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EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 429

Jefferson City Bluebirds

President's Message

What a difference a few days can make. Last week it was 60 degrees and this week the wind chill is down in the single digits, I really think it is time for me to install that heater in my Dragonfly! I hope that you are all able to get some flying or construction time on your airplanes as the weather will permit. I am really looking forward to warmer weather.

I was extremely please with how things went at the Annual Chapter Banquet, I do not think it could have been much better. We had an incredible turn-out, the food was terrific, and of course the company was friendly.

Joe Pestka gave us a very good briefing on the state of aviation in MO and there was a lot of discussion about flying and building airplanes. Chapter 429 has been in existence for 35 years and one of our original founding members is still an active member of the Chapter, Larry Schell. I really appreciated Larry's comments at the banquet, although they embarrassed me a little. I have been trying to serve you well, but I am very confident that others before me have done a far better job. I sincerely appreciate all your support with everything the Chapter does!!

I really want to thank the out-going Chapter Officers and Board Member, they have all served the Chapter with great distinction!! Thank you Carol, Bob, Lanny, and Chet for all you hard work and support, the Chapter would not exist without your efforts.

I also want to welcome our new Chapter Officers and Board Members, Chet is going to be our Secretary and Newsletter

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for the latest information on chapter events.

Editor, Ron Dallmeyer is going to be our Treasurer, Lanny has agreed to stay on for another term on the Board of Directors and Bob Gumm is going to fill the Board of Directors slot vacated by Chet. The two other Board of Directors are Bill Harman and Dale Carlson. Of course you all know that Bob Lynch is our Flight Advisor and Bob Stewart is our Technical Counselor. Thanks to all the Officers and Board Members for all your hard work and dedication. I am very excited about the upcoming year for the Chapter!!

I was very please to present the Chapter Member of the Year Award to Lanny Crawford. Lanny is ALWAYS there for the Chapter whenever we need him. His efforts as the B-17 Tour Stop Co-Promotions Chairman were unmatched by all of his counterparts at other tour stop cities. His, and Tisha's, work has been recognized at the EAA Headquarters and will almost certainly be used as an example on how a tour stop event should be promoted. Lanny has always been very generous with his time and expertise with metal working and welding. Thank you Lanny for being an extremely valuable member of EAA Chapter 429; your hard work, dedication, and generosity will never be forgotten.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next Chapter meeting on 12 February 2007 at 7 pm in the Jefferson City Memorial Airport terminal building.

Jeff

Upcoming Events

12 February Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm	Jeff Airport
12 March Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm	Jeff Airport
09 April Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm	Jeff Airport