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President's Corner

by Vic Briley

Hello fellow flyers:

I would like to thank everyone for your thoughts and kind words and for the chapter donation to hospice in memory of my mother, Joyce Arlene (Webber) Briley. She was 77 years old when she passed away on January 11th, the day after our last meeting. Most of you never met my mother, but had a taste of the corn from her garden at our last annual corn roast in East Jordan. If you remember how sweet the corn was and the pleasure it brought to you, then you can imagine what my mother was like. She will be sadly missed by all that knew her.

More sad news; Mel Straight (one of our newest chapter members) passed away since our last meeting also. Mel was the pastor at the Victory Bible Church in Elmira. Mel had taken a bad fall before our corn roast and was unable to attend so he sent his dad with the tables that he promised he would bring. He was a man of his word. I wish I knew more about him, but had only conversed with him several times before his passing. I had high hopes for him and looked forward to spending time with him at chapter events. Sadly, this will never happen now. He was buried downstate and there will be a memorial service for him on March 4th at his church in Elmira. All of you are invited to attend.

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Next Meeting Feb. 14, 2007

**In The New Terminal
Board at 6:30pm
Chapter at 7:30pm**

Mel Straight

[Editor's Note: Vic received the following notice from Bonnie Straight. Pastor Mel Straight recently joined our chapter.]

I wanted to let you know that Mel went to be with the Lord on Friday evening. He had a massive heart attack. He really enjoyed you and your group and was looking forward to being your 'chaplain' and also building the plane. Now I have this plane that I don't know what to do with. But maybe you can help me with that in the future. Right now I am trying to keep myself together a day at a time.

Mel will be buried down state either Wednesday or Thursday. I will find out tomorrow. There is just a small family gathering at the cemetery at that time. There will be a memorial service at the Elmira church in the near future. You are more than welcome to attend. If you are interested please let me know and I will let you know of the exact date.

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Coming Events

- Feb 14** **Board Meeting at 6:30pm at the Airport. Regular meeting follows.**
- Mar 14** **Board Meeting at 6:30pm at the Airport. Regular meeting follows.**
- Apr 11** **Board Meeting at 6:30pm at the Airport. Regular meeting follows.**
- Jun 23** **Aviation Day at the Airport**
- Jun 24** **EAA Breakfast and Young Eagles**



January Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting called to order :30 PM by President. Vic advised us that the purchase of our hanger not been completed, but is under way and should be completed soon.

A discussion was held on meeting times and locations, and this will be considered further at our regular meeting.

The program for our next meeting will be presented by Wally McCoy. [Editor's Note: This has been postponed.]

Air Fair: dates will be June 23, 24, 2007. The Airport Comm. is working on this. They advised the Yankee Air Force will have planes and rides will be available. Believe possibly a P-51. Believed fare to be \$1,000. Further discussion regular meeting.

No decision yet on whether our chapter will have the food concession.

Meeting adjourned to tour the new airport terminal.

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Regular meeting called to order by President. Vic at 7:30.

Motion made that minutes be accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Joe Hartley reported that our balance is \$2,885.00.

Plans for Air Fair have not been completed by the Airport Committee. It is suggested that we have someone representing our chapter at the Airport Committee's meetings.

A discussion was held on the Air Fair for June 23 & 24. It is not decided yet whether we will have the food concession.

There was additional discussion about the time and day of chapter meetings. A motion made by Phil that future meetings be held on second Wednesday; with the Board meeting at :30 and regular meeting at 7:30 PM, year round at the airport terminal. The motion was seconded by Joe H. and the motion passed.

Our program for the evening was a film on the P-51 Warbird.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joe H., seconded by Ken; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, John Hughes

President's Corner—continued

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We are still working on the deal for the old terminal building and hope to close a deal soon. The closing has been delayed by plans to expand the new terminal parking lot which may take out the hangars belonging to Wally Loney, Ken Schlemmer, and Wally McCoy. At the present time, they plan to spare the old terminal building which has some historical significance as it was the first building erected for the Gaylord Airport. I spoke with Scott Woody and the engineer who is designing the parking lot and entrance/exit and they are taking in consideration our desire to be able to use the hangar for aircraft storage with an active taxiway. All of this is subject to change as the planning is in the very early stages.

Next month we are looking forward to having

our meeting at Tom Kellogg's home east of Vanderbilt on Sturgeon Valley Road. Everyone will have a chance to see his Challenger kit and have a little party. It will be pot luck so be prepared to bring a dish to pass.

The upcoming air fair should be an exciting event in June. There is a much larger budget this year and there will be many more aircraft there than last year. It looks like this year's air fair main event will be on Saturday and our Young Eagles flight day will be on Sunday. It is still in the planning stages, so we will keep you updated as we get more information.

Keep the blue side up!

EAA1095's Web Site

by Phil Curtiss

A recent addition to our Web Site www.eaa1095.org is a page of links to other aviation web sites. The new page could be the start for collecting our various aviation links on the Internet. You can help by sending your favorites to the editor. I will place them on the site and try to include a notice in the next newsletter.

