



MOBBED!

You might think Col. Mike is being attacked by crazed zombies, but he's not. Instead, this is what happened after annual banquet attendees, who participated in last year's Young Eagles' events, were asked to come forward to be recognized. All those who did unexpectedly received a nice lapel pin in recognition of their dedication. It just goes to show how much your efforts are appreciated when you go above and beyond what's expected. Welcome to the Order of the Pancake!

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Special points of interest:

- Our next gathering will be Monday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.
- IMC / VMC Clubs meet the 2nd Monday of each moth at 7:00 p.m.
- Tell Chris St. Germain of any interested groups for Young Eagles. You can fly individuals also.
- We're always looking for good ideas for programs. Please contact Larry Young with your information.

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EAA Chapter 91, Lee's Summit Municipal Airport (KLXT)
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President's Corner

EAA Chapter 91 president, Mike Dooley

The Tri-Motor is coming! The tri-Motor is coming!

We will host EAA's 1929 Ford Tri-Motor May 31 through June 3 at KLXT. Hours of operation will be 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on May 31 and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. all other days.

As I've said many times, riding on the Tri-Motor is like stepping into a time machine – it's a great way to experience luxury travel as it was in 1929, and always brings smiles to the passengers' faces. The plane is also a flying billboard for EAA and our chapter, since many visitors follow it to the airport.

Advance tickets are priced at \$70 for adults and \$50 for youth seventeen and under. Walk-up tickets are priced at \$75 and \$50 respectively. Ground tours are free.

We'll kick off our cookout season on March 23 with a Cajun theme. Be sure to sign up at the March 19 chapter gathering.

If you missed any of my previous wiring classes, you'll have another opportunity the afternoon of March 24 at 1:00 p.m. at the Larry Young Eagle Hangar. I will tailor the class based on interest, so let me know if you can attend, and what you'd be most interested in discussing.

Also, let us know what other workshops you might be interested in, and we'll work them into the calendar.

Still looking forward to spring! See you at the Eagle Hangar!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike". The signature is stylized with a cursive, flowing script.

EAA CHAPTER 91

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

February 17, 2018

The meeting of EAA Chapter 91, along with the annual banquet, was called to order by President Mike Dooley at 6:50 P.M. following the buffet dinner in the chapter hangar at Lee's Summit Airport. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sarah Ratley, and the invocation by Rick Beckman.

The minutes of the January 15, 2018 were approved as printed in the February newsletter. Members were urged to get 2018 membership dues to Phil Ishmael along with an updated application if any changes in their data had changed. Applications were available. Also, anyone using Chapter 91 hangar space was reminded to return the Hangar Use Agreement as soon as possible. The next board meeting was scheduled March 5, 2018 and the next chapter meeting was scheduled March 19. The program would be presented by Fred Schieszer. A VMC Club meeting was scheduled March 12 and an aircraft electrical workshop March 24. An IMC Club meeting was scheduled April 9 with the first pancake breakfast & Young Eagles rally April 21. The EAA's Ford Tri-motor would be hosted by the chapter May 31 to June 4.

Mike Dooley then presented certificates to members who had served as officers and other capacities during 2017. He also presented "pancake pins" to anyone who had worked with the pancake breakfasts.

Larry Young, as program chairman, introduced the evening speaker, Michelle Bogowith, meteorologist with WDAF-TV.

Following the program Michelle drew the winning ticket for the B-29 painting donated by chapter member Phil Schmidt. The painting went to lucky winner, Jeff Wilkinson.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M. Many members assisted in tearing down tables and cleanup.

AWARDS AT THE ANNUAL BANQUET



A special award for outstanding service to the chapter, for more years than most of us care to count, went to Pam Ratliff, chapter secretary. Pam oversees multiple duties that are not even in her job description, and she deserves all the recognition we can give. Award was presented by Chapter 91's President Mike Dooley.

