



Chapter 569

Easter Greetings Communicator

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Meeting Announcement

DATE: Tuesday, April 6, 1999

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Cobbler's Inn at Shoemaker's
Truckstop, west "O" Street

SPEAKER: Scott Colburn
PROGRAM: UFO Phenonmon &
Personal Experiences

Scott Colburn will share history of
UFO investigations from New Mexico to
Wright Patterson Air Force Base. A UFO
encounter will be shared by Vickie Statler.

1999 DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

The new directory is printed and will be available at the
April meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting and wish to
have Roger send you one, call him at 797-5825.

Our membership is doing well, with 72 members to-date.
This size of membership makes us one of the largest, if not
the largest, aviation group in the Lincoln area.

CHAPTER 569 LIBRARY

George Myers delivered the promised storage cabinet,
which will be used to store our library collection, to the
Cobbler Inn. It will make the items more accessible to the
members. The room will be made available to the members,
but we need a person to be responsible for what is checked
out....any volunteers? An inventory list will be provided to
members along with a procedure on checking out the items as
soon as we have someone to handle the job.

ATTN. WIVES OF EAA'ERS

Several wives suggested, at the Christmas party, that it
would be nice if we could get together on the regular EAA
meeting night to get better acquainted. Come join us at
Cobbler Inn on Tuesday, April 6th at 7:30 for coffee and
conversation. *Yvonne Shoemaker*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

(No message...Gone Flying, See you at the meeting)
Russ Kelsea

MEETING WITH TOWER

Russ Kelsea and Tom Winter met with the tower person-
nel in relation to our May 15th Young Eagle event and
discussed our concerns about last year. Here's what was
worked out for this year:

1. Four or five aircraft conducting two flights per hour.
2. A route of flight departing 17L south to highway 2,
east to 84th, north to a point suitable for turning west to enter
left base for 17L. If runway 35R is in use, the reverse will
be flown. Expect a 30 degree departure turn for separation.
We will remain west of 84th to protect the east practice area.
Within the flight area, some flexibility is available to
accommodate spacing for a mix of faster and slower aircraft.
3. Asked that our pilots have some time away from
constant radio communication to allow them to interact with
the kids and point out some landmarks. This request seemed
reasonable to the tower folks.
4. We will plan to fly from 9 AM to noon. Morning is
better for the tower, with commercial traffic expected 11 AM
to 1 PM. We can run past noon to finish up kids if necessary.
5. If weather is unacceptable at 8:30 AM, we will
examine the terminal forecast. If the TAF indicates accept-
able conditions by 11 AM we will continue with the event. If
conditions are forecast to be unacceptable at 11 AM, we will
cancel. No raindate. Pilots in Command will determine
whether conditions are acceptable.
6. Tower personnel and pilots will meet at 8:30 AM to
discuss go/no-go decisions and any other procedural items.

In further discussion with the organizing committee, the
following notes:

1. We will have parents/guardians sign on our original
Young Eagle (English) permission forms. Air Force Assoc.
will provide either a translator or have the forms translated
so that parents/guardians know what they are signing.

2. We will limit the number of Young Eagles to 60. With
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4 or 5 aircraft seating 1 to 3 kids, flying twice per hour, we should finish at about noon or slightly after. AFA will provide screening to limit the event to 60 kids. This will be a closed event.

3. Mark Musick will try to provide additional headsets for the kids.

4. Civil Air Patrol will plan to provide one static aircraft (C172) and cadets to demonstrate aircraft features and safety considerations.

5. If the event goes well and more kids want to fly, we will consider another event later in the year.

6. Asked that at least one Air Force Assoc. or ANG member work with us as part of our ground crew. The request seemed reasonable to AFA folks.

It looks like Russ and Tom have this under control and it will undoubtedly be a fun event. More info will be in next month's Communicator.

