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EAA CAPTER 319

February 2008

EAA chapter 319 meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Aerospace Center, 5060 Cirrus Dr. Medford, Join us!

NEXT MEETING

February 14, 2008

Board of Directors will meet at
6:30 PM



OUR PROGRAM

This month our program will be provided by Doug Dunn. Doug has been a pilot since the early 60's and EAA 319 member since 1992. His presentation includes a special slide show of a camping fly-out deep into the mountains of Idaho, featuring the Swingles, Melers, Dunns, and Fifes. Doug will also share other fly-out destinations that he and his wife Carole have been to. What will you need to take with you besides a credit card ? Come and find out. Bring your special lady and join us for a light hearted look at the romance in flying.

Special Notice

Social Directors Carole Dunn and Sherri Shusterwitz, tell me that this meeting will have a Valentines theme. There will be a drawing for a nice gift for one lucky lady. So we are inviting all wives, girlfriends, mothers and daughters, to come join the fun.

FROM THE LEFT SEAT

The first meeting of the year went well. There were about 28 people in attendance. The highlight of the evening was Dean Edson's presentation about his three months in the Antarctic. His purpose for being there was to find evidence that the Earth's continents are moving. This was proven by the team's finding fossils that could have only been formed in a temperate zone.

This was followed by refreshments served by Carole Dunn and Sherri Shusterwitz. Did I say refreshments? It was more like a dinner. Everyone was enjoying themselves so much while eating and talking about aviation that it was decided not to have a business meeting. I don't think anyone missed it. It might be a good routine to follow. It also gave Carole more time to sell the 50/50 tickets.

Most of the topics of discussion at the Board of Directors meeting were centered around what

activities we want to participate in during 2008. Steve Pankonin advocated that we concentrate on building and maintaining aircraft. That's what EAA is all about. All agreed with that. Starting in April, when it gets warmer, we plan to periodically shift our meetings from the usual second Thursday at the CAP hangar to a Saturday to visit a project. Since some of us don't have aircraft to build or maintain, and some aren't pilots, social activities are also important.

Interwoven in most of the discussion was the need to increase our membership. The more members we have, the more we can do. EAA Chapter 319 is respected as a local advocate for general aviation. We plan to be involved in several aviation activities such as the FAA Air Safety Seminar in April, the visit of the EAA B-17 in May, Jet Center Air Festival in June, Fourth of July Parade in Central Point, Cosponsorship of the fly-in at Mucky Flats in August, and participation in the Medford Air Service open house in September. Seems like a lot, but we can do it. The more we do, the more publicity we will gain, which hopefully will bring in more members. Kind of a Catch-22 situation. "Catch-22" was a movie produced in 1970 about a man desperately trying to be certified insane during World War II. I wonder?

As coordinator for the Medford Air Service open house and the American Society of Aviation Artists NW Regional, I have hopes that EAA Chapter 319 will sponsor a youth aviation art program and competition. It shouldn't cost the chapter much other than time. Talk about an opportunity for publicity!

We need a budget to guide us through the year. Treasurer Glen Finley's report said that we are in financially good shape, as noted in the minutes for the Board of Directors. In addition, Steve reported that our share of the proceeds for the sale of the VariEze engine was about \$2,250. If all goes as planned for the B-17 visit, we might gain another \$3,000 to \$4,000. Add membership dues to all this, and we could come out with about \$20,000 in our checking and saving accounts, plus \$3,000 in assets. And we haven't even tried to take advantage of our 501 (C) (3) status unless Kay Chaffey wants to deduct her donations from her taxes. Kay has already given \$200 to buy the Link Trainer, and wants to donate another \$100 for upkeep of the trainer and \$200 to help paint the VariEze.

Expenditures for this year, without amounts attached, are as follows: EAA National fees, Link Trainer expenses (The trainer has been a source of income), CAP hangar rent, VariEze expenses, the cost of fuel reimbursement to those who fly Young Eagles and support for the FAA Safety Seminar. Potential expenditures might be a powerpoint projector and some sort of simulator, one that might be installed in the VariEze.

We can use more helpers for the B-17 visit. Six seats will be available on the flight to Portland on the 15th, which will go to those who have helped the most. The flight will take about one hour. The advanced sales price for nonmembers is \$399 for a 20 minute flight. This makes the value of the flight to Portland about \$1,200 per person. Not a bad reward for time spent doing what many people would give anything to do.

Cheers,
Art Lumley, President

Minutes
EAA Chapter 319 General Membership Meeting
January 10, 2008

The General Membership meeting was called to order by President Art Lumley at 7:37 PM Art then introduced chapter member Dean Edson. Art says that Dean was part of an expedition to the Antarctic in the 1960's and that he has a slide show to present on the expedition.

Dean begins his presentation by saying that the purpose of the expedition was to collect fossils from a mountain range in the Antarctic. It was hoped that the fossils would provide evidence supporting the theory of continental drift. Dean's function on the expeditionary team was as a mapmaker.

The photographs Dean included in his program well showed the harsh living conditions of the territory even in the Spring/Summer season. His narration confirmed that the expedition was successful in collecting fossils and that those fossils helped to confirm that continental drift is in fact a part of Earth's evolved physical process. Dean also told us that the mountain range received the geographical name of Edson Hills in honor of his participation in the expedition.

The presentation concluded about 9:00 PM and all in attendance gave Dean a round of applause in appreciation of his thoroughly enjoyable slide show and narration. All members then enjoyed the refreshments presented by Carole and Sherri.

As the hour was late and many members had departed after refreshments, no business meeting was held at the General Membership meeting.

Dennis Lewis, Chapter Secretary.

Minutes
EAA Chapter 319 Board Meeting,
January 10, 2008

Attendance: Art Lumley, Bud Liberatore, Glen Finley, Joan Pankonin, Brad Pankonin, Steve Pankonin, Dennis Lewis, Doug Dunn, Larry Robinson, Pam Lumley, Dean Edson, and Lela Edson.

Art called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM and distributed an agenda for the Board meeting.

Art says he wants Board minutes sent by email to all Board members soon after the meeting.

Art says he wants the general membership meetings to follow this format:

1. Program
2. Refreshments
3. Business meeting

Glen gave the Treasurer's Report showing that the December 31, 2007 total assets of the Chapter were \$17,004.40, with \$13,919.81 being the checking and savings part of the total. Glen also mentioned that the Board meeting minutes need to be approved. It was moved and seconded to approve the November 8, 2007 Board minutes. Approval was by unanimous consent.

Art says that he wants to pre budget for 2008. He notes that there are some fixed expenses such as insurance of \$177 and dues to national EAA of \$50. He indicates that these expenses need to be paid soon and submitted with a report. He says he will take care of these activities.

Doug requests that information for the monthly newsletter be submitted to him two weeks prior to the meeting.

Art reviewed proposed activities for the coming year. We need to decide what the main focus of the chapter should be. Steve suggested we should return to building and maintaining aircraft. Other suggestions were also made.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM to allow preparation for the General Membership meeting.

Dennis Lewis, Chapter Secretary

FROM THE EDITOR

Dues are Due. Still only \$20. per individual or \$30. for a family membership. Please make your checks out to 'EAA 319' and bring them to the meeting on February 14th or send them to

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Newsletter deadline - Two weeks before a meeting. Please submit your articles or letters to the editor as early as possible. Editor@eaa319.org

Doug Dunn, Editor

Calendar

February 14th EAA meeting at CAP hangar

April 23: FAA Safety Seminar

May 12-15: B-17 (Open to the public 13 and 14) Helpers requested.

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