EXALTED ORDER OF THE PANCAKE



In an unsuspected but gracious move, which we hope will continue as an annual tradition, President Mike Dooley called forward anyone who had participated in last year's Young Eagles events, regardless of how that service was performed. As the intrigued crowd gathered at the front of the room, each contributor was presented with a handsome lapel pin depicting the menu of a typical breakfast served at our Young Eagles events. For now, we are referring to this as the Royal Order of the Pancake (not to be confused with an order of pancakes). See what happens when you volunteer your time and talents? Be the first on your block to receive this coveted recognition! Get involved! Young Eagles starts again in April.

AT OUR ANNUAL BANQUET



FEBRUARY'S PROGRAM – THE WEATHER LADY



Michelle Bogowith clearly enjoys being in front of a group. And that's good since, an on-air meteorologist, she speaks to many people every weekday on WDAF TV, Fox 4.

Michelle's fascination with weather began as a young girl when she witnessed a waterspout while on a family vacation in Alabama. From then on, she knew what she wanted to do. She earned a BS in meteorology at MU, then got her Masters. After a stint on air at the Columbia station, she came to Channel 4 where she's been ever since.

Michelle's husband, Gary, remembered us because he took a Young Eagles flight with Chapter 91 several years ago. And while Michelle didn't fly with us, she hitched a ride with the Blue Angles at the 2015 airshow, so that has to count.

Michelle didn't address aviation weather specifically, but she did present an overview of how the weather works, and some ways she and her colleagues manipulate the raw data. She discussed clouds to severe storms, then zeroed in on tornadoes. Her pictures of damage caused by various storms illustrated what those categories meant. She was very actively involved with the horrendous devastation in Joplin in 2011, so her focus on severe storms is understandable.

We were pleased to host Michelle and Gary at our annual banquet, and we'd love to have them come back again some time.

MARCH'S UPCOMING PROGRAM

Following a heinous airplane accident in Missouri, the ensuing investigation revealed a number of startling errors on the part of the A&E mechanic. How these blunders resulted in the accident is a tale well worth hearing. It may make you double check your A&E's qualifications in the future. And who better to tell the story than gifted educator and speaker Fred Schieszer. When Fred speaks, people listen, and everyone who flies should hear Fred's story starting at our next gathering, 7 p.m. on Monday, May 19. Knowing Fred, you'll hang on to every word. We look forward to seeing you at 7:00 p.m. on March 19.



Our next meeting of the VMC Club will be Monday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Have you ever started out with one destination in mind, and then ended up somewhere else? Come share your experiences as we talk about "switching to Plan B."

We meet at the Chapter 91 EAA hangar at the Lee's Summit Airport. Driving directions - take I-470 to Exit 9, Douglas Drive / Lee's Summit Drive, and turn north. At the bottom of the hill, turn right and follow the road to the end. The Larry Young Eagle hangar is on the west side of the parking lot next to the Cessna on a Post. (GIVE YOURSELF SOME EXTRA TIME THIS MONTH. THE DOUGLAS DRIVE BRIDGE OVER 1-470 IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.)

There is no cost to sit in on our monthly meetings. And there is no cost to check out the VMC website www.eaa.org/vmcclub. VMC membership is free to EAA members. Not an EAA member? Ask me about a free six-month EAA membership.

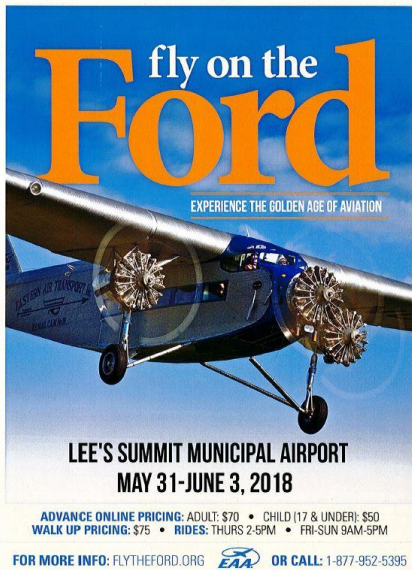
Bring a flying friend.

