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#### Calendar of Events

#### Thursday, September 4, 2008

#### Chapter Meeting

6:30pm – Hangar Flying, with Hot Dog dinner. 7:30pm - Meeting Guest Speaker: Dave Saylor of Aircrafters - Homebuilding

#### Saturday, September 6, 2008

**Young Eagles** 10:00am - 2:00pm EAA62 Young Eagles at South County Airport

# Thursday, September 11, 2008

**Board Meeting** 7:30 PM in the conference room in the Terminal at Reid-Hillview Airport

September 6-7, 2008

**End'o Summer Fly-in** Fresno, CA

September 10-14, 2008

Reno Air Races Reno, NV

### Where Do We Meet

Victory Aviation 2502 John Montgomery Drive Reid Hillview Airport San Jose, CA 95148



Kids Take Flight

Paul with a new Young Eagle



Sandra with two more new Young Eagles More pictures on page

### Calendar of Events

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Saturday, September 20, 2008

#### *Reid Hillview Airport Day with Young Eagles*

Join us in celebrating Reid Hillview Airport, Young Eagles and our community.

#### September 27-28, 2008

**California International Air Show** Salinas, CA

#### September 30, 2008

#### Flying Gourmets

12:00pm Lunch at the Sky Lounge, Santa Rosa Airport. See details in Upcoming Events.

October 11, 2008

## EAA62 Chapter Potlock and Poker Run.

South County Airport, Wings of History building. See details in Upcoming Events.

### **Upcoming Speakers**

#### September 2008

Dave Saylor of Aircrafters -Homebuilding

#### October 2008

Dr. Tiffany Davies - Passing Your Medical

#### November 2008

Jessica Panzee - Air Show Performer and Corporate Pilot

#### December 2008

Christmas Party

### President's Corner By Andy Werback

With all the activity centered around Oshkosh last month, this month's column is a combination of the last two months. So if it seems a little confusing, perhaps it is!

First, catching up from July -

Hello to the July meeting visitors. Guillermo Ortiz is from Menlo Park, thinking of getting a Sport Pilot license. William and Emily returned, but this was their last visit – they are moving back East. It was nice having you, see you at Oshkosh! And, Mr. and Mrs. Guerrero and their son Chris stopped in to get acquainted. As you know, Chris is one of our AirAcademy candidates, so it was really nice to meet all of you.



Thank you to Paul Tanks for a very helpful presentation on Light Sport Aircraft. Paul is with Light Sport Airplanes West, in Salinas. We've had a flyout to their "showroom" and appreciate their coming out to tell us more about it.

Now on to August -

We started the August meeting off with our visitor introduction. I think we had a record, with John Gould, Andre Boule, Jason Beaver, Garrett Grant and Jim Grant, Tony Source, Jerry Ferguson, and Kurt and Kathy Sturr. Also, Eric Wahlstrom came back after a brief absence (how's that leather jacket doing, Eric?). Many present and future pilots here, and several referrals have been noted.

Thanks very much to Rusty Wells for doing dinner and a presentation of Oshkosh in pictures. There really is a lot to see. Also thanks to Roland LaPelle for showing video scenes from his Oshkosh visit.

It was great to get some feedback from Garrett Grant, one of our two Air Academy candidates this year. Garrett's presentation was very well received, and he certainly knows his way around airplanes. We have high expectations for Garrett and Chris Guerrero.

I mentioned that we need to be thinking about Chapter Officers. Well, it is that time of the year. We are presently in need of candidates for Membership and Secretary, possibly Young Eagles and a Director, so here's a chance to get more involved! The Nominating Committee is Randy Wilde, Bob Kindlund and myself, so please let us know what you're interested in doing.

At the Chapter 62 Board Meeting (21 Aug) we discussed a very important new direction in Reid-Hillview Airport Day. Mark Kadrich proposed that we also run a Young Eagles event, in conjunction with the rides offered by RHVAA. This would really enhance the day's events, in our opinion. So please stay tuned for important details.

Regarding the County's proposal to study closing RHV, the report finally came out. The Board of Supervisors voted to take no more action, a very good and clear result. In the meantime, many local pilots hosted Supervisor Ken Yeager for a quick tour of the airport and have a chance to get acquainted. Mark Kadrich of RHVAA organized the tour. Thank you Mark!

