



# Tail Wind Times

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November meeting is the *Third* Thursday - 11/18

## Aviation Attorney Derrick Hahn



Derrick Hahn earned his law degree after spending more than 15 years in the aviation industry as an A&P Mechanic/IA, and general manager of an FBO in Phoenix, Arizona. He became a lawyer specializing in aviation law because, when the need arose, he could never find a lawyer that understood aviation related business and regulatory issues. To that end, all attorneys on staff at the Hahn Law firm are Commercial Pilots with Flight Instructor ratings. Derrick currently flies a Barron based at Mesquite, and holds SEL/MEL/CFI/CFII/MEI/AGI/AP/AI ratings. Derrick will discuss legal issues facing pilots and mechanics at the November meeting. The meeting is:

**November 18, 7:00 PM, Pike Hall**

**Collin County Community College, McKinney, Texas**

## Great Chili !!!

By Dick Flunker

Once again the chili chefs of chapter 168 and chapter 1246 provided a top quality chili feast - and the tasters of 168 and 1246 enjoyed every minute of it! Ann Asberry coordinated the 5<sup>th</sup> annual chili cook-off and once again it was a resounding success. Unlike the last several years, the 2004 event was held on a damp and chilly day, perfect for a chili cook-off. With the weather being strickly IFR, only one plane flew in. David Cheek brought his chili from Addison in his C-172. But there were many "drive-ins". A total of 18 chili



cook-off contestants collectively gave the judges the difficult (but enjoyable?) job of tasting each chili and ranking the various taste, texture, appearance, and

after taste qualities. Judges Susan Wilson, Monroe McDon-

ald and Tom Ferraro held up to the task and Mel Asberry did the math to determine the winners. All the tasters also got to pick their favorite chili resulting in the peoples choice award.

Many thanks to all the contestants, and especially to Pete Huff for the use of his hangar, and to **Wingspoint Aviation** for



their prize donation. The award winners are:

- 1st place: Leon Rausch "Compost Chili"
- 2nd place: Mark Brown "No Mixture Control"
- 3rd place: Katherine Blackenburg "Job Hunt Chili"
- Peoples Choice: Patti Morris "Santa Fe Sizzle"
- Honorable Mention: Pam Ruzic, Russ Henson, and Frank Prokop

What a great event for a very wet, cool October day!

*More pictures on page 4*

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## Chapter 1246 Holiday Party December 9th

The Chapter holiday party will be held Thursday Dec. 9, at the McKinney Holiday Inn located at 1300 N. Central Expressway (east side access road between Virginia and White Ave).

The party starts at 6:30pm. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm, and presentations and awards will start around 8:00 pm. There will be a cash bar from 6:30 to 10:00 pm. Dinner will be buffet style turkey and ham dinner catered by Hutchins BBQ. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$8 per child.

R.S.V.P. - We need an accurate count for the caterer, so please let us now if you plan to attend. You can pay ahead of time at the November meeting, or call Dick Flunker at 972-396-0018 or email EAA1246@Comcast.net to make your reservation. We need to have your reservation by Dec. 2 to be sure we have enough food for everyone.



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## FLYING COMPANION SEMINAR - Nov 13

Do you fly with a spouse, significant other or friend? Would you like to learn more about what they are checking when they walk around the airplane before you take off, what they are saying when they talk on the radio, what they are looking at when they look at their chart, how weather plays a part in whether or not you go on your flight?

Then plan to join the Dallas Ninety-Nines:

Saturday, November 13, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM  
Collin County Regional Airport @ McKinney (TKI)  
Wingspoint Aviation, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room  
1500 Industrial Boulevard, McKinney, TX  
972/562-5555

Join us to learn how/why airplanes fly, medical factors related to flying, navigation/reading charts, instruments, weather and how to pre-flight an actual airplane!

Refreshments & Lunch Provided, \$50 donation requested, please RSVP by November 7.



Point of Contact:  
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The Ninety-Nines is the International Organization of Licensed Women Pilots, founded in 1929.



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## Airline Travel Tips

Here are some smart tips for navigating airport security compiled by the Texas Department of Transportation.

### Do:

- Put personal items in clear plastic bags to reduce the chance that screeners will have to handle them.
- Pack footwear on top of the other contents in your luggage to give screeners easy access.

### Don't:

- Don't lock your luggage. Locks may be broken open by screeners. Officials suggest using standard plastic cable ties that may be replaced if they are cut open. At some airports, locks are permitted only after bags have been cleared by security.
- Don't put film in your checked baggage. It will be damaged by screening equipment.
- Don't overpack. That will make it difficult for screeners to repack your bag after a search.
- Don't pack food or drinks in checked baggage.
- Don't pile books or documents on top of each other. Spread them out within your bags.

*Editor: Private GA Travel Tips: None of the above.*



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## SWRFI Moves to Hondo

EAA Southwest Regional Fly-In announced it is moving the fly-in to Hondo, Texas, for the May 13-15, 2005 event. In their final analysis, the mixture of vehicles, aircraft and people dictated by the New Braunfels layout was not ideal for the annual fly-in.

Hondo is ideal for an event. It not only has parallel runways but also several others that can be utilized if needed. It has more ramp space than most airports in Texas. Everyone -people, planes, and vendors will be on concrete. See [www.swrfi.org](http://www.swrfi.org) for a list of the many positive attributes to enjoy at the Hondo Airport (HDO).



