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## MEETINGS

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

DODGE COUNTY AIRPORT

**NEXT MEETING IS**

**Saturday, March 8, 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 March 08 meeting. The meeting will take place at the Dodge County Terminal building 9:00 A.M. Bring a friend! It appears that as the weather improves our favorite sport FLYING will increase at the airport. Fly safe!

I have received a letter from EAA headquarters in Oshkosh dated February 15, 2008 indicating their commitment to local EAA chapters. The letter also discussed an update on EAA and major regional fly-ins. The reason for the update was due to an accident at a regional fly-in. Due to an insurance misunderstanding EAA was hit with a judgment and damage award. In addition to that, many pointed questions have been answered to avoid confusion. I will have the letter at the meeting so everyone can read it and draw his or her own conclusions. The envelope also contained a four-page form the chapter must complete for chapter squadron activities. In the future INSURANCE will be a scary word, next to the price for a gallon of AV GAS. Stay tuned!

Next, it is important everyone in the chapter is aware of the fact we have a DVD from AOPA regarding airport safety and security. Glen Ingram has this DVD in his collection at the airport. Glenn also has an interactive DVD on airport signage and procedures involving airport operation.

Fly Safe

*Randy*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, March 29**

**Light Sport Pilot/Aircraft Seminar**

**FAA Safety Center, Oshkosh Airport**

**Doors open at 8:00 a.m.**

**Seminars starts at 9:00 a.m.**

**Topic:** Various guest speakers on flying and maintenance.

**Brief Description:** Free series of 6 seminar presentations will cover Light Sport pilot, aircraft and maintenance information. There will be various vendors from industry. Speakers include Jeff Taylor, Joseph Norris, Jim Sweeney, Ed Leineweber, Jim Leon. See [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov) for complete list of presenters and times. These seminars qualify for wings credit. **Register at:** [www.faasafety.gov](http://www.faasafety.gov)

**May 16-18 Oshkosh, Wisconsin**

**EAA SportAir Workshops will offer a weekend E-LSA inspection course.**

Successful completion of the FAA-approved, comprehensive course earns you the Repairman/Inspection certificate for **your own** airplane certificated in the E-LSA category. Tuition for this two-and-a-half day course is specially priced at \$299 for EAA members. Class sizes are limited, so don't delay! If you'd like to register or need more information, call 800-967-5746, or visit us on the web at [www.sportair.com](http://www.sportair.com).



## YOUNG EAGLES

Contact:

Ed Lachendro (920) 885-3968

Glenn Ingram (920) 887-2507

Dodge Co. Airport (920) 386-2402

## FROM DON MILLER

Now in Horseshoe Bend AR

Please inform any RV (Vans) tricycle gear a/c that there is a service letter concerning nose gear replacement .The letter can be found on van's web page. The present ones are weak and have a tendency to fold under and flip the a/c. Now they tell me . I lost two nose gears (no turn overs). I will be replacing my nose gear shortly. Sunny today, about 60°. Oh the pain of it all .

*Don*

[millerswoods@centurytel.net](mailto:millerswoods@centurytel.net)



## FOR SALE:

**1971 Piper Cherokee**

**Contact: Wayne Atkeson**

**Home 414-397-7386**

**Work 262-670-7898**

[wayne.atkeson@aurora.org](mailto:wayne.atkeson@aurora.org)

Asking \$47,000.00



## Avionics Systems:

Garman Audio Panel, 340

Garman Nav COM 300XL

King KY 197

King KT 76A

New Antennas

Engine pre heat system, Riff system

Wing Tip landing lights

All new tires

**1971 Piper Cherokee PA-28 180**

TTAF 3850.0

SMOH 1867 Engine done in 2/82

TTESN 3233

SPOH 1867

Compressions 76/80 79/80 78/80 78/80

Prop reconditioned 836

Paint and interior: Painted 1999

February 9, 2008  
EAA Chapter 897 minutes

Dick Blawusch provided doughnuts to celebrate a rare Saturday off work. At 9:00 a.m. Glenn Ingram played a 17 minute DVD narrated by Harrison Ford. The video was a condensation of 23 hours of videos taken at AirVenture. It is a good cross section of what goes on at AirVenture. The video is available at EAA Oshkosh.

**Randy Clark opened the meeting at 9:20 a.m.** Ron Romans read the January minutes. Dennis Winkel moved that the minutes be approved as read; Dick Blawusch seconded it.

**Treasurer's report:** Glenn Ingram has moved all but \$50 of the chapter's funds to the Horicon Bank. Dues are coming in and Dave Odekirk paid his hangar rent. Glenn said that some members have not paid their 2006 dues yet. Ron Romans moved that we approve the treasurer's report; Bob Mueller seconded it.

Randy Clark said that any members' wives who are EAA members are automatically chapter members.

