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### UPCOMING EVENTS

*The Legend of Pancho Barnes*  
 Sunday, December 6, 2009  
 12:30 PM Showing

*Lodi Flyout*  
 Saturday, December 12, 2009

#### Christmas Party Speaker

Brian Dal Porto will speak of his travels to satellite launches

### Where Do We Meet?

**Victory Aviation**  
 2502 John Montgomery Drive  
 Reid Hillview Airport  
 San Jose, CA 95148

### Website donated by:

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### Newsletter Deadline

Articles need to be submitted  
 by the 20th of the month to  
 be included in the next  
 newsletter  
 flyrhv@aol.com

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## EAA CHAPTER 62 CHRISTMAS PARTY

**December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009**

**CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL**  
**Krystall Ballroom**

**777 Bellew, Milpitas**

**One block south of Hwy 237**  
**Off McCarthy Blvd.**

**No Host Bar 6:30 PM**  
**Dinner 7:30 PM**



**TOYS 4 TOTS Program: Please bring an unwrapped gift  
 for a boy or a girl.**



Chapter meetings resume in January at 6:30 PM with hot dogs and Hangar Flying; General Meeting, 7:30 PM; Program, 8:00 PM.

## President's Column

### By Andy Werback



Well, here we are. Two years gone by. Congratulations to the new officers! Thank you all for volunteering, and for increasing your involvement. I'd also like to thank a bunch of other folks – Gregg Victory for the use of his facility. Russ Todd as Young Eagles Coordinator. Don Von Raesfeld for picking up the lead on Membership. Dean McCully and Lisa Bickford and all the YE Pilots and Volunteers. Wolfgang for actively managing the chapter web site. Bob Kindlund for editing the newsletter. Rusty Wells for organizing the dinners. Randy Wilde for keeping track of our finances and the chapter paperwork. Terri Gorman for having a really good speaker at the meetings. Larry Reed for opening the door at Moffett. And Don Barnes, for designing and organizing the logo, shirts, and hats for the Chapter.

One thing about the last two years, the YE program has really grown. We can now call on 62 Pilots (funny coincidence on that number?) and a lot of ground volunteers. Super! As we've discussed, one of our goals should be to keep these kids involved. We have a bunch that have done 3 or 4 rides, and we should be mentoring them in some way. There's lots of potential out there.

The other side of the coin is about being involved. As you may know, I spent many years volunteering on the S.S. Jeremiah O'Brien, a WWII Liberty ship. I also volunteer for the Santa Clara County Parks and for the Girl Scouts. The point is, we need more involvement. We have about 65 dues paying members, but it sure is hard to find them most of the time. We only had 19 people voting at the November elections. I know everybody is busy and has lots of commitments, but I think we can and need to have more people getting involved. The YE program is a good start, and we do have several new Chapter Officers, which is really good news, but we need to build on that.

I'd like to wrap up with a short message. 50 Years! Wow, that's incredible. Aircraft Spruce hasn't been around that long (maybe EAA created the need for AS?). What are we going to do that's different in the next year or two? How about the next 50? Bring your ideas!

Thanks,  
Andy

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## In the Right Seat

By Terri Gorman

After seven years as an officer or Board Member with EAA Chapter 62, I think I've held almost every seat, and now I'm taking over a Desk Job and, that is, Newsletter Editor. First things first!

Without the help of Mimi and Mark Wainwright and Wolfgang Polak, this December Newsletter never would have surfaced, so many thanks to each of you for helping me.

The office of Vice President is being passed down to John Castner. In the past, most of the Vice Presidents did not like this position. Unlike me, I loved it. I liked it better than being president because I was able to interact with so many great people and, luckily, had no trouble finding speakers. It's not easy to find speakers, but I, practically, live at Reid Hillview Airport and I attend many Aviation Safety Seminars and Air Shows, plus attending Air Venture at Oshkosh enabling me to find the contacts necessary for presentations at our chapter meetings. So, if you have attended a presentation and heard an interesting speaker, pass the name onto John. He will appreciate your help.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and

A Happy Hanukkah,

Terri Gorman  
Vice President



## FLYOUT TO LODI AIRPORT

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12th**

Meet at the restaurant at noon

Keep a keen eye out for jumpers South of the field.

Share the flight or need a ride?

RSVP Terri at 408-828-6707 or [flyrhv@aol.com](mailto:flyrhv@aol.com)

Rain, sleet, hail or high winds will cancel the flight. Alternate, lunch will be at the Macaroni Grill in the Eastridge Shopping Center at Noon.

Deadline for flight and/or lunch at the Macaroni Grill is 12/10.

Please RSVP.

Bring your appetites. Both destinations have great food.

## Notes on Upcoming Events

The legend of Pancho Barnes (2009). The thrilling life and times of aviation pioneer Florence Lowe 'Pancho Barnes'. Directed by Amanda Pope, produced and written by Nick T. Spark. It features interviews with Chuck Yeager and Buzz Aldrin, and is narrated by Tom Skerritt and Kathy Bates. Mr. Spark will host this event and be available for questions after the film.