Finally, I would just like to note that there is a lot more flying out there than you might think. I've driven by the RC (radio control) model facility near Morgan Hill many times, but never stopped by. Well, they, the Santa Clara County Model Aircraft Skypark, have a great air show every

### Chapter Christmas Party

December 4<sup>th</sup> CHAPTER CHRIST-MAS PARTY Bold Knight Bistro More details in the October Newsletter. We will be donating to the Marines Program for Toys 4 Tots again this year. Lts. Hirschmann will be our speakers at the Christmas Party, both, husband and wife, retired Navy Officers who flew off Carriers.

### **Upcoming Fly Out**

Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 11 AM TOUR OF CAL PACIFIC AIRMOTIVE 1330 Mercer Way, Salinas

Meet at Cal Pacific Airmotive at the Salinas Airport at 11 AM

Lunch will follow the tour at the Loading Zone on the field at 1 PM

This is a fly/drive tour. Lori Teeters, daughter of Art Teeters, provides a great tour of her father's business in restoring P51's for people like Jack Rousch, Kermit Weeks and Tom Cruise.

For pilots flying in, tell Ground Controllers you wish to taxi to Cal Pacific Airmotive. There is tie down space for four planes on the property and/or tie down in front of the restaurant. It's a short walk.

If you can share the flight and/or carpool, contact Terri at 408-828-6707 or flyrhv@aol.com.

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year. And, they are part of the RHV Airport Day program. They also fly bigger airplanes – Mike and Chris Luvara also own a Bellanca here at RHV that you've probably seen. <u>www.sccmas.org</u> for more info.

Speaking of flying, we (my daughter and I) went down to Inyokern (KIYK) for a quick visit. Lots of smoke from fires out there. We were monitoring the Garmin 496's weather displays for TFRs. Very handy. On the way back, there was a new TFR near Lake Isabella, right in our planned path, but the Garmin makes navigation easy.

More recently, Sam and I went to Medford, McMinnville, Bend and Ukiah for a quick day trip. We wanted to attend a Lancair fly-in and visit a couple of friends. But we finally got a chance to see the Spruce Goose, Howard Hughes' somewhat "large" flying boat. Rusty, you've got to see the size of the step on this craft. Anyway, Wright 4360's look sort of small on it. They've got a nice museum and lots of knowledgeable docents.





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### August 2008 General Meeting



The great food is prepared





Andy welcomes our guests



Garrett and Jim Grant









Kurt and Kathy Sturr



Andy talks about chapter awards



Terri with her Achievement Award



Andy congratulates Bob for First Place Newsletter



Rusty tells tales of Oshkosh



Wolfgang won third place for our website



Garrett talks about his trip to Air Academy



Jeff talks about Kids Take Flight and Young Eagles www.eaa62.org

### In the Right Seat By Terri Gorman

EAA Air Venture occurs the last week of July every year. There are air shows all over the world, but none of them are like the air shows and aviation events that take place every year in Oshkosh, WI. This is the mecca of aviation. We don't have the numbers before us yet, but Tom Poberezny announced he thought the attendance topped last year's attendance.



Attending Air Venture this year was very meaningful to me in so many ways. Walking through the Exhibit Building, I met my good friend, Sandra Clifford, Vice President of Women in Aviation, San Francisco Bay Area. Sandra is a new EAA Member and, also, flew at our Young Eagles Event on August 9<sup>th</sup> where we flew children with and without disabilities. Sandra's helper, Pamela, told me not to forget to pick up my pink shirt in the EAA Tent. The 'pink shirt' had a lot of significance and played a major role for me at Air Venture this year. About 3000 female pilots, all wearing pink shirts, gathered on AeroShell Square on Friday morning in an attempt to bring together the most female pilots in one place at EAA Air Venture in Oshkosh.

EAA Vice President Elissa Lines encouraged the group gathered at AeroShell Square to tell your friends, loved ones and all women who might consider being a pilot that they, too, can do it. She said, "You can do anything you desire."

Women in Aviation President and Founder Peggy Chabrian said that the gathering at Air Venture on Friday morning represented approximately 10% of the 32,000 women pilots in the world.

I asked myself, "What could be more exciting than standing in a crowd of 3000 women, all wearing pink shirts, and being recognized as a woman pilot?"

