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Notes for the chapter Rob Tweed

Dear EAA Chapter 93 friends,

Thank you for giving me the great honor to serve as president of EAA Chapter 93! I have so many fond memories with all of you during my 18 years as a member of our chapter. I look forward to working with all of you to create many more wonderful aviation memories for you and all of the aviation enthusiasts we reach out to throughout the year. Speaking of creating memories, I am very excited about the new Explorer Post Chapter 93 is launching with the Boy Scouts of America. This program will complement our Young Eagles activities nicely and I expect the effort will also bring in new members for our chapter. These two activities are factories for countless new memories, some of them life changing, that we will create. Very exciting stuff!

While I don't have a formal agenda prepared on ideas that I have for our chapter at this juncture, I pledge to do what I can to ensure Chapter 93 promotes aviation and supports the aviation community in creative, fun and responsible ways. Speaking of fun, I would like to create a challenge for our entire membership to rally around. Let's set a challenge for ourselves that has all the flying members of Chapter 93 getting all of the non-flying members up in the air for some well-deserved stick time! We can pick a reasonable target date and monitor our progress towards our goal during each monthly meeting. It's been very rewarding to see the wonderful support from our whole team during all of our activities and I think it's time to give some

firsthand reminders as to why we have this passion for aviation. We can discuss this more at one of our meetings.

Please don't hesitate to give me your ideas on how we can grow membership, partner with other EAA chapters on events, provide interesting content for meetings, etc. I am open to all of your ideas. As all of you will agree, I am filling some huge shoes that have been left by Don Ripp and I will need all the help I can get. Thank you, Don, for your tireless efforts to make our Chapter 93 the great organization that it is. We are forever grateful!

Just maybe we can fly some Young Eagles Don Ripp

Hello Chapter members,

The Chili Fly-In was well attended and only one plane flew in for the event....."that funny looking dog with the big black nose" always makes it in for the show... we would have flown Young Eagles but the weather would not have anything to do with it! The winner at this year's cook-off was Lynn Winkleman. At the November meeting two dates were selected.....12/3 and 12/11 this Sunday. The long range looks good at this point. Dayton Sederquest has informed me that a number of the students that missed out on the 12/3 event may show up at the 12/11 event this Sunday 11 a.m. to 2p.m. (So maybe 20 students for the day)

So if weather allows and it looks good please show up an hour before start time so as to be ready for the students at 11a.m. This will be a good chance to introduce some of the future "Explorer Post" member/students to EAA and Chapter 93.

Thank you again for your continued support with Chapter 93

Below is a copy of a letter I received in the mail the other day from a gentleman who attended the B-17 at WI Aviation. He sent along a fantastic photo that he took of this wonderful bird. I am currently working on getting it a framed made for it, but will have it along with me at the next chapter meeting. Once the photo is framed it will be displayed at the clubhouse, along with the letter. Not much is known about the gentleman who took the photo. There is no email address, but I have sent a letter asking if he took a flight or just toured the plane. I have also invited him to a future meeting.

Aaron Larson


November 26, 2011

Dear EAA Chapter 93,

I wanted to thank you for sponsoring the event that brought the B-17 Aluminum Overcast to Madison this summer. I am a big fan of World War II aircraft and thoroughly enjoyed being able to tour this American treasure.

I was able to get a number of pictures and thought I would share the enclosed photo with you. Again, thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,



David Greunke
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Thank You Chapter Members and Friends

Hello Chapter members and friends of Chapter 93,

I was looking back at a stack of Chapter newsletters I have saved and the oldest one I could find in my "heap" was the September 2002 issue that opened with a "farewell salute to Tom Rebholz" 1955-2002. (The Chapter just held the Chili Fly-In in his honor 12/3 as it has since December 2002.) I have heard any number of Chapter members speak in only the "very best" of Tom and am sorry that I never got to meet him as I became a Chapter 93 member just prior to his accident and only saw him in the crowd at a meeting or two. Tom to you I wish a "Good Journey West!"

So since 2002 I guess that makes me a member of Chapter 93 for about 9 years and what fun they have been, I can honestly say that every meeting and event that I attended in those 9 years have just been great! I never walked away from a meeting saying to myself "now that was not worth attending"well maybe some that I chaired.....blah, blah, blah from don.... The chapter membership always seems to come forward with meeting content or speaker that teaches, shares and entertains the chapter, **KEEP THIS UP ! Good Job.**

I do wish to thank those that helped me with the last 4 years as President of Chapter 93 as they came forward to accept positions and put in their time with those positions and events....this needs to continue and grow so as to grow the Chapter.

Thank you !

Now as the Chapter moves into year number "50" of being a chartered EAA Chapter the door has been opened to a new Chapter sponsored program called "Aviation Explorer Post 93" which is a Aviation only program supported by the Boy Scouts of America and EAA for co-ed youth ages 14 thru 21. (The kick off meeting will be 12/14/11 at WI. Aviation 7p.m.) so if you know of a aviation interested youth tell them about it or bring them over to the meeting. Chapter Treasurer Jim Lins has stepped forward and volunteered for the liaison between the two groups....Thank you Jim!

In closing I'd like to welcome Rob Tweed on board as President of Chapter 93 and look forward to the "new" direction that Rob, his officers and the board he selects will take Chapter 93 for the next 50 years. I ask that you the membership welcome Rob (a long time member of Chapter 93) and jump in and volunteer, suggest , help and grow the Chapter. I know I will however and whenever I can.

