



Chapter 402 Meeting Dates and Locations

Chapter 402 meets on the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse, unless otherwise indicated below.

- January 17, 2011:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- February 21, 2011:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath
- March 20, 2011:
EAA Chapter 402 Clubhouse,
520 Heath Road, Heath



A highlight of the evening was Charlie Rhoads playing each armed services branch hymn, while members of the 402 who served stood as theirs was played.



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December Holiday Dinner—A Grand Event!

The December Chapter Meeting and Dinner was an evening to remember! Outgoing President Michael Harris thanked the officers with gifts and accolades, and he was in turn honored for his many

years of service. Susan Reid discussed the progress made on the Jerrie Mock statue initiative. Speaker Andy Kemp reminded us how important it is to have a passion. She presented a truly inspiring account of her journey toward setting the Ohio Women's

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Photo by Carl Oblinger

What and where is it?

Hints (not many):

1. The nearby town's former name was Gann.

2. Builders discovered that if the underpinnings of these were protected with a roof, they could stand for 70 or even 80 years.



Heart of Ohio Fly-Outs

Fly-outs are the 1st Sunday and 3rd Saturday of each month, and depart Newark/Heath Airport (VTA) at the times listed below. Contact Rollie Bailey, Fly-Out coordinator, for more information (740-366-3404).

- January 21st (third Saturday) depart (VTA) @ 10:30 a.m. for Monami Restaurant Port Clinton OH (PCW) for lunch.
- February 6th (first Sunday) depart (VTA) @ 10:00 a.m. for brunch at Salem Airpark (38D) OH.
- February 18th (third Saturday) depart (VTA) @ 10:00 a.m. for FREE hot dogs at Sporty's Batavia (I69) OH. and browse the merchandise on display!

Guests are welcome and we always have empty seats—give Rollie or a member a call!

Come Fly With Chapter 402!

Fly-out Report

Saturday Fly-out Dec. 17th

We had an outstanding fly-out to Portsmouth. The remodeling of the restrooms and main entrance of the restaurant was a nice improvement. We had 6 aircraft and 17 pilots and passengers. You get the opportunity to welcome our newest member Earl Gosslett. I have known Earl many years. He has just recently purchased a Piper Cherokee. The attendees were:

182 Cessna—Charlie and Cathy Rhoads, and Jesse Ours; 172

Cessna—Micheal Harris, Bob Handleman and his wife; Archer—Larry Arnold, Arnie Hartman, and Barney Kempfer; 180 Piper—Earl Gosslett and Bethel Toler; 337 Piper—Ted Quinn and Bob Erhard; 235 Piper—Rollie Bailey, Jim Morgan, Bob Bennett, and Carl Oblinger

Blue skies always,
Your # 402 fly-out coordinator
Rollie Bailey



Photo by Carl Oblinger



Member's Wing

by Robert Boyd

Mark Giles



I know, I start out every column saying how nice so and so is and how great of a person they are. But I have always tried to tell it the way that I see it and so far that has been my opinion and an accurate one at that. Well this month is no different. Chapter member, Mark Giles, is just as nice as all the others that I have spoken with. What struck me most when meeting with Mark wasn't how nice he is but how passionate he is. Not just for flying but for life and living it. He really appreciates older, simpler things from a time when life was simpler and less complicated.

Just one look at his fantastic 1947 Aeronca Champ will show you what I mean. No electric, which means, no battery or starter, no fancy EFIS. Mark stated that not having all of the fancy electronic gages keeps his attention outside where it needs to be.

About being a nice guy, let me tell you, Mark is so nice that he let me sit in his Champ and make motor noises and only charged me twenty bucks. Now if that isn't nice, I don't know what is.

All kidding aside, sitting in the Champ put a smile on my face that lasted for two days. Thanks Mark.

Mark stated that he has been an EAA member since back in the 60's. I think his member ID is two higher than Moses! He has been with the 402 for a little over two years.

Mark has been married to a wonderful lady, Linda, for over 33 years. Mark and Linda are extremely proud of their daughter, Carrie.

Mark is currently licensed as a Sport Pilot but held his private single engine for quite some time. He has over 950 hours logged to date.

His current pride and joy is the 47 Champ 7AC. The 75 horse Continental really does the trick. This really is one good looking plane. The Champ is Light Sport legal.

Mark recalled his first airplane ride as a boy. He sat in-between his dad's legs in a Cub while flying over Miami Beach in Florida. Later on, in the 60's, a friend of his started taking him up for rides. It only took a few before he had the bug. He got his license in 1973.

