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## MEETINGS

2<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY of the MONTH  
9:00 a.m.

DODGE COUNTY AIRPORT

**NEXT MEETING IS**

**Saturday, April 12, 2008**

Board Meetings:

Same day and place as the chapter meeting.

8:00 a.m. sharp

**Everyone welcome**

**Warning: Dates in calendar are closer than they appear!**

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I want to extend an invitation to everyone in EAA 897 to attend our April 12 meeting at Dodge County Airport's FBO, 9:00 A.M. and bring a friend. It sounds like we will have some new members joining our chapter at the Saturday meeting. Everyone please give them a warm EAA 897 welcome.

EAA headquarters has mailed me several copies of the new Spirit of Flight DVD. If any member wants to use a DVD to show a friend, fellow pilot, or perspective new member how cool flying can be, please contact me. Glen has let several of his student pilot's see the DVD and they all get very excited about flying.

With the more favorable weather approaching flying will be on everyone's mind. I want to emphasize fly safe. A few weeks ago coming back from Medford (KMDZ) and entering the pattern at Dodge County I saw a yellow flash and quickly realized a Cessna 172 was coming right at me from the east. He was 100 ft. higher than me and flew over me. I didn't hear any radio traffic and had no warning of his presence. That's what they call a near miss. Always remain alert and don't forget to remove the tow bar from the nose gear.

Fly safe

*Randy*

**STEEP BANKS** - Banks that charge pilots more than 10% interest.

**TURN & BANK INDICATOR** - An instrument largely ignored by pilots.

**USEFUL LOAD** - Volumetric capacity of the aircraft, disregarding weight.

**VOR** - Radio navigation aid, named after the VORtex effect on pilots trying to home in on it.

**WAC CHART** - Directions to the Army female barracks.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April 19 Brennand Donut Day

**Brennand Airport Neenah, WI (79C)**

7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Free will donation. Coffee, soda, milk, donuts, cookies, muffins. Young eagle rides, orientation rides for adults.

Bill Brown (920) 721-9237 E-mail: bill.brown@alcan.com

### April 26 Fly-in Pancake Breakfast

**Wittman Regional Airport Oshkosh, WI (OSH)**

7 a.m. to noon, Fox Valley Technical College Aviation Center.

Pancake breakfast \$5 per plate. **Safety seminar – Weather**

**decision making at 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. room 104a**

RSVPs are appreciated. Jared Huss (920) 232-6024

E-mail: huss@fvtc.edu

### May 18 EAA Chapter 431 Pancake Breakfast

**Brodhead Airport Brodhead, WI (C37)**

7 a.m. to noon

Pancake breakfast, young eagle flights.

Jeffrey Fink (815)624-7583 E-mail: webmaster@eaa431.org

### May 25 Annual Fly-in/Drive-in Breakfast

**Portage Municipal Airport Portage, WI (C47)**

7 a.m. to noon

Eggs made to order, all you can eat pancakes, sausage, juice, and coffee. Sponsored by EAA chapter 371

John Poppy (608) 742-3300

### June 1 Annual Pancake Breakfast

**Dodge County Airport Juneau, WI (UNU)**

8 a.m. to noon breakfast will be served.

Airplane rides for a fee, various displays of airplanes, antique farm equipment and other displays.

Dennis Winkel (920) 296-0645; e-mail: dwinkel1@charter.net



## YOUNG EAGLES

Contact:

Ed Lachendro (920) 885-3968

Glenn Ingram (920) 887-2507

Dodge Co. Airport (920) 386-2402

## INTERESTING WEBSITES

### Hints for homebuilders

<http://www.eaa.org/video/homebuilders.html>

### Ramp check quiz

<http://www.avweb.com/cgi-bin/programs/quiz.cgi/brain/quiz0127.html>

### Helicopter mishap

<http://www.avweb.com/eletter/archives/avflash/1075-full.html#197439>

### Evan Farmer: Blog on building an airplane in two weeks.

<http://www.evanfarmer.net/>

### Plastic repair

<http://www.urethanesupply.com/aircraftrepair.php>

## PILOT SEMINARS

**Saturday, April 19**

**Wisconsin DOT Safety Seminar**

**8300 Airport Road**

**Middleton WI 53562**

**Morey Airplane Co. Maint. Hangar**

Starting at 2:00 p.m.

