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Don't Miss Our Next Chapter Meeting!

Thursday, November 12th, 2009
Movie Night! — Barnstorming



Join us for Movie Night! We will be showing a great film documentary named [Barnstorming](#).

The film immerses the viewer in the adventure, giving them the perspective of a participant. It follows the pilots and the Dirksens as they prepare for the most exciting day of the year. The pilots gather from around the country before flying to the farm, while the Dirksens turn their alfalfa field into an airstrip and prepare a picnic for 200 friends.

The film unfolds with ever-increasing anticipation, leading to the annual reunion. The spirit of the film mirrors the spirit of the event itself. As a story of ordinary people who share one extraordinary day a year, the film is a pastoral portrait of the rural American Midwest, the lyrical life of antique airplane pilots, the breathtaking beauty of flight itself, and a celebration of friendship. Its characters are architects, dairy farmers, consultants, jet pilots, parents, school children and laborers every day of the year but one. On the day the planes come, they are all kids again.

All meetings are held in Conference Room D106A on the second Thursday of each month at the [Collin County Community College](#) in McKinney TX. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be a member to attend. Need more information? Feel free to contact any of our [Officers](#).

News and Special Articles

Lt. Dan Band Returning To EAA Airventure Oshkosh In 2010



A weeklong salute to veterans during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2010 will be highlighted by the return of actor Gary Sinise and his "Lt. Dan Band" at AirVenture's Theater in the Woods. The concert, sponsored by EAA Warbirds of America and the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), is scheduled for Friday, July 30.

It's the second EAA visit for Sinise, best known for his role as Vietnam veteran Lt. Dan Taylor in the classic film "Forrest Gump," and as star of the hit TV series "CSI: New York." Sinise also plays bass in The Lt. Dan Band, which made its first, hugely popular appearance at Oshkosh in 2008.

The concert will be the highlight of a series of veteran-focused events that will take place throughout EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2010. Further details regarding other events during the week will be announced as they are finalized.

[Read more here...](#)

New Place to Fly for Burgers and Fries!



The new [Area 51 Restaurant](#) in Denison, TX, is now open for business! Nice new restaurant with good food and friendly staff. Specializing in Burgers and Crispy Fries. Low prices and good service. Hours: 11-8 Monday-Saturday. Located on the SE corner of Grayson County Airport.

[Check it out...](#)

The Fight For Hangar Homes



The reason the FAA now prohibits hangar homes next to publicly funded airports is based on noise considerations, but no data exists to back that position, according to ThroughTheFence.org (TTE) which seeks to "stop the FAA insanity." Airports all over the U.S. have so-called "through-the-fence" agreements with adjacent landowners that allows them to taxi their aircraft from their homes to the airport. But the FAA is now officially discouraging the practice as set forth in the most recent Airport Compliance Manual dated Sept. 30, 2009. [Join in on the debate here...](#)

Got News? Send it to the [Webmaster](#).

Upcoming Local Events

Friday - Sunday, Nov 13-15, 2009 — Natchitoches, LA. CANE RIVER AVIATION RENDEZVOUS - (<http://www.caneaviation.com/>), Natchitoches Regional Airport (**KIER**) Bring your warbirds and vintage aircraft to historic Natchitoches' weekend event featuring a Big Band Hangar Dance. This public event draws from a population of 450,000 within 60 miles. See website for activities, fuel discounts and lodging specials. Contact: Todd Streeter 651-325-7642, Email: crarinfo@aol.com

Saturday, Nov 14, 2009 — Frankston, TX. Aero Estates Airpark Fall Fly-In on Lake Palestine, Tx - (<http://www.AeroEstatesAirpark.com>), Aero Estates Airpark (**T25**) Come join us at Aero Estates Airpark T25 for a Fly-In on November 14, 2009! Lots of Planes, Flying, Fun, Friends, and a Texas cookout for \$3 a plate! Mark your calendar for the Fall Fly-In at Aero Estates Airpark on Lake Palestine in East Texas. Please bring a lawn chair : Contact: Robert Huber 4696931165, Email: owner@aeroestatesairpark.com

Saturday, Nov 14, 2009 — Lufkin, TX. Fajita Fly-In. Angelina County Airport (**KLFK**) Come and join in on all the fun, great food, great hangar flying with all your friends, discounted fuel from Angelina Airport who Co-Hosts this event with EAA Chapter 1219, one of the longest running events in Texas, every 2nd Saturday, see you there!! Contact: Don Lymbery C:936-637-9046, Email: pilot@Consolidated.net

Saturday, Nov 14, 2009 — San Marcos, TX. Cheeseburger Fly-In - (<http://www.peggyjones.org>), Hangar near the CAF from 11-2 (**KHYI**) This is a Fly-In Fundraiser from 11am-2pm. One of the best Cheeseburgers and fries you'll ever eat: \$10.00 catered by the Manchaca Fire Hall. All of the Centex Wing CAF WWII Aircraft will be out on the ramp for viewing - CAF is having the Annual Veteran's Day Dance in the evening. Contact: Peggy Jones 512-757-2950, Email: info@peggyjones.org

Saturday, Nov 14, 2009 — Fairview, OK. 58th annual World's Oldest Free Fly-In Air Show. Fairview Municipal Airport (**6K4**) Free Fly-in Air Show, fly-in from 7am-12:30pm. Free breakfast from 7am-10am for those who fly in. 10:45am Veterans Ceremony, Lunch available from 11am -1pm, Air Show 1 pm. Contact: Jr. Regier 580-227-3788, Email: regierflying@pldi.net

