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JANUARY 1986 NEWSLETTER

JANUARY MEETING: The next meeting of EAA Chapter 569 will be held on January 7, 1986 at 7:30 PM in the Duncan Aviation lunch room.

The program for the meeting includes two films; the EAA production, WINGS ON DREAMS and an informative film about the Prescott Pusher.

In the future we will be publishing the names coming up for the refreshment committee for the next two months. The person named in charge for the second month should take the coffee maker home so that the following month they will be able to bring it to the meeting. The refreshment committee for January will be Ted Oehlert (in charge), Floyd Olson, Jan Perrin, Caryle Reinmuth, and Norm Sell. The committee for February will be Gerald Severson (in charge), Bill Sheahan, Don Shoemaker, John Starns, and Jim Stephens.

DUES NOW DUE! Chapter dues are now due. Please remit promptly as this helps us greatly in keeping an up to date mailing roster. Dues are still \$15 and may be remitted at the meeting or mailed to Janice, our new secretary - treasurer, at the address at the head of the newsletter.

CHRISTMAS PARTY THANKS: A great vote of thanks goes to the Christmas party committee for their no less than excellent work in organizing a most enjoyable evening. Most special thanks also goes to our members who contributed so generously to provide door prizes. To all of you who helped make the evening such a success, thank you sincerely.

To recap the evening, after a delicious dinner, Mr. John L. Sullivan gave us a most inspiring talk that convinced me not to ever look at another donut hole. Seriously, I think all would agree with me in stating that the points he made about positive thinking are well worth keeping in mind at all times. We also welcome Mr. Sullivan as a new member of our Chapter.

Please take time to read the following letter of thanks I received from someone who really enjoyed the Christmas party. Perhaps some of you know the gentleman who wrote the letter, it was postmarked Milford, Ne.

Ted O.

Dec. 18, 1955

Thanks

Ma and me are still excited as honeymooners about the Christmas party last nite and figure we owe you a letter of thanks.

Seeing the downtown lights was something but not as much as working the elevator buttons at the Legion Club. The only hitch was parking, but we figured no one would pay no attention if we parked in the used car lot west of the Club.

Ma was besides herself rubbing elbow to elbow with so many dressed up real live flying machine people. Me, I went for that technical stuff. She settled down a bit after I convinced her that slim Eldon Kramer was not Lindburgh even if he sat at the main table. Believe she still thinks WWII aviator, Lester David, is Jimmy Doolittle in the flesh.

That Irishman speaker had us spellbound. I wonder, did God really tell him to play dumb until he returns? The speaker was introduced as sort of a car dealer and I remember he slipped out of the meeting early. By golly, he was a cracker-jack car salesman because he had most of the cars, in the lot where we parked, sold by 10:30 P.M. Smart? Why that man even had a smooth talking disc jockey to keep us stupified with the latest music, while he was out selling cars!

Ma figured the message ~~was~~ was "If you aint happy, git that away"

Technically he had some good stuff. I now know that I'm capable of doing 10 times of what I did. However, Ma ain't about to let 9 more women move in the house. She said I could install 9 more motors in the airplane (leading edge). Imagine 10 Throttles to manage - a piece of cake now. Coy your hearts out you B-36 + 747 jocks.

That Irishman had good advice. First, you borrow money from a woman (Chris Columbus)

Then at midnight you take your IFR duck and corn
and ride your horse toward the airport. If any FAA
guys give you trouble, hole up in a Pub for 4 nights
and days. (Circa Paul Revere) With the 10 motors and
10 throttles I don't remember him saying much
about Vmc and engine out. Main thing is to get
hypnotized and keep a positive attitude. More
important, keep your eye on the doughnut - to hell
with the hole. Tomorrow I'm going to talk
the airport board into replacing them confusing numbers
on the runway with a picture of a glazed doughnut.
Also you can hang a chocolate doughnut in back
of the windshield. Makes a perfect speed indicator, a
perfect pitch indicator, and a good after flight
snack. If landing, line up the doughnuts
and ignore the holes I've been digging ^{at} the
ends of the runway. Neat, huh?

Ma says she knows some unmarried mature
ladies who would love to have a nice man named
F-1X around the house. Especially since he's a retired
president, probably drawing a big retirement pension.
Also, she is going to tell Virginia there is a Santa Claus.
His real name is Jan Perrin.

Was hoping Ma would run this thru her
Smith Corona. She muttered something about the
party was a LIFT but I was the same old DRAG.
Oh, swell.

Thanks again and Happy Takeoffs.

Pa Groundhog, P.P.
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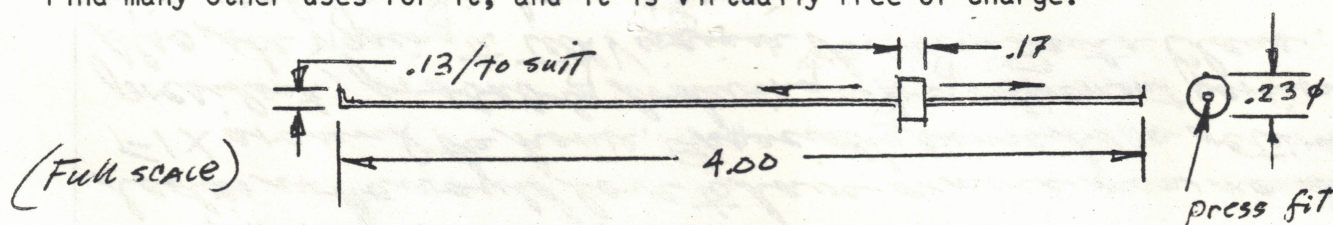
Av Stuff from Paul Wood

I welcome Les Christiansen aboard as official co-editor of our newsletter. His able syntax should prove refreshing, a relief perhaps, from my ponderous style of Av-gags and Av-stuff.

I finally read Ernest Gann's "Fate Is The Hunter", and hasten to tell you what I've been told by every pilot I know and that is, if you fly and love airplanes, you will love this tale. He understands a pilot's way of thinking, and puts you in the left seat with a depth and completeness that you would not think possible. Bennet-Martin public library had several copies in the larger paperback version. Please read some of it, you won't regret it.

Building or repairing aircraft components? Here are a couple of tools that you won't find in any catalog, yet can be fabricated quickly, and find a permanent place in your tool chest.

(1) This tool is great to plumb the depth of tiny blind holes. The piano wire is bent at the tip, like the one in SPORT AVIATION (6/85) but I have added a small delrin button on mine to aid in measurement. You will doubtless find many other uses for it, and it is virtually free of charge.



(2) This next tool is a bit more expensive. Take an old or new small, triangular file, grind it to the length below, and then grind the end to form an effective "knife blade" end. I like it for deburring and chamfering on my little lathe and other neat work. The retention of the file portion makes it doubly versatile in metal workings. I thank Ted Heyer of Santa Barbara, where I worked in his prototype facility for this one. He was a millionaire who made it from nothing to riches by inventing plastic valves and other small human body replacement parts.

