

GALT TRAFFIC



NOVEMBER 2003

OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

Taken by J. Hill, Sr., standing in for Steve Mark.

A motion was passed directing the Treasurer to consult with a tax advisor concerning the need to file State and Federal income tax returns for the Chapter and to determine the best strategies for the paying or prepaying of expenses, etc...

There is interest in the building of a new Chapter Hangar. Volunteers for a committee to investigate the possibilities are: **Greg Domski, Scott Feeman, John Grosse, Dick Hahn and Mark Krohn.**

There were seven nominations for the offices of President and Vice-President. Three accepted: **Greg Domski, Jim Fellers and John Roach.** (For more on the upcoming election, see following article.)

Michael Dean offered to check on a source of permanent name badges for Chapter members. **Jeff Hill, Sr.** offered to produce a "business card" with Chapter information and an invitation to join for members to give prospective new members.



Saturday, Oct. 11 was a busy day. After the Chapter meeting we flew about 20 Young Eagles.



Galt Airport hosted activities beginning with a Bar-B-Q lunch at Noon followed by a bomb drop and an accuracy land-

ing contest. Around 5, we started a bonfire, had a hayride for the kids (both big and little) and enjoyed chili with all the 'fix'ns' – and lots of good fellowship.

PICTURES – ABOVE upper left and clockwise: Lew Fabian burns brats and burgers * Darren, Larry and Burt hangar flying * Mike LeJeune presents prizes to Larry Dagley * and Tom Hoppe for their superior airmanship in the spot landing and bomb drop contests.

BELOW left to right: Toby Tiffnay and friends on the hayride. * Mallory Hill, Dinah Hoppe, Sharon and Jeff Hill, Jr. * Scott Feeman and Dave Spitzbart start the fire. *Pix courtesy John Roach*



NOVEMBER MEETING & ELECTION OF CHAPTER PERESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Our Chapter by-laws call for the election of a President and Vice President in odd numbered years. Past president, Mark Krohn, has announced that he will not run for re-election. At the November membership meeting, **Saturday Nov. 8 at 10 AM**, you will be presented a ballot where you may write in the name of your choice for President and Vice President. You may vote for two of the three nominees, **Greg Domski, Jim Fellers or John Roach**, or you may write in the name of any Chapter member in good standing. **PROXIES:** If you cannot attend but wish to exercise your vote, you may ask another member to vote your proxy. Just sign a statement saying,

“ _____ is hereby directed to vote my proxy in the EAA Chapter 932 Nov. 2003 election of President and Vice President.” Signed _____ followed by your EAA Membership Number and expiration date.

This election will have a great effect on the future of your Chapter. Please attend the meeting and vote, or direct another member to vote your proxy.

Young Eagles Coordinator, Larry Schubert promises a good turnout for Young Eagle flights after the meeting (11 to 4 PM). If you can fly Young Eagles or help crew, please lend a hand.

CONGRATULATIONS...



... to **Shawn Gaya**, man of many talents. He is a Galt Airport A&P with IA, aircraft builder and restorer, professional farrier (horse shoer) EAA 932 member and as of Oct. 19, PRIVATE PILOT.

Many happy landings, Shawn.

CRAZY CUBS? NO PROBLEM!

No floats?
NO PROBLEM!

No starter?
NO PROBLEM!



FLYING THE CONCRETE COMPASS I-80; Omaha / Lincoln

By Jeff Hill, Sr.

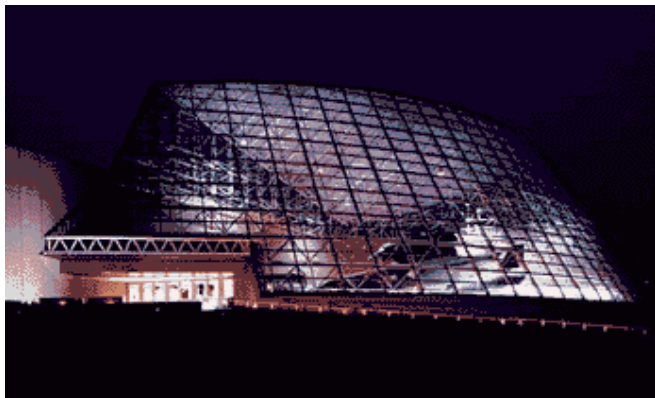
A lot of people think Nebraska is flat and boring, which of course, it is – unless one looks around a little. I wanted to see the “SAC Museum” located about halfway between Omaha and Lincoln. If you’re *driving* I-80, no problem, it’s just off the interstate. But if you’re flying, you’ll need a car, so your choices are Omaha Eppley (OMA) Omaha Millard (MLE) or Lincoln (LNK). We chose OMA as my wife and I also wanted to see some of Council Bluffs, IA and downtown Omaha.

