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President's Corner

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As we work our way through the various treats winter weather has to offer, I'm reminded of the challenges of flying this time of year. We just got back from the airport (FWA) after an attempt to visit my sister in Ontario, CA. Our inbound aircraft was late enough to ensure a busted connection in DFW, so home we went to try again tomorrow. As the adage goes, "If you have time to spare, go by air....more time yet, take a jet."

In the meantime, this is the perfect time to be planning for the fabulous flying weather ahead. We had a good turnout and a very productive planning session on February 6th. Many dates are now on the calendar with more events TBD.

At our chapter meeting on the 28th, Lara will brief us on what we can do to become the stop of the year during the Air Race Classic that we will help host in June during the GWB stop. We'll also get an update on plans for our participation in the GWB open house in July.

Events like these will require a lot of support from our organization and I ask each of you to step up to ensure a successful outcome. Of course, we all tend to have a lot of fun in the doing. Finally, I would encourage anyone with an interest in helping plan the GWB open house event to attend the next planning meeting on Thursday, 22 February.

We had an excellent Pancake Breakfast at the Hangar in Jan and are looking forward to our next breakfast on Saturday Feb 24!

- Craig

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2018 VAA 37 Annual Banquet

This year, the VAA Chapter 37 Banquet will be Saturday, March 10th. The St. James Restaurant in Avilla is again the location. Our get-together is in the upstairs banquet room, beginning with cocktails at 6:00 P.M. A cash bar will be available. Dinner begins at 7:00 P.M. The menu includes the following excellent choices:

North Atlantic Cod - \$22.00

8-Oz. Ribeye - \$23.00

Broasted Chicken - \$19.00

** Prices include tax and gratuity*

All dinners are served with baked potato, salad, and fresh baked bread. VAA Chapter 37 will provide all non-alcoholic beverages at no charge.

Contact Drew Hoffman at 260-515-3525, by voice or text, to make your reservations and entrée selection by Sunday March 4th. If you need to change your plans, cancellations may be made up until Wednesday March 7th by contacting Drew.

Geoff Robison will collect payment the night of the dinner. (No-shows are asked to cover the cost of their selection).

Driving Directions: The St. James Restaurant is at 204 E. Albion St., Avilla, IN, 46710. Albion Street is also Hwy 8 thru Avilla. The St. James is a little East of Old Hwy 3 on Hwy 8.

Join us for an enjoyable evening of good food with good friends!



The St. James Restaurant, Avilla, IN

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Upcoming Events

Feb 22- GWB Open House Planning, upper main terminal, 7:00p, (kGWB)

Feb 24- Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 8 to 11am

Feb 28 - VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Mar 10- VAA 37 Chapter Banquet at the St. James Restaurant

Mar 24 - Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 8 to 11am

Mar 28- VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Apr 14- Airport Equipment Cleanup Day, 09:00 - 13:00

Apr 20-22- OSH Vintage work weekend

Apr 25- VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Apr 28 - Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 7 to 10am

May 05- Young Eagles Rally, Hangar A, (kGWB)

May 17- Memphis Belle Unveiling at USAF Museum, Wright-Patt

May 18-20- OSH Vintage work weekend

May 23- VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

May 26 - Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 7 to 10am

May 27 - Memorial Day Sunday BBQ Cookout at the Hangar

Jun 02- Field trip to Kalamazoo Air Zoo, details TBD

Jun 16- Young Eagles Rally, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Jun 19-22- Air Race Classic, GWB stop 21-22 Jun

Jun 23- Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 7 to 10am

Jun 27- VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Jun 29-Jul 01- OSH Vintage work weekend

Jul 14- kGWB Airport Openhouse!

Jul 14- Young Eagles Rally, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Jul 23- 29 EAA AirVenture Oshkosh!

Jul 25- No VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar

Jul 28- No Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar

Aug 22- VAA 37 Chapter Meeting at the Hangar , 7:00p, Hangar A, (kGWB)

Aug 25- Saturday Breakfast at the Hangar! Hangar A, kGWB, 7 to 10am

Aug 25- Young Eagles Rally, Hangar A, (kGWB)

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Airport Equipment Cleanup Day!

Saturday, April 14, 9am - 1pm, Hangar A, KGWB

We need as much help as possible for our chapter airport equipment clean up event on Saturday, April 14. This event is part of our lease agreement with the airport. Your support is a direct credit to our chapter in more ways than one!

OSH Vintage Work Weekends!

Our Vintage work weekends at OSH are scheduled as shown below:

Apr 20-22, May 18-20, Jun 29-Jul 1

If you can participate, email Mike at michael846@aol.com or text or voice to 260-433-5101

It's time to renew!

Join or renew VAA Chapter 37 membership! Our chapter is growing by leaps and bounds!

\$24 Individual, \$36 Family, \$5 Youth

Remit check payable to EAA Vintage Chapter 37 to the following address:

Mr. Geoff Robison
1521 E. MacGregor Dr.
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Or give cash to Geoff next time you see him!

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