Saturday, Nov 21, 2009 — Slaughterville, OK. McCaslin Field Fly-In - (<http://www.wotelectronics.com/flyin/>), McCaslin Field (**O44**) Grass-strip fly-in lunch, always a good time! Show up around 11AM. Contact: Steve Ruse 405-209-9010, Email: steve@wotelectronics.com

Saturday, Nov 21, 2009 — Houston, TX. Wings Wheels - A Salute to Veterans! - (<http://www.1940airterminal.org>), William P. Hobby Airport (**KHOU**) Join us at The 1940 Air Terminal Museum from 10:00a to 5:00p as we dedicate November's Wings Wheels event to be A Salute to Veterans! This event will feature a variety of military aircraft subject to availability on display, and some classic cars as well! Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, and admission is waived for visitors who fly in and for any military personnel with a valid military ID. Admission includes access to the museum, static vehicle and aircraft displays, and lunch! Contact: Megan Lickliter-Mundon 713-454-1940, Email: info@1940airterminal.org

Other Aviation News

The Latest News From EAA - Experimental Aircraft Association:

[FAA Issues Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin on Zodiac CH601XL and CH650 Aircraft](#)

EAA is urging owners of Zodiac CH601XL and CH650 aircraft to not fly those airplanes until wing maintenance is completed to comply with the FAA's Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin released today.

[EAAer Uses 3D Animation to Reconstruct Hudson River Landing](#)

The landing of US Airways Flight 1549 in the Hudson has been dissected from many angles and now one EAA member has created what is likely the most complete and visually impactful animated reconstruction of the event to date.

[One Voice: GA joins together at inaugural AOPA Summit](#)

The main ballroom of the Tampa Convention Center filled to near capacity Thursday for the opening session of AOPA's inaugural Aviation Summit.

The Latest News From AOPA - Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association:

[The new AOPA Medical Services Program](#)

AOPA believes the health of general aviation depends on the health of our members. Pilots are a hearty breed, but even the heartiest among us can sometimes be grounded for medical issues. That's why AOPA has created The AOPA Medical Services Program. This new effort has been designed to help pilots stay healthy, keep their medical certificates, and extend their flying years.

[Holiday gifts of the canine kind](#)

We're not sure the connection, but pilots seem to be dog people even more than, well, regular people are dog people. And being such dog people, pilots need creative holiday gifts for Rover, and a couple of companies are happy to oblige.

[Senators push to pass FAA funding bill this year](#)

Members of the Senate have joined together to voice the importance of passing a long-term FAA funding bill (S.1451) before the end of the year.

The Latest News From Aero-News Network:

[Aero-TV: AOPA '09 Conversations \(Part 2\) -- Is The Economy Keeping You Grounded](#)

AOPA Attendees Chat With Aero-TV About The Effect Of the Economy On Aviation Opinions! We love them... especially when they come from folks with something interesting to say! Aero-TV engaged in one of its favorite exercises during the 2009 AOPA 'Summit' -- that of surveying a dozen or more people at an event with three questions targeted toward the interest group that we're shooting...

[KUKA Systems North America Lands F-35 Assembly Line Contract](#)

Company Will Install Complete Integrated Assembly System For Northrop Grumman A contract from Northrop Grumman Corp worth over \$100 million for installation of an integrated assembly line for the F-35 Lightning II jet fighter program is the largest ever received by the aerospace division of Sterling Heights, Michigan-based KUKA System North America.

[NASA Makes Final Launch Preparations](#)

Atlantis Scheduled For Liftoff November 16th At NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida, technicians at Launch Pad 39A are working to get space shuttle Atlantis' propulsion systems ready for flight to the International Space Station.

The Latest News From AVweb:

[Picture of the Week: AVweb's Flying Photography Showcase](#)

Prolific "POTW" submitter Gary Dikkers of Madison, Wisconsin has been bucking for a new AVweb cap for a while, and this timeless photo of some Mustangs parked in the warbird section at EAA AirVenture has earned it for him. We found a great batch of photos waiting for us after the AOPA Summit, quite a few of them showcasing military aircraft, personnel, and classic warbirds in honor of Veterans Day. By the time you see this, the day that commemorates the end of the Great War will have passed into history for another year ? but we hope you'll indulge us a little longer as we salute the men and women of aviation who serve their countries in a special veteran-themed edition of "POTW."

[Question of the Week: Too Rare for the Air?](#)

The Commemorative Air Force lost its bid to keep a one-of-a-kind F-82 Twin Mustang when its appeal of an earlier court ruling in favor of the Air Force reclaiming the historic aircraft was rejected. The CAF originally wanted to restore the aircraft to flying condition, which prompts our latest Question. We'd like to know what you think about putting one-of-a-kind historic airplanes into the air. Plus: We previously asked AVweb readers about the proposed legislation to ban laptops and other electronic distractions in the cockpit; click through to see how you responded to last week's Question.

[AVweb Insider Blog: Does Amelia Make the Sale?](#)

Oh, great ? now Paul Bertorelli imagines himself the Leonard Maltin of the aviation world in this, his first film review. If you've seen the new film Amelia log into the AVweb Insider blog and have a go at your own comments.

The logo for Cutter Aviation features the word "CUTTER" in a bold, red, italicized sans-serif font. The letters are outlined in black and have a slight 3D effect. On either side of the word, there are two red arrowheads pointing outwards.

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