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EAA9 To Gather for FlightSafety Tour

This month we travel to Port Columbus for a visit to FlightSafety International. FSI is the world's largest provider of aviation services, training over 65,000 pilots annually at 42 learning Centers in the U.S., Canada, France, and the U.K. Founded in 1951 by A.L. Ueltschi, FSI provides training for commercial, corporate, private, and military aviation and has over 200 FAA certified flight simulators.. FlightSafety has training available for private pilots who fly light aircraft for business or pleasure. The company's Vero Beach, Florida, facility is dedicated exclusively to training future professional pilots.



Our visit is Thursday, February 21, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The center we visit is located in the old Executive Jet Aviation building at the East end of Port Columbus. The address is 625 N. Hamilton Road, Columbus 43219. FSI Representative Susan Dugan has specific instructions for us. "Pull up to the call box located to the left of the gate," she says. "Push the button and identify yourself with your name and Chapter 9 of the EAA. Explain you need admittance to FlightSafety. Parking is available at the front of the building or along the south side of the building. FlightSafety's main entrance is located at the southwest corner of the building. Please pick up the phone located to the right of our entrance. This phone will automatically dial Executive Jet's Security Dept. Please give them your name and Chapter 9 of the EAA identification again. They should buzz the door to admit you to FlightSafety." The tour is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

You can visit FlightSafety International's Web site at www.flightsafety.com.

EAA9 Readies for July Bomber Run

At approximately 4 p.m. July 8, 2002, we expect to hear four 1,200 hp Wright Whirlwinds on final approach to Don Scott Field. For four days, EAA9 will host EAA's B-17 "Aluminum Overcast." EAA9 members will assist with support and logistics along with a crew from Oshkosh. Our responsibilities include, such tasks as:

- establish a "Chapter Tour Stop Team;"
- site location on the field;
- resolve security issues;
- work with EAA marketing for pre-stop publicity; and
- assist with local transportation.

We expect to provide much more information as July 8 approaches. Directors will go over the program during their next meeting. So, remain on alert...



Because of rising insurance costs, EAA says member rides in "Aluminum Overcast" will run \$350. The non-member cost will be \$395.

GlasAir Under Construction



Prospective member Frank Slemmons of North Lewisburg is building a GlasAir on his farm.



Frank's airplane shop was rebuilt from his ex-wife's horse barn and is located not far from the Honda plant near Marysville.

AirLifeLine Midwest Offers Hope

During last month's meeting, Keith Edwards told us about AirLifeLine Midwest, a non-profit organization that provides medical and humanitarian travel in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Tennessee, Wisconsin and beyond. Incorporated in 1981, Lifeline, Inc., (now AirLifeLine) is the oldest regional air care organization in the U.S. It is a 501(c)(3) organization with all contributions deductible "to the fullest extent of the law." For information, call 800-822-7972. AirLifeLine Midwest has

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its own Web site which can be visited at www.AirLifeLineMidwest.org. The organization is based at Greater Peoria Regional Airport, Peoria, IL.



Members Dick Weatherald (above), Rick Hunt and Keith Edwards made presentations during January's membership meeting. We appreciate their willingness to share their expertise with members. Dick and EAA9 President Al Harding participate on two boards at OSU Airport – the OSU Advisory Board and OSU Technical Advisory Committee which reviews the airport's master plan.



Rick Hunt (right, visiting with Keith Edwards) provided information to members during January's meeting about the Civil Air Patrol, an official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force.

CAP Continues Its Mission

Member Rick Hunt reminds members that the Civil Air Patrol is always looking for volunteers for its search missions. "CAP is responsible for over 85 percent of all inland search and rescue efforts for lost/overdue general aviation aircraft," says Rick. "In recent years, our role has expanded to provide assistance during emergencies through our Disaster Relief mission, as well as various other tasks for which we are uniquely qualified."

CAP was founded Dec. 1, 1941, and aircraft served as costal patrols during WWII. The local Columbus Senior Squadron is made up of adults (21 and older) and is separate from the youth operation. Special training is provided for people interested in becoming a

part of the program. Contact Squadron Commander Dave Austin at DLAustin2@hotmail.com, or call (859) 342-9917 or Rick at Rick@RickMHunt.com or call (614) 457-4278.

