



President's Corner

July 2010

Greetings Chapter 850!

First, I would like to thank Lynn, Fred, and Bill for guiding the meeting last month. From what I can read and follow up - it was a very productive meeting....Thank you all!

After Oshkosh we have a Poker Run and an Air Academy. The Poker Run is coming together nicely...we are still looking for volunteer help...so if interested, please contact Ann Joyal for more information. If you know a teenager who would benefit from our Air Academy experience...please talk to them and forward their name to me.

I spoke with Scott Urbish about our water proposal and he is waiting for the DEQ to give their input before making a final decision. We should hear something soon.

I received email on an upcoming event and news from Keith I would like to share:

- To Michigan Airports,
Indian River Airport (Calvin Campbell Airport) will be having a open house on July 18th. beginning at 11 am and ending at 2 pm. A hot dogs and beverages provided free to all attending. Attached is a poster of the event and we would be appreciative if you would post for other pilots at your airport.

Many thanks
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- Keith Kaspari Notes:

1. SAW is either on schedule or ahead of schedule, for the completion of the Phase II taxiway lighting rehab project. This project to date is still set for completion on or before Monday, August 16. As you read this, by the end of the week of July 5th, we will conclude Week No: 4. All taxiway lighting on Charlie, south-half of Alpha, Delta, Echo and Foxtrot taxiways now have the energy efficient LED light fixtures. Work is proceeding nicely on the north half of Alpha, and Bravo. This project also includes the installation of around 8 new airfield guidance signs.

2. SAW is still anticipating the beginning of a Phase IV concrete pavement slab reconstruction project. This project is anticipated to begin on or about Monday, August 9th, pending receipt of FAA funding, and is anticipated to last 28-calendar days. This project will include similar type of work completed last summer, and for the summer of 2010, we hope to complete full-depth reconstruction on approximately 91 slabs. Location is the same as last year: On the runway, but south of the intersection of Taxiway Bravo. We are hopeful that we can include some airfield painting this summer.

Cost including construction administration: \$642,937.00.

Because of the uncertain schedule for the receipt of FAA funding to begin the project, please keep an eye on SAW NOTAM's. Yellow construction charts will be forwarded to Jeppesen for those EAA chapter members that subscribe to that service. This project will again require us to shut down the FAA Instrument Landing System for Runway 1, so, we are hopeful for good weather for the duration of the project.

3. With the help of fellow Chapter Member Roger Bentlage, SAW is one step closer to having an FAA-approved Aerobatic Practice Area. A Letter of Agreement (LOA) has been forwarded to SAW's tower for review, and once approved, is one of the few hurdles to have a final approved area for aerobatic aircraft.

4. SAW has a recently approved WAAS approach to Runway 19 - which became effective on or about the first week of May. The FAA is working on an approved WAAS approach for Runway 1, with an anticipated approval date of 2011.

5. SAW via the Department of Homeland Security and the Transportation Security Administration was selected to receive an Explosive Detection System, or EDS. The equipment was delivered in April, all TSA staff are trained, and the equipment is now in service (see attached picture). For the time being, SAW will be the only airport in the U.P. that has this next generation equipment for the screening of outbound passenger luggage.

Any questions, please call anytime at 346-3308, x-222.

Thanks,
Keith

➤ Dear EAA Chapter President,

EAA Chapter 907 has held our Annual Fly-In Pancake Breakfast at Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport (KMOP) for many years. Due to circumstances beyond our control we cannot continue this practice. As a result, we have moved our breakfast to Woodruff Lake Airport (K53W) approximately 11 nautical miles southwest of KMOP. We have scheduled our breakfast for Sunday August 22, 2010.

I am contacting all the EAA Chapters in Michigan to let them know of this move and ask you to make your members aware of our event and new location and if possible post the enclosed Flyer in your meeting area and at your local airport.

Woodruff Lake Airport is a privately owned, public use airport licensed by the State of Michigan and is listed in the MDOT Airport Directory under Winn-Woodruff Lake, 53W. It is a 3700' by 105' turf runway with ample areas to taxi on the north and south sides of the East-West runway. Both VOR and GPS information to the field is included on the enclosed Flyer.

The breakfast will be held approximately mid-field on the south side of the runway. We are looking forward to having you attend our event and meeting you and/or your members.

Thank you,

Bill
Bill Cain, Chapter 907 President
(989) 330-0225

Lots of events and activity...good to see!!! The next scheduled meeting is July 17th I will be working again, so expect to see Lynn, Bill, and Fred ☺

Fly Safe!
Greg Durand

EAA Chapter 850 – Minutes
June 19, 2010

Vice President Lynn Sykes called the meeting to order at 10:00 with 15 members present. Fred Joyal gave the treasurer's report, with a current balance of \$1208.11. Minutes from this meeting were previously sent out and voted on for approval.

- **All present were reminded of the upcoming work weekend at Oshkosh on the 10th and 11th Of July. So far 6 people have indicated interest.**
- **A sign update was given by Roger. So far Signs Unlimited submitted a price of \$250 to install , with an 8 year warranty. Examples for the design were voted on at this time.**
- **Poker run report by Scott Bolster reported that all airports had been contacted and are ready to participate with various activities. Newberry will be hosting a fly in at the same time. Anyone needing ride to town for lodging will be shuttled by local cab with a \$10 discount on fare. So far 5 hotel rooms have been blocked off. The scheduled start will be at 9 AM with a sign in, and breakfast. Scheduled ending is to be at 4:30 with a cook it yourself or take home steak feed. Cost will be \$10. Set up and cooking volunteers are requested. Anne Joyal has a list for jobs needed. Bill Landry brought up the fact that there maybe alternatives required in the way of meals for diabetic and or gluten intolerant people. These will be considered when purchasing breakfast items. Total course distance will be approximately 354 Air miles.**
- **As a note, our August meeting will be the second Saturday.**
- **No information on the water system for the clubhouse was available at this meeting.**
- **The aerobatic practice area waiver is on its way to approval.**
- **An idea for a chapter formation flight over the Marquette Lower Harbor on the 4th of July was brought up , discussed and voted down. Formation flight requires practice and the time was too short.**
- **A possible hanger party will be held after July meeting.**
- **It was brought up that references to General Aviation are now on the Sawyer web site.**
- **Tony Williams retirement party Sunday on Grand Island was mentioned. He will be moving to Marquette soon.**
- **A Business After Hours will be held at tailwinds on the 23rd of June from 5 to 7 PM.**
- **I M C Club meeting and sign up will be held after this meeting.**

- **As an aside. I am requesting at least one person to act as an escort for the Make A Wish kids on Saturday the 31st at Oshkosh. Chapter 439 will be helping. I will be doing tram duties and Lynn will be escorting also. It will be for about 2 hours on that day and a free lunch is included at the Air Academy Lodge. There are 4 families this year. Escorts will be helping during the free period after lunch at Pioneer Airport or at the Museum. I guarantee it will be a heart warming experience.**

- **Bill Landry..... Secretary**