

EAA CHAPTER 1128
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Its another chilly night at the lake tonight, kinda looking forward to mud season. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, March 5th at 6:30** in the **Community Room** at **Two Harbors High School**. DeWayne Tomasak of the Duluth Commemorative Air Force branch will give a presentation. The CAF is dedicated to keeping old war birds flying so this will be interesting.

LAST MEETING

It was cold and windy on the 5th of February but that didn't stop a nice crowd from attending our meeting. Members of Chapters 272 and 1221 made long drives to show up for a presentation by EAA's Timm Bogenhagen. A small group came early to set up the media, start the coffee and unfold chairs. Timm drove up from Oshkosh that day, met Mike in town and took a tour of the airport.

By way of introduction Timm mentioned that he had owned a Cessna 120, then a Quicksilver ultralight, now has a Challenger two seater and a Mini-Max which he built.

Timm's main responsibility at HQ is Ultralights so he focused on that aspect but covered a lot of other subjects. He also coordinates the Webinar series and is involved with the video side as well. He told us the 17 "Hints for Homebuilders" segments that Mike taped had more than 25,000 hits on line. Using period photos he outlined the history of UL aviation and the famous FAA Part 103 that defines it. He explained how the Sport Pilot regulation that became effective in 2004 squashed UL training and stifled a robust segment of aviation. Despite our problems with the FAA he sees a bright future and closed his talk with "It's my life!" After taking some questions he ran a video made in the Ultralight area last summer. It had some good footage of traffic on the grass strip but there was some old guy with a guitar right in the middle of the frame.

Since Timm represents EAA HQ Mike had him present the chapter service awards for 2014. Mike received one for chapter President, Seth received one for VP and one for Webmaster, Steve got his for Treasurer, Matt got one for Young Eagles Coordinator and I got two.

Al White addressed the group asking for volunteers for chapter 272's Aeronca Sedan project.

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The Sedan project is just one of Chapter 272's initiatives. I'm sure they will be flying Young Eagles and peddling pancakes as soon as the weather breaks.

Chapter 1221 continued their busy schedule of fly-outs with one on Little Grand Lake on February 21st. If you ever want to see a bunch of airplanes from Cloquet just whip up a huge pot of chili and tell them where to land!

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I just finished my Oshkosh report for 2014 so I won't spin my usual flying story this month. A guy can do only so much typing! As soon as it is edited I will be sharing it with you.

Remember, mud season is approaching and flying season won't be far behind.

.....Happy Landings!.....