



CHAPTER 157

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

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April, 2017 BRIEFINGS

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Join Us

*Third Tuesday of
each month:*

6:30 PM

**Dinner Meeting
in the**

Quonset Hut

**on the west side of
Benton Airpark**

The Prez Sez-Flying Airlines vs. Flying Ourselves

As this is written, there's a big uproar over an airline passenger who had boarded an airline flight and was forced to vacate his seat so the airline could board 4 of their employees. The fine print of the agreement with the carrier says they can do that but a lot of people thought it was tacky of the airline to do so. As you might suspect, many people on Facebook posted messages critical of that airline and saying things like: "That's why I only fly (insert airline name)". That prompted me to post the following:

This is why I'm a Private Pilot and fly a Piper Cherokee. I don't have to stand in line to board the plane. I don't take off my shoes or belt or empty my pockets. My Swiss army knife stays in my pocket. I can pretty much fly when I want to where I want, to more than 5,000 airports in the US, thousands more than the airlines. I decide how high I'm going to fly and what route to take. As Pilot in Command, if I decide I want to take a closer look at something, I can fly over it and circle it at low altitude. I can decide to land and stop for lunch along the way. If I decide to spend some time there and take in the sites, I can. I'm not saying becoming a pilot is going to mean that you never have to fly the airlines, but it's definitely a more enjoyable experience. Check into it.

Of course, I could have brought out more positives, like being able to see where I'm going, and didn't really address the downsides, but I was trying to make a point. It brings to mind just how lucky and fortunate we are to be able to fly ourselves.

I could have said that flying your own plane gets less practical when you go beyond a few hundred miles. The fact is that if you have the time and the money, it's perfectly doable. I'm thinking of people like Eric Marshall, who flew a 170 on

Kitty Hawk or Chuck Werner who's taken his Lancair to Sun N Fun in Florida. For most of us, we're not ready to tackle trips like this. The point is that there's really nothing to stop us.

So let's celebrate our amazing freedom to fly and do all we can to see it continue.

Jim Bremer

April 4, 2017
EAA Chapter Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Pres. Jim Bremer; Officers present; Vice Pres., Dick Wilkinson; Treasurer, Paul Gilman; Secretary, Herb Zuidema; Directors present: Barbara Crooker, Dave Kirkman, Jack Limmer and Wayne Pero. Guest: Jim Ostrich.

Minutes: Motion by Barbara C. and Second by Wayne P. that the Minutes be approved.
Motion Passed.

Treasurer's report: Paul G. presented the Financial Report as of this date. Motion by Dick W. and second by Wayne P. that current month's report be accepted. Motion passed.

Old Business:

B-17 Visit. Pres. Jim B. said the B-17 visit is confirmed. The dates are April 20, 21, 22 and 23. Our responsibility will be providing volunteers to guide passengers on and off the plane, provide certain safe guards to keep the public a safe distance the aircraft etc. All volunteers will have a chance to participate in a drawing to get a free ride to the B-17's next airport showing. Six volunteers will be drawn for that flight. Return transportation is the responsibility of the winners. If you wish to help contact (see side bar above) Pres. Jim Bremer and let him know. Flyers announcing the B-17's arrival are available. Pick one up at our monthly dinner and display it somewhere to assist in the advertising of the event.

Flight Simulator: Pres. Jim B. announced that simulator has a home now at a ranch in Cottonwood. Thanks to Dick W. a friend of his has agreed to let the EAA Chapter store it in a tool shed which is available. Pres. Jim is looking for volunteers who can be "checked out" in the operation of the simulator and be available from time to time when it is on display at various functions such as Aviation Day. It understood BIG (adults) kids as well as little kids will have an opportunity to "Fly" it.

New Business:

Aviation Day Preplanning: A discussion and information exchange was held re: Aviation Day 2017. Our Board Meeting guest, Jim Ostrich, **Benton Air Service, (BSA)** was invited by Pres. Jim B. to discuss coordination efforts by our EAA Chapter and Jim O. Topics that were presented were: BSA will again invite our Chapter's Pancake Breakfast to use their hangar for a small fee; need additional dumpsters for trash; BSA will not host their own Pancake Breakfast this year; BSA will not host their regular Saturday eve movies the day before; briefing will be held for all parties that conduct flights for the public so as to avoid overflights of people roaming the tarmac looking at aircraft; the face painting lady will again be present. More coordination efforts will be forth coming as we get closer to this year's Father's Day event. (June 18, 2017)

Chapter Dinner Meeting will be April 18, 2017 *The dinner this month will be a "MISTERY". Since nobody signed up as chefs for April, Vice Prez Dick W. promised bologna sandwiches. Butthru the goodness of his heart, he has managed to find a possible obscure **mystery chef** thatmaybe.....do the honors. Come and find out andCome enjoy and most of all the Fellowship of Kindred Birds of the Air. Invite a friend and ya all come! We'll have the heater err stove going.*

Note: *On the last page of this Newsletter you will find a sign up list for volunteering to prepare at least one (more if you choose) Chapter dinner during the year of 2017. Will you help? Thrill us with a menu from your store house of par excellence cooking.. Call Dick W. (246 9131) let him know which month you can do it. Just few months left to choose from. Thank you.*

April Dinner Program A video of the 2007 B-17 visit and the lucky winners (volunteers) free flight to the next showing airport will be presented. In addition a video of RC B-17 as shown on You Tube will be aired.

