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Dr. Herb Hagler, Seaplane Flying
Collin County Community College
October 11, 2007 7:00 PM, Pike Hall
Collin County Community College, McKinney, Texas

This month's program will feature Dr. Herb Hagler, Professor of Pathology at UT Southwestern Medical Center of Dallas, TX.

Herb will give a talk on Seaplanes, particularly float planes.

Topics include: Requirements for the rating, PTS standards, Characteristics of the various types Hydrodynamics, Aerodynamics, Landing Regulations for Texas, Amphibious vs. Straight Floats - Pros and Cons, and Frequently Asked Questions. What is the right float plane for you? Should I get a fixed fee or hourly SES rating? Where can I Land, Dock and Ramp? Are there any good places to eat? Herb has been a Pilot for 37 years, Commercial Instrument SEL and SES, CFI and CFII since 2006. 2000+ hours total time, 400+ on Floats. Meeting starts at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.



2007 Chili Cook-off & Fly-in

EAA Chapter 1246 held its Seventh Annual Chili Cook-off and Fly-in on Saturday, September 22, 2007. Although we usually schedule this fun event in October, when the weather is cooler, this year we chose the earlier date, because the McKinney airport will most likely be closed for renovations in October. The weather was perfect and we had a record number of guests arrive by air. The flight line was full across from Pete Huff's hangar. Many guests from EAA Chapter 168 were also on hand to participate in the festivities.



FIRST PLACE: Joyce Day, Vagabond Chili

Thanks to Pete Huff (who made his hangar available), we had a great location for the big chili competition. Many volunteers pitched in to set up tables and chairs and get everything ready. Soon, we had an amazing number of pots of mouth-watering chili lined up for a crowd estimated to be as many as 200 people. Of the 28 entries in the chili cook-off, Joyce Day won first place with her Vagabond chili. Second place went to Juli Ferraro with her Taildragger chili and Bruce Pauley won third place with his Tabu Fuel entry. Honorable mention went to Jodi Ferraro and Jenifer Darilek for their Mullet Chili.



SECOND PLACE: Juli Ferraro, Taildragger Chili

Everyone got a chance to sample as many different entries as they dared and after a close vote, the People's Choice Award went to Rosemary Dumais for her Healthy Mexican Chili. Jim Smith provided great music for the event and Sue and Andy Cowan handled the purchases of an all-you-can-eat bowl, with drinks and dessert thrown in (Tums optional). Ann Asberry coordinated the gathering of chili samples for the judges.

There were too many volunteers to mention, but without their help, this wonderful event could not have happened – thank you. A special thanks to Russ Henson, our Chapter Secretary, who coordinated the entire event and made sure everything ran smoothly.

The EAA is composed of great people, who are fun to be with. This event proved that it doesn't get any better than getting together with friends and family of EAA Chapter 1246 for adventures in eating on a beautiful Saturday at the McKinney MHOA hangars.

For more photos of the gathering, see our website at www.EAA1246.org



THIRD PLACE: Bruce Pauley, Tabu Fuel



HONORABLE MENTION: Jodi Ferraro and Jennifer Darilek, Mullet Chili



Only 14 more entries to sample!



PEOPLES CHOICE: Rosemary Dumais, Healthy Mexican Chili



Our Newest Young Eagle: Lucas Peel, Jeff Ferraro volunteered to give our fledgling aviator a ride around the lake.



THE BEST PART! Judging ALL that marvelous chili!!!

Timothy Smith, Tyler Henson, and Tom Ferraro



The Return Grin Says It All!



Tim Smith's Sonex

I bought the plans for my Sonex in March of 2000, and the pallet of sheet aluminum in April 2000. Since then I have been converting the paper airplane in a box into my aluminum obsession. The sheet metal has been folded, spindled, and mutilated into a reasonable facsimile of an airframe. The only store bought parts so far has been the spar caps, control surface skins, plexi, and fuel tank. I am current (ly) working on the electrical system. I have gathered most of the material to start on the upholstery. The main items left to do are the instruments, avionics, and fire-wall forward, as well as a myriad amount of details, loose ends , a n d d r e a m i n g t o g o . I have found that a scratch built project of this magnitude to be a rewarding exercise in skill building and patience. I would like to thank all of my fellow EAAers for their advice and encouragement to keep it going.



David Wilson's Glasair Super II S FT

First Flight January 26, 2007



Dean Fellows RV-6

I am a retired geologist and also a retired Navy Captain who was trained as a carrier pilot in WWII then before seeing combat, the war ended. Was subsequently transferred out of carrier aviation and spent the rest of my Navy career flying multiengine PBM-5 Mariner seaplanes and later P2V Neptunes. Do have ten carrier landings on the USS Ranger, CV-4.

This is the second RV-6 I've built and has a constant speed prop. I received the quick build kit for this one in August 1999 and flew it for its first flight on Memorial Day, 2001. Have to say that this is the most fun airplane I have ever flown.



