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Nominating Committee begins duties early this year. Volunteers needed.

By Jim Pyle

The by-laws state that we should have candidates by September for election to the board of directors for the following year.

I have again asked John Durant to serve as head of the nominating committee.

This year we intend to get an early start to give the nominating committee plenty of time for the process to work to our advantage. John informs me that this is a time-consuming task which entails calling all local members. Spreading the job over several months lightens the load considerably.

You can expect no arm twisting, but each one of us should consider sometime in our membership years, the honor and responsibility to help run our sterling organiza-

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The Prez Sez...

We got this New Year started on a wonderful, emotional high when Gotta Fly, the flight school on Flabob, presented the program at our January meeting. New private pilots were honored with a beautiful ceremony and trophy awards. Pilots' family members and Chapter One members joined in being proud of these young people and their achievement.

This issue will be the first one prepared by our new Newsletter Editor, Leon Grumling. We are expecting growth in the subjects presented and more Flabob activities reported on as we all become more involved in broadening our input for the editor to work with. Please submit items you think will be of interest to our Chapter Members, wherever in the world they may

be. Fewer than 20% of our members live nearby, so news about Flabob should be spread by our *WingNut*.

In the upcoming months, we will be taking a look at each of our customary activities and plan to improve our performance where weakness is found. Young Eagle practices are being reviewed and some need for change has been indicated. We plan to upgrade our computer in the office and add features to better control our data and to better communicate with Members. We continue to move through the prerequisites for applying for 501c3 status for our Corporation. This should be finally accomplished this year. A calendar of Chapter One events *(Continued on*

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**Next
Young
Eagles
Rally is
Feb. 11th!**

Calendar



February

3rd—First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hanger - 5 p.m.

11th—Young Eagles Rally

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.

12th—Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - noon

12th—Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.

March

3rd—First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.

11th—Young Eagles Rally

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.

12th—Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - noon

12th—Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.

24th-26th--EAA Repairman LSA- Inspection Workshop

April

7th—First Friday Flicks

Chapter One Hangar - 5 p.m.

8th—Young Eagles Rally

Chapter One Hangar - 8 a.m.

9th—Chapter Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - noon

9th—Board Meeting

Chapter One Hangar - 3 p.m.

20th-22nd--Aluminum Overcast B-17 from Oshkosh

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February's program to feature The Prez

:Our attempts at getting a good speaker for this meeting have been unsuccessful. So, our *default* selection is to have Jim Pyle show some airplane pictures that we hope will be of interest and stir memories. Depending on the success of his search for pictures he knows he has, but can't find right now, the pictures will be from long ago, when he was young, up to some recent air-shows. This program is likely to be one of the short ones and your comments afterward may be helpful in guiding the selection of future programs. Comments like, "We see too much of him already, let alone have him do the Program too," will be duly tallied and considered constructive.

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tion. There is some work involved but it is not overwhelming, I guarantee that you will make some new friends, friends with admirable qualities.

The nominating committee will simply request that you consider serving on the board for a period of two years. You may also be asked to serve on the nominating committee. The decision is yours. In addition, this telephone call is an opportunity to ask a few questions:

- How would you suggest we improve our association?
- Can you volunteer to help in any other way (Young Eagles. for example)?
- How can we improve attendance at our outstanding monthly meetings?
- Are the monthly meetings held on the most convenient day?

John informs me that we already have two candidates for the board and two candidates for the nominating committee. So you see, we are well on our way.

Please expect a phone call from the nominating committee and think ahead for a positive answer, or take the initiative and call John at 909-621-4578.

Introducing your new *WingNut* editor

It is a pleasure to serve as your new newsletter editor for *WingNut*. I ask you all to be patient with me as I make small changes to your newsletter and learn my way around the EAA Chapter 1 environs.

We welcome input from each and every member of Chapter 1, no matter where you live. If you're not based at Flabob, then as a member of our chapter, you are an honorary Flabobian! We'd like to hear from you any noteworthy news, such as airplane projects or completions, or any special events you're involved in.

To make my editorial duties easier, it would be great to receive your submissions in Microsoft Word format. But we'll accept stories scribbled on a napkin, if necessary—but only if the napkin is from an airport diner.

I look forward to meeting each of you at our functions. Just look for a fat bald guy with a bum left leg. You can't miss me!

- Your E.I.T.

Young Eagles pilots honored in January

By Mary Ellen Lubak

Gotta Fly Aviation, the flight school at Flabob Airport, had the privilege at the January 15th EAA Chapter 1 meeting of presenting awards to "Young Eagles," pilots in training, who earned their pilots' certificates in 2005.

Parents, relatives and friends of Jeff Foust, Daniel Hilger, Erik Lindholm, Brandon Lange, and Chris Riddle attended the Awards Program to watch proudly as the new pilots received an eagle statuette (provided by Mill Creek Studios of Redlands, CA) honoring their achievements as part of the The Young Eagles program.

Chapter 1 members were able to experience first-hand the results of providing incentives over the years to prospective pilots.

