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The Greatest Generation

One of the themes for Oshkosh this year is "Greatest Generation in the Air". They will pay tribute to the Doolittle Raiders and the Tuskegee Airman, plus featuring the world's only airworthy B-29 Superfortress *FIFI* and the Lockheed P-38 *Glacier Girl*.

This got me thinking about the people I have known who were members of the "Greatest Generation". One of those was my dad. He was almost one of those "great men of the air", but lost that opportunity when the eye requirements changed. Thus, he spent his time in the Pacific on the ground instead of in the air.

Like many members of that generation, my dad did not talk about his experiences, the scars, or the medals he kept in a box. In fact, the last time I saw him we talked more about his experiences than we had before. Sadly he passed away just two weeks later and I did not learn anymore.

What I did learn growing up was that he did not like to watch war movies, which my brothers and I always wanted to watch. We did get him to watch *Saving Private Ryan* a few years ago, but he left the room during the invasion scene and the big fight at the end saying something about how he had lived that in the Pacific and did not care to see it again.

I have seen that same sentiment in other veterans about not wanting to relive the past, but to press on with the future. The war was not something they wanted, looked forward to, or really wanted to remember. The part they played in the war was treated like a job they did not want, but had to do. Some of the pilots I talked to, who did not stay in the military, never flew after the war. They went home to their families, put their lives back in order, and did not look back. In fact, two B-17 pilots I talked to about coming out to see the EAA B-17 stated that they had enough time in that bird and did not want to see it again. I find it sad that these brave men did not want to see something that played a major role in their life.

A few years ago I was invited to be part of a group of veterans to talk about their experiences to a church group on Veterans Day. Among the speakers were World War II, Korean, Vietnam, Cold War and Gulf War veterans. I was scheduled to speak after a veteran, whom I knew, who bore physical scars of having been at the Battle of the Bugle. I knew Herbert had been wounded, but the story he told of manning a machine gun when all of those around him had been killed silenced the room to a point where you could hear a pin drop. It was one of the most moving moments in my life as I saw this man cry and shake as he spoke. He finished his story not with praise for himself, but for his fellow soldiers.

This year at AirVenture we have an opportunity to give thanks and praise to the men and women who truly are the "Greatest Generation".



Two of the Ran RVs that were present for our viewing at the May meeting. Photo from Dick Austin.

June Meeting Time & Location

This month's meeting is Monday June 9th at 7PM at the aircraft RC park in Council Bluffs. Take to I-80 east, then North on I-29 and get off at the first exit. West (left) to first intersection and then it's a left turn to the south and it is right there.

June Program.

Bud Kilnoski [Formerly of Bud's Hobby] of Council Bluffs will be our host. Members will be setting up their planes as early as 6:00 pm and we will start at 7:00, which is when the pizzas will arrive. We told these pilots, about 10 of them, that we would feed them. We need an RSVP or head-count from our members on who's going to eat. Pizza and drink will be a \$5 donation. Please contact Bruce or Dale if you did not receive an email invite and you want pizza.

EVENTS:	(B) - Breakfast / (L) - Lunch	
1st Sat	Chapter 1055 (B) (0800-1000)	York, NE
3rd Sat	Chapter 569 (B) (0800-1000)	Crete, NE
June 7-10	WACO Club Fly-in	Maryland Heights, MO
June 10th	Fly-in	Spencer, IA
June 10th	Fly-in (B)	Marshall, MO
June 15-16	Swedish Days Fly-in (D) (B)	Holdrege, NE
	Friday BBQ 5pm; Sat (B) 7am.	
June 16th	3rd Annual Fly-in (B) 7-12	Chariton, IA
June 16th	6K9 Fly-in (B) 7-10	Keosauqua, IA
June 16th	Fly-in (L)	Beatrice, NE
June 16th	Fly-in (B)	Burlington, KS
Jun 16-17	Nebraska Airfest & State Fly-in	Norfolk, NE
	www.nebraskaairfest.com	
June 17th	67th Annual Fly-in (B) 7-11	Harlan, IA
June 20-23	Swift Museum National Fly-in	St Louis, MO
	Creve Coeur Airport (1H0)	
July 1st	Fly-in (B) (6-1130)	Marion, IA
July 4th	Atlantic Jaycees Fly-in (B) (7-11)	Atlantic, IA
July 4th	Airshow (1100)	Seward, NE
July 23-29	AirVenture	Oshkosh, WI
July 25-27th	Cessna 150/2 Fly-in	Clinton, IA

Young Eagle - next event is:

Saturday, June 9, 8AM at Millard Airport then,
Saturday, July 14, 8AM at Millard Airport (This for the SASM Museum—about 10 kids right now.)
Sad to say that the May 19th event was cancelled due to weather.

Happy 50th Anniversary

A young bird told me that Dick & Jan Austin will be celebrating their 50th on June 9th. Congratulations to Dick and Jan. Maybe he can share some secrets to a long and happy marriage.

EAA SportAir Workshops: June 30 - July 1, 2012

Kansas City, Missouri. Come gain the knowledge and hands-on experience you need to see your dreams take flight. Best of all, they provide the facility, tools, and all of the expertise. Courses offered are:

[Composite Construction](#) (2 days, \$349*)

[Electrical Systems & Avionics](#) (2 days, \$349*)

[Fabric Covering](#) (2 days, \$349*)

[Sheet Metal Basics](#) (2 days, \$349*)

(*\$389 non-member *)

[What's Involved in Kit Building](#) (Saturday evening only, \$25, may bring up to two family members)

For workshop info go to: <http://www.sportair.com/workshops/> and select the workshop you are interested in.

