

EAA 493

Minutes of November 20, 2018 Monthly Chapter 493 Meeting

The November 20, 2018 monthly meeting of EAA Chapter 493 was called to order by President Bob Reece at 7pm in the renovated conference room of the Terminal building, Mathis Field, San Angelo, Texas, on a cold fall evening. Present were 11 members and 2 guests. The guests are John and Laura Heiser, the son and daughter-in-law of Bob and Carol Heiser.

Bob Reece first addressed procedural matters. Upon voice vote, the Minutes of the October 2018 meeting of the Chapter were approved as published on the Chapter Reflector. Treasurer Andy Spinks gave the Treasurer's report (current balance of \$1,917.72 based on the most recent statement, plus additional sums for calendar sales), which was also approved by voice vote.

Old and New Business.

Bob Reece reported that he has finalized the arrangements for the Chapter Christmas party. The Chapter 493 Christmas Party will be held on December 18 at Western Sky Steakhouse, 2024 North Chadbourne Street, San Angelo. The festivities will begin at 6:30 pm. Bob reserved a private room at the steakhouse for the event. After the dinner, there will be the typical festivities. Maximum of \$25 for a gift. Men bring a gift appropriate for men, and women bring a gift suitable for a lady. Like in years past, the gifts will be placed in two piles (mens and ladies gifts). Gifts will be selected in turn, with the option of "stealing" a gift previously selected and opened, or selecting an unopened one. Partaking in the gift festivities is optional, but if you don't bring a gift, you won't be selecting or going home with one either. The Chapter Christmas party will constitute the Chapter's December monthly meeting, so there will be no other meeting in December. We would normally elect officers for 2019 at the business portion of the Christmas party, but since three officers are only halfway through their terms (Bob Reece, Pres, Ron Lentz, VP, & Don Smucker, Sec), and the fourth officer (Andy Spinks, Treas) has agreed to a new term, no elections are necessary.

Next, Bob passed out the annual Certificates and Pin awards for 2018 service to Chapter 493. Awards presented were: Bob Reece, President; Ron Lentz, Vice-President; Andy Spinks, Treasurer; Don Smucker, Secretary; Don Treadwell, Young Eagles Coordinator; and Bob Reece, Tech Counselor.

Bob next opened the floor for announcements. Don Treadwell reported that the FAA will be conducting a WINGS program on Wednesday, November 28 at Skyline Aviation, Mathis Field, 8926 Hangar Road, with the program beginning at 6:30 pm. Attendance at the program will earn you credits towards the FAA WINGS program. Treasurer Andy Spinks made a last call for 2019 EAA calendars, \$10 each. Andy will be placing the calendar order later this week, will have the calendars the following week, and if not distributed prior to that time they will be available for distribution at the Christmas party. Bob Heiser asked about the reported P-51 accident near Fredericksburg, Texas last Saturday (Nov 17). Two people were killed in the accident, the owner/pilot, and a passenger, and the WW II airplane was destroyed. The P-51, named "Pecos Bill" and the deceased pilot were the same airplane and pilot that has been giving rides (free for veterans) in the Texas area at air shows and similar events, including a ride given to Johnny Williams several years ago. Secretary Don Smucker informed the meeting that he was filling out the 2019 Chapter renewal form, and that the renewal requires both a renewal fee and an insurance policy fee, paid to EAA National. The fees are \$100 for the renewal and \$259 for the

insurance policy premium. Don also asked if the Chapter wanted to donate a small sum to EAA National to help defer Chapter support costs. Sums suggested by EAA varied from \$10 to \$100. On motion duly made, seconded and passed by acclamation, the Chapter agreed to donate \$50 to this fund. Accordingly, the annual renewal, all told, will cost \$409.00. This sum was funded by a check from Treasurer Andy Spinks.

Bob Reece took names for members volunteering to provide the meeting refreshments at upcoming Chapter meetings. Tonight's refreshments were provided by Bob Reece. For 2019, the following signed up to provide the refreshments:

2019

Nancy York - January

Andy Spinks - February

Don and Nancy Treadwell - March

Bob and Carol Heiser - April

Bob Reece then presented the evening's program, the monthly Chapter Video Magazine sent out to the Chapter leaders by EAA National each month.

After a short socialization period, the meeting broke up.

REMINDERS:

1. The next meeting will be the Christmas Party on Dec 18, 6:30 pm at Western Sky Steakhouse.
2. There will be no minutes for the Christmas Party. The NEXT regularly scheduled meeting of Chapter 493 will be held at 7pm on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at the normal location - the Mathis Field Terminal conference room adjacent to the oriental restaurant in the Terminal.