The next morning, I joined two other Chapter 62 members in receiving an Award from EAA National. Brenda Anderson, the EAA Chapters representative, said this was the first time that three members from one chapter received an award at the same Chapter Leaders Breakfast. *(Hooray for Chapter 62!!)* 

This year our accommodations were not under the wing of our Piper Warrior, but rather under a very large tree with overhanging limbs. My co-pilot, chief mechanic and best friend, aka, the husband, flew out early and on standby on United Airlines arriving early so he could secure a large campsite for us and for Jeff and Andrea West who became our camping neighbors. Other than a very large branch breaking off a tall tree and falling onto our campsite, crushing a chair and barely missing Bob, the only other www.eaa62.org

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unwanted flying creature was the famous Wisconsin Mosquito. Andrea West came prepared with Mosquito Repellant, which she shared with us.

Within a short walk from our tent were a store and the showers. Each morning, we walked over to the store and had our morning coffee. One morning, we met a Citabria pilot from Kansas City who admired the many pictures he found on a website of a Citabria flying around Half Dome. The website was created by Zdravko, Chapter 62 Member and owner of Amelia Reid Aviation. Small world!

Paul Marshall invited everyone to a barbeque at a home he rents every year across from the North 40. Several of our chapter members attended, along with some of the BEECH Boys, the Bonanza Pilots who fly in to Oshkosh in formation every year and 'the Commodore', as everyone called Paul's father.

Leaving Paul's barbeque early, I attended the presentation of the CFI of the Year Award to my friend, Max Trescott. It was standing room only, so after the presentation, I returned to our campsite.

This year I missed seeing Harrison Ford. I've heard him speak in the past. He likes to say that he was learning how to fly when he was attending University of Wisconsin, but then he had no money and he had to quit. At age 53, he had more money and could afford to continue with his flight training. I believe he owns 7 or 8 airplanes and a helicopter and remains the Chairman of the Young Eagles Program.

I had a chance to hear John Travolta when he was speaking in the Eclipse Tent. John owns an Eclipse 500 which is one of his three airplanes. John said when he was a child, everyone was interested in aerospace and aviation and it was a big deal, but today, it's harder to get young people interested in the field. John said with people like Harrison Ford and himself and other well-known individuals, they are going to help try to get young people involved in aviation. *(I wonder how many Young Eagles could fit in John's 707.)* 



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## Kids Take Flight / Young Eagles

On Saturday, August 9, 2008, EAA Chapter 62 pilots and the Kids Take Flight organization flew over 400 kids and caregivers on their first GA flight. Many of the kids were challenged by MS, Autism, Down Syndrome or a physical disability which would prevent them from ever becoming a pilot, but many have been shown that they can have a future in aviation. The smiles on the faces of these kids and their caregivers cannot be taken to the bank but is a payment to the heart that is worth more than gold.

Thank you and congratulations to the pilots that flew that day.





















### EAA Chapter 62 Potluck-Poker Run



The Potluck-Poker Run is scheduled to be held at the WINGS OF HISTORY Building at South County Airport on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Please respond by September 4<sup>th</sup> if you are planning on flying in the Poker Run. You can sign up online at <u>www.eaa62.org</u>

If we do not have 10 planes confirmed by 9/4, the night of our September meeting, we will go to Don's house for a Potluck in his backyard. Don lives close to the University of Santa Clara and has a nice pool, play area for children, and a yard large enough to hold 100 guests. Bring any dish to share.



Prizes for the Potluck-Poker Run will be :

FIRST PRIZE: \$	100.00
SECOND PRIZE: \$	50.00
THIRD PRIZE: \$	25.00

Best Poker Hand with the most correct answers to the quiz wins the prizes. Deadline for registration is Thursday, September 4, 2008



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### General Meeting: Thursday, September 4, 2008 Board Meeting: Thursday, September 11, 2008

#### September Speaker: Dave Saylor of Aircrafters - Homebuilding

**Our meetings** are open to the public. EAA members, their GUESTS, AND VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. Chapter 62 usually meets on the 1st Thursday of each month (the 2nd Thursday in August), at 7:30 PM. at Victory Aviation, Reid Hillview Airport, 2502 John Montgomery Drive, San Jose, CA 95148.

**Hangar Hour:** Come meet your Fellow EAAer's, make new friends, have some food, and enjoy the camaraderie. Food will be sold from 6:30: to 7:25 during which time you can "hangar fly." The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 PM.

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