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## Letter from the Chapter President

Next chapter meeting speaker will be out Chapter 93 Earl Martin who will present the History of the Ercoupe, design, different models, military applications and a very sought after LSA aircraft in current years. Along with Earls presentation will be a short video that captures the History of Ercoupe. Plan to attend this meeting.

### **\*\*EVENT CANCELED: The planned International Learn to Fly Day/Young Eagles Day\*\***

at Cottage Grove has been canceled sort of. Due to the lack of pilots and aircraft for the event at Cottage Grove and no reservations for Y/E rides the board decided to cancel the event for May 21st. On a positive note our own Newsletter Editor Aaron Larson will be at Wisconsin Aviation on the 21st with a Chapter 93 information table. Wisconsin Aviation will have an INTERNATIONAL LEARN TO FLY DAY EVENT. So stop in and check it out. Also if you have a plane and become available to attend I bet you may be able to give a few Y/E rides at WI Aviation. Call Don Winkler for Details.

## Board Meeting March 03 2011 Earl P. Martin

Board Meeting 05-05-2011

Meeting opened at 7:02 PM. Jim Lins gave the financial report to Board Members. Dave J. passed on any new information about the upcoming B-17 Tour Event. The B-17 is scheduled to arrive on Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> and the Chapter will have the meeting at Wisconsin Aviation with a picnic before the Meeting. The Chapter will supply the meat (Brats) and people attending the picnic are asked to bring a dish to pass. The picnic will be held behind the hangers outside of the fence, with the grills being hot @ 5:30 PM. Nothing was scheduled for the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting for speaker, Earl M. volunteered to bring a DVD on the history of the Ercoupe. Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.  
Earl P. Martin

## On this day in aviation history...

May 13 1940 - The first successful free flight of a true helicopter is made by Igor I. Sikorsky's single-rotor [VS-300](#).

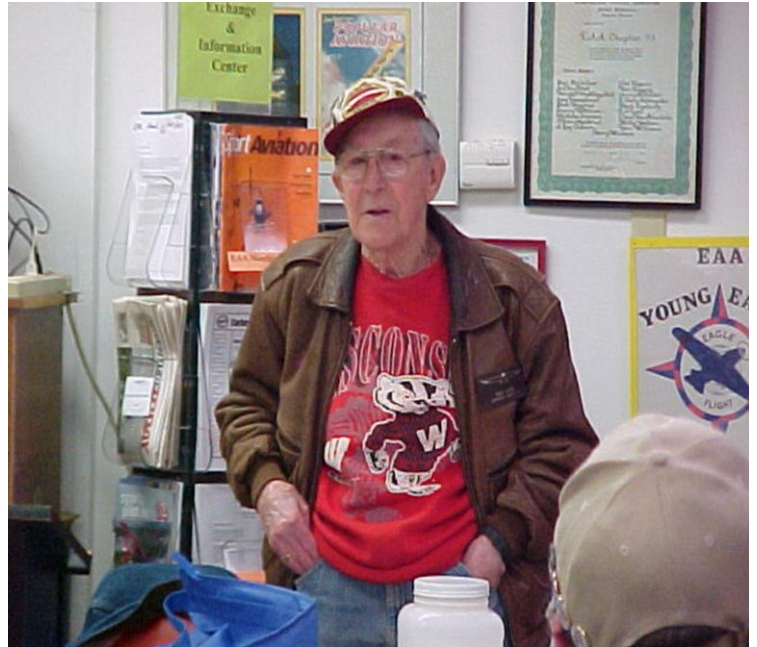
- [Aviation Earth Website](#)

## April Speaker Earl Martin

Don R. talked about the Badger Flight and showed some pictures that he took when he was at the airport when the latest group returned. Don R. informed the members about the articles in the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame magazine about our own Bill Rewey, Jack Jerrud and Fred Liedel. Dave J. informed the Chapter about the latest information about the B-19 Event. If you can volunteer to help at the B-17 Event, call Dave Jeardeau to let him know what hours you would be able to help out. As of this meeting we have 44 paid Members and looking for more. The Chapter's EAA work weekend at Oshkosh is June 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> this year.

Our speaker this month

was Fred Liedel and his topic was the beginnings of the Corben Aircraft Company and working at Madison Airport and the Corben Aircraft Company when he was young. It was a very interesting presentation that Fred shared with the group. Thank you, Fred for sharing the information with your fellow Chapter Members.



