

FROM THE LEFT SEAT

Bob Anderson
Chapter President



Happy New Year to all our members and friends of Aviation! I hope everyone circumnavigates the flu and its entire season.

As we close the book on 2013, I reflect back on the year and I am remind of the dedication, kindness, and sense of community that many of our members and their families have demonstrated. We volunteered for hosting and contributed to the EAA National Grassroots Pilot's Tour, FFAST seminars, pilot workshops, multiple local airshows, KidQwest, fly-ins, California Capital Aviation Day, Positive Altitude youth programs, Young Eagles flights, Technical Counseling, STEM workshops, the best pancake breakfast west of the Mississippi, and so many more. It's not every day kids get up and be close and personal with aviation and when they do at our events I am inspired by our member's stewardship of aviation.

This reminds me of who we are... A community of passionate aviation enthusiasts that promotes and supports recreational flying. Our vision... A vibrant and growing aviation community. Our mission...

To grow participation in aviation by promoting the "Spirit of Aviation."

I would like to thank and welcome aboard our newest Board Member, Leon Shkolnik. I have asked Gill Wright if he would be my Vice President (pro tem) and he humbly and graciously accepted until we can find a VP candidate. Thank you, Sir. Additionally, I would like to say thank you in advance to the 2015 Board of Directors for your service. With your leadership and guidance this will be a great year for Chapter 52.

I would like to address a few challenges we face.

Membership. As our member base ages we are seeing fewer and fewer members at events. I would ask that friends help friends as designated drivers and I would consider to the membership supporting an event or two during daylight hours. Also, if you have a friend, who wants to fly and doesn't have an airplane, tell her/him to buy a kit and build a new airplane in his/her garage (or hangar if she/he can afford that) with just a screwdriver and a hammer.

And after their purchase of this kit, tell them to join Chapter 52 to receive excellent advices, and the airplane will be finished in just a couple of days, weeks, months, years or decades (certainly not centuries). Committee Chair(s) Opportunities. We need help with Facilities

WING FLAP

EAA Chapter 52 Sacramento, California

(Yolo), *Wing Flap* and *Public Affairs*. The Yolo hangar needs some TLC and scheduled maintenance. This job pays in six figures (S-M-I-L-E-S)! Our good friend Thom can really use some help with the Wing Flap and developing articles for future newsletters. And the Public Affairs job would include, but not limited to, developing and implementing the Chapters communication strategy and objectives. I believe by employing a new media and marketing plan we can broaden our membership by reaching a more tech savvy demographic.

Fund Raising. One of the challenges that we face are to maintain the Chapters fund raisers while searching for additional events and fundraising opportunities that fit in to the character of the Chapter. Maintaining these events will require Chapter members to step in to roles that they may not have filled before. How about bring back the "Hot Dog" Team? Something to consider. I would also like remind everyone that the EAA Chapter 52 Sacramento, CA is a public charity organization. Your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Recently we received a complete Lincoln Ideal Arc 205 welder and complete oxygen/acetylene system from Mr. Paul Zimmerman Sr. he had heard our Chapter could use these tools and provided the donation. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve. More to follow.

Best wishes for the New Year,
Bob Anderson
President

"As an Experimenter, we do it because we can...."

Your New 2015 Chapter 52 Board



VP pro tem



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MEETINGS: The general membership meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at 1930 (potlucks at 1830) in the meeting room off the main lobby in the tower building at Executive Airport (KSAC), 6151 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento, California. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, and COMMITTEE CHAIR: The board meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Board meetings start promptly at 1900 for social time & 1930 for business meeting and are held in the same room as the general membership meetings. NEWSLETTER: EAA Chapter 52 is not responsible for any modification or maintenance items that appear in the newsletter or in any other correspondence. It is the responsibility of the reader to discuss and obtain approval for all such items from an appropriate A&P, the FAA, or other government official. The Wing Flap is published monthly with the exception of July and December.

EAA National Membership is required for all Chapter 52 members.

Chapter 52 dues are \$20 per year (January - December).

A late charge of \$5 after the February meeting will be assessed all past due members.

For more information on National and Chapter 52 memberships, please call Chapter 52 Membership Chairman Hap Pischke at 916-966-1346.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015 MEETINGS

January

- 13th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 27th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

February

- 10th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 24th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

March

- 10th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 31st 1830-2130 General Membership Meeting
- Pot Luck Dinner

April

- 12th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 14th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 28th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

May

- 10th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 12th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 26th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

June

- 9th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 14th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 30th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

July

- 12th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 14th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 20th EAA Airventure Starts
- 26th EAA Airventure Ends
- 28th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

August

- 9th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 11th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 25th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

September

- 8th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 13th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 29th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

October

- 11th 0900-1100 Chapter 52 Pancake Breakfast
- 13th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 27th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting
- Pot Luck Dinner

November

- 10th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 24th 1930-2130 General Membership Meeting

December

- 8th 1900-2100 Board of Directors Meeting
- 12th 1800-2100 Chapter 52 Membership Christmas Dinner

What's Happening

April 22: California Aviation Day
Capital Lawn

May 16 AOPA Fly In @ KSNS

May 17 Positive Altitude @ KMHR

May 5,6,7 Central Coast Fly In 5,6,7

Sept. Reno Air Races

October 2,3,4: Capital Sir Show
@KMHR 2,3,4,

October 17 Golden West Fly In