



# *Flying Eagles Inc.*

## *Newsletter for December 2009*

Date: December 18, 2009

Next Meeting: January 7, 2010

**Location:** The meeting will be held at the Alice & Jack Wirt Public Library, 500 Center Ave (corner of Madison & Center Ave) Community Meeting Room located in the entranceway of the library. The Flying Eagles Club meetings are open to the general public.

Time: 6:00 p.m.

### **2010 CLUB OFFICERS ARE:**

President: **Tom Dearden**

VP: **John Szelogowski**

Treasurer: **Armond Kowalkoski**

Recording Secretary: **Dave Kasper**

Safety Coordinator: **Dave Kasper**

Newsletter Editor: **Ellen Kasper**

### **Club Trustees:**

Peter Liehr

Rich Herzberger

Randy Hemingway

John Szelogowski

Dave Kasper

Visitors are always welcome to the club meetings and to join us at the club flying field. The flying sight is located at 5710 S. Mackinaw Rd., Bay City, MI.

**Anyone interested in flying or in improving his or her skills should contact our club instructors:**

Dave Kasper  
989-894-4670

Richard Herzberger  
989-686-3457

John Szelogowski  
989-893-5769

## MEETING MINUTES

Tom started the meeting on 12/10/2009 at 6:10pm at the Wirt Library with 10 members present and one visitor.

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as printed in the November newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report** –The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$733.47 in the checking account.

**Safety report** – Dave went over the changes to the AMA safety rules for 2010. The main focus will be the new term of "See and Avoid". Check out the AMA website for more information on this topic.

**Web report** – The domain name is about to expire and will be renewed.

**Board report** – The report was given by Peter which covered:

- Events that the club will participate in for 2010. Each of the following were voted on:
  - St. Patrick's Day Parade – Voted down
  - Memorial Day get together – Approved
  - Dawn Patrol (James Clements Airport) – Approved
  - Annual Fly In – Approved
  - Labor Day get together – Approved
  - Rummage sale – Approved
  - Swap meet – Tabled
  - Christmas Dinner – Approved
- Bob Stroope is the new Historian. As he's taken many pictures for the club in previous years, he should do a great job in this position.
- The membership list needs to be updated before the next meeting to include only those that have paid their dues.
- The board needs member input.

### Old Business:

No old business to report

### New Business:

- Frank Lee joined our meeting. Frank is not a new face to the club, but he has been away from it for a couple of years. Welcome Frank, hope to see you at the field.
- Club dues need to be paid by January 1<sup>st</sup>. If you didn't already pay, be sure to send your check to Armond before that date.
- Before elections could take place, there was a term in the By Laws that needed to be corrected per a statement of necessity. The term "and AMA" was struck from Article VI Section 4. This was done so that members who choose not to be AMA members (non

flying) are still able to vote for the officers. This was approved by all members as well as the board.

- As the turnout was slightly better this month, nomination for officers was reopened; however, there were no new nominations. Election results for next year's officers as follows:
  - President – Tom Dearden
  - Vice President – John Szelogowski
  - Treasurer – Armond Kowalkoski
  - Secretary – Dave Kasper
  - Safety Coordinator – Dave Kasper
  - Open Board position – Peter Liehr
- Peter read a letter that he had received from Mark Samyn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

**Upcoming Club Events:** Nothing scheduled at this time.

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Frankenmuth Aero Modelers Club presents:  
Indoor Flying at the SVSU Ryder Center, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
7400 Bay Rd, University Center, MI:

January 3<sup>rd</sup>

April 11<sup>th</sup>

February 21<sup>st</sup>

March 21<sup>st</sup>

Cost is \$8.00 if you're flying (\$5 to SVSU, \$3 to Frankenmuth Club) Free for spectators!  
Hope to see you there!

**Airplane Contest**

November's aircraft was a Boeing 737 with a splattered Santa on the nose. This aircraft was correctly identified by 2 members. From those correct answers, the winner was drawn. November's winner was:

**Rich Herzberger**

**Congratulations!**

**Just a reminder to all club members:** [Club Dues need to be paid by January 1, 2010.](#)

## Name that Aircraft:



- Airplane Contest Rules:
- Only paid members of the Flying Eagles Inc. Radio Control Club are eligible to win. All entries must be emailed to [emkasper@speednetllc.com](mailto:emkasper@speednetllc.com) BEFORE the day before the meeting (before Wednesday). The winner will be drawn from all correct entries that have been received by that date and presented during the regular meeting (need not be present to win, even if you have won previously, you are still eligible to enter every month).

TIPS: None at this time. If you have an idea for a tip or an article to share, email me at [emkasper@speednetllc.com](mailto:emkasper@speednetllc.com) I'd be happy to print your ideas.

Editor's thoughts:

Wow, can you believe that 2009 is almost gone? Where did the year go? I had a lot of things that I wanted to accomplish this year but didn't. How about you?

I never did get to take up any of my gas helicopters (I now own 3; Rich found 2 for me at a swap meet) and I still haven't mastered my Blade 400.

But when I look back at 2009, I am reminded of all of the accomplishments that our club achieved.

We have a few new members, operating funds, a shed, a riding mower, a porta-john (perhaps one of the most important investments of the year), starting stands, a bulletin board, a frequency board, picnic table & umbrella, a few donated lawn chairs and grill.

Not too bad, heh? We definitely have motivated members.

I don't know about you, but I'm certainly looking forward to the 2010 flying season. Perhaps now, more of the members will be willing to participate in the upcoming events that the club has planned. It took a lot of work to get where we are now, let's keep the momentum going.

Until next month,  
***Ellen Kasper***  
Newsletter Editor



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