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This Meeting – After the fly-in on the 20th about 1030. As you will see below, there are just a few ideas for this next year, so we will begin to solidify those plans. Join us.

President's Notes:

Final Countdown

It has now come to the end of the term for this great group of Chapter Officers. I can only say that I have been honored to work with this chapter over the last 4 years and look forward to seeing the accomplishments of the next generation of leaders. In retrospect, I feel that much has been accomplished by the departing officers' efforts both individually and as a team. Working in concert with Moontown and the Meridianville Middle School Band Parents, specifically Anita and Donny Donovan of Biscuit Express, our fine folks in the tower, and the ground handlers, we have managed to grow the monthly Fly-in. May that trend continue. Our Annual Fly-ins have given more for the crowd to experience through this teams' efforts to help bring in additional exhibitors and static displays. Thanks all for your efforts. Jeff Spencer and Ricky Weldon were



recognized by EAA National for their individual efforts flying Young Eagles this year which is outstanding for this small grass-field based chapter. In fact, I would suggest that is some sort of record for all chapters based out of grass fields, but would have to check with National. The Young Eagles program has done so very well at this airport because we have made it a huge priority. I feel confident that this trend will continue as Jeff Spencer takes the helm of the Young Eagles Program.

At the end of the year, as you go about taking care of your friends and relatives with the approaching Christmas holiday, please take a moment to honor our fallen. The Moontown Family has been shaken by the loss of several very significant individuals over the last 14 months. Those individuals include: Emily Dover Clark, Don Langford, and Rick Weldon. Each of these individuals has family here in our local area that will have a hard time celebrating the season without the fine folks mentioned here. The Holiday will just not be normal in the absence of their lost. Take a moment to send these folks a card of encouragement, give Janet a hug when you see her, and lift a prayer for each of these families as they struggle with their loss during this season. We loved each of these folks because they were passionate about aviation and their families accepted the risk of that passion. It is important for these families to realize just how important these fine folks were to us and that they will not ever be forgotten.

Introductions:

The following is a list of officers and positions of responsibility that will take the Chapter through 2011:

President	Joe Baldauf
Vice President	Wayne Johnson
Secretary	Bryan Tauchen
Treasurer	Ed McWhiney

Membership	Ed McWhiney
Young Eagles	Jeff Spencer
Flight Advisor	Wayne Johnson
Tech Advisor	Jon Moore
Web Editor	Jimmie Holt
Newsletter Editor	Vacant

Last Fly-in:

Well as our year would have it, the weather was once again an issue. Low ceilings, light precipitation and chilling temperatures kept most aviators out of the sky on the morning of 15 November, but we did have 3 soles from northern Mississippi fly-in to enjoy the fabulous breakfast put on by our MMS Band Parents and Biscuit Express. (photo below). **Will**

The New Guys

Joe Baldauf has been in several chapters and has been the president of some of them, to include my old alma mater EAA 186 (Washington DC area). Wayne Johnson, is a retired helo pilot who is an A&P and CFI for rotorcraft, fixed wing (powered and sailplanes). He is a builder, owns a long EZ, and participates in many flying events. Jimmie Holt has been a big supported of flight at 3M5 providing some of the best air-to-air and ground based pictures I have seen. He will operate the web site.

15 November 2008 Meeting Minutes

The meeting began early because of the poor weather and was conducted in the lounge at Moontown Airport. The Breakfast brought in \$312.00 revenue which will be split with the Meridianville Middle School Band.

Membership Drive is underway right now. Please see the website and the newsletter for forms to sign up for your new 2009 Chapter 190 membership.

Nine people were in the meeting. The 1st topic of discussion was the election of officers for 2009-10. Nominations were made for Joe Baldauf for President, Wayne Johnson for Vice President Ed McWhiney for Treasurer. Jon Moore Agreed to stand in for the Secretary Position. These nominees will be voted on (with any others) at the social meeting, now planned for the 25th. The social will include election to positions and a technical video.

