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NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Hello: Don't forget about the Hangar Dance, although it may be too late by the time you receive this. Saturday, September 6th, join your friends at the Clubhouse for a delicious dinner and great sounds of the Dave Bennett quartet.

Now that the cool fall weather is closing in, it is time to get our building addition moving. I need volunteers to come forward for this project. You know the old adage, many hands make short work.

Another task we have each fall is a building maintenance list which needs to be completed. I will be asking for volunteers for this at Thurs. meeting. So long for now, see you at the meeting. Safe flying. Jim

Owosso Dawn Patrol

and

Young Eagles Day

Sunday September 21st

7:00 am to Noon

Owosso Airport

See Tim Harwood for more details (810) 964-9827

Chapter 77 meets the second Thursday of each month, except January, at 7:30 P.M. in the hangar at Dalton Airport. Board meetings are 8 days prior to the regular meetings at 7:00 P.M.. Please come!

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			Project Center Director	Mike Padisak	

Classifieds:

Wanted –Tractor tire 11.2” x 28 “ Call Tim Harwood, Owosso Airport Manager at (810)964-9827

Hangar Space for Rent –1 opening in Chapter 77 hangar on Dalton Airport. \$100 per mo.. Jim (810) 938-2010 (cell)

House for Rent –on Dalton Airport Unique design, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms. Property adjoining north/south runway at Dalton Airport, Flushing—on Luce Rd off Pierson Rd. For appointment call Mary (810) 691-5313.

Powered Tug –for nose wheel. Demo model, reduced price. See Jack (810) 659-6672.

Garmin 430 GPS update? Call Kerry at (810) 659-3501.

Cessna 172K XP Hawk –N1086V, 1977. Very nice aircraft. Hangared at 3DA. \$60,000 OBO. Call Gary Hopcraft for details and to see at (810) 348-5968.

Wanted—*Kitplanes* magazine, issues June, 2007, thru December, 2007. Call Sonny Webster 586-419-5802

Wanted –Anything to do with World War II aviation: parts, supplies, manuals, relics, etc. For usage or display with World War II airplane. Please call Paul and Bob Epke at 989-725-5771 (*corrected number*)

Murphy Rebel Empennage (tail). Complete kit expertly assembled. Good head start for your project. Kit retails for \$3,800, make offer. Call Jim Plourde 233-7505.

Bonanza E-35 –1954, lots of extras. Hangared at 3DA. \$49,800 OBO. Call Gary Hopcraft for details and to see aircraft (810) 348-5968.

Engine For Sale. 0200-A Continental. 2,200 total time. 0 since M.O.H. by Bud Drum. \$8,500 or best offer. (313) 598-2615 leave message for Ralph Drum.

Dalton (3DA) Airport Residential lot plus adjoining hangar lot fronting on Ann Drive, (810) 820-0407 Doug Isham

1948 Cessna 140 Newly rebuilt engine, 4 hours since MO. Current annual. Interior good shape, needs headliner and TLC. \$22,000 OBO. Call Gayle (810) 733-6213.

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DVD Documentary For Sale

We have a great, professional DVD of our ***Dawn Patrol*** and ***Young Eagle flights*** on June 14 & 15, 2008. We are selling them at cost for \$10 each. They will be available at Thursday's meeting or call Jim Plourde to reserve your copy. (810) 938-2010—cell

Contributions to the "***Flypaper***" are welcome and can be made by contacting Jack Irwin at 659-6672 or email to Jirwin34@comcast.net Deadline: 25th of each month

Dates to Remember . . .

Next Meeting

Thursday, September 11, 2008

Speaker—Jerry Zerbe

Emergency Locator Transmitters

7:30 p.m. — Refreshments served

Tuesdays - Ice Cream at Chesaning

Join the Dalton pilots this fall for a color trip to Chesaning for ice cream. Tuesday evenings 6:30 pm, weather permitting.

Hangar Dinner Dance

Saturday, September 6th

Chapter 77 Clubhouse—Hangar

6:30 lesson, 7:30 dinner and 8:00 dancing

Tickets: Shelley Carlson (810) 631-9625

George Stevens (810-250-1248

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2008 *Young Eagles* Schedule

(See complete listing on www.eaa77.org)

Dalton:

Sat. Oct. 11 Fall Young Eagles Day –Dalton

Owosso:

Sun. Sept 21 Young Eagle flights and Dawn Patrol Breakfast.

Note: Dalton Pilots –if you can fly the kids that Sunday morning, call Tim Harwood (810) 694-9827 (your participation will include breakfast).

Tim also reports from Owosso

Our own Jeff Spinney and his Bell helicopter spent many hours, last month, flying over the Owosso/Corunna area looking for an Alzheimer's patient who had wandered away from his residence. After several days, Jeff spotted his body peacefully laying adjacent to the Owosso Airport property. Once again, Jeff shows the true spirit and good neighbor cooperation of General Aviation pilots.

