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## NEXT CHAPTER MEETING:

SEE PAGE 2 FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE ANNUAL CHAPTER 93 BANQUET FEB. 13. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

## Never Pass up Museum Visit (You never know what you'll find)

This past Saturday I was on my way to attend the "Ground Hog Chili Ski-Fly-In" at Brodhead (C37) sponsored by EAA Chapter 431 in the "725151" (Ranger Pickup/no skis). C37 does not plow in the winter making their runways perfect for a ski-fly-in! As I drove into Oregon on the way to Brodhead, I noticed a sign on Main Street that said "Museum Open"! I had some time so "right turn signal" and "hit the brakes". I knew of the museum's existence but never seemed to have the time to stop; this day I did. I was greeted by one of the museum staff and she welcomed me in and asked if was here with the kids for the "Loaning Closet" clothing fittings? I said I guess not unless some antique aviator apparel was available. (I have my limits when it comes to "dress-up!") I was invited to browse both floors of "Oregon" and surrounding village antiquities, historical maps and photos of days gone by.

With two floors of displays one could spend some time here but I was thinking of "chili" and "airplanes with skis" so my visit was quickened. As I was about finished I caught out the corner of eye "AIRPLANE STUFF!" (Now many of OUR Chapter 93 folks may already know of this individual who lived in Oregon, but I did not. He may have even been a member of Chapter 93?) There across the room on a couple of card tables of framed items and poster board was what seemed to be some very original documents and medals from a man by the name of Ernie Tresch.

Ernie had flown 40 combat missions in B-26's over Africa, Sicily, and Italy and after the war soldiers back to the states in the C54. Ernie was then called up to fly in postwar Europe the C54 "Sunflower II" for General Eisenhower up until the end of 1946. It seems as though Ernie settled in Oregon and he recently passed away. A local news clipping in the display covering Ernie's story showed him at one of his retirement jobs as a crossing guard for school children. From flying and protecting one of our nations great leaders to protecting our nations greatest assets (our children). Thank you Ernie Tresch! You just never know what you will find in small town museums. (Much more to say about Ernie; just search his name online.)

The chili fly-in was great with a few aircraft in attendance and plenty of chili and desert as served up by the members of Chapter 431. And with some much needed and required hangar flying the day was well spent!

See you at the Banquet!

—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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## Dues Reminder

Chapter 93 membership dues for 2010 are payable no later than the annual banquet on February 13, 2010. You can pay at the banquet or mail \$20 to Jim Lins. (Address: 6321 Shoreham Dr. Madison, WI 53711). Dues will be \$24 if paid after the banquet.

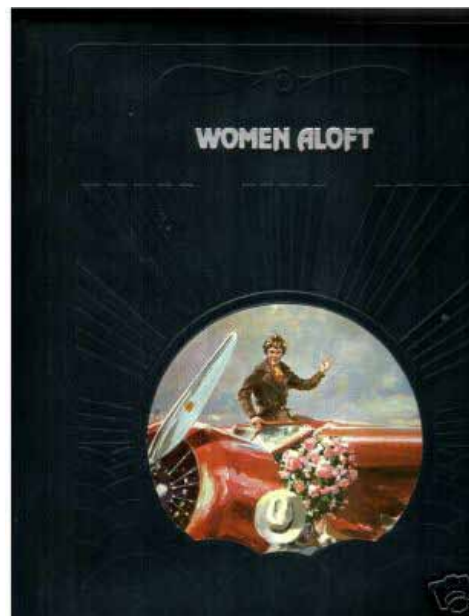
## BOOK REVIEW

*Women Aloft*, by Valerie Moolmand and the Editors of Time-Life Books, 1981, 171 8.5x11 inch p., many photographs, good index.

This is a well-researched, very readable, fully illustrated historical accounting of women aviators, their accomplishments and the planes they flew, from the very beginning through World War II. It covers famous pilots like Amelia Earhart, Louise Thaden, Jackie Cochran, and Beryl Markham, but, also hundreds of lesser known ones, and many records broken. There are women flyer organizations described, like the 99s, the WASPs (Women's Air Force Service Pilots), the WAFS (Women's Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron), and even, in Germany, women combat pilots. I was particularly interested in Jackie Cochran's wins of the Bendix Trophy Race in 1937 and 1939, which I attended, in Cleveland.

I got the book at the silent auction of the recent annual dinner of the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame. I would be pleased to loan it—please ask. (Sorry Jack: Patti Wagstaff was not in it. She is of a later generation.)

—Fred Leidel



## 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)

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## 17th Annual Wisconsin Light Aviation Safety Seminar Saturday, March 13th

Guest Speakers \* Door Prizes \* Big Ticket Raffle Items \* Qualifies as a FAA "WINGS" event

**9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Registration at 8:00 a.m.**

**FREE ADMISSION!**  
**Morning Refreshments  
and Lunch Available**

**EAA AirVenture Museum  
"Founders Wing"  
Oshkosh, WI**

**Sponsored By:  
Wisconsin Light Aviation Advisory Council**

### **Morning Sessions include:**

Joe Norris EAA

- Performing your Light plane Condition Inspection

John Dorcey

- Fuel Management, Can you make it??

(Luncheon Break - available on site)

### **Afternoon Sessions Include:**

Brian Meyerhofer Leading Edge Airfoils

- 2/4 Stroke Rotax Maintenance

Dennis Demeter

- Emergency Situations Always Flying The Airplane

Door Prize Drawings at "ALL BREAKS"  
Big Ticket Raffle at the close of Seminar.