Additional positions (non-elected – voluntary: Web Master – Jimmie Holt; Fight Advisor - Wayne Johnson; Technical Advisor – Open; YE Coordinator - Jeff Spencer; Fly-in coordinator – George Myer; Activities Chairman – Open; Newsletter Editor – Open; Breakfast Coordinator – Open

People to keep in mind include Jim Harchanko (tech Advisor) Billy Perry, Paul Jacobs, It was decided to move the social meetings back to an evening format with topics to include flight, building, etc. The first meeting of this type will be the 25th of November 2008.

Billy Bryan from the Decatur chapter asked that we work together on technical meetings and potentially fly-ins to help both chapters. Nancy Swauner is the president at Decatur. We will ensure to get them on our distribution of events and attempt to help both chapters grow.

Jimmie Holt , Bill Perry and Gordie Sewell are working a kit, (Pazmay PL-4) if I have the name right) that the chapter might want to get involved with for technical lessons.

Jon Moore gave a short talk on building the Sump tank system for the Long EZ. He had the sump and the parts and described the operation and need for the sump and parts.

A Note from our NEW President Joe Baldauf

EAA Chapter 190 members and associates:

I am very happy to be chosen as the new President of Chapter 190 and wish to thank every one of you for your confidence in me to lead the chapter through this next year. This year we will have new challenges and opportunities. We need



to have a meeting after the next Fly-in Breakfast to discuss our future. Some items of interest I have collected include;

1. Meeting either day of the fly in or at a time other then the fly in?
2. Each meeting to have a technical (preferably hands on) activity. Want to know what kind of technical activity interests members. Some ideas include: (Technical) how to build wooden ribs, cloth covering an aircraft, Composite (build a small article), riveting metal skin... Flight discussions to include short field/soft field operations, flight line operations, safety operations, stalls, coordinated turns, airspace restrictions, radio usage and clearances... NEED to know what you would like to do refresher discussions topic presentations)
3. Involvement with Young Eagles; flights, ground school...
4. Hanger build or renovation and ability to have a classroom or a Chapter Project... Could be we adopt a project from a member and work on it as a chapter...
5. If Moon town is our preferred site for the chapter in the long run and if so what kind of commitment do we have to Moontown (visa-versa) for safety, cleanliness, representation.. This decision is to make a long term mutual commitment as a Chapter. And ties in to the hanger build).
6. We owe George a clean up day for the library, lockers and meeting room, as well as our areas on the field. In addition I think we should support a field spring cleaning to ensure we are safe and a visually nice place to enjoy our activities. (once the weather warms up we need to do this)...
7. I think we should be more pro-active with other chapters in the area and co-sponsor meetings and events of mutual interest...

This is just a start of our activities for the year... Please be sure to come and tell the rest of the Chapter what you would like to do to be as active as possible... Our opportunities to be more active are many.

Thanks and have a great day

V/R
Joe

A Note from the typesetter

Being the editor gives me the opportunity to have the last word. I will step down as the editor for a year or two – lots of reasons, but the primary reason is time. Between the plane and work/travel, all my family and the weather – I don't have enough. I wrote these words a few weeks ago.

It's the end of November – end of the Thanksgiving Holiday; and we're crankin' up for Christmas and Florida vs the Tide. The Tide just cleaned the clock of Auburn, it's raining outside, and I have epoxy slowly curing in the hangar. I'm a transplant to Alabama from about everywhere else, and have never taken sides in the AU/UA rivalry, so while it did not matter to me who won (woops, my wife is a UAH grad), I loved seeing the involvement by both sides.

Thanksgiving is a special time, set aside to help us remember what has been given to us. As I look at the aviation community, this local group, and my friends and experiences across many years, states and countries, I find myself in awe of so many folks that are just plane people – enjoying the sky and camaraderie of each other. I see those that have been involved and for some reason slowed and or exited our community for other goals they have set, and I see those that are just getting into it, jumping from one exciting idea to another. And then see the people that help those new folks get their bearings and learn the ropes. Those folks are the people I am really thankful for, for if it wasn't for the fellow that flew me on a SARCAP mission, my first flight at 14 years old, I would probably not have done what I have done in the aviation.

