

# "RIVETING NEWS"

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## WHERE WE MEET:

We rotate between the ISU hanger at Pocatello Airport and Aero Mark at Idaho Falls Airport on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 6pm (except during the summer).

## NEXT MEETING: SEPTEMBER 15TH 10:00 AM @ POCATELLO

If you have a plane, fly it to Pocatello. If you are building one or you previously owned one - come on down; and for those that are still dreaming, come tell us your dreams.

We want you to give us a 5 minute talk about why you chose or will choose a particular plane to buy or build; if you could do it over again, what would you do differently; how you use or how you would use the plane and a little about performance.

To avoid flying at night, we are scheduling the meeting for 10:00 AM.

## President's Message:



Greetings Chapter Members.

Wow, what a great month. Terry and I had so much fun going to West Yellowstone - we loved the breakfast even though we slept in our car! A big thank you to absolutely everyone who helped and to all who came. We will have to make this one an annual event.

Another event for me was the Saturday HANGER RAISING for Richard Neves, Kenny Smith and Rob Wray's hanger. I don't know about everyone else, but I had a ball. I didn't work as hard as the guys, but my heart was in it! From now on, when I drive by, I will remember that day.

Early on this particular Saturday morning, they planned to put up the trusses. When I arrived, I was

amazed to see all the help: there were 4 men in the rafters and a bunch of ground crew. It turned out to be as close to an old barn raising as I have ever seen.

Everyone had a job and was busy doing their part. Richard's wife and Kenny's wife brought lunch for all. If anyone had dropped by, they would have been very impressed to see all the wonderful friendship and support that transpired that day.

I want all of you at the Hangar Raising to know how proud I am to know you and that I was able to witness this special day - friends helping friends.  
Thank you! Natalie



## DON'T FORGET!

"EAA Grassroots Action Required Now!  
Say No to User Fees!"

"Urgent Action Needed" - Notification to  
All EAA Members

On August 7, 2007, EAA sent a mass e-mail to all EAA members (with e-mail addresses on file) enlisting their immediate help in urging U.S. Senators and Representatives to reject user fees for general aviation. The user fee debates are approaching their climax. When Congressional leaders return from their summer break on September 7, final debate will begin in earnest. Versions of H.R. 2118 and S. 1300 will be addressed by them shortly after September 7, then forwarded to a joint committee to work out differences between the two bills. After the joint committee approves a joint bill, the proposed legislation will go to the White House for the President's signature. This could occur within a two- to four-week period.

**EAA is asking you, your friends, your neighbors, and airport partners to WRITE NOW.**

Inform your elected congressional leaders you support House Bill 2881 (no user fees) and are strongly opposed to the user fee sections of Senate Bill 1300.

Sample letters - [http://www.eaa.org/govt/sample\\_letters.html](http://www.eaa.org/govt/sample_letters.html)

Web link to August 7, 2007 mass e-mail - [http://www.eaa.org/govt/070807\\_userfees.html](http://www.eaa.org/govt/070807_userfees.html)

Web link to user fee page - <http://www.eaa.org/userfees/>

To stay abreast of the user fee issues, we urge all EAA members to sign up for the EAA weekly electronic newsletter: e-Hotline. Sign up today - <https://secure.eaa.org/ehotline/subscribe.html>

Questions? [govt@eaa.org](mailto:govt@eaa.org)

### West Yellowstone Breakfast Fly-in

**A SUCCESS!** We had almost 35 people show up in planes, cars, and RVs. Friday evening, 20 of us hunkered around the field kitchen eating Dutch Oven chicken & rice, shared side dishes, and strawberry cobbler. Lots of stories and laughter rounded out



the evening before heading to bed. A few of us brave souls pitched our tents and had a great campout in the woods. Saturday AM brought in several more planes and members with hungry appetites. We had homemade pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, milk & coffee. A short meeting & announcements followed & group photos were taken before we all headed home.

