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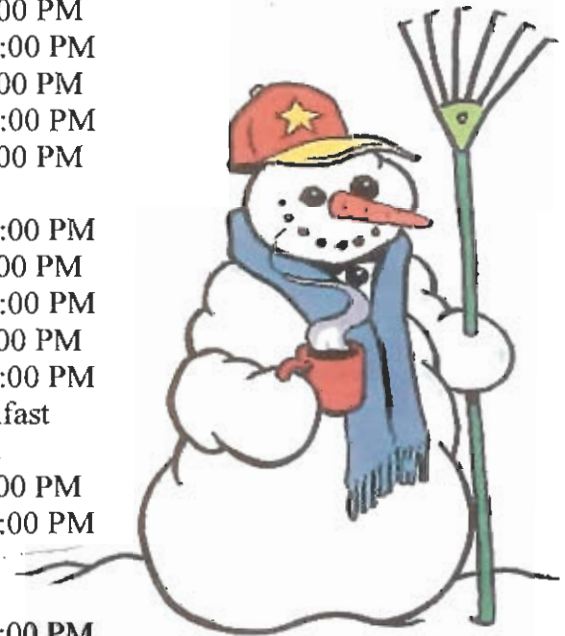
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2005 CALENDAR

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| December 03, 2005 | Christmas Party-"Hostetler's Hanger", Nappanee Airport |
| January 1, 2006 | Hanger Over Party - Fly in - Nappanee Airport |
| January 12, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| January 26, 2006 | EAA Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| February 9, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| February 23, 2006 | EAA Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| March 9, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| March 30, 2006 | EAA Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| April 4 - 10, 2006 | Sun N Fun - Lakeland, Florida |
| April 13, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| April 27, 2006 | EAA Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| May 11, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| May 25, 2006 | EAA Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| June 8, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| June 18, 2006 | Mishawaka Pilots Club Fly In Breakfast |
| 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 24-30, 2006 | Oshkosh - Oshkosh WI. |
| August 20, 2006 | Duck's Picnic |
| September 14, 2006 | Board Meeting - Chapter House - 7:00 PM |
| 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!

- NOTES -



CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 3, 2005
Social Hour 6:00 PM -- Dinner 7:00 PM

You should have received your invitation by now -- did you return it with your reservations?? We hope you did. If you haven't attended the Christmas Party before, it is really a lot of fun. The committee has put a lot of work into the party, and the food is very good (good pie also). If by chance you did not get an invitation in the mail or you need more information -- call Michelle Wantz at 574 825-7718. See you there!

PROGRAMS FOR 2006

Do you have any suggestions for Programs for next year? Would you like to put on a program? Any place you would like to tour? Give your suggestions to Sam, he would like some ideas.

"CHAPTER HOUSE BEAUTIFICATION"

We are in the process of trying to make our Chapter House look better inside and outside. We are having our signs painted, some landscaping done around the outside, cleaning up the inside and in the future new carpet. Bill VanPatten is in charge of this project. Of course this all costs money. If you would like to donate any little bit towards this project it would help us complete the project sooner. Of course any money you would donate would be tax deductible. When you send in your dues for 2006 you can add a little extra -- just specify it is to go for the **Beautification project**. Thank you from the committee.

"Why The VORTEX?"

{This article appeared in the first Vortex, on January 1969. The Editor was Bernie Rice and the Ass't. Editor was George Watt.}

From Vol. I No. 1:

Why the Vortex: EAA President Poberezny has repeatedly suggested each chapter have an internal organ. So, I am starting one. It will continue only as long as there is something to report upon—that something being your work, ideas and opinions. This brings us to the name—VORTEX. Every object traversing a fluid leaves behind it a disturbance called a vortex. It is usually unseen and invisible until someone works hard to make it appear or you stumble upon it by accident, at which time it can make life a little uncomfortable for you. So it is with our activities—we leave little evidence of our activities until it shows up in print. We have had three aircraft fly for the first time in this chapter, yet how many of us have a description of what transpired that you could pass on to someone else today or fifty years from now? Get the facts to me—I will try to do them justice. ---Editor

**HONORING
AVIATION AUTHORS AND
THEIR BOOKS**

**Location: The Hostetler's
On the north side of
The Nappanee Airport**

**All flying friends and
Party People Invited!**

saturday December 3 2005

Social Hour: 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Appetizers & Beer/Wine cash bar

Dinner: 7:00pm

Cost: \$15.00

**If you have something
For the Raffle please bring it!**

**Sponsored by:
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**For more information call:
Michelle Wantz at 574-825-7718**

**Reservations with payment is due by Friday, November 20, 2005
Make checks payable to EAA Chapter 132 and send your reservations to:**

**Joe and Jene Landy
17612 Fleetwood Ln.
South Bend, IN 46635
574-272-0236**

**Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Group Represented _____**

Please park at Nappanee Airport. Shuttle service will be provided.

THEY DIDN'T SUGGEST WARBIRO PILOTS

A minister dies and is waiting in line at the Pearly Gates. Ahead of him is a guy who's dressed in sunglasses, a loud shirt, leather jacket and jeans.

Saint Peter addresses this guy, "Who are you, so that I may know whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven?"

The guy replies, "I'm Joey Shasta, retired airline pilot from Kansas City,."

Saint Peter consults his list. He smiles and says to the pilot, "Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom." The pilot goes into Heaven with his robe and staff.