Topic: Things That Go Wrong During a Runup & Weather Decision Making. Are you always sure?

Speakers Rich Morey, Jeff Taylor

Register at [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov)

**Saturday, April 26**

**Fox Valley Aviation Center, 3601 Oregon St.**

**Oshkosh WI**, East side of Whittman field.

Breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Seminar at 10:00 a.m.

Wisconsin DOT pilot safety program and Fox Valley Tech fly-in breakfast.

Tour Fox Valley Tech Aviation Center and enjoy a pancake breakfast starting at 7 AM.

Weather Decision Making Safety seminar starts at 10 AM.

Register at [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov)

8 March 2008  
EAA Chapter 897 Meeting

Vice President, Dennis Winkel, brought the March 8, 2008 meeting to order at 8:55 a.m.

Ron Romans read the minutes from February's meeting. Jim Hausch made a motion to approve the minutes. Tim Hoversten seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Glenn Ingram gave the treasurer's report. Glenn reported that the U.S. Bank account has been spent down. He also stated that all new payments for hangar rentals, etc. will be deposited in the Horicon Bank account. Randy Clark and Glenn Ingram put together a package about tax exemption status and sent it to the Township of Oak Grove in early March. They are waiting for a response regarding the Chapter's status. Ron Romans made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Bob Mueller seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**Hangar Report:** Dale Wahl had to take a panel off the side of the hangar to get inside, due to heaving in front of the small side door. The large overhead door on the side of the building is unlocked for members to have access.

**General Announcements:** Dale Wahl and Dick Siedschlag, later accompanied by Tommy Cristea-Rist, flew down to Cabo San Lucas. Dale stated that they had 3.5 hrs. of IFR on the way down to Oklahoma. On their first attempt to fly into Mexico, from Oklahoma, they experienced very high winds and Dale had ice in his air cleaner. They went back into Arizona and crossed from there the next day. They stayed right on the ocean. Dale stated that it was very beautiful and in his opinion better than the Bahamas. They came back through customs in El Paso. The trip was about \$1500 per person. Dale stated that there will be a short flight planned for March 15 th. to Watertown for breakfast at Perkins at 7:00 a.m. He also said that they might try to reschedule the Kalamazoo trip for around April. There will be an update at the April meeting. Dennis Winkel will be going to Sun and Fun. He will be flying from Rockford, IL to Sanford, FL, just north of Orlando. They will depart on April 6. Dennis Also stated that he posted his plans for the pancake breakfast on the EAA fly-in website. He stated that the price of eggs, etc. has been going up so we may need to make a menu change. Linda Ludtke said that she and Ben plan to attend the 29th Safety Seminar. Jim Hausch stated that the **F.I.R.S.T.** competition is taking place in March. **F.I.R.S.T.**, which stands for **F**or **I**nspiration and **R**ecognition in **S**cience and **T**echnology, is a high school robotics competition. This is the Regional Competition being held at the U.S. Cellular Arena.

**Builders Report:** Eugene Uhing announced that he and John Uhing had their Zenith 801 inspected (all went well). He also thanked Ben and Linda Ludtke for all their help. Tim Hoversten announced that he is working on a Hummel bird now. Roger Vavra has his engine in the plane and a new prop and S.S. exhaust on. The engine is a Lycoming 0235.

Ron Romans made a motion to adjourn. Chuck Dwyer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Wald  
Secretary

## ***LETTER FROM PAUL POBEREZNY***

Dear Ron,

I read with interest the article relative to the two California highway patrol officers regarding the F-18 locking on to a squad car. (February chapter 897 newsletter) It kind of reminds me of one of my adventures up here at Oshkosh, flying the P-51. It was well known to many of us that south of Fond du Lac, about two miles, police would wait for speeders coming into town. I saw them there many times coming up from Milwaukee and one day the thought came to me - I would back off and get the Mustang up to about 375 mph, staying down to legal speed of about 150-200 feet and just when I reached them, I pulled up with full power going up to about 8,000 or 9,000 feet and on into Oshkosh! Of course, the yellow nose on the Mustang certainly was a good clue and it didn't take long for them to find out who it was. Everyone got a good laugh out of it and so all of us had a new experience.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Paul H. Poberezny

Founder and Chairman of the Board

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## ***LARGE AMOUNT OF GLASS CLOTH AVAILABLE***

Don Miller from Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas, gave Bob Mueller a large roll of what appears to be unidirectional glass cloth. See the current Aircraft Spruce catalog (2007-2008) page 31, P/N RA7715. Bob has no use for the glass cloth and donated it to the chapter. Price in the catalog is \$6.80 a yard. Anyone who has a use for this cloth can get all or a portion of the roll. A donation to the chapter in exchange for the cloth would be appreciated but is not mandatory.