2012 Oshkosh NOTAM

The FAA has released the EAA AirVenture Oshkosh2012 Notice to Airmen (NOTAM), and you can download yours at <http://www.airventure.org/flying/index.html#NOTAM>. The NOTAM, which is in effect from 6 a.m. Friday, July 20, through noon on Monday, July 30, outlines procedures for the many types of aircraft that fly to Oshkosh for the event, as well as aircraft that land and depart at nearby airports. .

Don't miss your chance to save on tickets to AirVenture 2012! This year's lineup is bigger and better than ever! **Buy your tickets online by midnight (CDT) June 15, 2012**, to save money and get to the fun *faster!*

FAA Safety Courses of Interest:

Location: Norfolk Regional Airport
4100 South 13 Street
Education Building
Norfolk, NE 68702

"The Art of Aeronautical Decision-Making"

Topic: Making flying safer using critical decision making skills in all phases of flight.

On Sunday, June 17, 2012 at 10:00 AM

For More info go to http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=44446

"Weather Wise: Thunderstorms"

Topic: Understanding thunderstorms and avoiding them is important for pilots at all levels.

On Saturday, June 16, 2012 at 10:00 AM

For more info, go to http://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=44451

**EAA Chapter 80
Official Minutes
May 14, 2012**

The Chapter 80 EAA meeting was held at the Millard airport in the facilities of Hangar One. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Callahan at 7:04 PM. There were about 30 members and 2 visitors present.

The minutes of the April meeting were accepted.

Treasurers Report: No report.

Old Business: TW reports there is about a ½" of dust on everything in the office of the Wahoo hangar after the recent repair party. He is asking for volunteers to clean up the remains.

New Business: Dale McClure and his daughter held a quick auction of a jacket with proceeds to Bobbie Harvey. The jacket went to RV-7 builder Chris Halfman. The Nicopress tool is in Mike Howard's hangar.

Young Eagles: Young Eagles Coordinator Kathy Callahan reports our next event is Saturday, May 21. She plans for flights at 09:00, 09:45, 10:30, 11:15 and currently has 7 pilots who have volunteered. The schedule is on our website at www.eaa80.org/YE. The SAC museum is scheduled to have a flight rally on July 14. The Callahan family has other commitments that day. If someone doesn't take it we will have to cancel the event. No members spoke up to volunteer. The second Young Eagles event is June 9 at Millard and is scheduled for 08:00.

Tech Counselor: Mike Howard stated there is nothing new.

Membership Coordinator: None.

Fly-out: None.

Builders Reports: None.

Raffle: The raffle was \$ 31.00 and was won by Harold Groskopf.

Website: www.eaa80.org

Program: The program for the night was "RV aircraft". RV-6 owner Mike Howard explained the appeal and performance of the RV line of experimentals. There are over 7,684 flying RV's. Mike has 1700 hours on his 16 year old RV-6. It has been in all 48 continental states and three Canadian provinces. Aircraft attending were: Jim Rush – RV4, Denis Roberts – RV6A, Bob Cartwright RV-7, Kevin Faris – RV7, Steve Barger – RV7A, Jon Breese – RV8, ,

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Kevin Faris, Secretary

For sale 1/4 ownership in a 1956 Cessna 172 four seat plane. Aircraft is hangared at Millard-(MLE). Aircraft has an STC for auto-gas. Share cost is \$7500.00, hourly rate is \$25.00 dry. Hangar rent (\$150.00 a mo.) and insurance (\$750.00 approx.yr.) are shared between 3 owners (for now). An ideal trainer/first aircraft or time builder. If interested, call Ken Bahr at 402-559-0133.

Possible Cessna 195 Partnership Opportunity!

Have you always dreamed of owning a timeless radial engine, tail wheel, 5 seat aircraft? Me too! I am considering starting a 3 or 4 person partnership in a Cessna 195 that would be based in Plattsmouth, NE (KPMV). The candidate aircraft would be a well maintained and fully IFR capable 195B. The up front cost would be approximately \$25/k per member, \$150/mo/ea fixed cost and \$150/hr wet variable cost. Members would need airplane single engine land, high performance and tail wheel endorsement with 200+ hours total and 40+ hours of tail wheel time (pending insurance approval). If interested, contact Brian Peterson brian@epetersons.com 402-960-0011

*****J3 CUB for sale*****

An Oklahoma 1946 J 3 Cub. It was built on August 7, 1946 and was the 7th one off the line in Oklahoma city, Oklahoma. The rebuild project is 98% complete airplane with many spare parts. It comes with an A65 continental engine (minus the cylinders) and a lot of spare parts. Asking \$15,000. Want the Cub to go to a good home - someone that loves cubs and doesn't intend to build it for resale.

For more info contact Jan Daniels at: Home: 402-493-0789 Cell: 402-670-2375

Or her son Deny at: Pittsspecial1972@yahoo.com CELL: 386-847-4037 (leave a message)

Cessna 150 for sale.

Call Ron Wood if you need a plane to fly or are looking for a less expensive way to fly. He is selling his Cessna 150 for \$14,500. Contact him at 402-333-7160 or rwood90641@aol.com



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Two of the cockpits of the RVs at last meeting.
Photos by Dick Austin