Here is my initial contribution of links:

www.eaa.org

EAA Home Page

www.youngeagles.org/logbook

Under search by chapter enter EAA and 1095 to get our chapter totals

www.aopa.org

AOPA Home Page

www.avweb.com

Aviation news

www.aero-news.net

Aviation news

www.faa.gov

FAA Home Page

www.mdot.state.mi.us/aero

Mich Dept of Aeronautics

www.skyvector.com

Free Online Aviation Charts

www.risingup.com/planespecs/info/

General Aviation Performance Data Base

www.aopa.org/asf/ntsb/search_ntsb.cfm

AOPA Accident Database

www.airliners.net

Airliner photos and more

www.astronautix.com

Astronaut blog

flightaware.com/live

Flight tracking – ck KGLR

flyingthehump.net

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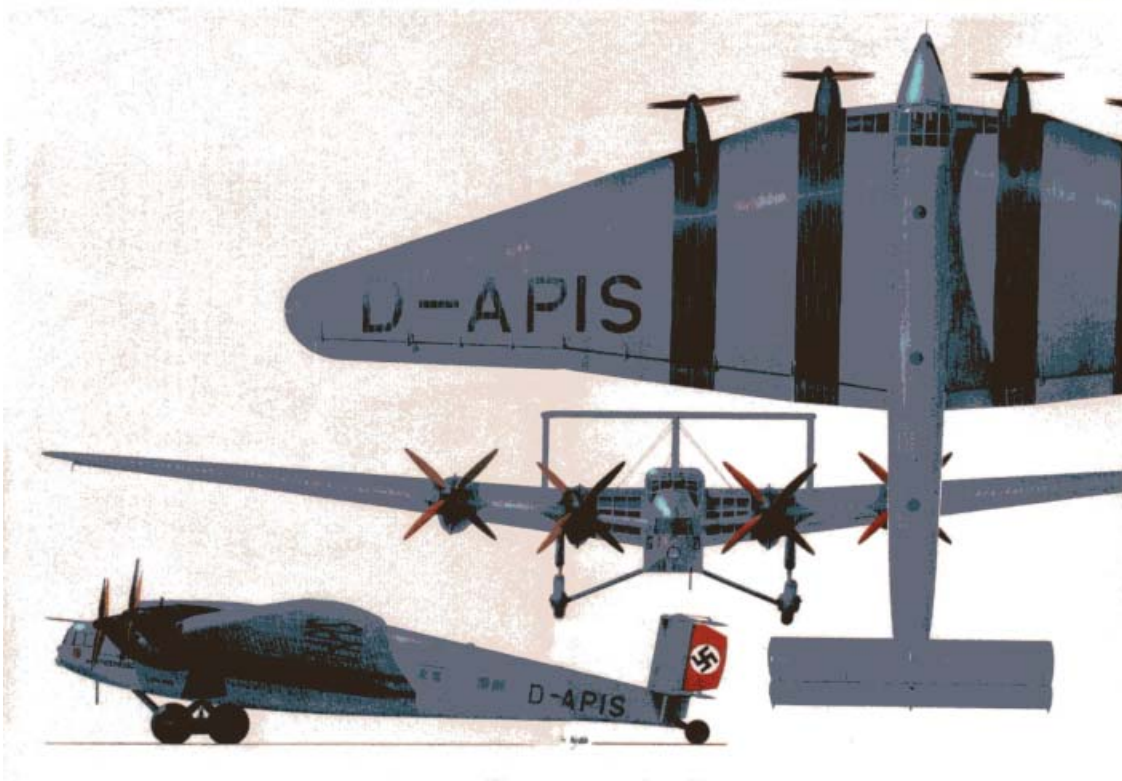
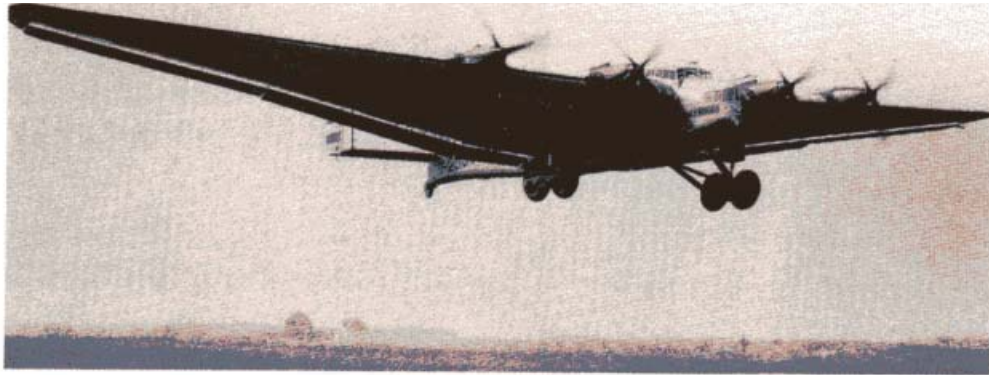


John Hughes Offered These Photos from the Airliners.net

Out of the Archives #17

Last month's subject, one of the largest aircraft ever flown, with a span of 290 ft., is the Russian built Antonov An-225 Mryia (Dream). It was originally designed to move space craft components but now carries large items for any one willing to come up with the cost, frequently for the U.S. Air Force. Payload 551,150 lb. Max weight of 1,322,750 lb.

This month we have another very large aircraft, actually the largest in the world at the time of it's first flight.. Although only two were built they flew on regular service from 1930 until impressed by the military in 1939, the last destroyed in a bombing raid in 1941.



Manufacturer _____

Series ID _____

Nickname _____

Country _____



Beech Staggerwing



P-51 Mustang

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