The essence of this note is to try and get each of you who have interests in aviation sport, (commercial, technical or what ever), to take someone under your wing and get them started out right. Don't try to predefine their interest area. Don't try to sell a kit manufacturer or a flight school or avionics, or association, let them know about all of the options open to them. If you are fortunate enough to be a builder of a project plane, see if they are interested in supporting your work, or perhaps starting a project of their own. Don't just promote the ego, tell them the whole story and let them make an informed decision. As each of you know, flying is the best fun one can have, but even that gets boring – if you are just flying. Even if you get the chance to get upside down on occasion, that becomes boring too (after a long time). What is never boring is flying with others, teaching them and in general being involved in the flying community.

We (EAA 190) have embarked on a new path. As time moves on, interest and involvement in the chapter surges and wanes. Goals change and people move in and out of the sphere. Goals of the chapter change and change back. We are restarting the training and educational sessions we set aside a few years ago. We set them aside in order to focus on building up our bank account so we can build a hangar. We have been fortunate, having good leadership, and an active flying community. We have what we need to build the hangar, so we will turn the focus back to the members and their needs, while keeping the fly-in in clear focus. We will try to offer training and information about all aspects of sport aviation. We will combine activities with other chapters so as to open up that sphere to include as many different interest areas that we can. We will support those chapters in conducting fly-ins and socials. It will take time to rebuild the fabric of chapters and projects and people to do this, and it will take some support from those that have the experience to pass on - that is probably you. .

So if you fit into any of the categories, don't leave the builders group or the flight team or Type Association, or what ever, expand your involvement just a little to others.

Mother EAA –

You have just got to look at the video shorts on EAA.org. They cover many aspects of building a plane. They are tips and tricks and most educational. They are good and only a few mins each.

Changes in the Newsletter

This is the last newsletter of 2008. I hope the newsletters have been informative and interesting. As Will said, it has been a hard year for loss of friends, and it is hard to address friendships and their losses in print. On the other hand, we have had great events and fun, and I hope that has shown through.

We will continue with the format and coverage, and are willing to push the scope out to just about any subject; if we get some requests. We have been sending many hard copies out to other chapters and a very few individuals that don't have e-mail or web access. We will stop sending the hardcopies to the chapters, asking them to check our website or elect to receive the NL by e-mail. We are doing this for a very selfish reason – money and time. Money, because it costs for prints and postage, and time to stamp, fold, clip, travel to the post office etc. also, its pretty clear that many of the chapter addresses are wrong, or no one reads it. Anyway, we will shrink the distribution a bit. If you receive this and want to receive it electronically, send your e-mail address to Jeff Spencer (in banner), or check the EAA190 website.

Upcoming Events

EAA has started up a site that can help you find out what's going on. Try

www.eaa.org/calendar. Sourced with many thanks, from EAA and Southern Aviator and other EAA chapter web sites.

Weekends –

1st Winchester TN (BGF) EAA 699 Fly-In Breakfast 931-967-3148

1st Lawrenceville, GA (LZU) - EAA Chapter 690 Breakfast. Various Programs.

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2nd Murfreesboro TN (MBT) EAA Chapter 419 Fly-In Breakfast

3rd Huntsville, Al Moontown (3M5) EAA 190 Fly-In Breakfast.

4th Shelbyville TN (SYI) Shelbyville Fly-In Breakfast 0700

5th Fort Payne, AL (4A9) EAA Chapter 890, Fly-in Breakfast

Spring will be coming soon. Expect the list to grow.

21-27 April Lakeland FL Su and Fun Yea its a little early but there is not much between here and there.

A couple of other events you may be interested in:

Feb 21 and 28th respectively Lawrenceville, GA ESLA Repairman Course, Airplane and Weight Shift

March 14, Heros Take Flight Fly-in, Auburn AL. Check out EAA.org



**Merry Christmas to each of you.
May you and your families have a safe
and very happy holiday.**