Motion by (Dick W.) *Steve W.* and Second by Paul G. the Meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.

Chapter Officers: President: Jim Bremer _222 8001; Vice president: Dick Wilkinson 246 9131; Secretary: Herb Zuidema_275 5103; Treasurer_Paul Gilman, 547 2334. Directors: Audrey Schutte_246 9255, Barbara Crooker_549 4275, Wayne Pero_275 5101, Dave Kirkman_356 2240, Jack Limmer_ . Julie Ostendorf_244 2513. Technical Consultant: Rex Daniels 396 2239. Flight Advisor: Irwin Fust 351 8203. Chapter Address: EAA Chapter 157, P.O. Box 992353, Redding, CA 96099. Meeting time: Third Tuesday of the Month, 6:30PM Dinner Meeting. Meeting Place: Quonset Hut, Benton Airpark- west side

Announcements

Piper Colt For Sale: 1961 Piper Colt (PA-22-108). See attached photos. herb@eaa157.org 530 275 5103

Lancair For Sale: 1993 Lancair IO360. The owner would consider parting out the aircraft if a buyer is interested Starting with the engine and propeller; IO360 Lycoming B1B with 1560 total time and 300 hrs since Major Overhaul by Eagle Engines and a Hartzel 68" Propeller new with 30hrs, Prefer to sell as a combination to the listed, the Owner is considering a \$55,000 price tag. Call Chuck Werner 530 223 3749 hm, 530 227 1021 cell.

HEY ! A Hangar Party: Pastor Mike is hosting his Second Annual Hangar Party, Saturday April 29, 2017, at Hangar 53, Row I, RDD Municipal Airport, 6 pm until ? Good food and fellowship. Display your plane. More info. Call 474 4179 or cell 227 3422.

Young Eagle Flights: Barbara C. reminded us of up and **coming Y.E. Flights coming April 15, 2017. (that's this coming Saturday)** She is on the lookout for crew chiefs and all around general help to fly the kids. If you think you can help, give her a call. 530 549 4275. flylady@frontiernet.net

Remote Controlled Model Aircraft: Director Dave Kirkman announced there will be a Model Aircraft Meet coming August 20, 2017. Stay on this frequency for details.

Women's Aviation Group: 99's of the Redding area will be repainting the Compass Rose located near the helio pads at Benton Airpark on May 20, 2017. Barbara C. invited anyone who wishes to observe to come on out.

Young Eagle Flights: Alturas Airport (AAT) will be conducting YE Flights June 19, 2017

Aircraft Builders

AIRCRAFT UNDER CONSTRUCTION/RESTORATION

In recent discussions, the Board of Directors realized we don't know how many homebuilders there are in the area, or who they are. We set about creating a list of the builders we know of, to build a resource for helping one another and networking. For example, if someone has a problem with some aspect of building a particular model of RV, the list could help him find someone who has experience with that aircraft. Another purpose for the list could be to contact homebuilders who are not Chapter members to encourage them to attend meetings and join the Chapter. Another purpose for the list could be as a resource to invite homebuilders to occasionally participate as panel members for a program for a regular meeting of the whole membership, to discuss aspects of homebuilding that would be of general interest.

Reminder.....an update is needed!

To make this resource successful, [we need your help](#). Attached is a start of a list of homebuilders who fly out of either Benton Field or Redding Muni. It needs to be updated. As you will see, we don't have a complete list of mail and/or phone numbers and there may be other homebuilders that should be on the list. If you know a phone number, email address or other names, please send an email to Herb Zuidema herb@eaa157.org 530 275 5103

**FAA Safety Seminar, Second Saturday, each month 10 AM until Noon, at the Quonset Hut, Benton AirPark
Sponsored by EAA Chapter 157, Redding, CA.**

131st Consecutive Monthly Safety Seminar May, 2017

Topic: ATP, Flight Engineer, Aircraft Mechanic....Local pilot, pastor (some say living legend) and 50 years of aviation experience ... Pastor Mike Stienen....will present a discussion regarding flying in the mountains of the western USA. He completed a trip a couple of years ago in a Cessna 150 from Redding, CA to Oshkosh, to Ohio and back to Redding... and he would like to share what he observed and what he learned.

Mike Stienen, Speaker

2017

**THIRD TUESDAY DINNER VOLUNTEER CHEFS
EAA CHAPTER 157, REDDING, CALIFORNIA**

JANUARY.....Phyllis & Dave Kirkman

FEBRUARY...Norm & Kay Overbay

MARCH...Ray, Julie & Irwin

APRIL.....Mystery Chef

MAY.....

JUNE.....Paul & Laura Gilman

JULY...Nancy Overton & Eric Marshall

AUGUST...Fran & Dick Wilkinson

SEPTEMBER.....Wayne, Herb, & Longhorn Jack

OCTOBER.....99s.....BC & Company

NOVEMBER.....

DECEMBER.....

