

# EAA 908 HYLITES

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR EAA CHAPTER 908  
SAINT LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA

## President's Corner



### 2017 Off to a great start

We had our March fly out last week to Aero Acers (FD88) (see page 3-4 )

We also had a good turnout for last months meeting. Chuck Kinberger brought his CubCrafter on floats for his presentation. (see page 6)

**Breakfast will be served.** Pancakes, eggs, & sausage will be served before the meeting.

**Membership dues for 2017:** We have 70 paid members for 2017. Keep in mind your dues for 2017 are due now. Please send your payment of \$40.00. The gate and lock codes have been changed the 1st weekend in March (3-5-17). The new codes will be on your membership cards that have been mailed.

If you have a friend or know of anyone interested in EAA or flying in general invite them out to see our chapter. We need new members !!

**Guest Speaker: Pierre Laval**



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### Mark Your Calendar:

- **FAAST meeting Vero Beach Mar 16, 2017 7:00 pm**
- **908 General membership meeting Mar 18, 2017 10:00am**
- **908 Young Eagles March 25, 2017**
- **SUN n FUN, Lakeland, April 4-9, 2017**
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## President's Corner - (continued)

**Chapter Project: ( by Paul Dekker) Chapter Project:** Work is nearing completion on Grummy!! The interior was given a fresh coat of paint, new carpet was installed in the baggage area, new flooring was installed on the pilot's and copilot's side, the interior panels were reinstalled and the seats are back in the plane. The final two items that need to be done are finishing off the front cowling and putting the EAA logo on both sides of the vertical stabilizer and EAA 908 lettering on both sides of the fuselage. The plan is to complete these two items by March 25<sup>th</sup> when we will be holding our Young Eagles rally. Stay tuned!!

**Club Hanger :** Project manager Jack Hartery, Bob Szczesniak, and Romeo Vadnais stepped up to oversee the reorganization of the club hanger. These guys did a great job of getting the hanger more accessible.. Give these guys an ATABOY...

**Hanger Roof: Still in progress.** We have the last bid in and now to determine which contractor will be awarded the work. Still looking in possibly getting some financial assistance for the hanger roof repairs. We are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance, but I'm seeking assistance from the county.

**Guest Speaker: Pierre Laval of Aviator College,** will be here to talk about the future of the college. Lots of big changes.

**Aircraft donation:** We are working on a donation of 3 aircraft. One is on the gear with an engine and 2 are bare frame units. More info will be available as the negotiations progress.

**Student Summer Training Program:** The Chapter has run a Student Summer Training Program for Young Eagles for the past several years and with your support we will do so again this year. Paul Dekker will be holding a brief meeting immediately following this month's general membership meeting for those members interested in contributing some of their time and sharing their aviation knowledge with a new group of young aviators. Please contact Paul if you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to participate in this years program.

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## President's Corner (continued)

### Aero Acers



We had 8 908ers join us at the Aero Acres fly in. 3 planes and 2 vehicles. Great WX, the food was excellent and the number of restored planes was outstanding.

Shirley, Jerry, Romeo, and Roger enjoying their lunch.

The parking area was full with aircraft and the quality of the home built & restored aircraft were top notch. Tom counted 81 aircraft lined from one end to the other.



**President's Corner** (continued)

**Aero Acres**



Aircraft from  
low and slow.

To aircraft high speed & high altitude



## Around the patch (Mike Ketchpaw)

**Board of Directors Meetings:** The Chapter's BOD meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse, unless otherwise noted. Next BOD meeting 4-4-17

**Use of Chapter Hangar:** The procedure for scheduling use of the Chapter's hangar will be to call Mike Ketchpaw at (772) 770-9928 or 772-766-6957 in order to maintain coordinated use of the hangar. No other method is authorized.

## Missionary Flights Internatioal



MFI invited 908 to set up a display at their open house March 4th. We had a lot of activity regarding EAA and the Young Eagles



MFI flew 22 flights, 726 passengers. They also served lunch and had a lot of kids activities.

## CubCrafters



CubCrafters cub on floats

Members milling around after the cub departure and waiting for Bubba burgers.

