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2006 CALENDAR

May 20, 2006	IFC Fly in – Open House – Elkhart Airport
May 21, 2006	Benton Harbor Fly In Breakfast – Benton Harbor, Michigan
May 25, 2006	EAA Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM Program: Daryl Campbell & Bill Van Patten – “Hanger Flying”
June 3, 2006	Fly Young Eagles – 9:00 AM
June 3, 2006	Runway Dedication - Noon
June 8, 2006	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
June 18, 2006	Mishawaka Pilots Club Fly In Breakfast
June 23,24,25,2006	SAA Fly In – Urbana, Illinois
June 25, 2006	Niles EAA Chapter Fly In Breakfast
June 29, 2006	EAA Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
July 13, 2006	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
July 14, 15, & 16,2006	Oshkosh Work Week end
July 24-30, 2006	AirVenture – Oshkosh WI.
August 5, 2006	RC show – Elkhart Airport – Lunch by Chapter 132
August 20, 2006	Duck’s Picnic
August 27, 2006	L. Turners Picnic –
September 14, 2006	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
September 16, 2006	Nappanee Apple Fest. – Nappanee Airport – Breakfast by Chapter 132
September 28, 2006	EAA Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
October 12, 2006	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
October 26, 2006	EAA Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
November 9, 2006	Board Meeting – Chapter House – 7:00 PM
December 2, 2006	Christmas Party

****If you have any other dates for the calendar, I will be glad to print them****

Saturday’s – Have you come out to the Chapter House and tried Tom’s “wonderful” pancakes? He will even add an egg on them also. Almost every Saturday AM you will find Tom fixing pancakes, come on out!

Thursday’s – You will usually find some one at the Chapter House or Sam’s Hanger working on the airplanes – Check it out!

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IFC – FLY-IN – OPEN HOUSE

May 20, 2006

Don't forget to come to the Airport Sunday for the open house. We will be doing lunch for the Open House, and can use help. Be at hanger 28 on the South Side of the Field at 10:00 to help with the lunch. The Open House starts at 8:30 AM. Also we will be signing up Kids for Young Eagle Flights.

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 25, 2006

The meeting will be at the club house at 7:00. The program will be Bill VanPatten and Darrel Campbell doing some "Hanger Flying". Come for a real casual meeting of just talking and hearing some great stories.

SAA FLY IN

JUNE 23, 24, & 25

URBANA, ILLINOIS

Don't forget the Fly In at Urbana, IL on June 23, 24, & 25. It is a small and enjoyable fly in. There is also camping there for anyone wanting to take a camper.

JUNE 3, 2006

YOUNG EAGLES

STEVE LINTON MEMORIAL RUNWAY DEDICATION

This is going to be a big day. We will start at 8:00 in the AM with "Breakfast with Tom", then Bob Edgin will be in charge of Flying Young Eagles, and at NOON we will dedicate the "Grass Strip Runway". We will have a short ceremony, the Lintons will be present and we will dedicate the "Steve Linton Memorial Sod Runway". So come out for the morning. If you know any kids 8 to 18 who would like to have their first airplane ride please have them come out in the morning.

OSKOSH WORK WEEK END

JULY 14, 15, AND 16

Sam needs to know as soon as possible, who is going up for the week end so we can arrange for transportation. The "Duck Mobile" is going up on Friday but is staying until the end of the convention. (Yes he talked me into staying up there for 2 weeks)

AIRVENTURE CAMPING

Jerry Hostetler is taking care of the camping and laying out the area. If you plan on camping in the Woods with Chapter 132 please let Jerry know. He will also need \$252.00 to reserve your spot. Jerry will be leaving to go there on Friday July 14th, so let him know before that Friday.

CHANGE: This year we will have the Chapter dinner on Wednesday Nite, July 26th!! Everyone is invited for Steak and Corn. If you can bring a dish to pass, please do. There will be a charge for the meal, depending on the cost of the steaks.

J – 3 WORK DAY

They have decided to have the 2nd Saturday of the month as a work day on the J-3 Cub. Because of July being so busy they will not work in July, but all the other months for awhile will be the 2nd Saturday. Come for "Breakfast with Tom" at 8:00 and then at 9:00 they head for Sam's Hanger. Come – see what is going on.

EAA chapter 132 Board Meeting, 5/11/06

The board meeting was opened by Pres. Sam Pavel.

Bill VanPatten presented an update on the chapter house improvement project. New sidewalks will be installed on Saturday, May 13th. Landscaping will take place over the next three weeks. \$500.00 has been donated by ten chapter members to help with the project. The City of Elkhart will provide \$350.00 toward the cost of landscaping. It was moved and seconded by the board to have the chapter match the city grant. New signs are installed on the North and South ends of the chapter house.

