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## NEXT CHAPTER MEETING:

The next chapter meeting will be Thursday, January 21st, at the Chapter hangar/clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

## Happy New Year to members, families, and friends of Chapter 93

Hello Chapter 93 and looking forward to the New Year of 2010. I rang in the new year in an aviation manner this year for the first time ever by taking a flight on New Year's Day. (This was confirmed by looking back through the old log books.) Historically, for Jean and I, New Year's Eve has been celebrated in the normal fashion with New Year's Day resulting in a not-so-airworthy day for Don! This Year

was dinner at Rex's Innkeeper (more about Rex's Innkeeper on the next page) and home early. And when New Year's Day proved to be sunny and clear and temps in the high teens, I decided to go free up the hangar door as that chore was not done since the last snowfall. I did plug in the plane when I arrived at the hangar just in case a flight was "mandatory" after shoveling and breaking away of ice.

Some two hours later the job was done, as I pushed the "open" button and the bi-fold door opened free without complaint. I took another half hour to cool down and add some fluids (water!) to my system as the plane finished preheat. I pulled the plane out of the hangar, did the preflight, and jumped in and started up and fast idled in order bring up the temps for the engine and cabin. On this cold day, I departed Waunakee in a much more vertical fashion than normal and had great visibility with smooth air ahead. "Happy New Year" I thought to myself! Up along Lake Wisconsin, the Merrimac Ferry was settled in the ice for the winter on the south shore, and a number of ice fishermen were seen below enjoying the new year along with snowmobilers touring the lake/river and trails set aside for their use each winter season. Further downstream lies the dam at Sauk City. As steam rose from the water exiting the turbines, I noticed fishermen in boats on the open water....brrrrr! I liked the heat coming out from the firewall better, toasty warm!

Then back to Waunakee for three landings to a full stop each, fuel the plane and pull it into the hangar and close the door. A nice way to "Ring" in the New Year.

—Don Ripp



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# EAA Chapter 93 Banquet



**February 13th, 2010**  
**Rex's Innkeeper-Waunakee**  
**Social: 5:30 p.m. ♦ Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**



**MENU:**  
**Beef & Chicken**  
**Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing**  
**Choice of Veggie, Rolls/Butter**  
**Pick one Pasta/Fruit/Coleslaw**  
**Dessert? (we will see)**

**Guest Speaker: Lloyd Krueger**  
**Lead Navigator on 35 missions in B-17s and B-24s WWII Europe as well as time in the Air Transport Command.**

**Architect, Engineer, Author, Pilot, and all around good guy!**

**His two books: *Come Fly With Me & Trials and Tribulation of a Lady***  
**Lloyd flew in *Aluminum Overcast* this last July 2009 when it was in Madison.**

**Lloyd says his crew members called him the "old man" at age 23 and has been back to Europe to visit old friends a number of times over the years as well as being on a flight that departed Chicago to Frankfurt that morning of 09/11/01.**

**Do not miss out on this banquet and speaker!**  
**Awards and Door Prizes**  
**See you there!**

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**or Earl Martin at [martine@splpharma.com](mailto:martine@splpharma.com) or 825-3286 with reservations**

## Welcome New Officers and Board Members!

Please congratulate these folks for stepping up and signing on to Chapter 93 officer, board, and chair positions for the next two years:

- Dave Jeardeau—Vice President, and “Hangar Technician”
- Joyce Jeardeau—Chili Cook Off Chairperson (and other duties yet to be volunteered for!)
- Jim Lins—Treasurer
- Dave Van Lanen—Board Member

And thanks to those who returned for another term: Earl Martin—Secretary; Mike DiFrisco—Newsletter; Dave Ripp—Web Editor; Gerry Matzelle—Membership; Patty Plantz & Rob Tweed—Scholarships; Gary Chenier—Board Member, Scholarships & Banquet; Bob Ward—Flight Advisor; Bill Rewey—Young Eagles & Technical Counseor; Bruce Gebhard—Board Member & Young Eagles; Jeff Plantz—“Hangar Technician”; Scott Nolinske—Banquet & Brat ’n Bean Fly-In.

If I forgot to mention anyone, I apologize in advance.

There are three other positions yet to be filled: Publicity, Young Eagle co-chair, and Programs. If interested, see any officer or board member.

—Don Ripp



### For Sale

45 x 48 hangar at the Brodhead Airport. Pictures available, along with necessary information. Hangar has some rental income along with it. If interested, email [champ7ac@gmail.com](mailto:champ7ac@gmail.com)

EAA Chapter 93 publishes *Corben Courier* once a month for and about its members who are interested in all phases of aviation. Articles to be submitted must reach the editor by the first Saturday of the month. Meeting night is the third Thursday of the month unless otherwise stated. Members may advertise items free of charge. Business card size ads are \$5 per month or \$50 per year.

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### Chapter Notes:

Chapter Dues should be paid at 1/21/10 meeting

Those who ordered EAA Calendars need to pick them up at next meeting (see Earl Martin)

### Donations to Chapter 93 for the 2009 Year

Jim Falk-an Icom IC-A23 Handheld Transceiver and a Lowrance Airmap 2000 GPS unit  
The Ersland Family-Donated \$500.00 towards the “2010” Hoot & Betty Gibson Scholarship Fund

Anonymous-donated a laptop and software for Chapter 93 record keeping

“A big thank you to those listed above on behalf of Chapt 93 membership!”

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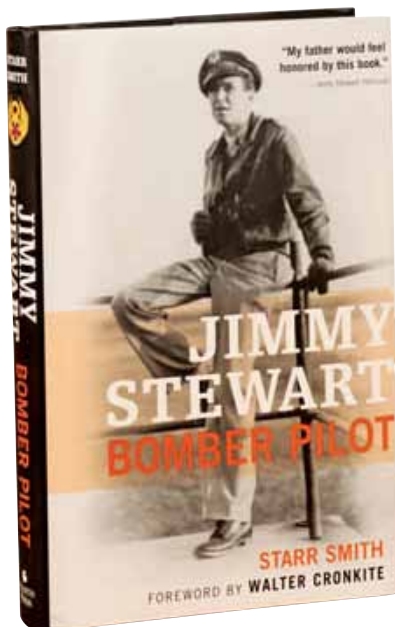
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## BOOK REVIEW: “Jimmy Stewart Bomber Pilot” by Starr Smith, 2006, Zenith Press, 287 p. soft cover

This book covers the entire life of movie star Jimmy Stewart, from his birth May 20, 1908, to his death July 2, 1997, with special emphasis on his World War II service, first as a B-17 instructor and then as a B-24 pilot and commander with the 8th air force stationed in England.



While Stewart is the principal character of the book, the air war of World War II is covered pretty completely. While we think of him as a movie star, he thought of his military career as his primary occupation, from his commissioning as Second Lieutenant in the regular air force in 1942 to his retirement from the air force reserves as Brigadier General in 1959. He flew 20 combat missions, was awarded 5 medals, was beloved by the crews under him. There is a Jimmy Stewart Museum in his hometown of Indiana, Pennsylvania, covering both his movie and military careers, and there is a bust of him in the Mighty Eighth Force Heritage Museum in Savannah, Georgia.

The book is a very interesting read while covering Jimmy Stewart. It bogs down a bit when it deviates to the air war in general.

The book I read was borrowed from Dave Van Lanen.

— Fred Leidel