Boyd Goldman's RV-6

Lycoming O-320, Built by Dick Stephens and certified in February 2003



Dick Flunker's RV-6A

First flight of N326DB was in February, 1999, and the 1000 hour mark was logged on the hobbs during February 2007. The panel was originally designed for day/night VFR, but after enjoying the great cross country capabilities and experiencing several unplanned overnight stays, the panel and pilot were upgraded to be IFR capable. The panel upgrade was done first, then the pilot upgrade. All IFR training and the check-ride was done in N326DB. With the slider canopy, the panel upgrade involved a lot of on-your-back and in-your-face installation activity. As you can see in the photos, the 1999 panel and 2006 panel look considerably different, and it seems there are always additions or changes being considered.

The radio stack is an Apollo SL10 stereo audio panel, SL30 Nav/Com, and the approach certified GPS/Com GX60. There is also a Garmin 396 with weather and XM radio for the pilot, and a Garmin 296 for the passenger. The autopilot is a Trutrak DigiFlight 200VS. A recent addition (not pictured) is a traffic scope VRX to help identify nearby traffic. N326DB is powered by a Lycoming O-360-A1A with Laser electronic ignition and a Hartzel constant speed propeller.



Andy Cowan's Cirrus SR22

TCM IO-550-N, 310 hp engine, all-glass panel, 185 knots max cruise.



Robert Allen's Luscombe

Here is my Luscombe. It's a 1946 8A with a 65hp Continental. It was restored in 1993 and when I bought it in 1999 it had only 40 hours on the overhauled engine. So far I haven't had to do much in the way of repairs, and it's a good thing because I've been too busy flying it!

I only had 9 hours of tailwheel time when I bought the plane. I now have about 650 hours in the Luscombe and it has taught me a lot! During that time I've gone to Big Bend, through Palo Duro Canyon in Amarillo, Detroit, Oshkosh (2000, 2001 & 2006), Sun & Fun, and Lawrence Kansas. Traveling in an airplane that cruises at 95 mph is an exercise in patience, but you really see the country down low and slow. I've enjoyed almost every minute of flying this plane and can't imagine ever parting with it. There's just nothing like flying a Luscombe!



Jerry Burchfield's KR2

Airworthiness Certificate issued May 16, 2006



Gary Kirby's Cavalier

This Cavalier is the Model SA102.5 with a LYC. 0-290-D2 135 hp. It has an Aymar-Demuth Propeller, with a cruise prop pitch, resulting in speeds of 135-140 mph at 7000'. It is a sweet flying airplane, although fairly sensitive on the controls. The airplane was originally built by Richard Hurley.



Todd Agold's Sonex

On September 18, 2004, my Sonex took to the air for the first time. It's a taildragger with a Jabiru 2200, Aero-carb, and dual sticks. It's built almost exactly to the plans except for a few minor things like an added flap notch. It came in at 609 lbs. empty. I do have a few extras on the panel like a transponder and a Garmin 195 mounted on the panel.



Jeff Ferraro's Grumman American AA-5B

EAA Chapter 1246

Officers Meeting

September 19, 2007

7:30

Chili cook-off

Chili volunteers

Officers arrive at 8:30

Russ will get ice

Remaining volunteers arrive at 9:00

Responsibilities reviewed

Food purchases nearly complete

Remaining items

Future Speakers

Herb Hagler is October speaker – Seaplane/floatplane operations

Norris Warner is November speaker – SWRFI Texas Fly-in

Status of Finances

Table purchase complete

Reimbursements made

Chapter hats purchased for Speakers

EAA Calendars will be purchased for Christmas party

News articles

Andy Cowan will provide Reno Air-race Recap

Christmas Party planning nearly complete

Web Site

Chapter News Feature is being developed

EAA National hired Jim Smith

New Calendar entries to be added

AutoPilot Magazine write-up

Chapter 1246 will be featured



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Calendar of Events

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

Oct 11 EAA Chapter 1246 General Meeting
7:00p Pike Hall Collin Co. Community College

Oct 17 EAA Chapter 1246 Officers Meeting
7:30 p Cutter Aviation, TKI

OCT 20-21 Fort Worth, Alliance Air Show

Oct 26-28 Reklaw Tx, 7TA7, Flying M Ranch Fly in/Camp out, BBQ picnic, EAA Chapter 972

Nov 3 Granbury Tx, 0TX1, Pecan Plantation Airpark Flyin.

Nov 8 EAA Chapter 1246 General Meeting
7:00p Pike Hall Collin Co. Community College

Nov 14 EAA Chapter 1246 Officers Meeting
7:30 p Cutter Aviation, TKI

Dec 6 EAA Chapter 1246 Christmas Party

Disney World Bahama Bay Resort & Spa

June 3rd—7th 5 Day / 4Night
 \$316.00 total all Four Nights
 Up to 6 People in a Room!

Royal Carribean Bahama Cruise

Sep. 17th-21st
 \$59.00—\$99.00

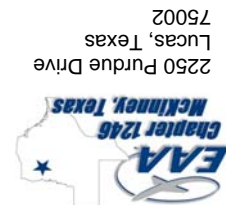
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New Member: _____ or Renewal: _____

Name: _____

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E-Mail Address: _____

* EAA Number: _____ * Exp. Date: _____

Pilot/A&P Rating: _____

Notes/Comments/Projects:

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