Mark stated that he has always wanted to build a plane but has been satisfied with taking care of his Champ. He stated that the simplicity of the Champ makes it a real joy to fly.

One exciting memory that Mark shared was a time when his Grandmother bought two tickets to ride in a Tri-Motor that flew from Sandusky airport to the islands. The great part of this story is the fact that his Grandmother was afraid of cars, elevators, escalators and a few other things that moved but didn't allow that to stop her from sharing a great experience with her grandson. What a Gal!

Another memory that Mark shared was a trip to Alliance for the Taylorcraft fly-in. He was flying in a Rockwell 100 and stated that a pretty large guy wanted to go for a ride to take pictures. Well, being a hot humid day, Mark found himself on the edge of stalling during take off. His experience allowed him to recognize that the shaking of the stick was a sign of what was about to happen. He was able to nurse it enough to gain some airspeed and climb out safely.

A few things that Mark would like for others to know about him is that he loves British sport cars.

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Wishes from a New EAA 402 President

by Robert Boyd

And so another year sets and a new one rises. It sometimes seems like the years are going by like sunrise to sunset, or you might say that they fly by quicker than Rollie in a low fly-by. Either way they sure do seem to go by quickly don't they? I don't know about you but I failed to achieve everything last year that I had planned on. But those are just things that don't hold a candle to what I did accomplish.

I had another wonderful year with my great wife and we saw the birth of our grandson Tyler. I got to meet with a lot of you folks and get to know you better. I even made a great new friend who allowed me the pleasure of helping him on his KR2S project.

These are the important things. (Well besides waking up every morning.) Things like getting my Sport rating or replacing my garage door can wait until this spring.

I am truly looking forward to working with all of you this year as president of the 402. I am realistic; I know that I can't fill our former president's shoes. All I can do is promise that I will try my best to not let anyone down and will work with you to make 2012 a great year.

If I had one wish it would be for all of you to enjoy good health and plenty of blue skies this year.

Speaking of wish, did you hear the one about the couple in their late 60's? They were walking along a beach and happened upon a magic lamp. They rubbed it and out popped a Jennie. The Jennie said, "I will grant you each one wish"

The wife said they had been

married for 36 years and had struggled the entire time. She wished they had a yacht and millions of dollars. Poof! They disappeared and reappeared upon a large yacht with millions of dollars at their feet.

Next the husband said to his wife, "Honey I am so, so, sorry to do this but I only have one wish and I don't want to waste it. Jeanie, I wish I was married to a woman 30 years my younger."

Poof!! He turned into a 98 year old man.

Be careful what you wish for this year.



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Holiday Dinner

record for parachute jumps. Doug's Far Side provided a wonderful meal, which everyone appeared to enjoy. The Civil Air Patrol attended and was recognized for their contribution to EAA 402's events. Charlie Rhoads provided a lively accompaniment so that we could get in the Christmas spirit with a few carols. Tom's door prizes were as well received as ever. Everything went smoothly—Kudos to all the folks who made this night a special event!

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What and where is it?

Known as "The Bridge of Dreams," Ohio's longest, or second longest, covered bridge, depending on which web site you visit. 370' It's location is N 40 degrees 27.958 - W 82 degrees 11.535. It is on the 275 degree radial of the Tiverton VOR. (116.5) Watch out for the towers, 1622' (413 above ground) !!!!

The Bridge of Dreams is a former railroad bridge originally built in the 1920's and converted to a covered bridge in 1998. The Bridge of Dreams and the Mohican Valley Trail are the work of a dedicated group of people composed of local horsemen, neighbors of the area, members of the Amish community, local businesses and elected officials. This group had a vision—converting the vacated Penn Central railroad line into a multi-use trail that would extend from the Holmes County line to Danville. This trail could be used by bikers, hikers and, unlike the Kokosing Valley Trail, would be open to equestrians and horse-drawn vehicles.

It's 29.12 miles from Newark/Heath Airport. The Smolen-Gulf Bridge, in Ashtubula County, is the longest covered bridge in Ohio and in the United States, but it is a modern bridge, built in 2008.

Photo and text by Dick Perdue



Mark

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He currently owns a 1952 MG-TD, a 1970 Triumph TR6 and a 1970 Jaguar XKE. He also loves traveling in the motor home seeing the sights and spending time on the boat. He shared a list of aircraft that he has owned in the past which includes a 1947 Forney Aircoop, a 1947 Stinson 108 Voyager, a homebuilt Aero Sport Quail single place, a 1948 Champ 7BCM, a 1967 Rockwell Commander 100 and finally his current bird, the 1947 Champ 7AC.

