

EAA 908 HYLITES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR EAA CHAPTER 908
SAINT LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA

President's Corner



Well, we're halfway through the hurricane season and so far...well you know!! I don't really want to say anything more for fear of upsetting the apple cart. I do want to thank Joe Kohl, Jim Royal, Jim Hooper, Jerry Greondyke and Ron Knaggs for securing the clubhouse, planes, containers etc. against any damage that Irene could have caused. Let's keep our fingers crossed for the second half. **New Computer/Flight**

Simulator: The new flight sim is up and running thanks to the hard work of Ron Knaggs who was on the phone with HP for a couple of hours resolving computer setup problems. Thanks to Jerry Groendyke for putting together the chair and assisting Ron. Procedures for **Start Up**, **Shut Down** and **Useful Hints** are on the sim table. The table will be replaced with a desk or other suitable support so don't worry about the current setup. Try it out, fly to Key West or the Bahamas, but no staying over night in the clubhouse. **HD/TV:** During our testing of the new TV for streaming live programs we discovered we needed a separate computer to run it properly. Ron Knaggs donated a used one and that issue should be resolved shortly. Thanks to John Maitland and other members of the Flying Club for running the cable in the attic so we could connect the router to the used computer and then to the TV. **Lee Roman's Memorial:** Mary Roman was very grateful for our efforts and participation at Lee's memorial. The



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Mark Your Calendar:

- **October 29th—Fort Pierce Airport Open House**
- **Every Wednesday — Coffee and donuts at club house 8:00 am until.....**
- **Every Sat. morning — Coffee and donuts at club house 8:00 am until.....**
- **Every Sat. Lunch — Suspended for the Summer**

President's Corner - by Paul Dekker

cards she sent us are at the end of the newsletter. Additionally, Lee's plane is up for sale. Please contact Romeo Vadnais if you are interested in purchasing the plane. **Chapter Elections:** At the August General Membership meeting I appointed Jim Royal, Richard Creighton and Paul Fischer to serve as this year's election committee. Jim Royal is the Chairman. There are three positions for which nominations will be accepted: Vice-President, Treasurer and one Directors position. If you are interested in serving on the Board please inform one of the committee members. Elections will be held at the General Membership meeting on Wednesday, October 19, 2011.

Jim Hooper Solo's - by Mike Young

Chapter 908 solo's another member. On August 18th, 2011 Jim Hooper soloed in his Cessna 150, albeit a day late. Original plan was for him to solo while the normal Wednesday donut crowd were in attendance but safety was considered due to the threatening early morning weather that skated up the Florida coast and turned offshore missing Fort Pierce. Jim trucked his aircraft from Alabama and rebuilt it himself, it's a great example of the early Cessna 150. Jim and I had some light relief during the pre-solo lesson, a FAA Flight Check King Air arrived in the Fort Pierce area at the height of student activity. They "requested" to fly a VASI check on runway 10 Right, then they requested 28 Left, adding "could the tower turn up the VASI's. Well, we all know that 28's Vasi's have been inop for some time.....???" Next, the best part, the Flight Check crew requested an approach to Runway 14 to check the PAPI's, the tower told them that 14 does not have PAPI's, but the FAA crew were adamant that their data sheet indicated that 14 had PAPI's and that they knew the Lat. and Long. Tower indicated that the PAPI's were not due to be installed on 14 for another year to which the crew requested the Tower Chief be advised, well they were told that it was he that spoke. In the mean time a minor chaos occurred when the tower was switching runways and traffic patterns to accommodate these civil servants. It was truly entertaining, we were both amused and entertained. Well done Jim, welcome to the brotherhood of aviators. (see photos)

Young Eagle Flights - by Mike Ketchpaw

As many of you may know Chapter 908 and Chapter 99 at Vero Beach have been trying to hold a joint Young Eagles event for the Youth Guidance/Mentoring & Activities organization for the last couple of months. We were finally able to coordinate a date and time for the event. On Saturday, September 17th the two chapters got together at Chapter 99's clubhouse in Vero Beach airport

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Many thanks to those that contributed. Anyone with stories, news, trips to Key West, aircraft projects, bios of members, etc. can share it with the world through *HYLITES*, as we archive the recent issues on the web. We have not copyrighted anything in the past, but may work up something in the future.

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Young Eagle Flights - by Mike Ketchpaw (continued)

and introduced twenty-four (24) young kids to the joy of flying. The event started out on a shaky note as most of the city of Vero Beach lost electrical power around 8:10 am. You know what that means!! No lights, no simulator, no pancakes, no computer for registration etc. Chapter 99 was prepared and set up a portable generator, which they didn't get to use because electricity was restored just as they were plugging in the simulator. Chapter 99 members did the ground orientation and our members did the flying. It really worked out nicely. The kids really loved Chapter 99's simulator. They were also taken over to Flight Safety and shown around. Chapter 99 provided breakfast for all who were hungry. While Chapter 99 was doing all of the above, what was our Chapter doing? Well Shirley Ketchpaw worked her magic with registration, Ron Knaggs with his computer skills, Romeo was our official photographer and Mike Ketchpaw, Jerry Groendyke, Mike Young and I did the flying, Jim Hooper donated the use of his plane to the event and flew over with Mike Young who then flew the YE's. A special thanks goes Todd Scher for helping me get Chapter 99 and our Chapter 908 together for this event. Everything went according to schedule and we were done at 11:30 am.