**Hangar report:** The service door is stuck on heaving concrete. Glenn Ingram suggested that we either hinge the door on the other side or hinge the door to open inward. Glenn also said we often rent chapter hangar space to Chuck Swain and Tim Bentheimer.

Randy Clark and Glenn Ingram led a discussion on the problems encountered in getting a tax exemption for the chapter hangar. We now pay a property tax on the chapter hangar of about \$800.

**Announcements:** Glenn Ingram said that FSDO (Flight Standards District Office) wants security tightened at UNU. Randy Clark passed out decals with instructions to report anything suspicious. You should report anyone or anything suspicious to 1-866-427-3287

**Flying reports:** A group from Chapter 897 went to the ski plane fly in at Oshkosh on January 26. Weather was bad and only one plane made it in, but everyone had chili and birthday cake. Jim Hausch flew to Prentice, WI for work. It took 1.50 hours to get there and 1.00 hour to return.

Dick Blawusch reported that the Garmin 496 is rated a good GPS.

Randy Clark reported that he had problems with a David Clark headset. He sent it to the factory. They returned it fully repaired at no charge. Maybe they thought he was family.

Tim Hoversten made a motion to adjourn; Bob Mueller seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted for Jeremy Wald

by Ron Romans



*Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common?  
A. All were invented by women.*

## ***DALE WAHL'S PLANNED TRIP TO CABO SAN LUCAS***

*Or "We don't need no stinking a snow shovel here"*



**Dale Wahl**, EAA chapter 897's international trip planner, pulled off another great trip beyond the border. This time Dale led a flight of two planes and four chapter members to Cabo San Lucas on the Southern tip of the Baja Peninsula in Mexico. Tommy Cristea Rist and his wife Chris flew Tommy's Piper Comanche. Dale Wahl and Dick Siedschlag flew Dale's Beechcraft Bonanza. On the first leg of Dale's flight, they flew three hours "In The Soup". Three hours of solid IFR. Dale was happy to break out and see the blue sky. The first night Dale and Dick stayed at the house Dale built for his daughter, Stephanie, in Carlsbad New Mexico. The next morning they met Tommy and Chris, and continued the flight to Cabo San Lucas. On the way, they ran into heavy turbulence over the mountains of Mexico. Dick Siedschlag said that he and Dale bumped their heads on the Bonanza's roof several times. Tommy said he bumped his head on the roof of his Comanche only twice. This forced Dale to turn back to El Paso and plan another route. The flight included a two hour over the water flight over the Gulf of California. Dale said that this was the most enjoyable trip

yet, and the cost was low. They rented a beautiful condominium on the ocean for \$900 a week. Included was a pool, a hot tub and a grill. Tommy and Chris cooked all the meals except breakfast on that grill. The food was so great that Dick gained 9 pounds that week. Dale was afraid to weigh himself. The whales were always active and whale watching was a part of every day. Temperatures were perfect - in the 80's all week, with gentle breezes off the ocean. Fuel was plentiful and cheap. \$3.75 for the old, leaded 100/115 octane avgas. The route home took them to El Paso Texas where customs inspected them, the planes, and all the paperwork. Everything was in order, thanks to Dale Wahl who learned from past trips across the border. From El Paso, to Juneau Wisconsin was a long relaxing ride with time to see the scenery and remember the past week in the sun. Landing at Juneau, Wisconsin between the snow banks snapped the warm smiles off everyone's face. Dale's arrival announcement was "**We will have to shovel the snow before we can open the hangar door.**" Well, it was good while it lasted. They better not complain about their sunburn!



The View from our room.



Dale planning the trip home.



Tommy and Chris:  
Best cooks in Cabo San Lucas.



Dale, Chris, Tommy and Dick.  
Dick gained 9 pounds from  
Tommy and Chris's cooking.  
Is that an ice cream cone that Dick is eating?



Dale says,  
"The snow, back home, can't be this deep."



Dale claims he can't leave because his feet are  
stuck in the sand.



Home at last.  
"What is that white stuff???"



Where is that stinking snow shovel now?



**EAA UL-1**

# Ides of March Fly-In

Fly for Fun, Stay for Lunch (beginning at 11:30)

## Saturday, March 15

(Rain Date: Sunday, March 16)

**Where:** Cindy Guntley Airport (62C)  
Runway 01-19 2400 Ft. Elv. 790 Ft.

Unicorn 122.9 N42°49' W88°06'

**Phone:** 262.895.2948

### Driving from I-43 & Hwy 100 in Hales Corners:

South on Hwy 100 to Forest Home Ave./Hwy 00. Turn right. When you get to Hwy 45 (about 5 miles), continue south to 6-Mile Road. Turn right, go to the end of the road. Turn left on the gravel drive and follow the signs. Cars should be parked on the gravel, not on the grass.

Host: Bob Lewis  
(Home) 414.425.9591  
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