Notes from EAA Chapter 569 Executive Board Meeting March 16, 1999 Oden's Office, 3120 "O" Street

Roger Aspegren

Norm Sell

Russ Kelsea

Tom Winter

Chuck Oden

Several Young Eagles events are tentatively scheduled for this year, but only two of these seem to be firm commitments. The first is April 10 at Shoemaker's with a rain date of April 17. The second is Space Day, May 15, at the Lincoln airport with no rain date. The emphasis this year will be on a quality experience for Young Eagles, pilots, ground crews, and hosts. To achieve a quality experience, we will keep the number of Young Eagles at each event to an easily manageable number and make our procedures as efficient as possible. We will concentrate on only the essential activities until we can run a Young Eagles event smoothly and efficiently. Providing photographs of Young Eagles is an example of a non-essential activity that can be de-emphasized until we are better prepared to handle all other essential activities. In the meantime, we will encourage parents to become more involved and take photos of their Young Eagles. On the other hand, assuring that pilots and aircraft participating in Young Eagle events meet EAA requirements is an absolutely essential activity. ACTION: Roger will write a newsletter article describing pilot and aircraft requirements for participation in Young Eagles events to educate members on the exact EAA requirements. ACTION: Roger will prepare a *Pilot & Aircraft* form to be completed for each Young Eagles pilot to assure compliance with EAA requirements. ACTION: Roger and Russ will prepare a first draft *Young Eagles Event Checklist* for Tom's review to help streamline event planning.

The Chapter has received bills for services rendered

during 1998. ACTION: Norm will work with vendors to reconcile expenses and pay vendors.

Regular monthly meetings sometimes run too late into the evening. This was especially true at the March regular meeting. It still seems that most members favor having the special program first, followed by the business meeting. But the program should be limited, unless exceptionally interesting, and the business meeting shortened. Since much of the time spent in the business meeting is devoted to committee reports, event schedules and other routine matters, these items can be included in our newsletter. ACTION: Officers, Committee Coordinators, and members will submit reports, schedules, and other items to Roger to be included in the *EAA 569 Communicator*. The newsletter will become our principal forum for routine communication. Unless members have questions about specific newsletter items, there will be no further discussion of these items at the regular business meeting.

The canopy and support structure voted on by the members is ready to be picked-up. It should be available for Chapter events soon. ACTION: Chuck and Norm will arrange to pick-up and deliver the canopy.

The Chapter is still in need of a librarian to keep track of equipment and other materials owned by the Chapter. To the best of our knowledge, Tom Trowbridge had conducted an inventory within the last year or so. ACTION: Russ will contact Tom Trowbridge to determine if an inventory is currently available. Russ will also ask for volunteers in the next issue of the newsletter and at the next regular meeting.

The Chapter has a good accounting of income and expenses to date, but we don't have budget describing the anticipated income and expenses over the year. A budget will help us to know how much is available for discretionary spending. ACTION: Norm will prepare a draft budget for the next executive board meeting.

Now that we have the membership list finalized for this year, we can construct a telephone calling tree. The calling tree is very useful for contacting all members when important, time-critical items, such as event rescheduling, occur between newsletters. ACTION: Russ will ask for a volunteer in the next issue of the newsletter and at the next regular meeting.

MARCH MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Russ Kelsea. There were 44 members present.

Roger Aspegren then presented the program on AOPA Airport Support Network. This was followed a LNK update by John Wood, Director of Airport Authority. He reported on legislation passed last fall allowing taxing of government property and on airport construction projects.

The February minutes were approved as written in the *Communicator*. The treasurer's report was also approved.

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Anyone having a bill to be presented for the Chapter, please turn it into the treasurer as soon as possible.

A report on Young Eagles was given by Tom Winter on up-coming events. The first event will be held April 10, with a rain date of April 17, at Shoemaker's Airfield.

George Myers received an award from Oshkosh for the Young Eagle's events from last year.

New Business: Mark Hiatt made a motion for our Chapter to give \$250.00 to the University Flying Club for mailing letters to old members to tell them about the Club starting up again. The motion was seconded, voted on and carried. Any money left over is to be returned to our Chapter.

Old Business: Chuck Oden gave an update report on the new towers being built.

Phil Jossi won the drawing on the Telex headset, Doug Hill and Jim Chambers won the drawing for the T-shirts, Kim Stevens won the VCR tape. I didn't get the name of the other winner of the tape.

George Myers will be responsible for our program next month on UFOs.

Meeting Adjourned.

Norm Sell, Secretary

NEWS FROM OSHKOSH

The EAA *Chapter Gram*, which reports on issues related to EAA chapters around the country, will be published as an e-mail newsletter. If you would like to receive this newsletter, send your e-mail address to Chapters@eaa.org.

