

January 20, 2009

Next meeting:
 February 17, 2008
 6: 00 p.m.
 Speakers: Bob Warner
 and Noel Marshall
 "Wealth Strategies for
 Aviators"
 at Sonex Aircraft, LLC



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2009 Conference: A New Approach for Your Tomorrow

"A New Approach for Your Tomorrow," is the theme for the 2009 Women in Aviation International conference. From February 26-28, more than 3,000 women and men are expected to converge in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Hyatt Regency.

Attendees will find over 120 exhibitors, 47 education sessions, 12 keynote speakers, several workshops, seminars, and clinics—and much more. Some say the most valuable part is the thousands of networking opportunities.

This year's conference includes education sessions on topics ranging from "Stories from the War Front" to "Improving your Standard of Flying." There will also be discussions by an all women airline pilot panel and top female executives at the



at Robins AFB and TIMCO Aviation Services Delta Air Lines Technical Operations Center the Georgia Aquarium.
 For more information visit www.wai.org.

world's largest airports. Plus—two of our very own will be speaking at the conference! Chapter member Rose Dorcey will be presenting "Practicing Safe Press," and chapter member Bonnie Kratz will talk about "Aviation Photography - Capturing A Passion." Peggy Whitson, the first female Space Station commander, Aerobic champion Patty Wagstaff, and Jessica Cox, the first female pilot born without arms, to fly with her feet will part of a well-know list of keynote speakers.

The evenings give attendees a chance to visit the Museum of Aviation

Meeting Notes

Due to snowy weather in December, our Christmas party was held in place of our January meeting at Kodiak Jack's in Oshkosh on January 20. Good food, good drinks, and great conversation were had by all. The new officers also met in January to discuss officer positions and specific duties, 2009 Chapter events, and renewal notices.

The new officers for 2009 are listed to the left of this column. A news position was created, Newsletter Editor, and will be filled by Kristy Hemp. (Thank you, Kristy!)

We have a great line-up this year for our Chapter events! Please note April's date change due to a conflict with Sun 'N Fun. With a few meetings yet to be confirmed, here are the programs slated for 2009:

February 17 - Bob Warner & Noel Marshall, Aviation Wealth Management

March 17 - Adam Smith, EAA (invited)

April 14 - OPEN

May 19 - OPEN

June 16 - Joe Duff, Operation Migration (invited)

July - no meeting (AirVenture)

August 18 - Summer Social

September 15 - Joe Duff, Operation Migration (invited)

October 20 - Peter Moll, Wittman Regional Airport (invited)

November 17 - OPEN

December 15 - Christmas Party!

Other invited presenters: Claire Patterson, Basler; Steve Davis, CFI; a C-130 Pilot, and Gulfstream tour.

Updates will be sent out to members as confirmations arrive.

Don't Forget!

It's time to renew your chapter membership! Please remember to bring your renewal form (available at www.oshkoshwai.org) and dues (\$10) to the next chapter meeting.

Announcements

- If you are interested in volunteering at this year's AirFEST in Janesville this May, please visit www.swairfest.org to download and submit the volunteer application.
- The chapter website has been updated with several new photos from 2008 activities. Please take a moment to check it out at www.oshkoshwai.org! More will be going up in the coming days/weeks, including a copy of the chapter annual report and some additional reference materials.

- Look for us on Facebook! Our chapter has a home in this age of social networking, so be sure to search for the WAI Oshkosh Chapter when you next log in to Facebook!

Member Spotlight: Audra Hoy



Job Title: Project Manager
When I am not at work I am: Working out
Aviation affiliation: Aviation enthusiast, hopefully get my license this year.
Favorite airplane: P-51D Mustang
One thing most people don't know about me: It is rare that I listen to an entire song.

My greatest accomplishment in life so far: Finding out who I am and being completely ok with that.

One thing I want to do before I die: Run a half marathon

The person I admire most: My grandmother. She is a spitfire and so incredibly strong.

The latest CD that I bought: Oh wait, are those the things that existed before iTunes?

My favorite food: Mexican

My favorite place to be: Around people I love and make me laugh

My least favorite place to be: Anywhere that carries lots of negative energy

One person I would love to have lunch with: Queen Elizabeth I

Why I joined Women in Aviation: I joined when I was in middle school - the women in this organization are so strong and really make you realize that anything is possible.

