EAA Chapter 1414



LEADING EDGE

March, 2012

January Meeting



Tom Thomas

The guest speaker in February was Tom Thomas. He gave a presentation on the history of the Wisconsin Air National Guard. During the business meeting David Wakefield displayed a scale model of the future hangar which may become our future home. (See photo on page 2.) President Lee Hilbert served another delicious meal of brats and sauerkraut. Next month Lytle Johnson will speak.



David Wakefield, Lee Hilbert, Adolph Svec

Flying for a Fishing Lodge in Alaska

By Lytle Johnson

Bristol Bay and its contributing rivers and streams constitute a large part of southwest Alaska. It is home to the largest run of sockeye salmon in the world. These fish support a thriving commercial fishery and the spawning salmon provide food for a variety of freshwater fish and animal wildlife, mainly bears. This abundance of wildlife in turn spawns many fly-out lodges. People come to these lodges to fish for record freshwater species as well as for salmon, and to both view and hunt the animal life; with no more than 40 miles of roads in southwest Alaska, the airplane, especially on floats, is the only way to travel.

The lodge I flew for is located in the Wood-Tikchik state park, the largest in Alaska, and it adjoins the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge. Two DeHavilland Beavers on floats are the lifeblood of the lodge operations. Every Sunday marks the exchange of one set of lodge guests for another, 10 per week. Garbage goes out, food and propane comes in. Fuel for the lodge, airplanes, and boats must be tanked back to the lodge where it is stored for use later in the week. The rest of the week is spent getting lodge guests to and from lakes, rivers, and streams where the guides show them the best fishing spots, depending on what species they want to fish on any given day.

My presentation uses photos and videos taken last summer to show what the pilot's job at the lodge entails: the rivers, the fishermen, the food, the guests, the lodge staff, the lodge itself, the planes and their maintenance, the animals, geography, and weather (both good and bad). It is quite a bit different than the usual air-taxi jobs in Alaska.

Coming Events

March 13 - Monthly Chapter Meeting, Supper, 5:30 PM, Meeting, 6:30 PM Speaker - Lytle Johnson "Flying in Alaska"

March 17 - Director/Committee Chair Meeting, 8:30 AM

April 7 - Director/Committee Chair Meeting, 8:30 AM

April 10 - Monthly Chapter Meeting, Supper, 5:30 Pm, Meeting, 6:30 PM Speaker - Dean May "Flying Like Birds"

April 21 - Director/Committee Chair Meeting, 8:30 AM

April 21 - USO-Theme Dance, Ken Kresmery's Hangars, 6 PM

May 8 - Monthly Chapter Meeting, Supper, 5:30 PM, Meeting, 6:30 PM Speaker - Dave Shcall "MedXPress

June 12 - Monthly Meeting, Supper, 5:30 PM, Meeting, 6:30 PM, Sky Knights Presentation

Mission Statement

Promote, encourage and facilitate an environment that fosters safety, education and high standards in the design, construction, restoration and operation of all types of recreational aircraft, as well as, nurture camaraderie and friendship amongst all members!

Hangar Talk

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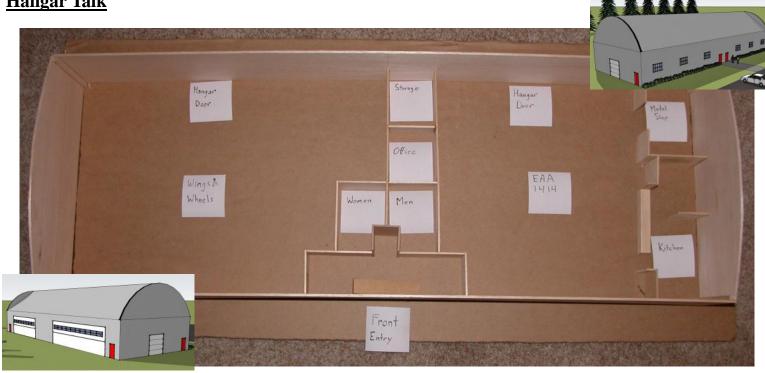
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Scaled Replica of the Proposed Chapter 1414 Hangar built by David Wakefield

Second Annual Fund-Raising USO-THEME DANCE

April 21, 2012, 6 PM Kresmery's MG5 and MG6 Hangars **Poplar Grove Airport** Ticket Price: \$5 a person

Dinner, Dancing and Entertainment! Sing-along **Jitterbug Contest** Honor Guard

BYOB



The Little People

Wear any uniform for an extra door prize! Only 200 tickets will be sold! For tickets contact Dance Chairman Corporal Ken Kresmery (847-742-0000)

EAA 1414 Membership

Below is a list of current new and renewed members. If your name is here, your membership has been paid through December 2012. Contact Treasurer, Adolph Svec, with questions or to renew. A registration form can be found on page seven.

Acardo	John S	Macallister	David
Amundson	Clyde	Maloney	Mike
Anderson	Tom	Martin	Larry
Bainbridge	Red	May	Dean
Blunt	Dennis	May	Glenda
Bugnits	Vic	McLean	Bernie
Callison	David	Meagher	Thomas
Chinick	Harold	Miller	William
Cole	Lynn	Morris	Lorraine
Croswell	Ken	Moses	Bill
Day	Craig	Myers	Ed
Falardeau	Wally & Cheryl	O'Quinn	Robert
Flattum	Steve	Pazdzioch	Chuck
Forys	Joanne	Perry	Don
Friddell	Jay & Abbie	Peters	Kerry
Gallagher	Tim	Peters	Walter
Gallagher	Marty	Pluth	Dan
Galster	Ron	Pollack	Allen
Harvey	Edward	Porter	Bob
Hahn	Richard	Pratt	Jim
Hendricks	John S	Rafferty	Myron
Herdzina	Frank	Ross	Scott
Hilbert	Lee	Salerno	Larry
Hilbert	E.E. "Buck"	Salvig	Leonard
Hoyt	Elaine	Schultz	Walter
Jackson	Tom	Slack	Nancy
Jansen	Chuck	Stadt	David
Johnson	Lytle	Starzyk	Ken
Kelso	Sam	Steiner	Tom
Kirkland	Kip	Stratton	Sean
Kresmery	Marc	Svec	Adolph
Kresmery	Ken	Thomas	Kristin
Kuhlen	Russ	Urbas	Susan
Kuhn	Dick	Urbas-Porter	Jean
Kujuwa	Gene	Von Bosse	Alex
Langdon	Steve	Volin	Dan
Larson	Allen	Wakefield	David
Lynn	Vincent	Wallem	Paul

