

EAA-COLUMBIA STATION

The Newsletter of the Newest EAA Chapter in Ohio and the world (for at least a day or two)

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EAA's Newest Chapter Forms at Columbia Station Airport

The following individuals have combined to form the newest Chapter in the Experimental Aircraft Association family: Doug Van Nuys, Melanie Van Nuys, Stuart Peterseim, Bill Peterseim, Dave Manning, Gary Palinkas, Gary Gembala, Joe Corcoran, Joe Lipovitz, Gerhard Kalterherberg, Chuck Hollan, Sr., Chuck Hollan, Jr., John Schmidt, Leo Dailey, Brian Dailey, and Gary Baker. After a few organizational meetings where ideas were passed around as to what an EAA Chapter could do for Columbia Airport and the local airport, elections were held, decisions were made, dues were collected, and the ever-present paperwork was completed and mailed in to the Chapter Office at EAA's headquarters in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The group now waits for official recognition from the Chapter Office.

Minutes of the Organizational Meeting

Organizational Meeting was held November 17, 1998. Officer elections were held. 1-year tenure was proposed and accepted. The newly-elected officers will hold office until December 31, 1999.

Gary Baker proposed dues to be \$10 for each calendar year. Anticipated annual expenditures are for liability insurance and newsletters. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Doug Van Nuys motioned for 1st Tuesday of the month as meeting day and 7:00 for meeting time. This passed by a unanimous vote. Next Meeting will be December 1, 1998 at 7:00 at Columbia Airport.

Bill Peterseim has offered his home for the Chapter Christmas Party. Tentative date is 12/18 or 12/19. Details will be at the next meeting.

Dave Manning motioned for February meeting to be held with Wadsworth's Chapter 846. A Pennzoil Representative will be the guest speaker. We will hold a mini meeting before the presentation to take care of any old/new business. The date for this meeting will be February 11, 1999.

Chapter Liability Insurance was voted on and set at \$2,000,000. The premium for this year is \$100.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Secretary

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Meeting Night: First Tuesday of
each month, 7:00 p.m.

Calendar:

Dec. 1 7 pm Meeting
Terminal Building
Dec. ?? ? pm Christmas Party
Bill Peterseim's Home
Jan. 5 7 pm Meeting
Feb. 11 7:30 pm Meeting in
conjunction with Chapter 846's
FAA Safety Seminar

Prez Corner

Well, it looks like we did it! The Columbia EAA Chapter is well on its way to being a reality. The officers have been elected, meeting day and time chosen, dues set and it looks like we have a lot of great programs in our future. An EAA Chapter is a vital part of the growth of Columbia Airport as well as an excellent opportunity for us aviators, builders, pilots and families to join together in a common interest of promoting aviation.

One thing that we need all current members to focus on is increasing our membership roster. This means getting the word out about who we are and what we do, and bringing a friend or two to our monthly meetings. This is the most important way to assure continued success for our Chapter. Not only does it help the Chapter grow physically, but financially as well. EAA will give our Chapter \$10 for every new EAA member that we sign up. That's free money for the Chapter Treasury for whatever we want to use it for. Remember, you don't have to be a pilot to be an EAA member, you just have to love aviation, so anyone is welcome at our meetings.

In the meantime, however, I think we have a good thing going. We have a lot of great plans on the drawing board for the next few months. One thing I would like to stress is we want this to be a fun and enjoyable year for everyone. We hope that you all will get involved with the events that we plan. This isn't just a Chapter for one or two of us, it's for ALL of us. I am looking forward to 1999---and what it will bring for us as a Chapter--it's going to be a very exciting time for everyone!

Your Prez,

Doug

DECEMBER MEETING

December's meeting will be held Tuesday, December 1, at the Columbia Airport. Next year's schedule of events will be discussed, as well as determining some upcoming programs. Dues will be collected, along with the Membership Application Forms. Please make every effort to attend.

CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Chapter is not even officially recognized and the parties have begun! Bill (and unknowingly his wife Linda!) has graciously offered his home for the first event of the Columbia Station EAA Chapter. This event is a potluck Christmas Party. Bill, Linda, and their son, Stuart (our Vice-President!) live in North Royalton at 4411 Sir Robert Avenue, just north of Rt. 82, between Rt. 94 and Rt. 82. More information will be disclosed at the December meeting.

MEMBER PROFILE: YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Gary Baker has volunteered to help get this new chapter on its feet by taking the reins of the Newsletter Editor. Gary is a 13-year member of EAA and a six-year member of EAA Chapter 846, which meets at Wadsworth Airport. He has served as 846's President for four years and is the Chapter's Flight Advisor and Young Eagles Coordinator.

Gary and his wife, Mary, have two boys, Brian, 9, and Drew, 4. They have lived in Medina for the past ten years. Mary is a librarian at the Brunswick branch of the Medina County District Library, working in the Children's department. Brian is very active in sports, primarily baseball and soccer, and has just received his Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. Drew loves to do anything that Brian is doing.

An RV-6 is Gary's current project. He has completed the tail kit and the wing spars. He is readying the wing ribs, aileron parts, and flap parts in preparation for priming and will then begin assembling the wings. He is building the majority of the aircraft at Dave Ross' farm southeast of Wakeman and the control surfaces at home. Dave is an accomplished RV-4 builder and has won many awards for his airplane.

When he is not working on the -6, Gary is a First Officer flying the B-737 for Continental Airlines. He has also flown the Embraer Brasilia EMB-120, Boeing 727 and DC-9 for Continental and Continental Express. He has his CFII, as well as the CFI-ME, and is an Aviation Safety Counselor for the Cleveland office of the FAA.

Gary welcomes all visitors to his shop and home. Any suggestions and/or criticisms of the newsletter are also welcomed.

CHAPTER DUES and MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Chapter dues have been set at \$10 per calendar year for each member. Each member can pay in cash or by check and given to Mel Van Nuys, Treasurer, at a monthly meeting or mail to her at: 27410 Royalton Road, Columbia Station, OH 44028.

Members are also asked to complete the Membership Application found at the end of this newsletter and turn the form in with your dues. The information asked for on the form will be used to make a Chapter Roster and distributed to the membership.

Thank you in advance for completing the form.

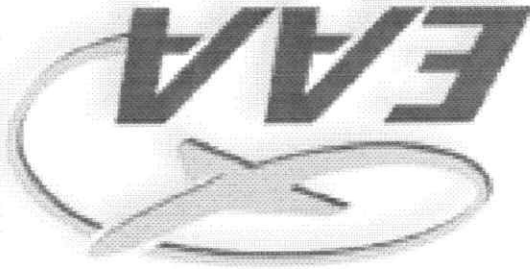
MISUNDERSTANDING CLEARED UP!

There was some misunderstanding as to a fee supposedly charged by EAA for setting up a new chapter. There is no \$50 per charter member fee that needs to be paid to EAA. The only monies due EAA are for the insurance premium for the liability coverage that each Chapter is required to carry.

Our members decided to sign up for the \$2 million coverage, in the anticipation of having a fly-in this next year. The lowest amount of coverage offered is \$1 million for a premium of \$40. The premium for the higher amount of coverage is \$100, which has been paid from the dues collected.



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