We would love to profile every member of Women in Aviation-Oshkosh Chapter. Recommend a fellow member you think should be profiled, or send in your profile. To request an electronic file of the questions, please email khemp@eaa.org or visit www.oshkoshwai.org.

Celebrating the Wisconsin Centennial of Flight

The Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame (WAHF) is planning a series of events to celebrate Wisconsin's Centennial of Flight, including the construction of a quarter-scale model Curtiss "Warner" Flyer similar to the one that first flew in Wisconsin in 1909.

WAHF has teamed with EAA Chapter 60 of Beloit, Wisconsin, for the construction of the model. The EAA chapter was asked to participate due to Arthur Pratt Warner making Wisconsin's first flight in Beloit on November 4, 1909. Chapter members will complete the model in time for its

unveiling at the Wisconsin Aviation Conference on May 4-6 in Eau Claire.

Additional centennial events include statewide and Beloit-area aviation history presentations, a traveling exhibit of the model, and a WAHF membership rewards program.

More details will be announced soon. To become a Wisconsin Centennial of Flight supporter, schedule a speaker, or learn more about celebratory events contact Michael Goc, WAHF board member, at 608-339-7191, email NewPast@maqs.net, or visit www.AviationHallofFameWisconsin.com.



President's Column

It's the beginning of another year... and that means resolutions. This year I have resolved to be more organized. That certainly benefits you all... my efforts to be more organized means you'll see more newsletters and get more "bang for your buck" from a more regularly maintained website. It seems pretty crazy for me, the new mom who works full-time and just took on a commuter lifestyle, to commit to doing more and doing it better, but this chapter is something that is important to me, so I intend to make it a priority.

That said, sometimes we have to release some control and learn how to delegate. I'm learning, and have thus asked our new chapter member Kristy Hemp to take over gathering content for the newsletter. I have no doubt that Kristy will do a fantastic job coming up with interesting stuff for you to read, and between the two of us, we'll get this baby laid out, e-mailed, and posted each month. We both appreciate your patience, and will appreciate your help in the coming months even more. Any feedback or suggestions you have for the newsletter, let us hear them! *Aviatrix Logbook* has the potential to be a major recruitment tool for our chapter, so we need it to be the best it can be!

In other news, we'll be finalizing the chapter calendar in the coming weeks and it's shaping up to be another exciting year for us. I hope you'll work to attend all of them meetings this year, because I don't think there are any you'll want to miss!

Monthly Q & A

This month's question came across the desk of one of our members and she recommended it for our newsletter. It came complete with an answer from EAA volunteer and pilot, Amy Gesch.

Q: *I'm pricing out flight lessons (I think I've waited long enough)! My roommate and I are looking into taking lessons at the same time. We are looking into flying out of Waukesha. Do you, or anyone you know, know someone who wants to give flight lessons to two excited students? Any info or ideas you have would be fantastic! Thanks!*

Jen – Waukesha, WI

A: Hey Jen - I worked for Spring City Aviation, the local flight school at Waukesha (www.springcityaviation.com). I also believe there's another flight school on the field. I ended up doing my flying up at Hartford with Steve Krog and learned in a Cub. It's cheaper than going through Spring City, plus you get the tail-wheel endorsement. However, you don't get as much towered airport experience. I thought it was a ton of fun, but it depends on what you're looking for. Steve's number is (262)305-2903. Ken Reese is at Capitol Drive Airport in Brookfield, and his rates are competitive, but you'd have to call him and check his availability. His number is on the NAFI listing, or you can call Capitol Airport at (262) 781-4213 and leave a message.

You can schedule a discovery flight with flight schools that you're interested

in and compare them to see which one you like best. I would definitely advise shopping around to see how different flight schools do things. Here's a listing by NAFI, which also lists a lot of instructors that may not be associated with a flight school www.nafinet.org/directory/wisconsin_1.html. Sometimes this is better because it may be cheaper and you'll get to know your instructor, but it also may be difficult to schedule when you want to. Additionally, they may not have an aircraft suitable for rental for private pilot students, so that's a question to ask.

There's also this listing for sport pilot instructors, if you're considering a sport pilot license (www.sportpilot.org/instructors/wisconsin_1.html). Here is a helpful article on what you should look for in an instructor/flight school. They should work to please you and take your concerns seriously. You're paying them lots of money to! (www.sportpilot.org/learntofly/articles/070917_getting_started.html) And don't forget to keep an eye out for scholarships available through Women in Aviation, the 99s, EAA, and other such organizations :) Good luck! It's worth it!

-Amy

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