2008 FLY OUT SCHEDULE

Winding down

Sept 7 Midland Barstow (3BS) 7 –11:00 am
Sept 7 Fowlerville Maple Grove (65G) 7 –11:00 am

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HAVE I PAID MY DUES?

Please note the date on the front of your newsletter. If it says 2007, your dues are past due.

To continue your membership and the *Flypaper*, mail your check today.

---this is your last reminder---

- Membership dues \$12
- Member & Spouse \$18

Mail to:

**EAA Chapter 77
P.O. Box 265
Flushing, MI 48433**

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Father John Flying Club announces:-

Two new pilots

Garrett Billings (18 yrs.old) in the T-Craft

and **Tim LeClair** in the Cherokee

Congratulations on a job well done !!!

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Civil Air Patrol Leaders—Wanted !

Our Chapter 77 has been asked to sponsor a Civil Air Patrol group. To do this, CAP needs two volunteers from our Chapter to act as leaders. CAP participates in our Dawn Patrol safety, so it would be only fitting that we sponsor a group. If interested, contact Jim Plourde (810) 938-2010 for details.

Pumpkins, Pumpkins, Pumpkins !

Have you seen the pumpkins growing ???

Look along the north side of the airport. Where there used to be an old pile of dirt/weeds, you will see a pumpkin patch. It has been leveled out and Gary Hopcraft has planted some hills of pumpkin seeds. Now all they need is some TLC ! When you pass by, pull a few weeds or bring a pail of water. When Halloween comes we will all have our own home-grown pumpkins.

Trick or Treat !

*** SHOTS FROM THE SHOPS ***

If you have “shots” of your project either finished or currently being worked on, we would like to see them.
Email - Sunmanav8@sbcglobal.net

or

Jirwin34@comcast.net

Check out these Web sites recently set up -

Chapter 77 Home Page: www.eaa77.org

Chapter 77 www.YouTube.com

(this is a site where you can post videos of projects)

We encourage you to submit aviation stories for our web site and *Flypaper*.

Take a look at the Web Site –The video taken at our Dawn Patrol can be seen there.

Reminder:

Flying into Owosso Airport ?

Do not park your airplane at end of runway 28

Per MDOT and Tim Harwood, Airport Manager

News flash from Kerry Matthews

This is not aviation related—but if you had to repair your G.M. engine due to damage caused by G.M.'s Dex-Cool Antifreeze, read this article.

GM Settles Dex-Cool Lawsuits

General Motors has agreed to settle a series of class-action lawsuits regarding alleged problems with its Dex-Cool antifreeze. The suits allege that Dex-Cool caused problems with vehicle engines and cooling systems.

Owners of certain vehicles who paid for repairs out of pocket may be eligible for a reimbursement, though limitations apply.

GM has designated three vehicle groups for which it will assist customers.

Group A includes 1995-2003 vehicles equipped with a 3.1L V6 or a 3.4L V6 manufactured before April 10, 2003, with a nylon/silicone lower intake manifold gasket. Specific models include -

Buick Century, Rendezvous, Regal and Skylark

Chevrolet Impala, Lumina, Malibu, Monte Carlo, Venture, Corsica, Beretta and Lumina APV

Oldsmobile Alero, Cutlass Supreme, Cutlass Ciera and Silhouette

Pontiac Aztek, Grand Am, Grand Prix, Montana and Trans Sport

GM will reimburse some of the costs associated with replacing the failed lower intake manifold gasket.

Group B includes 1995 –2004 vehicles equipped with a 3.8L V6 engine. Specific models include -

Buick LeSabre, Park Avenue, Regal and Riviera

Chevrolet Camaro, Impala, Lumina and Monte Carlo

Oldsmobile Eighty-Eight, Intrigue, LSS and Ninety-Eight

Pontiac Bonneville, Firebird and Grand Prix.

Covered repairs include work necessitated by engine coolant sealing issues, including replacement of the throttle body gasket, upper intake manifold gasket, lower intake manifold gasket or the intake manifold.

Group C includes 1995-2000 vehicles equipped with a 4.3L V6 engine. Specific models include -

Chevrolet Blazer and S-10, GMC Envoy, Jimmy and S-15, and Oldsmobile Bravada.

Covered repairs include work necessitated by cooling system sludge, including cooling system flushes, water core repairs, water pump repairs or radiator cap replacement.

Settlement benefits vary, and only owners of the vehicles mentioned above are eligible to make a settlement claim. (Additionally, residents of Missouri will have a separate claim).

Claims must be submitted by 10-27-2008. For more information on the settlement of the Dex-Cool lawsuits, including the claims process, visit: www.dexcoolsettlement.com