Contact Ron Romans

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### ***RICHARD GLICK FLIES HIS RV-7A***

On Friday, April 4th, Richard Glick pulled his newly finished RV-7A from Roger Vavra's hangar and changed a large inventory of parts into a craft that defies gravity. Richard made a second flight on Sunday that lasted more than an hour. Rich plans to have it painted soon.

### ***PAPER AIRPLANES IN SPACE***

Speaking of airplanes, scientists at Tokyo University together with Japan's Origami Airplane Association announced they are planning to launch paper airplanes from the international space station so the planes can glide back to earth. Really. How cool is that! The researchers argue that the experiment could teach them a lot about designing spacecraft. Last month they successfully tested a prototype in a wind tunnel, and the tiny model survived the equivalent of Mach 7 speeds and 447 degrees Fahrenheit. Wow. The prototype, which was 2.5 inches long and two inches wide, was made from sugarcane-based paper sprayed with fire retardant. Japan's space agency JAXA was so impressed with the test that it agreed to fund three more years of research before the paper airplanes go orbital. (Or rather the whole scheme finally comes down to earth?)

The plan calls for the release of several paper planes, each carrying a message of peace along with information on how to contact the experiment's scientists. However, one of the plan's weaknesses is that there is no way of tracking the planes in flight or knowing where they come to land.

*From Wells Fargo "Daily Advantage"*

### ***AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION***

**AOPA says** a three-year aircraft "re-registration" requirement proposed by the FAA may replace the current one-time \$5 registration fee with a \$130 fee to be paid every three years as a hidden user fee. The FAA's proposal is based on the goal of bringing the U.S. aircraft registry up-to-date and the "re-registration" requirement would replace the current triennial registration report. The FAA recognizes that the current aircraft registration fee of \$5 hasn't been changed since the mid-1960s and no longer aligns with the FAA's costs to provide services, according to the FAA. The gray area, according to AOPA, lies in determining and applying the costs associated with updating a registry that has deteriorated over time. "Aircraft re-registration hasn't been required for three decades," writes AOPA, and now "nearly one third of the 343,000 U.S. aircraft registrations are possibly invalid." Re-registration, whatever the cost, would require aircraft owners to return a renewal notice with updated information (or reply online) within a three-month window.

*As seen in AvWeb [www.avweb.com](http://www.avweb.com)*

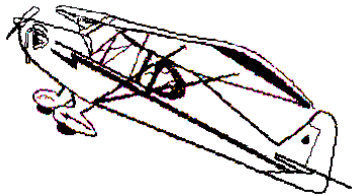
*Overhead during a rather quiet evening on Minneapolis Center.*

**Unknown aircraft:**

Minneapolis Center. Still there?

**Minneapolis Center:**

Engineering to Bridge. Aye, Captain. Tricorder readings indicate carbon-based units still infest the planet.



For once you have tasted flight  
you will walk the earth  
with your eyes turned skywards,  
for there you have been  
and there you will long to return.

-- Leonardo da Vinci

**"HIS MISTRESS"**

I think my husband has a mistress  
I've suspected for a time  
I think I used to know her  
When I was younger, in my prime.

I can just picture her perfection  
Not a blemish, not a flaw  
Young and peppy and adventurous  
Making me feel old and blah.

I can tell when he's been with her  
By the way he smells when he comes home  
His clothes a little wrinkled  
His hair could use a comb.

I can tell that he's been with her  
Because he has a special glow  
She makes him feel so free  
Like there's nowhere they can't go.

He doesn't even lie to me  
When he wants her to be near  
He just takes off and goes to her  
When skies are blue and clear.

She can make him walk on air  
And go around and down and through  
She can make his world go upside down  
Something I can't do.

My husband has a mistress  
And not my beauty or my brain  
Can compete with her at all  
Because his mistress is his plane.

--Jennifer Checkoway