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Admission policy at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh '99 has changed. Participation will be limited to EAA members and families, but a new 3-month introductory membership will be available to non-members who would like to participate. Look for a full announcement in the April issue of *Sport Aviation*.

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EAA is a co-sponsor of the General Corporate and Regional Aviation Meeting and Exposition to be held in Wichita, Kansas April 20 to 22, 1999. The registration fee of \$170 is waived for EAA members. A wide variety of technical sessions are available on April 20 and 21, some dealing with experimental aircraft design. Contact Russ Kelsea for more details or look at the Final Program and Conference Bulletin at the next meeting.

LOCAL NEWS

Pat Dennison and the folks at Crete are promoting sport aviation at the Crete Airport. Several events are on the schedule, including:

April 17 – Poker run and chili feed
May 9 – Fly-in/Drive-in Barbecue
June 5 – Fly-out to Topeka Aviation Museum
July 25 – Fly-in/Drive-in Breakfast
August 21 – Aviation game day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Chapter has an immediate need for someone to keep track of equipment and other materials owned by the Chapter. Also, now that we have our membership list complete, we need someone to build and maintain a calling tree. If you want to volunteer, contact Russ Kelsea or Chuck Oden.

TEN OR MORE IN 1998

Chapter 569 had an impressive list of pilots who had flown ten or more young eagles in 1998. They are:

Roger Aspegren	Norm Sell
Jeff Clausen	Don Shoemaker
Les Clausen	Bill Splinter
Rick Cooper	Linn Sunderland
Larry Glabe	Ray Supalla
Harry Johnston	Tom Trumble
Mike Manzitto	John Zimmer
Chuck Oden	

Congratulations! A lot of young kids have memories they will carry with them all their lives.

CALL TO ACTION-USER FEES AGAIN

The Clinton administration has again asked for FAA user fees in its budget. AOPA president, Phil Boyer, says, "AOPA feels that members would be best served if legislation were passed this year to unlock the Airport and Airway Trust Fund so that the money can be spent promptly for its intended purpose - aviation.

By unlocking the trust fund, we can provide desperately needed funds for airports and equipment when they are needed. By unlocking the trust fund, we can put our taxes to

good use. By unlocking the trust fund, we can put a stop to the continuing push for user fees."

Every penny in the trust fund comes from excise taxes paid by the aviation industry, including taxes that general aviation pilots pay on fuel. Letters need to be written to our elected Representative and Senator to support this legislation. I will bring the full text of Phil's article to the next meeting for all persons interested.

YOUNG EAGLE PILOT REQUIREMENTS

With the start of a new year of Young Eagle events, it is important, for the protection of Chapter 569 and its members, to make sure that all participating pilots are qualified and current. We will be asking all pilots to complete a form once a year which will be a "checklist" to make sure he or she meets the guidelines, which are:

1. Private Pilot License (or higher)
2. Current Medical Certificate
3. EAA National Membership
4. Liability Insurance of Minimum \$100,000 per passenger seat. (EAA will provide additional \$1,000,000)
5. 90 day currency in aircraft used
6. Current Biennial Flight Review
7. Capability of having lots of fun!

Please be prepared with the above information with dates and numbers at the first event you fly. Let's make this another safe and fun year.

CALENDAR

- Apr 10** Young Eagle Flights-Elliot School, Shoemaker's field, 1:00 pm (rain date, Apr 17)
- Apr 20** Board Meeting
- May 14-15** NAG National Space Day, Young Eagle flights on the 15th
- Jul 3-4** Midwest Aerobatic Championships Seward.
- Jul 28-Aug 3** EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh

Tower: "Aircraft on final, go around, aircraft on runway."

Solo Student Pilot: "Roger" (Continues descent.)

Tower: "Aircraft, GO AROUND"

Student: "Roger" (Continues descent)

Tower: (Screaming) "AIRCRAFT, GO AROUND!!"

Student: "Roger" (Continues descent)

So, the student pilot plunks his airplane down on the numbers, taxies up to where the twin is sitting in the middle of the runway, GOES AROUND it, and continues on to the taxiway.

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