**THANKS to Stan and Barbara Fenn for a fantastic spread** - we all helped them cook.

Jim Tibbets treated us to some down-home folk music on his guitar while we ate our breakfast and visited.

Here is our new chapter flag (Natalie has been busy sewing!)

We are planning on making this breakfast fly-in an annual event!!



**We had a great time at W. Yellowstone. Some folks camped. Be sure to come next year!**

## 1st Saturday Breakfast Adventure

Planepool or Carpool to these breakfast locations. **New meeting time - 8am.**

September 8th: Afton (AFO), 6201', Paved, 7000' long.

October 6th: Blackfoot (U02), 4488', Paved, 4300' long.

November 3rd: Twin Falls (TWF), 4151', Paved, 8700' long.

Future suggestions for our 1st Saturday Breakfast Adventures include Smiley Creek, Dell, Tabor, Carey, Fairfield, Magic Reservoir... let us know where you want to eat breakfast!!

## Chapter 407 Classifieds

**For Sale:** Aerox Oxygen System, 2 ports, 22 cubic foot, hardly used. Nearly full cannula & 2 unused masks, flow indicators, half standard price at \$225 plus shipping. Call 208-240-0175

**For Sale:** ACS Fuel primer with adequate Cu tubing, Spruce 05-19920 - \$45.00. "Usher" type Cab heat box

[2in tubing], Spruce p 295 2005/2006 cat.-\$75.00. 2 inch tubing to sheet metal Al flange - \$3.50. Exhaust cabin heat "valve" for \$25.00. A-820 type throttle friction-lock cable, 1/2 thread, 6 ft, 0.075 solid wire - \$25.00. 2 ea. Mixture/etc, 48 inch, 3/8 threads, 0.06 dia solid wire - \$15.00 each. Potter/Brommfield Breakers: W58 type, 4ea 1amp; 3ea 3amp; 5ea 10amp - \$3.00each. W23 type, 2ea 10amp; 1ea 15amp - \$7.50each. All items are new and never been used. Call 523-8132 or 520-6671.

**For Sale:** 30 amp ammeter, Westach, installed but never used - \$50. 12" spinner (uncut) w/ 5/8" mounting holes - \$100. Airwolf spin-on adapter for remote firewall mounting for a Lycoming or Continental engine, including AN-8 size nipples & O-rings for 1/2" oil lines, separate firewall mount required which can be purchased from an auto supply store - \$250. Turn & Bank indicator (Schwien), runs quietly - \$75. PS Engineering 4-channel panel mount intercom, no harness - \$50. Lycoming vacuum pump drive, appears to be P/N LW-10305 - \$100. Call 208-317-4101.



From Chapter 407 Member Steve Ryon who is building an RV7A.

Here is the progression from the storage in Bellingham, WA to the Uhaul truck. Then the garage here in Pocatello. These pictures make it look easy. The project has been in storage for the last two years. Trying to determine what is next. Have some decisions to make.



From the storage unit.....



.....into the van.....



And into the garage.....



...and more into the garage.....

Steve, thanks for sharing. Let us know how it is going!!

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

September 15th - Pocatello "Show & Tell". 10:00 AM @ ISU hangar. Bring your plane or your dreams! Call John Bakken for questions at 238-0754.

October - This meeting TBD.

November 17th - Frank Lester from the publication "Rudder Flutter" will join us. He is the Safety Education Coordinator

for the Division of Aeronautics in Idaho. He will discuss how his agency helps us all to become better pilots.

December 8th - our annual Christmas Buffet & Party. Always a favorite, we will meet for our pot luck evening at the upstairs level of Aero Mark in Idaho Falls. More information to follow in future newsletters.

## NEWS YOU CAN USE

We have 200 bracelets coming for our Young Eagles Program.

Read any good books lately? Get in touch with Paul Tremblay to see what we have in our Chapter 407 library. Got any books to donate or recommend?

Send us your stories and pictures to fill our newsletter! We want to hear about your experiences (not necessarily flying either). Send them to [tstrong@ida.net](mailto:tstrong@ida.net).