Thank you all again, Don Ripp



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The Chapter 93 monthly meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 19, at the Chapter clubhouse, Blackhawk Field, Cottage Grove, WI. Fellow member **Jeff Plantz**, a close friend of **Tom Rebolz**, will reminisce about Tom and will welcome anecdotes or comments involving him. **Jeff** and **Patti** recently returned from Alaska and will show us a tape on their tour around Mt. McKinley (Denali). **Fred Leidel** will conduct a short memorial service. In deference to the programs we've had and will have, it would be nice to see more members in attendance.



THOMAS J. REBOLZ

1955 - 2002

It's still hard to believe that Tom is physically no longer with us; I remember him as a no-nonsense, soft-spoken gentleman who always was able to get the job done. The construction and finish on his RANS S-10 was a true measure of his attention to quality and detail in completing a task.

On our 1998 four-airplane junket to the Sun 'n Fun Fly-in at Lakeland, Florida, he, in his clean little airplane, was always arriving at stops far ahead of the rest of us. It was a pleasure to park at transient airport ramps next to his immaculate little green, yellow, and white aircraft.

His love for flying was very apparent and I hope it's not wrong to say that he was doing what he wanted when his life ended so abruptly...and far too soon.

We in Chapter 93 extend our sympathy to Nancy, Peter, Daniel and the Rebolz family.

Your Editor

YOUNG EAGLES SPECIAL

On Saturday, August 10th, we hosted a special Young Eagles event for a group of autistic youth and young adults. These people were members of "The Awesome Social Group". The group meets monthly for various activities. The "members" bring siblings and parents, so we had a group of about 30 people. We did an extended ground school which included information on engine operation. After the ground school, we gave rides to members, siblings and parents. We actually had to do a second ground school because more and more people kept arriving. (The group's coordinator later mentioned to us that this was the best-attended event of the year.)

Needless to say, our efforts to host an event like this were well appreciated. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to learn about airplanes, engines, maps and navigation. Almost every one of the members chose to go for a flight (accompanied by a parent or sibling). Many of the parents personally thanked us for providing such a great opportunity for their kids/young adults. I think some of the parents were more thrilled with flying than the kids were! All in all, it was a very special morning for everyone.

We'd like to extend a big thank you to all who helped out that day: **Ursula and Bob Szumski, Harold Corless, Scott**

Nolinske, Sharon Bessa, and James Morey, Mark and Barb Schultze, Bill Rewey, and Bob Ward. I apologize if I missed someone; let me know.

As a gesture of appreciation, Nancy Alar, the group's coordinator offered us a check for \$150 as a donation. We initially refused the offer, but she explained that her group receives grant money for activities. I briefly explained the situation at Blackhawk and asked if she would like to contribute to the "Friends of Blackhawk Airport" instead. Nancy liked the idea. So on August 30, The Awesome Social Group made the first contribution to the fund to save the airport. Imagine that, the first contribution came from people who had never flown and had never had a particular interest in aviation. They were people who were simply thrilled with the opportunity to experience aviation and go for a ride in the sky!

Patty and Jeff Plantz

P.S. We also received a nice big thank you card that all the members signed; look for it in the clubhouse.

Saturday, October 12 - Young Eagles at Blackhawk. Scout group of about 50 kids. Rain date is Sunday, October 13. Come on out and enjoy the fun.

Chapter Meeting Earl Martin

11/17/2011

Don R. reminded the Chapter members about the Chili Fly-in on December 3rd starting at 11:00AM to 2:00PM and that if Mother Nature cooperated that we would be doing an Young Eagle Event in conjunction with the Fly-in for about 12 youth from Sun Prairie area. On December 11th we are planning on having another group of 12+ from the Sun Prairie area for an Young Eagle Event if Mother Nature cooperates. So we will need pilots and ground crew for that date also. The Chapter had a good membership turn out for Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame Banquet at which our own Bill Rewey was inducted into. Don R. reminded the Chapter members that the Chapter 93 Annual Banquet was going to take place on February 11th, 2012 at Rex's Innkeeper in Waunakee. Rob Tweed informed everyone that the speaker at the Banquet this year was going to be one of EAA's photographers. Remember members Chapter dues are due and are \$20.00 until the Banquet and \$24.00 after the Banquet. Don Ripp thanked Gary Chenier for his 12+ years of service to the Chapter as Vice President, President and being a Board member. Thank you, Gary for your years of service to the Chapter. This year is an Election year and the following people were nominated for the following positions: Rob Tweed – President, Scot Nolinski – Vice President, Earl Martin – Secretary and Jim Lins – Treasurer. A motion was made and seconded that the before named people be unanimously be voted into the Offices as mentioned above. The motion was unanimously passed. Jim Lins inform the Chapter about any further developments about the Aviation Explorers Post.

Earl Martin

Board Meeting Earl Martin

12-01-2011

Jim Lins submitted the financial report to Board Members. Rob Tweed made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented to the Board, seconded by Earl M. Motion was passed. The Chapter is still in need of a Publicity Chair, any takers out there? Any more pilots and/or ground crew help would be greatly appreciated, contact Don Ripp or Earl Martin at 608-825-3286, 920-255-0094 or email at earlpmartin@excite.com. for the December 11th Young Eagle Event for the Sun Prairie High School Aviation Class. Jim Lins reported that there will be an informational meeting about the Aviation Explorer Post which will be held at Wisconsin Aviation on December 14th starting at 7:00PM. The name of the Explorer Post will be as follows: Aviation Explorer's Post #93.

Motion to adjourn was made by Don R., seconded by Rob T., motion was passed. Adjourned at 8:12PM.
Earl P. Martin

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