

Hangar Flyin'



December 2017

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President's Message Steve Krazer

Season's Greetings, Y'all!

Yep... it's that time of year again... already! Gear up and enjoy it!

Before we know it 2017 will be history.... And we'll be on to 2018. Golly, remember all the hype when we hit the year 2000. Or how 'bout all the Y2K fears that all our computers would shut down when their clocks turned over to '2001'. Now here we are 17 years later... kids born back then will be graduating from high school this year! Yikes!

Many thanks to each of you for allowing me to serve as President of Chapter 471 these past four years. The effort that so many of you have put in to fly Young Eagles kids, improve our hangar space, cook and clean up monthly breakfasts, pull off a successful AirFest and so many other things... wow! A special thanks to Hobby Stevens for keeping our finances straight, Charlotte Rhodes for making sure all things are set up and ready for breakfast and virtually every other event we have, Jim Berry for managing our many hangar spaces, Dave Bradshaw for keeping Hangar 3 clean & tidy and Sam Evans for publishing our Hangar Flyin' Newsletter every month. I've said it before and I'll say it again... It's just amazing the vast array of talent we have in our club.

With the new year, we'll have a new group of officers and directors taking new leadership roles effective January 1st. Help out our new President, Jeff Clement, accomplish the goals he sets forth for our Chapter. Get involved. The more involved you are in what the Chapter has going, the more fun you will have.

Our annual Christmas Party is coming up this Saturday in Hangar 3. It's a potluck. Cook up and bring along your favorite dish or dessert. Social time will start at 6:00 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm. Be sure to RSVP to Charlotte at 325-669-9825. Hope to see you there!

Wishing you and yours a very prosperous new year!

Steve



New Chapter Officers and Board Members Start the New Year

by Sam Evans

EAA Chapter 471 members will see a new set of executive officers and board members take over beginning January 1. Listed below are those that will be leading our Chapter. Please take the opportunity to welcome them and, most of all, support their leadership.

President	Jeff Clement
Vice President	Steve West
Secretary	Betty Jane Clement
Treasurer	Hobby Stevens
Board Members	Lon Beasley
	Steve Krazer
	Brian Trail
	Audie Gill*
	Ron Pearson*

(* Category II Board Members terms expiring 12-31-18)



471 CHRISTMAS PARTY THIS SATURDAY

Our Annual Christmas party will be held this Saturday in Hangar 3. I have been sending out emails to remind everyone about this event. So, here again are the facts:

- ❖ This is a “potluck” dinner. The Chapter is providing the meat dishes and drinks; members bring side dishes and desserts for the meal.
- ❖ Social hour starts at 6:00pm (BYOB); Dinner served at 7:00pm
- ❖ You **MUST** call Charlotte to RSVP that you are coming. **325-669-9825**
If you want to bring a dish, you can let Charlotte know.

See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for details.

There will NOT be a breakfast this Saturday.

Our next breakfast will be on Saturday, January 13th.



Member Dues & Hangar Rent Set for 2018

Chapter dues will remain at \$40 per year.

Hangar rental will increase slightly to \$850 per year.

Dues and hangar rental are due in full on January 1, 2018.

Keep in mind that you **MUST** be a 471 member and a national EAA member to rent an EAA hangar.

Dues and hangar rental can be mailed to:

EAA 471

P.O. Box 2585

Abilene, TX 79604

OR, you can bring it with you to the Christmas party this Saturday.



Next President's Message

By Jeff Clement

As I sit here watching an episode of "Plane Resurrection" about the awesome Stearman PT-17, I wonder where has 2017 gone to? It has been a great year being involved in Chapter 471 activities and fellowship with the greatest guys and gals I know.

Betty and I are humbled by your votes of confidence in November. This club is so supportive and gifted with talent in so many areas, flying and otherwise. Working full time, enjoying children and grandchildren fill the time we are not spending at KABI. I would like to make myself available as a human suggestion box. If you see something that needs club attention, or an item I need to focus on, PLEASE let me know. Together we can carry on the energy of the Chapter's wonderful past leadership. This chapter is something that Betty and I are proud to be a part of.

17R/35L Is Open Again! And activity on the NW side showed it last weekend. If you have been waiting, wait no more!

Keep the Ranger Antique Airfield project in mind this holiday season. They have some big plans for 2018 well in the works. A great way to support the effort there is buying raffle tickets to win a beautiful Cessna 150B model. See details at www.rangerairfield.org. Jared Calvert has offered to give a presentation at one of our meetings to show you the vision he has for Ranger. I believe I will take him up on his offer.

All Young Eagle forms are documented and sent to Oshkosh for entry into the logbook. Current members of the "300 Club" for Chapter 471 through 2017 are: Fred Novak 300, Gary Potter 335, Chris Ulibarri 339, and Steve West 359! To the many pilots and volunteers that make our YE events a success, THANK YOU.

Something I am interested in starting within our chapter is a VMC Club Program. Learning more about the things we do as pilots make us safer pilots. You can [read the details here](#). All I need initially are three more members and a CFI volunteer to proceed forward. Please think about it and let's discuss further...

Looking forward to contributing to the Chapter Christmas party December 9th.

It is inventory season for me and I will not be able to attend but will make something to bring and leave.

Sorry to ramble on but it gets dark early and no EAA grass to mow till spring!

Jeff Clement





DECEMBER 9TH
EAA 471
POTLUCK
CHRISTMAS
PARTY IN
HANGER 3



May the spirit of Christmas fill your home with peace and joy.



Social Time
starting at 6pm,
Dinner at 7pm

Chapter will
purchase Ham,
Chicken and
drinks. Members
will bring the
sides. Donation
bucket will be out
if you would like
to help offset the
Chapter's cost.

We need 6 each of
salad, potatoes or
stuffing, cooked
veggies, bread
and dessert. Or
something similar.
Plan for each dish
to feed at least 10
people.

RSVP to Charlotte
with your dish
325-669-9825