



# ***Flying Pilgrims*** ***Aero News***

**Next Meeting: November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm**

**Fall Location – Canton-Plymouth-Mettetal Airport**

**EAA Chapter 113**

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**President Bill Slabey opened the general meeting at the EAA hangar at 6:57PM with 22 members present.** Minutes from the September meeting are the contents of the September newsletter; Bill Slabey asked for approval of the minutes. Motion was made to approve, and a show of hands passed the motion.

### **Officer's Reports:**

#### *Treasurer's Report:*

Jordan reported that the membership peaked at 164 paid members for 2018. Jordan began taking money for 2019 memberships at this meeting, and two persons renewed their membership today.

On another note, Jordan announced that you can now pay for your club membership dues using **PayPal**. For those of you who have a **PayPal** account this will make it much easier to pay your dues when you see Jordan. She will also accept cash or checks. Be sure that you have your AMA dues paid prior to renewing your Flying Pilgrims membership.

#### *President's Report:*

Bill ended the meeting with a reminder that today is the time for nominations for next year's officers. Past practice is for us to vote for officers at the November meeting, and the winners will be announced at the December meeting in time for the new year. Last year at this time there were a number of nominees and participants, and emails were sent out campaigning for the positions. Surprisingly today with only 22 members present, activity on this issue was not as intense as last

year. Tom Ranta nominated the four incumbents for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Jim Smith also made the same nominations. So officially as of this meeting, Bill Slabey, Joe McCarthy, Rick Reynolds, and Jordan Hall are nominated for their respective offices. This does not close out nominations for any other members who would like to run for office. Since no other nominations were submitted at this meeting, any nominations between now and next meeting should be sent by calling or emailing one of the present officers in a reasonable time to be included on the November ballot.

### ***Vice President's report:***

Joe contributed his knowledge regarding the understanding that the Flying Pilgrims have with the air traffic controllers at Willow Run Airport, which is basically that they do not see our flyers as a problem and are aware that we follow rules of right-of-way for manned aircraft.

Joe also expressed his concern about club members flying knife-edge or aerobatic maneuvers directly over the runway. Some of these instances have planes flying low over the southern edge of the runway, and this may pose a safety hazard. Joe suggested that the only reason for flying over the runway is to take off or land, or to do touch-and-gos. All other flying should be done over the tall grass of the field, specifically to the north of the runway. Presently the rule is posted that all flying is to be done North of the center line of the runway. There were many suggestions for what the rules should say. See Unfinished Business below.

### ***Secretary's report:***

Rick reported on the Senate passing H.R.302 - FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018. Basically this means that the FAA now has authority to regulate hobbyist and commercial unmanned air traffic. All the rules we follow now are still in effect. The most likely change we will see in the future is a test administered by the FAA to all hobby flyers to verify operational understanding of remote UAVs, and knowledge of the rules that we follow as suggested by our AMA. Passing the test would allow you to obtain your FAA registration. FAA may also place manufacturing requirements on UAVs sold in the United States, but this would not be for some time as it would involve plans not yet in place but provided by the language of H.R.302. If any members would like to see the document for themselves (only 101 pages of the 2010 page bill), I can send you a copy. Just email me at [rreynolds21@gmail.com](mailto:rreynolds21@gmail.com).

### **Committee Reports:**

Jack Kezelian purchased the materials for two picnic tables, and the morning crew assembled them and they are placed near the central shelter. They are pressure treated with hazardous chemicals, so it is advised for all members to refrain from putting food down directly onto the wood of the tables. If you eat at the tables, make sure you have something between the wood and your food.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Discussion regarding flying north of the runway and also no flying during Willow Run airshows and during TFRs led to the motion being made by Jim Smith to changes the club rules that would reflect these issues. The motion was not seconded. There was discussion both pro and con on these issues. After much debate, Bill tabled the motion and it was suggested that Rick draft changes to our rules and present them at the next meeting for members to consider and possibly adopt.

### **New Business:**

#### ***Christmas Party!***

Tom Ranta made a motion that we have a Christmas Party again this year. Jim Smith seconded the motion. All eyes looked to Jack Kezelian for the use of his clubhouse again, and his

nod quelled any discussion on the matter! A show of hands passed the motion. It will be held in place of our December meeting. Jack Kezelian will organize this and it will be at **The Hanford Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road, Canton, MI 48187**, as it was last year. There will again be a \$5.00 per person fee to be paid at the door to cover food and the hall rental. Members and their families are welcome to come and enjoy pizza, pop, and other goodies. Members can arrive at 6:00PM, and the food will be served at 7:00PM. No alcohol is available at the site, but it is permitted. Bring your own favorite beverage and share in the celebration. Please **RSVP** to Jack Kezelian by email at [jkezelian244311mi@comcast.net](mailto:jkezelian244311mi@comcast.net) or call him at 734-740-1209. Thanks again Jack for organizing this party!

### Meeting Adjourns:

The meeting was adjourned by Bill Slabey at 7:32PM.

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### FIELD OPERATION SAFETY starts with all members vigilance!

Follow the “SEE AND AVOID” GUIDANCE set forth by the AMA.

Call out warnings of approaching full size aircraft.

Fly at a safe low altitude relative to oncoming full-size aircraft.

Because of our location relative to Willow Run Airport, we have a **400 Ft.** height restriction.

Commercial test development of UAV’s is prohibited at the field.

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### Flying Pilgrims Club Officers for 2018

President: –	Bill Slabey	<i>Trustees:</i>	Baltasar Capote
Vice President: –	Joe McCarthy		Matt Delleva
Secretary: –	Rick Reynolds		Joe Nazelli
Treasurer: –	Jordan Hall		
Safety Officer: –	Glenn McIntosh		
Flight Instructor: –	Ed Hernandez	<i>Sub Instructor:</i>	Dan Debens
Webmaster: –	Carl Cornel		

Webpage: [Flyingpilgrims.com](http://Flyingpilgrims.com)

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/FlyingPilgrims/>

Google Maps: Flying Pilgrims RC Club

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## SHOW & TELL

Jack Javor showed his latest new plane. It was an Edge 540 that he made from Flite Test design, with swappable motor pod and other clever design features that allow easy removal of the wing and canopy for access to the battery and electronics. Nice job Jack!



Tom Ranta presented his latest jet, an F9F Panther, Skymaster brand, that presented him with a few construction issues that he seemed to have successfully conquered! He plans to use a 160 turbine engine with 36 pounds of thrust.

