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# The Hernando Flyer

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**T**he March Chapter meeting will be held on **Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup>**. The Meeting will be a combined Business and Picnic affair. The Business portion will start at 10:30 and Lunch will be served starting at 11:30. Meetings are open to anyone with an interest in building, restoring, and flying airplanes. The meeting will be held at the airport hangar where we held our last Picnic. There should be ample parking in front of the hangars on the grass area.

## President's Corner:

I can't believe that the first quarter of the year is coming up on us quickly, Yikes!

Allow me to share an observation. Our chapter is not growing, in fact it's downsizing. As many of our members drop out due to various reasons, the monthly attendance to our meetings dwindles. We are averaging around 14 folks per meeting and it's sad. If you are still interested in the chapter's survival, we need everyone to start attending the meetings. We need your participation, support and input. We need to grow and one way is to get some of the younger pilots at the airport to join us. This should be everyone's mission. Your support is greatly appreciated. Additionally, we need speakers who can provide us with some interesting stories. If anyone has an idea who is out there that's willing to share his or her story, let me know.

Dick Fontenot, Edgar and myself moved the RV-8 kit down to a hanger at the airport. I'm going to try to enlist one of our members, who is knowledgeable of RV's to help with an inventory with the intent to put the kit up for sale on Barnstormers, the RV Builder's support group and possibly Ebay. The sale of the kit will be a financial boost to the chapter.

Central and Springstead High ROTC have contacted Edgar, our Young Eagles coordinator, to put on a few Young Eagles days. The dates are listed below. This is going to call for a maximum effort.

Dates to remember are:

- March 25th for Springstead's ROTC cadets
- May 20th for Central High's ROTC Cadets.
- The Bald Eagles event is will be on April 29th

For the Bald Eagles we will need pilots with Certified airplanes. Just like last year, the participating pilots will be partially reimbursed for the cost of fuel. To participate we need the following information:

- Pilot's hours as PIC (page showing the total hours)
- Copies from their log books showing the date of their BFR
- Copy of the pilot's medical.
- We need to provide copies of the aircraft's annual

We need everyone's support on this project since this event is a moneymaker for the chapter.

We will be pressure washing the Compass Rose site in the coming weeks. James Chorvat , or should I say, Fire Captain Chovat will be able to provide water for the job with one of his tankers. James and I have pressure cleaners, anyone else?

We will be having our 2nd barbeque meeting on March 4th. Spouses are invited.

Bernie

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### **Chapter Meeting Minutes:**

The February meeting began at 7.10pm with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in honor of Charlie Corn. We had 10 members present and 1 guest.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The treasurer reported he took in membership dues from 12 members, which amounted to \$240.00. He paid out \$20.00 for rent and \$17.65 for postage. Our current balance is \$1163.06. The report was accepted as read.

We decided to bring the RV8 kit parts to Bernie's hangar and inventory everything. We will then place adds on RV website and the Barnstormer site.

The discussion concerning the compass rose was next on the agenda. We will start working on it in mid March. Bernie and James will do the pressure washing. The airport authority will supply all the material.

We still have a few members that have not paid their 2006 dues.

On Saturday, March the 4th, we will have another meeting and picnic. The meeting is from 10.30 till 11.30 and then we will eat. Make sure to bring your spouses along.

On Saturday, March the 25th, we will be flying the Springstead ROTC. On April 29th, we will have the 2nd cookout and flight for the Bald Eagles. On May 20th, we will take the Central ROTC for Young Eagle flights.

Lloyd Cross was our speaker for the evening. He told us about his recent visit to the Naval Museum in North Florida.

Edgar won the 50/50 raffle. The meeting was adjourned at 8.50.  
Respectfully submitted,

Edgar Flaig