Chris Hope, CFI-I, VMC Club Facilitator
2018 FAA Flight Instructor of the Year, Central Region

More info about VMC Clubs at: www.eaa.org/vmcclub

(This invitation is extended to all pilots who are serious about flying.)

THE TRI-MOTOR IS COMING



Once again, Chapter 91 will host the EAA's famous Ford Tri-Motor at KLXT. Our past sponsorships have proven successful both at introducing the non-flying public to aviation, but also to the chapter and our purposes and activities. We have also been pleased to add a bit to our chapter bank account as well. This year we will hold a special "Night with the Tri-Motor Crew." The public will be invited and we will offer hotdogs and hamburgers to attract visitors. This will be an up-close-and-personal visit with the people who fly this old bird, and they will explain how it all works.

The exact date and time will be announced soon

so we hope you can join us. As always, this event will require the efforts of many volunteers. Our chapter has always come through, and we expect this year to be even better. Wayne Moore will head up the event as our marketing coordinator, and he's shouldering a big job. Any help you can give Wayne would be greatly appreciated. Don't hesitate to approach him and ask how you can help.

GRIFF'S GIFT

The generosity and dedication of Chapter 91 members does not go unnoticed, especially when we learn about it. When the chapter receives contributions from members or interested parties happen, we like to pass along a little praise and thanks when possible. Recently, Griff Pickett sold an old 1938 Lycoming O-145 aircraft engine, and decided to donate a significant portion of the proceeds to the chapter. We certainly appreciate the contribution, but the thought behind it is even more startling. Thanks, Griff!

You may not know that Chapter 91 is a real 501(c)(3) charitable organization, so a gift can definitely provide handsome, tax-favorable benefits to you. If you'd like to learn more, please contact an officer, or go directly to Phil Ishmael, CPA, who serves as our treasurer. We appreciate everyone's interest in helping the chapter continue to prosper.

BILL HERROLD IN REHAB

We were sad to hear that longtime Chapter 91 member and contributor Bill Herrold has suffered a stroke and other physical problems. He is currently at the Bonner Springs Nursing and Rehab Center at 520 Morse Avenue, Bonner Springs, KS 66012. We know Bill would love to hear from fellow members and we hope everyone will remember him in their thoughts and prayers.

YOUNG EAGLES SEASON BEGINS

It's time to start flying kids again. Our 2018 Young Eagles season opener starts April 21, as usual, the month's third Saturday. While there will be some minor annoying construction issues this summer, we know we won't have to put up with the extensive sprawl and confusion like last year's runway rebuild. But as always, we need pilots and ground crews to make these events the successes we're known for.

As a reminder, those who participated in last year's events were inducted into the Order of the Pancake at our annual banquet, and you may be able to do the same this year. All it takes is crawling out of bed a little earlier than usual and coming out to help. There's something warming about knowing you're making a lasting impact on a young kid's life, and you never know which one that may be. But you must be present to win. So if you have not been able to help in the past, please make your best efforts to do so this season. Our Young Eagles rallies last from April through October, so you have seven times you can show your stuff.

Mr. Young Eagles, Chris St. Germain, has two large groups already scheduled for our kickoff weekend: A pack of Cub Scouts, and our annual gang from the Wright Flight kids. So it's already starting to get busy.

If you can assist, please contact a chapter officer. We always pass around a signup sheet at our monthly gatherings, and that's a great place to learn more about what's needed and how you can join the fun. Everyone has a great time and the kids always come away in awe. The background work is rarely noticed, but it's important nonetheless. Your help will be most appreciated by everyone. Please plan to join us to hear more information at our March gathering, March 19, and again on Saturday, April 21.

AND THE WINNER IS



World class artist and generous contributor Phil Schmidt, presents his gorgeous watercolor of a B-29 to lucky winner Jeff Wilkinson. Jeff won the drawing at our annual banquet in February. Congratulations, Jeff, and thanks again, Phil.

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