## 2005 Dues

**It's time to pay your 2005 dues. Once again chapter 1246 has stood firm against inflation holding your annual dues to \$20 for 2005. Make checks payable to:**

**EAA Chapter 1246**

**Pay at the chapter meeting or mail to our treasurer,**

**David Norman, 2216 Wisteria Way, TX 75071**

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## Builder Updates

by Dick Flunker

### Ken Morris, RV-7A



Ken has his RV-7A at his hangar at AeroCountry. The canopy is finished, panel installed, and he is finishing the firewall forward activity. He has an IO-360 XP up front and an Apollo CNX 80 in the panel. There is a bit of work left on his Quick Build wings, but he is getting real close.



### Mark Brown, RV-6A+, N750MB



Mark had his RV-6A at Tom Moore's hangar at TKI for a couple of weeks while he was installing the landing gear, but now has the plane back at his garage in Allen. Mark installed the 7A rudder and 7A wing-tips, hence the 6A+ notation. The wings and empennage are complete, and Mark is deep into the fuselage and panel work. Avionics include Dynon EFIS, UPSAT radios, Blue Mountain engine monitor, and Navaid Autopilot. Power is a 160hp Lyc O-320-D2J with fixed pitch metal prop.

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### Dave Bertram, Velocity, N350TX



Dave is completing his velocity in his hangar at TKI. The 380 cu. in. Chevolet V8 engine is installed and Dave has been doing some taxi tests. The panel includes a Blue Mountain EFIS. Dave is finishing up all those little things prior to the FAA visit, and has recently submitted the paperwork. Dave is definitely very close.



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## EAA Online Reference Library

From Troy Toelle, EAA Chapter Office

Go to this web site: <http://www.eaa.org/chapters/resources/reference/default.asp> and check out the EAA Chapter Reference Library! This web site offers 34 reference papers, specifically written to help EAA Chapters.

In addition to the EAA Chapter Reference Papers, there are also several other resources on the EAA Chapter's Home Page: <http://www.eaa.org/chapters/default.asp>

If you ever need anything from the EAA Chapter Office, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to serve you.

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# Chili Cook-off 2004



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Submitted by Susan Wilson

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More photo's on [www.EAA1246.org](http://www.EAA1246.org)

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# Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes by Dick Flunker

The monthly EAA Chapter 1246 board meeting was held at the TKI terminal on October 21, 2004. Present: Larry Spears, Calvin Coffey, David Norman, and Dick Flunker. Following are the minutes from the meeting.

**Officer election** was held at October meeting. The new officers starting January 1 are:

- President – Susan Wilson
- Vice President – Tom Mitchell
- Secretary – Tom Moore
- Treasurer – Patti Morris

**Pike Hall** has been reserved for Jan 13, Feb 10, and Mar 10. Rental is \$30 per meeting for 2005.

**November meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (11/18).** Speaker/topic is not set. Last resort will be a video. Dick will determine which videos are available and let the officers know.

**Fly-outs** – November 20 is to Hicks – meet there at 11:00.  
 - December – no flyout  
 - January 15 to Texoma Lodge

**Holiday Party is December meeting on 12/9.**

- Caterer will be Hutchins BBQ. The meal will be their Holiday Meal, turkey and ham dinner.
- Volunteers are needed for: “year-in-review video” and decorating committee.
- List was started for reservations – reservations will probably need to be finalized by 12/2.
- Cost will be \$10 per adult, \$8 for children
- Chapter 1246 will once again support the Samaritan Inn and will request cash donations.

**Treasurer Report** - Funds are tracking close to 2003.

- Money was received from chapter 168 for the 1246 share of the Chili cook-off proceeds.
- Monthly raffle income versus prize cost is only slightly positive.



**Heard on the Green Bay ATIS broadcast:**

*“...advise on initial contact that you have information Bravo. I'm Green Bay Ground Control and I approved this ATIS.”*



**Mike Livezey**  
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# Calendar of Events

(Items in **bold** are Chapter 1246 events)

- Nov 6 Fly-in & Antique Car Show  
Halfway Airfield (between Crawford & McGregor)  
Jimmy Buth 840-4512
- Nov 11 Officers meeting, TKI, 7:30 PM
- Nov 13 Chapter 59 Veterans Day Fly-in  
Scott Airport (31TX)  
Crawford, TX
- Nov 18 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM (3rd Thurs this month)**  
**Aviation Attorney Derrick Hahn**  
**CCCC, McKinney**
- Nov 20 Chapter Fly-out to Hicks 11 AM (T67)**  
**Rio Concho Cafe "Home of the Bonanza Burger"**  
**Fort Worth, TX**
- Nov 27 Pancake Breakfast  
Granbury, TX (GDJ)
- Dec 9 Chapter 1246 Holiday Party**  
**Holiday Inn, McKinney**
- Dec 16 Officers meeting, TKI, 7:30 PM
- Jan 13 Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM**  
**100 yrs of Aircraft Engines - Erasmo Piñero**  
**CCCC, McKinney**
- Jan 15 Chapter Fly-out to Texoma Lodge**
- Jan 20 Officers Meeting, TKI, 7:30 M
- Feb 10 Chapter Meeting, 7:00 PM**  
**CCCC, McKinney**
- Feb 17 Officers Meeting, TKI, 7:30 PM
- Apr 12-18 Sun'n Fun  
Lakeland, FL

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Pilot/A&P Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes/Comments/Projects:

Membership dues are \$20 per year due Jan 1.  
New memberships pro-rated to Jan 1. Make  
checks payable to **EAA Chapter 1246**.

Mail applications to:

David Norman  
2216 Wisteria Way  
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\* National EAA membership required. National  
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