Buy, Sell, Trade, or Give Away*



*Classified ads may be submitted by any member free of charge. Ads will run for three months.



Wanted to Buy

Federal 2000 skis

I'm looking to buy a set of used Federal 2000 skis for my Piper Colt. Please e-mail me at <u>e.j.myers@comcast.net</u> if you have a set for sale.

For Sale

Mitchell Wing B-10 Kit, 33 ft wing span, 22 hp, 2 cycle engine, Landing gear, Dacron cover, Most ribs completed, Plans - SET, Most every thing to complete - \$2,200.





MOTORCYCLES TAKE FLIGHT

New motorcycle loading system for personal airplanes

Chicago, IL – MotoPOD LLC has developed a motorcycle loading system for personal airplanes. A patent pending collection of ramps and fixtures allows the pilot to load and secure a street-legal motorcycle while a built-in winch system, powered by a cordless drill, does all the work. After landing, it takes just a few minutes to remove the motorcycle and ride away in James Bondstyle.

Why carry a motorcycle? Most of the country's 5,400 small airports don't have ground transportation services. That's a really big problem for personal aviation... or at least it was. By carrying a motorcycle, pilots can enjoy convenient ground transportation at every stop. MotoPOD customers travel more freely, visit new places and explore their destinations.

MotoPOD LLC President, David Shelton, says, "We're trying to support a paradigm shift and change the way in which people use airplanes. Integrated air + ground transportation achieves more of the utility that we demand from our automobiles and provides more places to go and things to do. What percent of every-day destinations just happen to be fly-in destinations? To a motorcycle pilot, they are ALL "fly-in" destinations."

Tool or toy? MotoPOD says BOTH. Mike Thornton of Texas, flies his Cherokee 6 for business, landing at small airports to quote jobs. He currently keeps old cars at several airports that he visits frequently, soon to be replaced by his MotoLOAD system. Steve Reed of Wisconsin, is looking forward to "the freedom of flying wherever I wish, whenever I wish, without worrying about ground transportation."

MotoLOAD is manufactured from welded aluminum tubing and the entire system may be inserted or removed from an airplane in seconds. After loading the motorcycle into a wheeled "sled," it's tipped onto one side, then winched into the aircraft cabin. Once inside, additional fixtures guide the motorcycle into position and the entire package is secured with seatbelts.

Products are currently available for the popular Piper PA-32/34 series airplanes and the company has hinted that other models are on the way. It's designed to haul the MotoCYCLE, a custom aviation motorcycle with

folding handlebars, no-spill plumbing and other features. MotoCYCLE is lightweight, street-legal and provides highway performance for two. Complete packages cost less than \$15,000; around the average price for a Harley-Davidson. It's a little quieter in the rumble department but it can do what other motorcycles can't... fly.





www.MotorcyclePilot.com

************ **2012 Membership Dues**

Lt's time to start signing up for Chapter 1414 membership! You may bring your check for \$20 ★ payable to EAA Chapter 1414 to a chapter meeting or mail it to:

Adolph Svec, Treasurer, 19009 River Road, Marengo, IL 60152-8500. *********

EAA Chapter 1414 Member Information And Application Spouse Address _____ _____State ____ Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone E-mail New Member? _____ Renewal? _____ EAA Membership No. _____ **Aviation Interests:** Pilot Rating (past or current) Type of Airplane(s) owned Type of Airplane(s) under construction Type of Airplane(s) I have an interest in _____ Special Interests or Requests _____ Yearly Dues: \$20 EAA Chapter 1414, 5151 Orth Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

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Chapter 1414 meets on the second Tuesday of the month in Frank Herdzina's hangar, 5151 Orth Road (C77), unless notified otherwise in the newsletter. Supper/social hour begins at 5:30 PM, and the meeting starts at 6:30 PM, unless otherwise announced on the website or in the newsletter. For the winter it is meeting at Herdzina Hangar, east of museum. **Directions:** From Belvidere, IL, go north on Route 76, approx. 3.5 miles, and turn right on Orth Road. Make the first right turn and the museum is on the left.

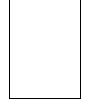
The Website/Newsletter is always looking for interesting articles and pictures by our chapter members. The deadline for submitting is the 29th of each month. The newsletter is distributed on the 1st of each month. Please submit anything you have written, would like to write, or any pictures that you believe would be of interest to the chapter membership. The preferred method for the receiving articles is by e-mail to: **mayge46@frontier.com**. You may bring a copy to a meeting, too.

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In the event of bad weather, a meeting may be canceled. An email announcement will be sent to the membership if it has. If you do not have email or are not sure about the weather, check the website or call an officer to be sure the meeting is taking place. Officers phone numbers are on the previous page of this newsletter.

EAA Chapter 1414 Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, March 13
6:30 PM
Supper/Social Hour 5:30 PM
Frank Herdzina's Hangar





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