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2005 CALENDAR

October 27,	Regular Meeting – Election of Officers
November 10,	Board Meeting – Club House, 7:00 PM
December 03	Christmas Party-“Hostetler’s Hanger”,Nappanee Airport
January 1, 2006	Hanger Over Party – Fly in - Nappanee Airport

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

Saturday AM -Don't Forget "Chef Tom's Saturday Morning Pancakes"
 Saturday Noon - Treat Yourself to Sam's "Burgers on the Grill". Also on
 Wednesday and Thursday evening you will usually find 'guys' at the clubhouse or
 the hanger working on Aircraft. Stop in and say "HI"
 (If no one is ~~not~~ found at the club house - check Culvers!)

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**OCTOBER MEETING
ELECTIONS
OCTOBER 27, 2005**

We are having a regular meeting with the elections on Thursday, October 26, 2005. The offices up for election are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 3 Board members. The Board members who are candidates: Vice Pixey, Bob Girard, and Mike Shaw. There will be nominations from the floor also.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 3, 2005**

Don't forget the Christmas Party at Jerry and Beth Hostetler's on Saturday night, December 3, 2005. There is always good food, lots of "Hanger Talk", Dancing, and a lot of fun. Information should be in the mail soon!

Bill VanPatten and his committee have been working hard on some improvements on our Club House. In the near future we should have new signs, there is some yard work going to be done, and hopefully we will do some sprucing up inside. Come out and see the improvements.

We want to wish George and Ann Watt "Good Luck" on their move to a new house. As of November 1 2005 they will have a new place at "Hubbard Hill Retirement Center". Their phone number will remain the same only an address change. That is a beautiful place out there and I am sure they will really enjoy

GERENCSEK'S FALL PARTY

Last Saturday was the Fall party at Gerencsek's, for anyone who was not able to attend, sorry. It was the most beautiful Autumn evening! We had a full moon and a crisp evening air, A large bonfire, a hayride, and lots of food! What more can you ask for? Plus the entertaining show all evening of the airplanes leaving South Bend Airport after the Football game – what a show! Steve and Sue – you did good!! Thanks so much for having the party!

**EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION
CHAPTER 132**

Meets the fourth Thursday of the month (except July, Nov and Dec) - 7:00 p.m. at Chapterhouse near the base of the Control Tower, Elkhart Municipal Airport, CR 6, Elkhart, Indiana.

Please complete the following form when applying for or renewing membership and return with your Annual Dues to the Chapter Treasurer –
Jerry Hostetler, 24640 CR 54, Nappanee, IN 46550. Dues are \$20.00.

Date submitted _____ EAA# _____ Expiration Date _____

Name _____ Birthday _____

Street _____ Apt. _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Web page _____

Family membership? Yes No I would like the Vortex in electronic form.

Family Names _____

License and Ratings held _____

Aircraft you have owned _____

Aircraft presently owned _____

Aircraft built or restored _____

Current building project _____

Located at _____ % Completed 0%

I also have some experience and acquired skills in ____ and will be willing to share these with those members.

Would you be willing to conduct a Chapter program, workshop, or hands-on demonstration in the use of these skills? Yes No

STEVE'S RV-4

The elevator is finally finished and on the plane. I'm amazed at how the starboard side trim piece came out darn near perfect (regarding the spacing) and after making and mounting the same piece on the port side twice, it is not even. I'm sure this does not affect the way the plane will fly but I don't like the fact it is not spaced evenly. Others have been working on removing the engine mount brackets on the aft side of the firewall.

The brackets have been cleaned and primed and the area inside the fuselage has been cleaned and made ready for the brackets to be reinstalled.

Now with fall coming to a close and bringing the cold weather with it we will be moving over to the terminal building to start to work on the wings. This is a new area for

us so anyone with RV wing experience, there advice would sure be helpful.

REMEMBER THE REASON

Each month in addition to updating the membership on how the project is progressing, I am going to include an excerpt from the original Aircraft Log. The original aircraft (N61DL) has an interesting history.

2/15/89 Installed Christen inverted oil system, model 802. Procedures followed as outlined in Christen installation manual.

5/2/89 Issued new limitations authorizing acrobatics.



Bernie Rice with "The Indiana Flyer"

Bernie did a nice program on the history of the Indiana Flyer at our September meeting. We heard about The Indiana Flyers first and only flight. Thanks Bernie. There also was lots of food – we had a potluck and that seems to bring lots of members out and also their appetites. Guess we should have more "food".

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Meetings

Board Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month
7:00 pm – Chapterhouse

Building Meetings: Wednesday and Thursdays
7:00 pm – Chapterhouse

Regular Meetings: 4th Thursday of each month
7:00 pm – Chapterhouse
or other planned events

No regular meetings in November or December

GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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