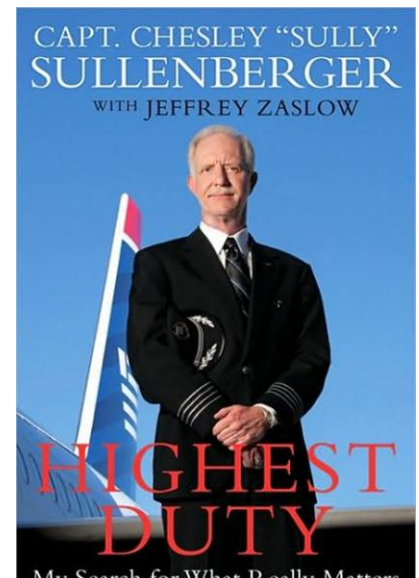
## Book Review Fred Lidell

"Highest Duty – My Search for What Really Matters" By Capt. "Sully" Sullenberger, with Jeffrey Zaslow 2009, Harpers Collins, NYC. 340 5"x8" pages

This is a very complete story of the life of the first pilot of the "Miracle on The Hudson" aircraft, from the age of four, to the age of fifty-eight at the time of the writing. For the first 200 pages, it is a family story, a love story, complete with 16 pages of photos from the family album. As well as his early flying experiences, from his soloing a Cub at age 16, and onward through his military flying. The last 140 pages are an even more detailed account of the Jan. 15, 2009 U.S Airways Flight 1549 with 155 souls aboard, including 14 pages of colored photos. It is as though Sully spent his entire life preparing for that one fateful flight.

This is one of the best books I have ever read. I'm sure it will be a good read even for those who are not "airplane nuts".

My copy was my door prize at our recent annual banquet. I'm keeping it for re-reading, but I'd be pleased to loan it. Just ask.



## Upcoming Events From EAA Calendar of Events

May 15, 2011	<a href="#">Annual Community Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast</a>	Brodhead, WI, USA	35 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">Spring Fling Pancake Breakfast</a>	Beloit, WI	38 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">International Learn To Fly Day</a>	Cottage Grove, WI, USA	2 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">Hartford's International Learn To Fly Day</a>	Hartford, WI, USA	44 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">Learn To Fly Day</a>	Juneau, WI, USA	32 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">Learn To Fly Day</a>	Madison, WI, USA	8 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">International Learn to Fly Day at Morey Airplane Co.</a>	Middleton, WI, USA	17 miles
May 21, 2011	<a href="#">Learn To Fly Day</a>	Watertown, WI, USA	24 miles
May 29, 2011	<a href="#">EAA Chapter 371 Memorial Sunday Pancake Breakfast</a>	Portage, WI, USA	33 miles
Jun 5, 2011	<a href="#">Jones Dairy Farm Fly-in Breakfast</a>	Fort Atkinson, WI	21 miles
Jun 5, 2011	<a href="#">Wings and Wheels Pancake Breakfast and Car show</a>	Juneau, WI, USA	37 miles
Jun 17-19, 2011	<a href="#">B-17 Tour Stop</a>	Madison, WI	8 miles
Jun 25-26, 2011	<a href="#">Big Foot Airfield Fly-in Breakfast</a>	Walworth, WI, USA	50 miles
Jul 10, 2011	<a href="#">EAA Chapter 1389 Fly-In Breakfast</a>	Middleton, WI, USA	17 miles
Jul 17, 2011	<a href="#">East Troy Airport Open House</a>	East Troy, WI	44 mile

## The B-17 Tour Stop Don Ripp

The EAA B-17 Tour Stop is scheduled for June 16th thru the 19th, this is and always has been a very important fundraiser for Chapter 93. The event this year is on father's day weekend so get the word out as this could be "THAT PERFECT FATHERS DAY GIFT" for dad. You can go online (EAA Website) and sign up NOW! PASS IT ON!

B-17 Chapter 93 Tour Stop Coordinators, Dave & Joyce Jeardeau have asked me to remind all chapter members that this event needs the Total Help of chapter members and family. One very

important item is that TSA at MSN demands that all guest/visitors must be under escort to/from the B-17. This alone takes escort personnel as well as the B-17 gift shop and the Aluminum Overcast ground tours require personnel for that event. But hey that is what a big part of EAA is about.....volunteerism.

And as an added event Don Winkler of Wisconsin Aviation is sponsoring a Saturday night "Hangar Dance" so after dad has his father's day Plane Ride in a B-17 he can treat mom to a night of dancing to the BIG BAND SOUNDS of [Ladies Must Swing](#)

orchestra in the shadow of the Aluminum Overcast. EAA Chapter 93 and Wisconsin Aviation also invites anyone with warbirds, vintage aircraft, experimental aircraft, or other interesting aircraft to static display are welcome. But you will need to supply your own personal to watch the aircraft.

Thank you EAA Chapter 93 Board and Tour Stop Coordinators for bringing this bird back to MSN once again.

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