See our
Website
www.eeach1.org/
for news
on EAA's
**LSA Repairman Inspection
Workshop**
March 24-26, 2006
At Chapter One Hangar

New EAA Chapter One members

New since August 2005:

Mike Ratliff	Hemet, CA
John Torvik	Crestline, CA
Larry Neal	Boyd, TX
Richard Hein	Fullerton, CA
John Harlan	Riverside, CA
Phil Miller	Altadena, CA
David Winsett	Sun City, CA
Richard Ruth	Corona, CA
John Alling	Valley Center, CA
Jerry Brown	Cathedral City, CA
Carolyn Badger	Riverside, CA
Donald Zweifel	Placentia, CA
Jimmy Irvine	Fullerton, CA
Andrew Erian	Lawndale, CA

Susie Newman	Oak Hills, CA
Bruce McJunkin	Clovis, CA
John Ready	Santa Maria, CA
Roger Vian	Hesperia, CA
Gabe Lopez	El Monte, CA
Richard Gove	Riverside, CA
Arun Murthi	Fullerton, CA
David Amato	Norco, CA
Christopher Smith	Riverside, CA
Robert Skinner	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
Donald Hamm	Hemet, CA
David Cleveland	Little Rock, CA
Bernard Heimos	Laguna Niguel, CA
Russell Barry	Riverside, CA

Gone West...

The following chapter members left us during 2005. They will be missed:

Frank Coulter
 Roger Hitchcock
 Tom Swihart
 Scotty Cardwell
 Mel Sease

Freeman "Pappy" Perrault died January 8, 2006 from heart failure at Apple Valley Hospital. He was 84 years young. Freeman moved from the area, but his love for Flabob and the friends he made here never changed. He was a Flabobian.

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Thanks, Doc!

NOTICE: Have you paid your annual Chapter One dues yet? If not, please send in your dues and update your membership today!

Young Eagle Flight Rally Report for January

By Wes Blasjo

Weather was again a factor in the Young Eagle Flight Rally. At daybreak the low cloud layer was down to the ground and it didn't look promising. By 7:30 it was a little better, but not good but by mid morning we were able to fly.

As of Friday we had 120 signed up but one group canceled out 20 participants so we were down to 100, but with a late start, this would have kept us flying until mid afternoon. A number of other groups did not show up so we ended up only flying 28. Some may have not shown up thinking that we would not be flying because of the low clouds, but others just did not show up. By noon the eight pilots who showed up flew all the Young Eagles and some of the parents. The parents were as excited and thrilled as the kids were on their first flight.

Tiffany Felton did the ground school and Anthony Ward did the preflight inspection instruction. Kevin Saldana did the flightline loading as per usual. Charlene Rhodes had faithfully checked the consent forms for completeness and legibility for many moons, but she has other commitments and will no longer be able to do this. We need a volunteer to do this very important job. If the information on the consent form is incomplete or illegible it really slows down the process of printing certificates.

Thanks to all those who generously gave of their time to help things run smoothly.

Young Eagle Pilots::

Martin Britton	Stinson 108-1
Jerry Cortez	C 150
Dave Cudney	Cherokee 180
Barry Duble	Cherokee 235
Norm Manary	Cessna Aerobat (Conrad Nordquist's)
Hal Nemer	Citabria (Wathen Foundation's)
Ray Stits	C 182
Larry Van Dam	Bonanza

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What drives like a motorcycle, flies like a gyro?

The Super Sky Cycle!

EAA Chapter One member Larry Neal, of Boyd, TX, has just patented the flying motorcycle!

Neal, who is president of The Butterfly LLC company that makes gyroplane kits, has invented the Super Sky Cycle. "I'm flying it now!" he said. And, since obtaining the U.S. patent for it on Dec. 27, "it means we're free to develop practical flying vehicles without infringing on patent rights of other inventors."

The patent covers a "fly/drive vehicle" with a folding rotor shaft and a transmission to power either the drive propeller or wheels.



"The problem with flying cars in the past was what to do with the wings once you were on the ground," said Neal. "With a 'fly/drive' gyroplane, just fold the rotor blades and drive on down the road.

"Using rotor blades for the wings of a flying car makes the fly-drive Super Sky Cycle a new kind of vehicle," Neal said. "There's nothing else like it—a gyroplane that can fly at freeway speeds, land in 20 feet, be driven home as a motorcycle, and fit in your garage."

The Super Sky Cycle is based on a Monarch single-place gyroplane kit. First flown on Dec. 23, the new vehicle gets airborne at 20 mph, cruises at 50 mph at half throttle, and tops out at 65 mph. It uses a Rotax 582 engine with a three-blade 60-inch propeller.

Neal said he plans to demonstrate the Super Sky Cycle in both flying and driving modes at the "Sun 'n Fun" fly-in at Lakeland, FL, April 4-10.

If you'd like more information on the Super Sky Cycle, write The Butterfly LLC, P.O. Box 927, Boyd, TX 76023. Their phone is 940-627-9887. Email is thebutterfly612@earthlink.net. Or, go to their website at www.thebutterflyllc.com.

The Prez Sez...continued

for 2006 will be displayed in our website, and presented in segments in this newsletter.

John Durant is appointed Chairman of Nominating Committee to prepare for election of Chapter leadership in the fall election. He will need volunteers on his committee to do a talent search of our members to find willing and able candidates for all the Officer and Board Member positions. We hope for, and need, the next generation of Chapter One leaders to come forth and bring new ideas and energy to our Chapter. While some present leaders may run for another term, many of us will not, so we hope for a vigorous campaign and bright, strong new leaders to take over from those of us who have grown 'long in the tooth'. Please bring your ideas to our Leadership Team so we may be more fully in tune with the wishes of our membership.

-Jim Pyle, L.D. President

EAA Chapter One

Membership Meeting

**Brick
Purchases
Benefit
The Building
Fund**

February 12, 2006

Noon to 3 pm

***Join us at the Chapter One Hangar for an
afternoon of fellowship & fun!!***

Lunch will be
provided!

Bring your favorite
salad or dessert
dish!

SEE YOU THERE!

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