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The Hernando Flyer

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The April 6th Chapter meeting will be held on the first **Wednesday** of the month, and will be continued on that day for the foreseeable future. Meetings are open to anyone with an interest in building, restoring, and flying airplanes. The meeting will be held at the CAP Building on Air Commerce Rd., starting at 7:00 PM. There should be ample parking in front of the of the CAP building.

President's Corner:

Greetings fellow members, Well this past month has been interesting. Cool weather lasted until the third week then a few storms blew through. One of the storms carried enough of a punch to roll one of the ultralights on the ramp into a ball. Actually it appeared that one of the wing struts failed which allowed the left wing to collapse. Frank Dysart's 172's tail got driven down with enough force to damage the tail hook and the elevators. Only one word to describe the damage to both planes, Bummer. Frank was getting some estimates for repairs so hopefully the Green Machine will be flying soon.

The chapter's Young Eagles Flights held on the 18th and 19th was a success. We flew 17 young people. Some Documentation for Young Eagles flights last year were located and submitted. Everyone who flew YE should get credit, but if you want to check with the EAA headquarters, give them about a month to input the data.

Our "Bald Eagles" event in on April 9th. Those pilots who have submitted the required information will be able to participate. The EAA has an exemption from the flying for money and from the drug testing with the understanding that the guide lines set down are followed. The event should bring the chapter some money that we'll be able to put into our scholarship fund. If you have submitted the information to fly that day, thanks. We will need some folks to handle ground operations to ensure the safety of our guests. Greg will throw a couple of turkeys into the pot and Edgar will whip up some brats and sausages.

Reminder, the chapter's meeting will be on April 6th, see you then.

Bernie

President Bernie Berger called the March meeting to order at 7:10. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Bernie introduced 2 guests. Eleven of our members attended the meeting.

Jim Doan gave the Treasurer's Report, there is a balance of \$1191 in the kitty. The report was accepted as read. Following Jim's report, the Secretary's report was read and also accepted.

Richard Mullen was our guest speaker. He was a pilot during World War II. After his interesting presentation, the members discussed the purchase of the Weber grill. It was decided that 3 of the 5 Chapter officers must pre-approve the purchase of small items. Expensive items must be approved by a vote the members.

The next discussion involved the Bald Eagle Flight to be held on April 9, 2005. Each Bald Eagle will pay \$40.00, \$5.00 of this will go back to the Hernando Yacht Club. \$10.00 will go towards pilot expenses, and the remainder will be used to purchase lunch supplies. Remaining money will go to the Chapter to the Chapter Treasury.

We are still working on the planning of a Compass Rose, which will be used just as a reference tool.

Pending Young Eagle flights were discussed, Central High and Springstead High will be making flights in the near future. Edgar has volunteered to provide lunch for the pilots at these flights.

On Friday, April 15, at 5:30 the Officers of Chapter 1298 will join the EAA in Sun and Fun for a get together.

Our meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Edgar Flaig, Secretary

Chapter News:

The Young Eagles Flights on March 12, March 17, and March 18 went very well. Although we didn't have as many people as expected but it went smoothly. A side note, early in the morning on March 12th, three young people were stopped from walking out among the planes while planes were taxiing in. Rick Hughes took them under his wing and showed them around. (We have got to develop proper security or give up Young Eagle Flights. This must be discussed at the April Meeting.) When we got going, the turnarounds went quickly.

Edgar, the brats were great, but let's get some thing in addition to them.

Thanks to Susan McElvaney, who took over the administrative tasks of Young Eagles giving Edgar a needed break,

At the last meeting a list was passed around for those who have email addresses to sign up for email delivery of the Monthly Chapter Newsletter. We are going to be publishing the newsletter on the chapter website and send those who don't have email, or other wise wish a hard copy, a snail mail version. The Newsletter will actually be posted on Chapter Web Site. There are quite a few of our members who have email but were not at the meeting. To those folks, if you have not signed up to receive the Monthly Chapter Newsletter by email, would you let me know. Each month, when the newsletter is published, you will receive an email with a link to the newsletter.

The chapter newsletter has been sent to all members by snail mail since the Chapter's founding. Several suggestions have been made that we send the Newsletter by Electronics means. Some say it would be more convenient that way and it would save costs. A two-page newsletter costs 49 cents, while a three-page newsletter costs 54 cents. These costs are soon to rise 2 cents. The difficulty with all electronic newsletter delivery is that all members do not have Email. So what has been devised is a simple method to send the Newsletter to those who sign up for the Electronic delivery and continue the

send snail mail copies to those who desire that method of delivery. At the next meeting, an electronic delivery sign-up sheet will be passed around. You can make your choice at that time or any time in the future.

The way the Electronic delivery will work us as follows: The Newsletter will be written and made up as usual. Larry Wimble has agreed to then include each month's Newsletter as a part of the Chapter's Web Site. He will then send each member who has requested Electronic Delivery; an Email message stating the Newsletter is now on the Web Site with a link to that site. All the member has to do is to click on the link and the next screen will be the Chapter Web Site with the current Newsletter. Nothing could be simpler.

Also, if you have a photo of your plane, would you get it to Bernie or to Larry Wimble law@egal1298.org
If it's not digital, Bernie will scan it for you so it can be posted on the web site.

Some Headlines Seen Last Year:

Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says
[No, really?]
Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers
[Now that's taking things a bit far!]
Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over
[What a guy!]
Miners Refuse to Work after Death
[No-good-for-nothin' lazy so-and-sos!]
Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant
[See if that works any better than a fair trial!]
War Dims Hope for Peace
[I can see where it might have that effect!]
Enfield (London) Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide
[They may be on to something!]
Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges
[You mean there's something stronger than duct tape?!]
Man Struck By Lightning Faces Battery Charge
[He probably IS the battery charge!]
New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group
[Weren't they fat enough?!]
Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half
[Chainsaw Massacre all over again!]
Hospitals are sued by 7 Foot Doctors
[Boy, are they tall!]