Hell's Angels (1930, Caddo Co.), Ben Lyon, James Hall, Jean Harlow. Howard Hughes' aviation classic tells the story of two brothers, both in love with Jean Harlow, who join the RAF when World War 1 breaks out. No expense was spared on the impressive dogfight and zeppelin scenes. Pancho Barnes provided sound effects for the film by flying at an altitude of 1000 feet around a balloon that contained a microphone.

**\$10.00 General Admission**

**\$8.00 Museum Members**

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**510-494-1411 [www.nilesfilmmuseum.org](http://www.nilesfilmmuseum.org)**

## Young Eagles Event October 17

Mark Wainwright

I showed up to volunteer for the October 17 Young Eagles event at South County Airport, and had exceptional timing. All the Young Eagles had already flown, but Wolfgang, Bruce Poulton and Paul Marshall wanted to do some formation flying, and I hopped on for the ride. Here are some photos I took from the back seat of Paul's Bonanza.



*Looking East from over Gilroy.*

*Returning to South County Airport under Wolfgang's Grumman.*



*Wolfgang.*

## Flight with Dave Saylor - EFIS

Mark Wainwright

On November 11, I invited myself for a ride in Dave Saylor's RV-10. Dave and his airplane partner were doing some trouble-shooting on the Advanced Flight Systems EFIS and the Tru-Trak auto pilot. Apparently the autopilot was having difficulty capturing the ILS if you entered at more than a 30° angle. Here's a photo showing the autopilot on the glidescope with everything working properly.



## MEMBERSHIP NOTES

By Donald Von Raesfeld, Jr.

Membership Chairman, 408-507-0951

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone. It's hard to believe that 2009 is almost over and 2010 about to begin. I don't know where the time goes.

Jocylene and I recently returned from a week in Hawaii where we celebrated our 36th Anniversary. The highlight of the trip for me, second only to being with my beautiful bride, was our trip to the Pacific Aviation Museum on Ford Island in Pearl Harbor. If you ever go to Oahu you have to make it to the Pacific Aviation Museum. Here is a link to their website: [www.pacificaviationmuseum.org](http://www.pacificaviationmuseum.org).

At our November meeting we had three visitors: Alan Douglas, Malcolm Lawton, and Steven Marsh. I will be sending them notices of our future meetings and hopefully they will attend them and decide to join our Chapter.

I would also like to welcome our newest member, Max Trescott. Max joined our Chapter last month on-line. Most of you have probably met Max or at least know of him. He is a Master CFI and Master Ground Instructor, author, frequent speaker at EAA AirVenture, and Sun N Fun and has also spoken at our Chapter.



I am ordering name badges for new members on December 13, 2009. New members receive their first badge at no charge. Badges are also available for anyone who needs a replacement at a cost of \$6.00. So, please contact me by December 13 for new or replacement badges. I would like to place the order immediately after the 13th and hopefully have them by our January meeting.

In January I will be sending out renewal letters for 2010 to all current members. I will also send them to anyone who was a member in 2008. During the November elections there were a couple of people who thought they were current members but were not listed as such because their dues had not been paid and they had been dropped off the roster. When you get your renewal letter please make sure you update all your information whether you renew on-line or by mail. Remember also that you must be a member of National to be a member of Chapter 62. Please include your National expiration date on your renewal.

Don't forget guests are always welcome at all of our meetings and events. Please invite your fellow aviators and any friends who have an interest in aviation to our meetings.

## NOTAMS

### EAA SportAir Workshops

returns to Watsonville, California, for a two-day Van's Aircraft assembly course and a two-plus day Experimental Light Sport Aircraft Repairman - Inspection course the weekend of January 15-17, 2010. The workshops are being hosted by AirCrafters and EAA Chapter 119, located at the Watsonville Municipal Airport.

### RV Aircraft Assembly (Saturday-Sunday)

This pioneering course is an intensive weekend seminar featuring the "hands-on" practice that will give you experience and confidence in the required skills to assemble your airplane. Other topics discussed include the Federal Aviation Regulations pertaining to amateur-built aircraft; required tools and workshop essentials; engine and propeller selection; flight-testing; and more. The course is limited to

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16 students so sign up today. EAA members receive a special discount price of \$319, plus Van's Aircraft offers a special \$50 discount towards the purchase of an aircraft kit upon completion of the course!

### Experimental Light-Sport Airplane Inspection (Friday-Sunday)

Earn Your FAA Repairman/Inspection certificate for your E-LSA Airplane. This FAA-approved workshop will allow you to obtain a Repairman/Inspection certificate for your airplane certificated in the experimental light-sport aircraft (E-LSA) category, which authorizes you to perform the annual condition inspection on your airplane. This is a 2-1/2 day course, with a discounted price of for EAA members.

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Guest Speaker: Brian Dal Porto



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