Next it's the minister's turn. He stands erect and booms out, "I am Joseph Snow, pastor of Saint Mary's in Pasadena for the last 43 years."

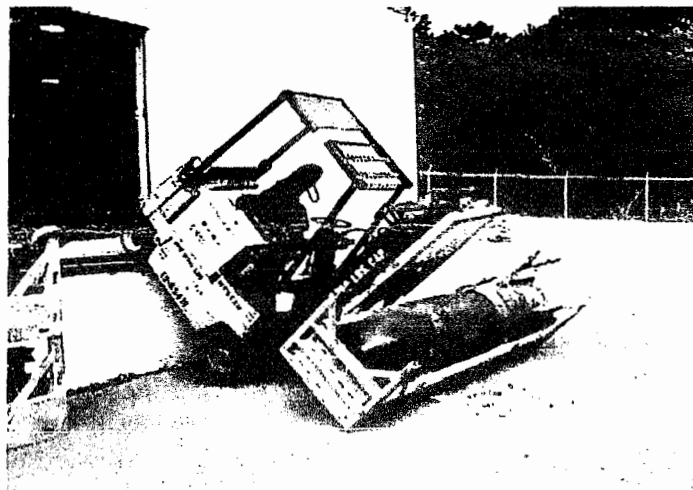
Saint Peter consults his list. He says to the minister, "Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom."

"Just a minute," says the minister. "that man was a pilot and he gets a silken robe and golden staff. How can this be?"

"Up here - - we work by results," says Saint Peter, "while you preached - - people slept; while he flew - - people prayed."

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*This page - Thanks
to Linné Culp.
Contents from the
Warbirds newsletter.*



Lost my job today!

EAA Chapter 132 Meeting 10/27/05

The chapter meeting was opened by Pres. Sam Pavel. The minutes for the last meeting were late in arriving for publication in the Vortex. The properly chastised chapter secretary will endeavor to not let that happen again. Many chapter members met last Saturday Oct. 22

at Lowell Farrands hangar to help Lowell do some major repair work on a 40 foot bi-fold hangar door. After a long day of great fellowship, hard work interrupted briefly by a pizza lunch, most of the work was complete. A small crew returned the next week to tidy up the job. There will not be a regular chapter meeting in November. We will celebrate the past year at the Chapter Christmas Party on December 3rd. at the Hostetler Hangar on the North side of the Nappanee Airport. Sam requests all chapter members to submit ideas for meeting programs for next year. Many aircraft projects are now or soon will be under construction by chapter members at the Elkhart Airport. The builders can use extra help on their projects. If you have never been involved in building an airplane before, consider the opportunities available now to get hands on experience to learn new skills, and just plain have a lot of fun with fellow builders. Plans are underway for next years activities. The Elkhart Air show is scheduled for the same weekend as Oshkosh again. The chapter will plan to participate in the Model Airplane show in June. We will provide a pancake breakfast and a sloppy dog lunch similar to the show this year. The chapter will also help promote a grass strip fly in at the Elkhart Airport to celebrate and dedicate the new grass strip. Last call for nominations for chapter officers was offered by Pres. Sam. No new nominations for President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer were heard.

Two positions on the chapter board are open, with three nominations. Nominees are Vic Pixie, Bob Gerard and Mike Shaw. The Pres., V.P., Sec., and Treasurer are retained. Vic Pixie and Mike Shaw are elected to two year terms on the chapter board of directors.

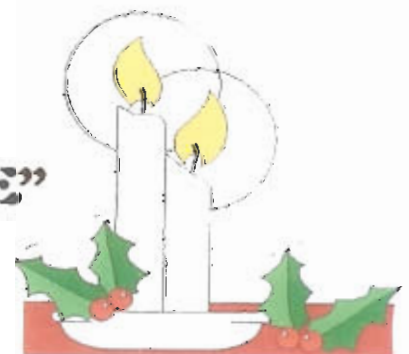
Bill Van Patten will be researching new carpet for the chapter house as well as continuing as the chairman of the landscape committee to improve the exterior of the club house. The meeting was adjourned to move a RV-6 fuselage jig to Sams new hangar.

EAA Chapter 132 Board Meeting 11/10/05

The board meeting was called to order by Pres. Sam Pavel. Jerry Hostetler gave a brief financial report to the board. The chapter checking account balance is \$3247.49 and the chapter savings account balance is \$8,088.36. Bill Van Patten presented plans for exterior chapter house improvements. Suggested improvements include new cement walks in front of the entry doors, landscape rock around the perimeter of the building, new chapter signs and new shrubs and flowers to be added next year. A rough estimate of the cost is \$500.00. Interior improvements are being planned too. Bill continues to look into carpet options for the chapter house. John Hektor made a motion to approve \$500.00 with possible cost overage to begin the improvements, seconded by Mike Shaw with unanimous approval by the board. The RV-4 project has been put on hold. We keep finding more problems the further we get into the restoration. There might not be enough money in the restoration fund to finish the project, so before we exhaust the project fund we must give careful consideration on how to proceed with the project. Nice six foot folding tables are on sale at Menards. The board authorized the purchase of 4 of the tables. Karen and Don Duck will pick up the four tables this week. The meeting was closed but no one wanted to go to Culvers for ice cream.

Tom Fields, Secretary

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HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE”**



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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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