Boy, I can't wait until I can begin a list like this one!

Well I am about out of room so I'll stop talking now.

Thanks for reading and remember, "Every day is a good day, some are just better than others."



Minutes of December 20, 2011 EAA 402 Meeting

The meeting was held in conjunction with the annual Christmas dinner at the Buckingham House in Newark. The meeting was called to order after dinner by President Michael Harris at 7:00 pm. There were twenty-six members and thirty-three guests present. Guests included honoree Ken Wilson and his wife; speaker Susan Reid and her husband; main speaker Andrea Kemp and her date; six members of the Civil Air Patrol and spouses and friends of members.

President Michael Harris introduced Ken Wilson, recent recipient of the prestigious Charles Taylor Master Mechanic Award to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to offer an invocation. After the pledge and invocation Ken spoke for a few minutes about his career as a military jet mechanic and later as a GA aircraft mechanic and his many years of service at Lancaster and the Newark-Heath airports.

Michael invited Charles Rhoads to play a Military Anthem medley on the piano and invited veterans to stand and be recognized as the anthem of their service was played.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the November 2011 meeting were accepted as printed in the December 2011 newsletter on motion by Larry Arnold, seconded by Charlie Rhoads and passed by the members present.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Larry Arnold gave the financial report. Starting balance: \$3028.41. Donations to Utility Fund: \$30. Dues collected: \$318.00. Christmas dinners paid: \$690.00. Expenses-Utilities \$107.55; Other- \$213.94 Ending Balance \$3750.92. Reserves: Utilities \$250.447; Young Eagles \$0.00. Motion to accept the report was made by Tom McFadden, seconded by Rollie Bailey and passed by the members.

The president asked for a motion to suspend chapter business until the January, 2012 meeting and the motion was made by the Tom McFadden and seconded by Dale Ratcliff. There was no discussion and the motion was passed by the members and the business meeting was ended.

The following is a summary of the activities of the remainder of the evening's program:

- President Harris invited Susan Reid to come forward and make a brief presentation about the Jerrie Mock Sculpture Fund. After her presentation Susan was presented with a \$200 check from the chapter to be applied to the fund.
- Larry Arnold introduced the guest speaker, twenty-nine year old female skydiver, Andrea "Andy" Kemp. Andy holds the record in Ohio for jumps-in-a-day for a female in Ohio by completing 50 jumps during daylight hours of one day and Andy gave a very nice talk which was enjoyed by those in attendance. The chapter awarded her a gift certificate for three jumps at the Middletown airport from which she normally jumps.

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For Sale

Legal Eagle, 99.9% complete, for parts, 1/2 VW engine with starter, \$4000 invested. It has a weight problem, so it's being parted out. Call Kenny Rausch at 740-745-2696.

Jerrie Mock Memorial Statue

EAA 402 is behind Susan Reid in her effort to have a bronze statue made to honor her sister Jerrie Mock, the first woman to fly solo around the world. The fund raising is being conducted by the Licking County Foundation.

Donations may be made online at the Licking County Foundation website <http://www.thelcfoundation.org/welcome.html>. Select the GIVING tab and then DONATE NOW.

Specify the donation is for the Jerrie Mock Aviation Pioneer Sculpture Fund.

Read more at www.eaa402.org.

Tom McFadden

- Songs of the season medley led by Marie Bailey, Cathy Rhoads, Michael Harris with piano accompaniment by Charlie Rhoads.
- Remarks and presentations by Michael Harris. Michael recognized all the chapter members as a group and individually for their help and support over his five years as president.
- Michael was presented with an updated plaque recognizing his five years as president of the chapter. The chapter also gave Michael an Aviation Works gift certificate for a hours- rental of the new glass-cockpit Skyhawk.
- The secretary, wearing a red, tasseled stocking cap, played Santa and awarded a number of small door prizes.

Minutes respectively submitted by Secretary Tom McFadden



2012 Dues

2012 chapter dues are due. \$12.00 individual or \$18.00 family. Make checks payable to EAA402 but mail to Larry Arnold, 115 Kenyon Place, Hebron, Ohio 43025.

Thanks

Heartfelt thanks to Tom and Hanne McFadden and Michael and Cheryl Harris for their condolences and visiting with us at Shoedinger Nursing Home, Gahanna, on the loss of Cathy's son, Chris Livingston, who passed away Christmas Day.

*Sincerely,
Charlie and Cathy Rhoad*

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