This junction of the Platte and Missouri Rivers is an interesting area. Lewis and Clark passed through here on their way to and from the Pacific (1804 and 1806) and in the Loess Hills on the Missouri River’s eastern floodplain is where they buried Sgt. Floyd, the only man to die on the expedition (appendicitis?). It’s also a great area if you’re any sort of a rail fan. President Lincoln chose Council Bluffs as the starting point of the first transcontinental railroad. It is still a big rail center, as is Omaha, which is the long time “head shed” of the Union Pacific. The entire UP system is dispatched from a building in downtown Omaha, another miracle of modern communications technology!

In addition to the UP’s own museum in downtown Omaha, there is the **Durham Western Heritage Museum** (www.dwhm.org). It’s located in the old Union Station and it’s worth a visit. Bronzed, life size statues clad and coifed circa 1940-60, are located throughout the old waiting and ticketing areas. As one nears, a motion sensor starts an audiotape: Here, is a middle-aged man with bag and sales case studying the schedule board and thinking aloud about his itinerary and connections. Here, a mother instructs her young son and daughter in the proper behavior on trains, and over here, a pretty girl and her handsome sailor bid a sad farewell. There are several of these “scenes”, a bit eerie, but our “eavesdropping” rapidly set the stage and put us in the mood for the many excellent exhibits of this area’s heritage that awaited.



After a fun day and good nights sleep in Omaha, we drove out to the “SAC Museum”, now The **Strategic Air and Space Museum** (www.strategicairandspace.com). It’s worth a visit just to see the architecture, all 300,000 square feet, almost 7 acres! There are plenty of **BIG** toys to fill it up. The short list: B-1 (undergoing restoration) SR-71, B-52, B-36, MiG 21, FB-111,



An SR-71 hangs in the glass atrium separating the huge display hangars. The main entrance is on the left.

Vulcan, Apollo 009, U-2, C-119G, B-17, B-47, B-25N, A25N, A-26B, B-29, B-47E, B-57E, B-58A, C-47A, C-54D, C-124A, F-84F, XF-85 (Goblin), F-86, F-101, F-102, KC-97, EC-135, RB-45C, HU-16B, H-19B, CH-21B, T-29 (in restoration), T-33, T-39, AQM-34 – all under roof!



Their F-102 looks like it just came out of the factory. I thought, “Why would they put this in a museum? It’s not old enough.” It’s not that long ago that I first saw and marveled at its fantastically futuristic physique. Well, I guess it was in the late ‘50s, and I guess I was still in high school – but it wasn’t all *that* long ago.

FLY-IN / EVENTS CALENDAR

NOV 8 Regular Meeting 10 AM **Election of officers**

Young Eagles 11-4

DEC 13 Regular Meeting 10 AM

DEC 13-17 1st Flight Centennial Kitty Hawk, NC

For information on **Fly-Ins**, aviation **events** and **alerts** to pilots, check the following web sites:

EAA: www.eaa.org

AOPA: www.aopa.org

EAA 932: www.eaa932.org

FAA: www.faa.gov

IL DOT: www.dot.state.il.us/aero/index.html

WI DOT: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/air/genral.html

EAA 932 Meetings 2nd Saturdays 10 am *and* Young Eagle Flights 11-4 pm (Apr.-Nov.)

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THREE RETIRED PILOTS by JHsr.



Oscar to Papa: “Foxy drove me to the doctor yesterday. Doc said I should get a hot mamma and be cheerful.”

Foxy: “No, no!” “He said ‘you got a heart murmur, be careful’.”



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