FAA Sport Pilot Web Site Up

EAA reports the FAA sport pilot Website is now open. The site is www.faa.gov/avr/afs/sportpilot/index.cfm. It contains links to the complete notice of proposed rule making, an FAA summary, and a how-to-comment page. Another page on the Website (FAQs) contains a number of frequently asked questions and answers, which can be accessed directly via: www.faa.gov/avr/afs/sportpilot/faq.cfm. EAA suggests that members go the Sport Pilot EAA Website to learn about the latest updates, how to comment and a summary of information on the proposal: www.sportpilot.org.

OSU's Don Scott Remains Healthy in 9/11 Aftermath

Chapter Director Dick Weatherald, who, along with President Al Harding, participates with two OSU Airport boards, says that in spite of 9/11 events, the normal winter quarter OSU flight school enrollment of 60 was actually over 100.

A 7' security fence is being installed which will have a one way turnstile at the flight school. Access to the ramp will be through the flight school building. In phase two of the project, card access will be established for the east ramp, but cars will still be allowed on the ramp. Meanwhile, the OSU Airport Master Plan (always subject to change, of course) includes extension of the north runway from 3,000' to 6,000' and inclusion of an ILS for 27R. Fifty T-hangers are to be added. Runway 14/32 is to be lengthened about 441' at the south end to gain access form Taxiway Alpha. Plans also call for a self-service fueling station.

EAA9 has been encouraged by the airport to build picnic tables near the east ramp. And, of course, the plans continue for the Aviation Historical Research and Restoration Facility.

OSU Magazine Features 2009



onCAMPUS, OSU "outreach and engagement" publication featured an article about Explorer



Check Our Website

Be sure to check our new Website at www.eaa9.org. We would like to hear your comments which you can send to President Harding at al@thentshop.com. Thanks to Craig Schneider for his work on this site.

Post 2009 in its February 7, issue. The publication concentrates on university effort to involve high school students with academic disciplines. "Engineering has also started an Aviation Explorers post co-sponsored by the OSU Airport and the local chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association for high school students in the field of aviation," the article reports.

Bruce Butts was quoted in the article, noting that it is not difficult to establish a post. "Ohio State is an excellent host for Exploring because the University has the resources and facilities, plus the potential for student-to-student mentoring," says Brian Asbury, senior Learning for Life executive. Exploring is part of the national Learning for Life career education program, and a subsidiary of Boy Scouts of America.

Young Eagles A Little Sparse

Young Eagle turnout was a little low for January's event, according to Keith Edwards. Sixteen YE's were flown "and seemed to have an enjoyable time," says Keith. Pilot and passenger count for "Winter Flight Fest 2002" were: Michael Lemaster (4), Dick Weatherald (2), Tom Siler (4), Rick Tressler (3), Wayne Williams (2) and Craig Schneider (1). Keith offers special thanks to the OSU Flight Education Department which allowed EAA9 to set up a registration table. With the excellent weather that Saturday, traffic was heavy in and out of the flight center.

New Members...

Welcome to Bruce Anderson of Columbus. Bruce is a student pilot. He's working on a Coot amphibian (designed by Molt Taylor) and a Wittman Tailwind WD-8. Bruce works at Lane & Kenny Body Shop.



Ramp Check

Membership Meeting – February 21, 7:30 p.m., FlightSafety International, Port Columbus.

AOPA Safety Seminar – March 4, 7 p.m., Whitehall Parks & Recreation, 402 N. Hamilton Road. Spatial disorientation is the main subject for the seminar.

Next Young Eagles Flights – March 16, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., OSU Airport.

Membership/FAA Safety Meeting – March 21, 7- 9 p.m., MedFlight Conference Room, OSU Airport.

Young Eagle Flight Rally schedule. We fly the third Saturday every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at OSU Airport (weather permitting, of course). Dates for 2002 are: Mar. 16, May 18 (Marysville), Jun 8 (National Young Eagles Day), July 20, Sept. 21, and Nov. 16.

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