



EAA Chapter 729 Newsletter

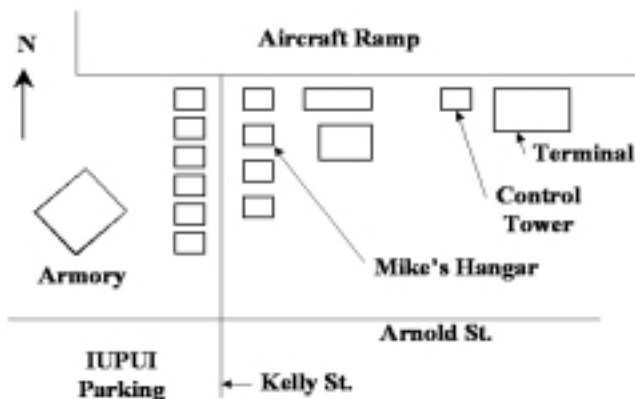
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March Program

The March meeting will be held in Mike Williams' hangar at Columbus Municipal Airport on Thursday March 21st at 6:30 PM. Mike will present a program on the history and restoration of his award winning deHavilland Tiger Moth.



Mike's hangar is in the first aisle (Kelly Drive) of hangars to the west of the Control Tower (or east of the Armory). If we have a large turnout, you should consider parking in the Terminal lot or the IUPUI lot and walking over to Mike's hangar. Bring chairs if you want to sit. See the map below for further details.



Win A Ride In The Tiger Moth!

As a special feature this month, we will be selling chances for a ride in Mike's Tiger Moth. Tickets are \$1.00 and all proceeds go to the Chapter 729 treasury.

February Program

The turnout for the February program was overwhelming. An unofficial count showed 125 people in attendance – those little yellow postcards from the FAA can really raise a crowd. Martin Cole and Lew Owens gave an interesting program on handling in-flight emergencies. Martin shared a number of "exciting" events from his long flying career.

April Program

The tentative plan for the April meeting is to visit the Vincennes University Aviation Technology Center in Indianapolis for a tour and presentation. Further details will be provided in the next newsletter.

Calendar of Events

The Freeman Field Flying Association at Seymour is sponsoring a combination plane wash / pitch-in and spot landing contest on Saturday March 30th. EAA 729 members have been invited to join them. They plan to eat at noon and have the landing contest at 2:00 PM. You can wash your plane at anytime. Water, hose, and buckets will be provided. Bring your own rags and soap. The Association will provide hot dogs and pop so bring some sort of complimentary food to share.

Young Eagles

The Young Eagle Flights for 2002 are scheduled for the following Saturday mornings:

June 22nd
July 20th
August 17th
September 21st

Remember we need pilots, aircraft, and ground support to make these events successful – please volunteer.

Weather Advisory

As Spring approaches, remember that the ice on many lakes may not be as thick as it appears from the air (see below) –



Board of Directors Meeting

The Board met on Wednesday, March 6th with Toby Orme, Larry Morlock, Doug Burgham, Dave Timbers and Mike Foushee.

Doug reported that he will distribute a questionnaire at the March meeting seeking input for future “Fly-Out” events.

The first session of the “after school” Vision of Eagles has completed 2 of the 3 weeks of the program at Parkside School. Four enthusiastic students are participating in this session with a second session scheduled for the following three weeks.

Members who have not yet renewed their Chapter 729 membership for 2002 are requested to do so by updating your membership information and paying your \$15 annual dues.

Aviation/Member News

EAA has published a summary of the FAA Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) on “Certification of Aircraft and Airmen for the Operation of Light-Sport Aircraft” in the current issue of Sport Aviation magazine. The full text of the NPRM can be downloaded from the following EAA web site:

www.sportpilot.org

Interesting Web Sites

www.aero-news.net

www.pilotshack.com

www.avhome.com

www.flightexplorer.com

www.airnav.com

www.aerolink.com

Nametags

Nametags with our EAA logo, your name, and one line stating your interests (Aircraft, N-Number, etc.) will be made available free of charge to those members who have not yet received one. Replacement nametags can be obtained for \$6.00. Contact Barty Moffett if you are interested in getting a nametag.

Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for member input. If you have input please contact Mike by phone at 812-342-3032 or e-mail at mike.j.foushee@cummins.com by the first Friday of each month.

Officers for 2002

President – Toby Orme

Vice President – Doug Burgham

Treasurer – Barty Moffett

Newsletter Editor – Mike Foushee

Class III Director – Larry Morlock

Young Eagles Coordinator - Open

Webmaster - Tom Dollmeyer

Historian - Dave Timbers

Technical Counselors: Jerry Brown, Karl Schilling, Jim Shaffstall, Mike Williams

If you would like to nominate someone (or yourself) for the Young Eagles Coordinator position please contact one of the current Chapter 729 Officers.

Aviation Humor

Even More Actual In-Flight Quotes:

“Your seat cushions can be use for flotation; and in the event of an emergency water landing, please paddle to shore and take them with our compliments”

“Should the cabin lose pressure, oxygen masks will drop from the overhead area. Please place the bag over your own mouth and nose before assisting children . . . or other adults acting like children.”

“As you exit the plane, make sure to gather all of your belongings. Anything left behind will be distributed evenly among the flight attendants. Please do not leave children or spouses.”

And from the pilot during his welcome message: “Delta Airlines is pleased to have some of the best flight attendants in the industry. Unfortunately, none of them are on this flight.”

Heard on Southwest Airlines just after a very hard landing in Salt Lake City: “The flight attendant came on the intercom and said: “That was quite a bump, and I know what y’all are thinking. I’m here to tell you it wasn’t the airline’s fault, it wasn’t the pilot’s fault, it wasn’t the flight attendant’s fault . . . it was the asphalt!”

Overheard on an American Airlines flight into Amarillo, Texas, on a particularly windy and bumpy day: During the final approach, the Captain was really having to fight it. After an extremely hard landing, the flight attendant said: “Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Amarillo. Please remain in your seats with your seat belts fastened while the Captain taxis what’s left of our airplane to the gate.”

Another flight attendant’s comment on a less than perfect landing: “We ask you to please remain seated as Captain Kangaroo bounces us to the terminal.”

An airline pilot wrote that on this particular flight he had hammered his ship into the runway really hard. The airline had a policy which required the First Officer to stand at the door while the passengers exited, smile, and give them a “Thanks for flying XYZ Airline.” He said that, in light of his bad landing, he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that someone would make a smart comment. Finally everyone had gotten off except for a little old lady walking with a cane. She said: “Sonny, do mind if I ask you a question?” “Why no Ma’am,” said the pilot. “What is it?” The little old lady said: “Did we land or were we shot down?”

After a real crusher of a landing in Phoenix, the flight attendant came on with: “Ladies and gentlemen, please remain in your seats until Captain Crash and the Crew have brought the aircraft to a screeching halt against the gate. And once the smoke has cleared and the warning bells are silenced, we’ll open the door and you can pick your way through the wreckage to the terminal.”

Part of a flight attendant’s arrival announcement: “We’d like to thank you folks for flying with us today. And the next time you get the insane urge to go blasting through the skies in a pressurized metal tube, we hope you’ll think of US Airways.”

A plane was taking off from Kennedy Airport. After it reached a comfortable cruising altitude, the Captain made an announcement over the intercom: “Ladies and gentlemen, this is your Captain speaking. Welcome to Flight 293 non-stop from New York to Los Angeles. The weather ahead is good and therefore we should have a smooth and uneventful flight. Now sit back and relax – OH, MY GOD!” Silence followed and after a few minutes, the Captain came back on the intercom and said: “Ladies and gentlemen, I am so sorry if I scared you earlier, but while I was talking the flight attendant brought me a cup of coffee and spilled the hot coffee in my lap. You should see the front of my pants!” A passenger in coach said: “That’s nothing. He should see the back of mine!”