



NEWS LETTER

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JUNE MEETING: The June meeting will be held in the Town & Country meeting room, 5619 "O" Street, on Tuesday, June 7 at 7:30 PM. The program is "Highlights of Oshkosh". Slides and films from the last 3 years will be shown.

NEWS UPDATE: The picnic was a roaring success, those of you who were unable to attend missed a great time. Several people suggested that we have another one in the fall. Many thanks to everyone who worked to make the picnic a success.

Chapter 80 in Omaha is having a fly-in picnic on June 5, from 10 AM to 5 PM, at Durand's Skyranch Airport (one mile southwest of North Omaha Airport). Everyone is welcome. Food will be served from 12:30 till 2 PM with a watermelon bust at 3:30 PM. There will be flight demonstrations and rides; and contests and games for kids, big and little.

Anyone who is going to Oshkosh and can donate a few hours as a volunteer, or whose family could help out in the sales building, please contact me.

I will be compiling a new roster shortly, comprised of members in good standing as of June 1, 1977. Should be able to mail it with the July Newsletter.

LINDBERGH COMMERATIVE TOUR: The EAA replica of Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis will arrive at Lincoln, Nebraska at 1:30 PM, Sunday, August 14, 1977. Lincoln is stop 44 of 103. The replica will be accompanied by an antique Stinson SM-8A. This visit is an opportunity to advance aviation and the EAA in the area.

The two aircraft will be at Eppley Airport, Omaha on August 13. When they arrive in Lincoln at 1:30 they will fly by and then taxi into the display area in front of the General Aviation Building at Lincoln Municipal Airport. They will be welcomed by city officials and the replica pilot will talk. Then a press conference will be held. The aircraft will be on display but will also be making some flights with special guests. Later, we hope to have the pilot and city officials

LINDBERGH COMMERATIVE TOUR (Cont.):

participate in the dedication of a marker for the old Page Airfield which was in the area of the Lincoln Country Club. We are hoping to arrange a dinner that evening with the crew as honored guests, with members from EAA and other aviation organizations participating.

After the dinner the crews will begin their rest period so they will be ready to depart Lincoln the next morning in time to arrive at North Platte by 11 AM.

The EAA Museum Foundation is sponsoring the tour. Two major backers are the Amoco Oil Company of Chicago, which will provide the fuel and oil, and the Spirit of St. Louis 1927-1977 Committee, which is a part of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association. In addition, Ramada Inns will be the official host and several aircraft manufacturers have provided various parts and equipment for the aircraft.

The purposes of the tour are:

- To commemorate in a meaningful and active way the 50th anniversary of Charles A. Lindbergh's historic flight across the Atlantic by recreating his 1927 national tour.
- To bring attention to the achievements of Colonel Lindbergh and the resultant effect on the course of aviation.
- To focus public attention on the value of sport and recreational aviation, the EAA Air Museum Foundation, and the Experimental Aircraft Association.

With this general background you can begin to see the importance of this event to Lincoln and the surrounding area.

A great deal of work will be required to bring it off properly. The assistance of all Chapter members is requested. It will be a Chapter project. We must provide for and assist the aircraft and crews, develop a program for the day, arrange for display of the two aircraft and any homebuilts we can get, conduct a publicity campaign before and during their stay, and promote aviation and EAA. We would like you to come forth and volunteer your services in one of these areas. We will discuss it at the next meeting. In the meantime, contact Dan Babcock - office 472-2338 or home 489-5881, or me - home 786-2342.

NEWSLETTER & MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: Remember, your input to the newsletter is a necessity if we are to have an outstanding publication. Guests are welcome at two meetings and are then invited to join. Dues are \$12 and membership in National EAA is encouraged, but not mandatory.

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