Around The Patch - by Paul Dekker

Airport Day Mark your calendar for October 29th which will be Airport Day at FPR. We plan on having a display and flying Young Eagles. This is always a big event and we will need lots of help from the membership to make it a success for our Chapter.

Airport Construction Don't forget that construction on taxiway Alpha and Bravo is scheduled to start on or about October 3rd. Both are being widened and resurfaced and will take approximately five to six months to complete. Stay tuned for updates and make sure you check for NOTAMS before going flying and make sure you understand the instructions you receive from the ground controller. If you're not sure ask the controller to repeat the instructions or ask for progressive taxi instructions.

Ron Knaggs Ron is our guest speaker this month and will be discussing the operation of our new Flight Simulator.

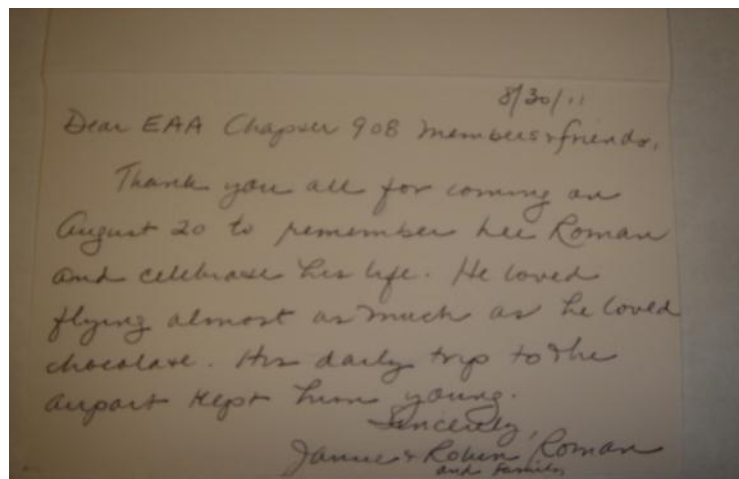
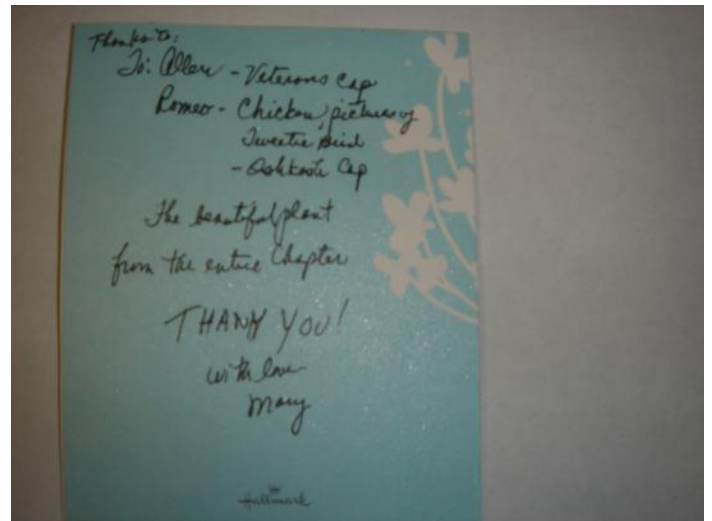
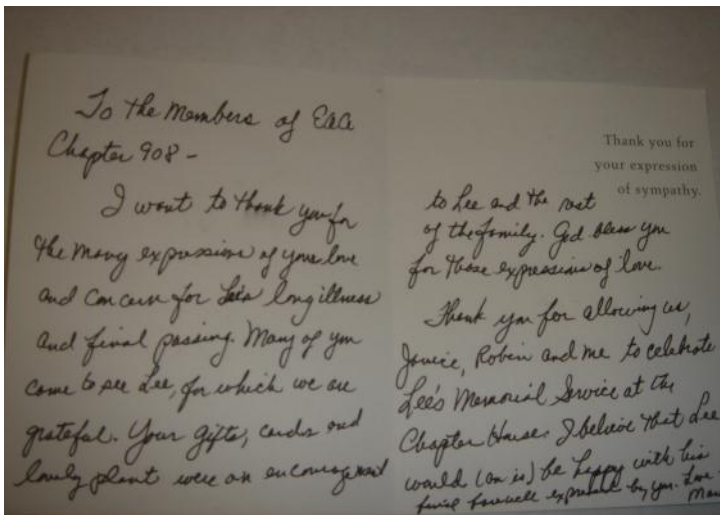
Joe Kohl You may have noticed that the grass is getting a little high. We've had a mechanical problem with the lawn cutting equipment and Joe has ordered the required parts for repair. He should receive them shortly. In the mean time he's trying to stay ahead of mother nature so be patient.

Ed Kemper Some members of the club believe that other members are full of a lot of HOT AIR. Well Ed has been working hard to make sure that there is enough air to go around so we can continue to air our tires, use air tools to perform maintenance etc. He has been performing maintenance on our air compressor to make sure that we don't run out of that necessary commodity. (see photos)

Flight Simulator



Mary Roman's Thank You Cards



Congratulations To Jim Hooper



Ed Kemper Hard At Work

