

CONCHO VALLEY AVIATOR

President's Invitation

EAA Concho Valley Chapter 493 meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Joe's Italian Restaurant at 1601 S. Bryant Blvd in San Angelo. Most of us arrive by 6:00 pm for dining and hangar talk. A short business meeting begins at 7:00 pm followed by an aviation-related presentation. We top it all off with dessert type refreshments. We'd be happy to see all aviation enthusiasts whether you are a pilot or not.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting is coming up on **Tuesday, February 18th. We'll be meeting again at Joe's Italian Restaurant on South Bryant.**

MEETING PROGRAMS:

The February program is planned to be an EAA chapter video featuring Jeff Skiles and the story of the training of bomber pilots for WWII. (Ed. note: I've previewed it: it's fascinating!)

The March program is set to be a Wings presentation given by John Boatright from the FAA FFAST team called "There Are No Rules on Friday."



Refreshments

2014

February - Fred Jones

March - Steve Baker

April - Bob Reece & Lawrence Wright

May - Joe & Judy Christian

June - George & Martha Spinks

July - Norm & Marty Beauchamp

August - Jerry Hatch

September - Pierce Marschall

October - Steve McDuff

November - Donald Treadwell

December - Christmas Party

Jan., 2015 - Don Smucker

2014 Chapter Officers

President:	Don Treadwell
Vice-President	Tony Marcum
Treasurer	David Dierker
Secretary	Pierce Marschall

Other Volunteers

Tech Counselors:	Bob Reece and Ted Reed
Young Eagles Rep:	Don Treadwell
Flight Advisors:	??
Newsletter Editor:	Larry Wedel
Webmaster:	Bob Heiser

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Local planes gathered on the Sonora ramp on Jan. 15th for some \$\$\$.\$¢¢ hamburger hunting. (Thanks, Dave.)

MEETING MINUTES

EAA Chapter 493 Minutes of our regular monthly meeting held on the 21st of January 2014 at Joe's Italian Restaurant, 1601 S. Bryant Boulevard, San Angelo, Texas.

President Donald Treadwell called the meeting to order promptly at 7PM. Don Smucker introduced a guest:

Mark A. Magee
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Buddy Gaston returned after a short absence and has rejoined the chapter. The minutes of the last meeting were discussed and accepted.

The Treasurer's report:
\$1942.22 beginning balance
\$360.00 in deposits
\$244.70 For EAA Calendars
\$109.48 in expenses for the Christmas Party
\$0.70 in bank fees
\$1947.34 ending balance

All calendars have been sold except one which was donated to Mathis Field Airport Operations Manager Mitch Sprunger, who is a flying enthusiast. Hopefully we can get Mitch to a future meeting.

Old Business:
Gerry Hatch handed out award certificates and pins to last year's officers, coordinators, and technical counselors:

Gerry Hatch, President
Tony Marcum, Vice-President
Richard Martin, Secretary
Dave Dierker, Treasurer
Don Treadwell, Young Eagle Coordinator
Larry Wedel, Newsletter
Bob Heiser, Web Page Editor
Bob Reece and Ted Reed, Technical Counselors

New Business:

Pictures will be taken at the next meeting for a pictorial directory of the chapter.

A discussion was held on how to assist our new secretary, Pierce Marschall, in completing his pilot's license. Pat Nuytten has volunteered to provide the airplane and instruction for free and suggested that we pay for the check ride, written test and third class medical expense. We always look for a local student before donating our annual \$500 gift to EAA Scholarships. The chapter voted to create The Pierce Marschall Aviation Scholarship for the purpose of assisting Pierce in paying for aviation related expenses that he presents to the chapter treasurer during the next two years. The scholarship was funded with the \$500.00 that is usually given to EAA Scholarships. The motion passed unanimously.

Don Treadwell suggested that a second set of name tags be created for chapter members to wear if they forget to bring their name tags from home. The second name tag set will be kept in a box that will be brought to each meeting by one of the chapter officers. The motion passed.

Joe Christian moved that we modify the chapter reflector to include all members when the reply button is used on emails from the reflector. The motion passed.

Dave Dierker announced that he has been appointed to the Mathis Field airport board. He asked for input on ways to improve services to general aviation. The next Airport Board meeting will be at 1:30pm on January 29th at the San Angelo Convention Center.

The business meeting was adjourned.

A program about Leon York's flying career was presented by several members who showed pictures and told stories about Leon.



Pierce Marschall in the cockpit of N2120J after his first three solo landings.

Congratulations, Pierce!

Thanks to Gerry Hatch for the photo.



Seen at Airventure 2013
(B25 Mitchell??)



Seen often on the ramp at KGTU in front of Pilot's Choice hangar as well as at Oskosh 2013. FMI, see <http://www.devildogsquadron.com/> (Thanks for the photos, Gerry.)

Submissions of articles for this newsletter would be welcomed. Lengths of a few lines to a full page would be appropriate, depending on the subject matter. Photos would also be welcomed. JPEG format would be preferred for photo content. Some possible topics are:

Updates on member aircraft projects, which could include construction, rebuilds or upgrades.

Reports of gatherings in the \$200 BBQ (or hamburger) realm.

Tech tips.

Notices of fly-in or aviation events planned to occur in the next few months.

Aviation related biographical sketches of current or former members or local aviators of note.

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