



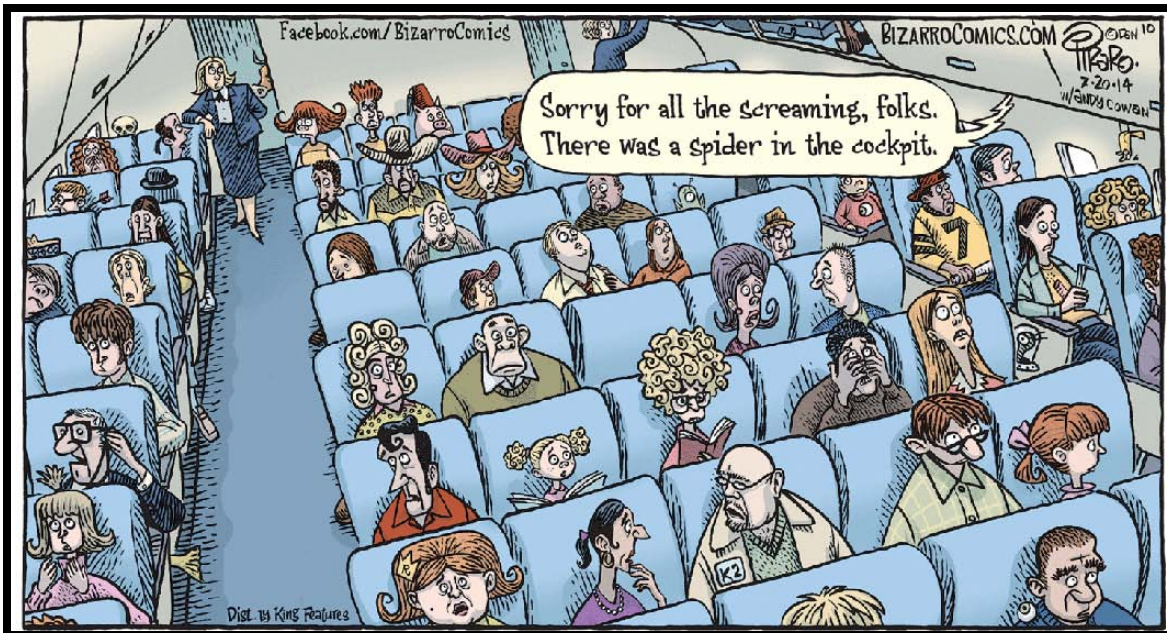
THE FLYING TIMES

The Official Newsletter
of the Sonoma Skyrafters

EAA Chapter 1268

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AH, AIRLINE PILOTS...

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The January meeting is this **Tuesday, May 12.**
The Board of Directors will meet at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. after the Board of Directors' meeting, and is \$6.00 per person. Our chefs for the month may well be Papa Murphy's since we haven't received word on who the cooks might be.

Our program will be the EAA May Chapter video from the national EAA office.

SKYPARK FAMILY FUN DAY JUNE 13

Family Fun Day will be Saturday, June 13 this year. This is our annual open house and community outreach. We will once again be donating funds raised from the silent auction, raffle and parachute bingo to the Aviation

Explorers Post 1268 and the Sonoma mentoring Alliance to benefit local youth.

Yayoi West has generously volunteered to be the coordinator this year. She is asking for the usual enthusiastic volunteers to contact her to confirm their participation. She will need help with distributing posters throughout the valley, helping with the silent auction and raffle, and cooking and serving our complimentary hamburger and hot dog lunch and registering our guests.

Jeanette Woods is travelling in Italy but took the time to make this year's poster before leaving. She will be back just in time for Family Fun Day.

Contact Yayoi at 707-364-9257 or call the Skypark office at 707-996-2100 to leave a message regarding your desired job.

EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER REPORT **May 2015**

Membership Report – Renewals for 2015 are continuing to trickle in with the number of blue badges are finally beginning to predominate. So far we have 49 paid members for 2015 and beyond. If you're one of those who would like to change your badge color from white to blue, give or send me \$15. A membership form and Treasurer's address is on the last page of this newsletter.

Treasurer Report – The state of the treasury for EAA 1268 is good but there's always room for improvement. Our major expense throughout the year is our sponsorship of local youths to attend a weeklong session back in OshKosh at the EAA Air Academy. This year we are sponsoring two youths in the Young Eagle category. Tuition for this age group attendee at the Air Academy is \$790 each and so far we've received \$600 in donations from 1268 members to help cover this expense. Any contribution you make is a deductible expense since EAA

1268 is registered as a 501c3 organization with the IRS.

YOUNG EAGLES

Young Eagles coming up this Sunday the 10th. Should have great weather, as usual calling for HELP. Bring your airplane and we'll fill it with Rug Rats! Hope to see you all on Sunday. Don't forget the Sun Block.....

As always BK White is looking for volunteer pilots, ground crew and registration helpers for our monthly Young Eagles events. Let him know you will be joining us and helping out by sending him an email to eagle1@vom.com or by calling him at 707-996-1335.

AIR EXPLORER UPDATE

The latest from the Aviation Explorers:

Greetings everyone! First of all I have to give a huge shout out to Nathan and Anne-Andree' Wilson. They have been embracing the best of all of "us" lately, and you may have noticed them attending both the Air Explorer meetings, EAA meetings, and coming to many Saturday barbecues. Nathan is one of our scholarship recipients to Air Academy this summer and seems to have really been bitten by the bug - the aviation bug that is. Last week with no prompting from me, they made lovely Madeleine cookies and brought them to the barbecue to sell them to add money to the "Hot Dog Fund" that goes to helping fund our scholarships. Nicely done, and thank you!

