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Next Meeting Location:

The next meeting will be at the HND Airport Terminal at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, January 13, 2010. Please joins us for our informal dinner before the meeting at the Landings Restaurant in the terminal at 6:00PM, or when you can make it!

2010 Officers and Directors:

President:	Roger Hansen
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Presidents Corner

December's holiday dinner meeting had a respectable turnout of 40 members/guests and "walkin's". We had three people who came into the terminal, saw the advertisement on the counter and joined us for Dick Rutan's informative, interesting and engaging presentation primarily related to his "solo" trip around the world 23 years ago. I say "solo" since he flew the majority of the trip because Jenna did not have the physical strength to fly the plane at the initial gross weight. If there was one thing I learned from this presentation is it takes a "lot of guts" to fly such a terrible handling aircraft. Think about this aspect of the plane, it could only be turned in one direction because there was not enough "rudders" (it only had one rudder and two vertical tails) to go the other direction.

You missed a good meal and a great presentation if you did not have the opportunity to attend. We will plan on another great presentation in December 2010.

The regular business meeting was not held for December; however, we were able to hand out what will become a traditional award at the Holiday Dinner (I hope) is a first flight award. This year our VP Terry Frazier was a recipient.

Our January's business meeting will be held at the HND Terminal building where upon conclusion we will drive/car pool over to Andy Johnson home in Henderson to see the progress he is making on his RV12. To my knowledge, this is the first one being built by a chapter member. This is a must do trip for "us" older guys as medical issues lead us down the LSA path. We also hope to continue our November discussion regarding tools and equipment for chapter member usage.

Regarding Young Eagles, Mike Smith has requested that we find another individual who would take on the responsibility of organizing the pilots for YE events. Mike has done an excellent job of coordinating and we thank him for his service to the chapter and more importantly for his service to our country! I hope Mike will continue to fly the events and encourage Gail to bring those great breakfasts. Ralph Millard will continue to coordinate the event days, paper work and other administrative duties that are required for the extremely successful YE events the chapter has held in the past. If memory serves me correctly, we flew over 200 YE's last year.

If you have any requests or want to host a chapter meeting to visit your project, please let me know.

Roger Hansen
President EAA 1300

December 12th Meeting Minutes:

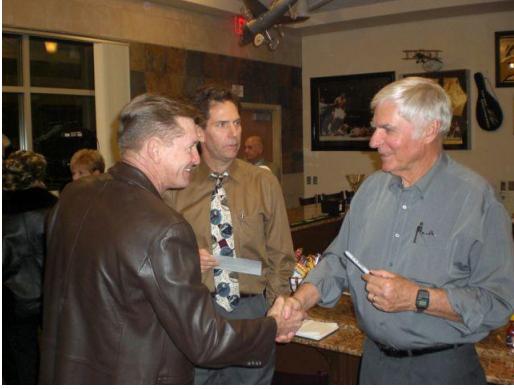
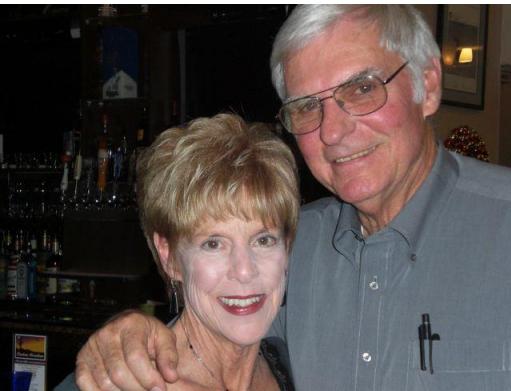
There was not formal meeting in December. Instead, we had a great Christmas Party with Dick Rutan as Guest Speaker. Everyone had a great time socializing, and Dick told a riveting story about the development and flight of the Voyager aircraft around the world in 1986.

President Roger Hansen surprised Terry Frazier with a plaque commemorating his first flight in his RV-7A earlier in the year. He stated the intent is to commemorate all first flights in the future in this way.

The 50/50 raffle also included some prizes from Dick Rutan, including a book on CD and an Aviation Monopoly game, the latter of which was won by founding member Ken Wyatt.

Here are some pictures of the dinner. They were taken by Darlene Trost and Joe Gonzalez from the Southwest Aviation Report Newspaper.







Submitted by Seb Trost, Secretary

Webpage Material:

Everyone is encouraged to submit material, information, or pictures of interest for publication on the Chapter's Webpage. Send whatever you have to Randy Holland, webmaster (randy@randyandrachael.com). The NEW chapter webpage URL is <http://www.eaa1300.org>. Be sure to update any bookmarks.