Aviation Trivia - take the challenge and answer the question. You might win a good size pot of \$\$\$.

EAA will have a "Chapter Workshop" next year after Oshkosh.

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## Angels Of Aviation

By John M. Allen

There are lots of folks out there who are doing great things for aviation. We here in Washington get paid to work hard to "enable the adventure and commerce of aviation without the compromise of safety". Many folks get nice awards for their contributions to aviation. However, there are also thousands of unsung heroes out there who humbly give of their own time and expense to enhance the future of aviation. I was unexpectedly and significantly moved by the work of some of these "Angels of Aviation" when I had the opportunity to visit, with my brother and parents, in their original hometown of Cynthiana, KY.



My parents were born and raised in Cynthiana (pop. 6,000) and I lived there with my family through my elementary school years in the 60s. Cynthiana is a small farming town about 32 miles Northeast of Lexington. While visiting there, I was reac-

quainted with a cousin of mine, Bobby Craft, who I hadn't seen in over 20 years. While visiting, and searching for a common interest, our conversation turned to flying. I was reminded that Bobby is the part-time, volunteer manager of the local community airport. It is a small airport nestled in a bend of the Licking River, bordered by the railroad tracks and the "poor farm", with a 3,800' runway and a few hangars. During our conversation, I mentioned Young Eagles and he lit up. The Young Eagles program is a program run by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), where volunteers take kids up for a ride in an aircraft they rent or won. Over a million kids have received a ride, thanks to the Young Eagles Program. In fact, my sons got their first aircraft (one in a helicopter, the other in a Cessna 172) ride through the Young Eagles program when I was the aviation merit badge counselor of their Boy Scout troop.

Just as we began to talk about Young Eagles, Bobby's wife, Jeana, ran to their car and brought back a CD that includes a video showcasing the volunteers and kids they introduce to flying via their Young Eagles events (some of the pictures are included in the [PDF version](#) of this article available on [FAASafety.gov](http://FAASafety.gov)). Bobby runs two events a year (in the Spring and in the Fall). He tells me he gets around 195 kids at each event because he advertises the events in the local paper. What he is doing for these kids in this small commu-

nity is tremendous. As you know, we in the FAA and others in the aviation community are concerned with the nurturing of aviation interest in future generations. Seeing what Bobby, Jeana, and other volunteers are doing to introduce aviation to these kids in this small community really got to me. You see, it's more than introducing kids to their first flight. Many of these kids have to overcome their fears and feel the pride and self-confidence when they come back after the flight.



I remember when I was a kid in that same community, bored and dreaming of flying. In those days, there wasn't anyone around that would promote activities at the airport. That has now changed. In fact, Bobby has told any kid interested, that if they show up on any Saturday morning and sit on the bench near the ramp, he guarantees that someone would take them up for a flight. When I was getting a tour of the airport from Bobby, who is proud (and should be) with his turning the airport around from one of debt and decay to one that is thriving, I stood there on the small ramp looking over the runway at the adjoining field of soybeans and

corn and had a thought. Why aren't the small community general aviation airports used as a center of community interest, much like the community pools, football and baseball fields? Are these small community airports a possible key in galvanizing the interest of small community kids in aviation?

I must also offer kudos to the local EAA chapters (Georgetown and Lexington) who helped the Cynthiana airport dig out from a devastating flood in 1997. Bobby has been fighting an uphill battle to improve this GA airport and has been very successful (I think he has some of the lowest Avgas prices around). He now has plans to move the small FBO building and hangars farther away from the river next to property that was part of the "poor farm". Yes, the "poor farm". The flood could have ruined the airport forever but the EAA helped keep this gem of an airport alive.

Yes, I am extremely proud of what my cousin is doing for aviation and I am proud of other "Angels of Aviation", unsung heroes out there helping future generations get a taste of aviation and get a sense that their futures can soar. Take it from this former kid from Cynthiana.

(Mr. Allen is the FAA Deputy Director, Flight Standards Service and is a Brigadier General in the Air Force Reserves)