member of the Squadron 534 youth group at EAA chapter 534



Murphy Rebel – Mark



Diligent work continues on the critical tail section to assure the integrity of this load carrying section

SeaRey – Dale



The wings are currently mounted and we are continuing the final assembly. will be mounting the flaps and ailerons. then checking all nuts and bolts for proper torque and getting ready for the airworthiness inspection

Cessna 150 - Steve



Goal is to complete by Fall 2022. Now that the Zenith is sold, we can focus on completing for the new flying club

Note worthy

New member Reed Panos took the lead to rebuild our dilapidated flatbed trailer! Thanks, looking good!



EZ-up inspection cover kits

180 sold to date!
200 now in inventory
Thanks to the youth-group for packaging

