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It's party time!

Time for Happy Holidays Hangar Party!



Yes! It's that time of year again! Time for our annual Hangar One Holiday Party - December 11, Hanger 1, Don Scott Airport. Our social "hour" begins at 4 p.m. with dinner scheduled for 6 p.m. Once again, this event is a potluck, buffet style with meat and beverage furnished by the chapter. Bring your favorite holiday dish to share with your aviation friends and family! During the event, we will hear an OSU Airport Progress report and a special presentation by our own Joe Vogel! In addition, we will have video

selections of two of our chapter's major events! We also expect to have several aircraft owned and/or operated by EAA9 members in Hanger 1 with us! The Holiday Party will cap another day of Young Eagle flights which will operate from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. out of Gate E. So, join us! Bring a friend! The party is open to the OSU aviation community!

EAA9 Members Learn Canopy Work



EAA9 Vice President Ken Barrow, left, helps Airplane Plastics owner/operator Jeff Rogers pull a heated plastic sheet from the company's oven in preparation for canopy form molding. EAA9 members toured the Airplane Plastics facility November 13, in Tipp City, OH. Airplane Plastics makes canopies for a wide variety of experimental aircraft, including the RV series, Pitts, Seawind, and many others. It has also done work for Burt Rutan.

Making of a Special Canopy



EAA9 members actually helped form a canopy during their visit to Airplane Plastics. Once the plastic is heated, it is placed in a vacuum form which draws down the plastic to a specified shape.



EAA9 members also learned how to drill and cut plastic. Airplane Plastics has also done work for the Air Force Museum to replace crazed and damaged canopies.

Our Next Meeting...

Next Meeting – January 20, 7 p.m., Tom Webster's 1436 Burnley Court, Columbus. 43229. This is an opportunity to see the progress Tom's making on his RV7A!

Operation 'Ho-Ho-Ho!' Too!



YE Coordinator Keith Edwards reports: "This is December and that means it's almost time for the FOURTH ANNUAL Young Eagles event that will compliment "Operation Ho-Ho-Ho!!!" For those of you who may be unfamiliar, it is the Saturday-before-Christmas event in which an inner-city church puts together kids and gifts and celebrates the season of giving. For the previous 3 years, a limousine service has donated their stretched cars and SUV's to bring 30 to 40 kids (plus parents) to the OSU airport for some brisk but immensely enjoyable flight experiences. Please come out and join in the fun! Our regularly-scheduled (second Saturday) event is December 11 and will be from 10:00 to 2:00. The "Ho-Ho-Ho" event will be December 18 from 11:00 to 3:00 at OSU airport. After the success of the original YE program and reaching the goal of 1 million in 2003, a new goal for 2004 was set at 100,000 for the year. The YE count hit 1.1 million earlier this month, indicating the continued commitment of members to this noble and worthy cause. Goals of 100k per year will be continuing and EAA national plans on instituting additional programs and creating more opportunities for kids to stay involved. EAA Chapter 9 members can be proud of their contribution. Despite being weathered out of our traditionally biggest event this year (June 12), the yearly sum so far stands at 309, for an approximate chapter total of over 2,600. Keep up the good work! For 2005, we are hoping to join forces with the Youth Aviation Adventure organization and fly Boy Scouts on May 7 and Oct 1. Also, make sure to put on your schedules the Premier Event, the third biennial OSU airport open house on Saturday July 16, 2005. Due to these events and our limited number of Saturdays, we will not be continuing on a 'second-Saturday' schedule. However, as soon as I figure one out I will send a schedule for your advance planning! Keep up the good work! Keith Edwards YE Coordinator, EAA 9 614-804-5420

EAA9ers Visit 'Aerodrome'



Jim Hammond (left) shows EAA9 members a PT19 restoration project at his Yellow Springs 'aerodrome.' Chapter 9 members visited his facilities Nov. 13.



Hammond is restoring a 1917 Standard J-1. Originally built to supplement the Curtis Jenny, these planes were sold as surplus after WWI. He has spent six years on the project.



The J-1 is powered by a 180hp V-8 Hispano-Suiza. 1,600 of these units were built.



Hammond's collection includes a 1931 Aeronica C3.



Check Our Website

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

Member Notes...

Welcome to **Donald J. Morgan**, of Columbus. Donald is a model airplane builder who hopes to help with the OSU Aviation Open House in July as well as other EAA9 projects.



Best wishes to **Martin Sobel** who is moving to Florida with his family. Martin has been our Technical Counsel/ Flight Advisory for many years and will be missed! Stay in touch!



Congratulations to **Al Harding** (president) **Ken Barrow** (vice president), **Ted Kellogg** (treasurer), **Bob Mullins** (secretary) and directors **Dick Wetherald** and **Clare Lutton** on their elections to office during last month's general membership meeting.

EAA9 Goes Back to School



Linda Lusch (in front) and Al Harding introduced aviation to 65 fifth graders at Worthington's Slate Hill Elementary School in early December. They passed out EAA Sport Aviation magazines and a brochure from EAA Headquarters. Linda and Al also showed "Wings of Dreams" with Cliff Robertson about EAA Young Eagles program and handed out YE forms. They also left Ohio Air Charts and then answered questions such as, "Do you know how to make a small fortune in aviation?" We all know that answer...



Ramp Check

Young Eagle Flight Rally schedule. We fly the second Saturday every other month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at OSU Airport (weather permitting, of course). As of Dec. 3, 2004, 1,106,294 YE's have been flown. The next date for 2004 is December 11..

Dec. 11 – Young Eagles and Hanger 1 Holiday

Party! (Bring a dish to the party!) 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. for YE; Holiday Party – 4 p.m. Social Hour, 6 p.m. dinner, Hanger 1.



Jan. 10 – EAA9 Board Meeting, Old OSU Tower, 7 p.m.

Jan. 20 – 7 p.m. Membership Meeting: A look at Tom Webster's RV7A, 1436 Burnley Court, Columbus, OH 43229.

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