Sam talked about the WINGS program to be hosted by Indiana Flight Center on Saturday, May 20th from 9:00 till noon. Chapter 132 will provide lunch from 10:00 till 1:00. Hot dogs and sloppy joe sandwiches will be served. The event takes place in the IFC hangar on the south side of the Elkhart Airport. Sam will send an email message to members asking for volunteers. Saturday, June

3rd will be the first Young Eagle day. The flight takes place at the chapter house from 8:00 to 11:00. June 3rd at noon will be the dedication ceremony for the Steve Linton Grass Runway. All chapter members are invited to come out and take part in the dedication event. A memorial stone honoring Steve will be unveiled at the chapter house. Plans for the work party in Oshkosh are underway. Let Sam know if you are interested in going to the work party. Sam will make a list of members planning on going to the work party on July 14, 15 and 16. If you are planning on camping with the chapter at the Oshkosh convention, let Sam know. Look for more information in the vortex.

The board meeting was adjourned for a hangar flying session, with Sam telling about his flight to the Sonex factory.

Tom Fields, Secretary

HONOREE BANQUET



EAA Chapter 132's honoree for the 2006 Year is Vic Pixey. It was a delightful evening of Good Food, Good Friends and lots of fun at the Golden Egg Restaurant. Vic, Rita, and their family were treated to an evening in their honor. We tried to surprised Vic, but when he walked in and saw his family he had an idea what was going on. Vic well dissevered the honor he is always there to help out, he does a lot of things at the club house that go unnoticed, and Rita does a lot of baking for the guys – Very good cookies! Congratulations Vic!

Idle Chatter by Sam

If you haven't stopped by the Chapterhouse lately, you've been missing a lot of fun. They a picture is worth a thousand words, so I'm going to appeal to the TV generation and show you all the fun.....



Good results requires good preparation...
I haven't seen this many supervisors since my FAA days.



Time for shrubbery.....



We still have a ways to go... but by June 3rd we will have a place of which we all can be proud. A place that joins aviation's past, present, and future. I can't help but think somewhere Steve is smiling.

Flying season started with a vengeance and then Mother Nature put on the breaks. Keep watching the forecasts and the new bulletin board in the Chapterhouse for upcoming fly-ins and aviation events. If you plan on flying to an event and have an open seat, post that there too.

Can you believe that the Oshkosh work party is two months away?

I'll see you around the pattern..... Happy Aviating!

Sam



This is a picture of the Global Hawk UAV that returned from the war zone February 20th under its own power. (Iraq to Edwards AFB in CA) - not transported via C5 or C17. It has really long legs- can stay up for almost 2 days at altitudes above 60k. During its overseas deployment, UAV-3 logged more than 4,800 flight hours supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom. Its capabilities were proven in combat environments while still in the pre-production stage of the acquisition cycle.

Notice the mission paintings on the fuselage, while deployed, UAV-3 flew 249 total sorties -- 191 were combat sorties. It provided tens of thousands of battlefield images to military decision-makers.

Global Hawk UAV-3 was deployed after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. The Air Force decision to deploy it while still an advanced concept technology demonstrator expressed the confidence the Air Force has in it and future unmanned aircraft systems for the global war on terrorism, Global Hawk officials said.

Global Hawk, which has a wingspan of 116 feet (35.3 meters) and is 44 feet (13.4 meters) long, can range as far as 12,000 nautical miles, at altitudes up to 65,000 feet (19,812 meters), flying at speeds approaching 340 knots (about 400 mph) for as long as 35 hours. During a typical mission, the aircraft can fly 1,200 miles to an area of interest and remain on station for 24 hours. Its cloud-penetrating, Synthetic Aperture Radar/Ground Moving Target Indicator, electro-optical and infrared sensors can image an area the size of Illinois (40,000 nautical square miles) in just 24 hours. Through satellite and ground systems, the imagery can be relayed in near-real-time to battlefield commanders.

When fully-fueled for flight, Global Hawk weighs approximately 25,600 pounds (11,612 kilograms). More than half the UAV's components are constructed of lightweight, high-strength composite materials, including its wings, wing fairings, empennage, engine cover, engine intake and three radomes. Its main fuselage is standard aluminum, semi-monocoque construction.

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MEETINGS

Board Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month
7:00 at the Chaperhouse

Building Meetings: Wednesday and Thursday s
7:00 at the Chapterhouse

Regular Meetings: Last Thursday of the month
7:00 at the Chapter house or
Other planned events

No regular meetings in November or December.

GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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