Secondly, Happy Mother's Day to all of our dedicated moms who consistently drive their kids back and forth to the airport over the year so that they can go to Young Eagles and Air Explorers. I so appreciate your dedication, enthusiasm, and support!

This weekend we will be nailing down the specific date for the camping trip to Columbia and starting the planning process for the event.

I will let all members know ASAP as I'll be looking for volunteers for all kinds of things - flying, equipment, and expertise.

We also will be electing officers to the post. This will be the first step in shifting the group more back towards the BSA structure that allows the Explorers to run the meetings and take responsibility for content. The kids that fall outside of the normal age group range will still participate.

Happy contrails!

Robin

MOVIE NIGHT AT SKYPARK

Movie night for January will be **Saturday, May 23.**

Pizza is always available for \$5 per person, including beverages, and complimentary popcorn just to whet your appetite (or spoil it), courtesy of Walt Lewis and his Amazing Real Movie Theater Popcorn Popping Extravaganza Machine.

See you at the movies on Skypark Movie Night, **SATURDAY, May 23** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

We are lining up our celebrity chefs for 2015 so let Roy know if you would like to be one of our famous chefs for the upcoming year. Roy can be found at Flyboyroy@aol.com or by phone at 415-897-2983. You can also let me know at wd6bor@vom.com and I'll put you on the roster.

The schedule for this year so far is:

Month	Cook	Meal
2015 DINNER SCHEDULE		
MAY	?	?
JUN	?	?
JUL	?	?
AUG	?	?
SEP	?	?
OCT	?	?
NOV	?	?

DEC	XMAS	PARTY
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SPEAKERS

We are always, continually, everlastingly looking for speakers for our monthly programs. Send an email to me at wd6bor@vom.com so we can get your program or speaker information into the newsletter.

Month	Speaker/Member	Subject
2015 SPEAKER SCHEDULE		
MAY	Chapter video	
JUN	?	
JUL	?	
AUG	?	
SEP	?	
OCT	?	
NOV	?	
DEC	Chris K.	Icy Ops

2015 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

Napa EAA Chapter 167 is hosting the EAA Ford Tri-Motor May 21 to 25. Skypark will be helping with ground duties. Rides are \$70 advance and \$75 on the day of the event.

Skypark will be organizing a Memorial Day Fly-over of the Veterans' Cemetery at 11 am on May 25. Contact Ron Price at 707-996-2100 for information.

DATE	EVENT
5/10	Young Eagles 9 Am
5/12	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
5/23	Skypark Movie Night
6/9	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
6/13	Skypark Family Fun Day
6/14	Young Eagles 9 Am
6/27	Skypark Movie Night
7/12	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
7/14	Young Eagles 9 Am
7/20	AirVenture Oshkosh 7/20-26
7/25	Skypark Movie Night
8/9	Young Eagles 9 Am
8/11	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
8/22	Skypark Movie Night

9/8	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
9/13	Young Eagles 9 Am
9/26	Skypark Movie Night
10/11	Young Eagles 9 Am
10/13	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
10/24	Skypark Movie Night
11/9	Young Eagles 9 Am
11/11	1268 Meeting 7 Pm
11/28	Skypark Movie Night
12/?	XMAS party at Sonoma Skypark!
1/1/16	New Years' Day 1 st Flight
Every Saturday Noon to 1:30 pm Skypark Hamburgers and Hot Dogs!	

EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES

April minutes will be in a future newsletter.

FROM PAUL SEIBERT

Paul Seibert spoke to Pat Weeden, Curator of the “new” Alfred & Lois Kelch Aviation Museum at Brodhead WI (C37) on 5/6/15. They are excited about the future of the Museum. See their website at: <http://www.kelchmuseum.org/news/> for the latest news.

Brodhead is “home away from home” for many Sonoma Skycrafters who visit (and fly) before and after Air Venture and the Midwest Antique Airplane Club’s annual “Grass Roots” Fly In in September.

FROM NAPA CHAPTER 167

Hello Young Eagles Volunteer,

This is just a friendly reminder that our upcoming Young Eagles event is rapidly approaching on Saturday, May 23rd. Please check-in inside the terminal area at 9am, as we have an advertised departure time of 10am. There will be a pilot briefing at 9:30 sharp in the conference room. We will have coffee and some morning snacks available at the briefing.

Pilots: GREAT NEWS! Once again the Napa Jet Center has teamed up with their fuel supplier, UVair to offer free fuel for YE pilots. So, prior to leaving for the day, please make sure you see me to coordinate with the fuel truck.

Thanks again for your help and I look forward to seeing you Saturday morning.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at 707-312-9033.

Sincerely,

Greg Baer



Rafe and a Young Eagle

EAA Chapter 1268 will be sending three Young Eagles to EAA Air Academy this summer. We will have a report by the participants at our meeting in the early fall.

Send me your news for your newsletter!

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MEMBERSHIP **DUES ARE DUE** IN JANUARY, AND MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER. DUES ARE STILL A MODEST **FIFTEEN BUCKS**, SO BRING SOME CASH FOR DINNER AND A BIT MORE TO **PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2015!** SEE YOU THERE!

REMEMBER! THE MAY MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, MAY 12 AT 7 P.M., AT THE SKYCRAFTER'S CLUBHOUSE HANGAR B-5 AT SONOMA SKYPARK AIRPORT. DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE! BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE 6 P.M. BEFORE THE MEETING

SKYCRAFTER MEMBERSHIP

EAA CHAPTER 1268 Membership Dues: **\$15 per year.**

Name: _____ EMAIL: _____

Address: _____ APT: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone number, home: _____ work: _____

EAA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____

AIRCRAFT OWNED OR BUILDING: _____

Your check should be made payable to: **EAA 1268**

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