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### Upcoming Events & Chapter Meetings .

**17 April, Tuesday, EAA Chapter 179 Meeting**, eat at 5:30 PM, meeting at 6:00PM, Copper Canyon Café, 5455 Gibson SE

### Young Eagles Chapter 179 Calendar of Events, 2012:

- 1) **May 5 at Moriarty** rain day May 6. **See page 5.**
  - 2) **Land of Enchantment Fly-In Sept 9 (Sunday)** at Moriarty
  - 3) **November 3 at Double Eagle** – rain day Nov 4
- Young Eagle Coordinator, Todd Blue 266-1491,  
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*Chapter 179 meetings are on the third Tuesday each month.*



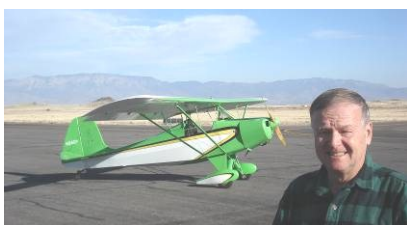
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## From the Editor, Harley Wadsworth

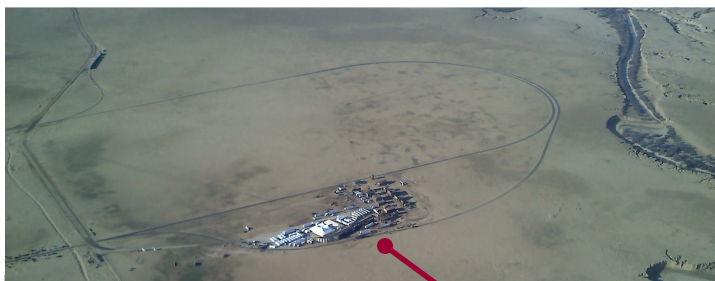
We have some different stuff in the newsletter this month. A Soaring Contest in June, The F-111F "City of Santa Fe" Memorial Fly-By Art, and the Wings of Freedom Tour. Don't forget our upcoming Young Eagles event May 5 at Moriarty.



There is an interesting city that has sprang up 10 miles west of Double Eagle, see photos below. Be noise and view considerate about over flights there. Tonto might get upset.

There is an airport closure NOTAM that will be in effect at launch time during the soaring contest in Moriarty. Please see the details on page 3. We have some of the best soaring in the world right here at Moriarty. They win international recognition in an On-Line-Contest and the soaring club is a fun and active group. Visit the Soaring Museum in Moriarty next time you are out there. George Appleby and others have put their heart and soul into the museum and it is very impressive. HW

***Below:** The Lone Ranger movie set has us senior folks drifting back to the 50s and the early TV shows. I look forward to seeing the movie. The oval loop is the train track.*



Lone Ranger movie set.



## From the President, Bob Waters

When a door closes, a window always opens!

At last month's meeting, Laura Tweed announced some really good news – that she will have a won-



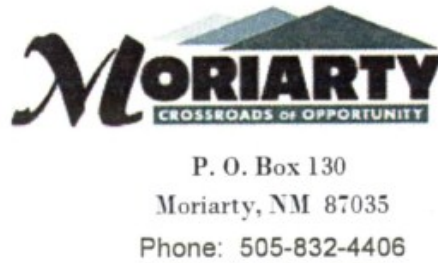
derful business opportunity in Santa Fe. The sad part of that news is that she will be very busy for the foreseeable future, so she has to relinquish her new role as our chapter Young Eagle coordinator. Such is life, and, paraphrasing Clint Eastwood: a woman's got to know her limitations! Laura knows its better to do a few things well instead of doing too much poorly. Thanks Laura for your volunteering and for your continued support of our chapter, particularly in recruiting new members from your wide network of aviation friends!

Everyone knows that Todd Blue is like an open window that always lets that New Mexico sun shine in! So when he returned my call, I was not surprised that he enthusiastically agreed to be our new YE coordinator, particularly since he already volunteers at every one of the events and the silky smooth running check in desk. What was a surprise was that Todd was calling from a hospital bed! Todd's home now doing well, and we look forward to seeing him back at our meetings and events – next YE event is May 5! Thanks Todd for volunteering...again!

Laura and Todd are both great examples, among many in the chapter, of volunteerism. They know that volunteering to do something that you love and enjoy is more fun than work, and the rewards far outstrip the

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## Moriarty Airport will be closed from 1200 to 1400 MDT Monday, June 11 through Saturday, June 16, 2012

Sundance Aviation will be hosting the Second Annual SSA Super Regional 9 Club/Modern Class Sailplane Racing Competition in Moriarty, New Mexico Monday, June 11 through Saturday, June 16, 2012. **The Moriarty Municipal Airport will be closed by NOTAM from 1200 to 1400 MDT during the competition.** Practice days will be held Saturday, June 9 and Sunday June 10.

Expect heavier than normal glider activity in the area of the airport and in the competition task area which extends as far north as Alamosa, Colorado, as far south as Alamogordo, New Mexico, east to Santa Rosa and west to Grants. A list of turn points can be found at [http://soaring.xingu.net/TP/Moriarty\\_contest/](http://soaring.xingu.net/TP/Moriarty_contest/).

Forty to fifty gliders are expected to compete in the event.

Additional Information on the Moriarty Super Regional Sailplane Contest is contained in the press release at [http://www.abqsoaring.org/Moriarty2012/Press\\_Release\\_1.pdf](http://www.abqsoaring.org/Moriarty2012/Press_Release_1.pdf)

Please feel free to contact the Airport Manager, Bob Hudson (505) 832-5072 or the Contest Manager, Connie Buenafe (505) 690-7886, if you have questions or comments.

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### The F-111F "City of Santa Fe" Memorial Fly-By Art



The F-111F "City of Santa Fe" Memorial Fly-By (30" x 20" artist proof) is now on exhibit in the lobby of the City of Santa Fe Municipal Airport Terminal Building. This new art depicts the F-111F "City of Santa Fe" flying over the National Cemetery in Santa Fe, NM. The actual aircraft (valued at 10 million dollars when new) is newly restored (9 month restoration) and is on public display just outside the Airport Terminal Building. The F-111F was the first swing-wing, low altitude terrain following, supersonic fighter aircraft. The F-111F "City of Santa Fe" is a memorial dedicated to the 18 aviators who lost their lives flying them on missions in Vietnam, Iraq and Libya. A poster of this art is available for private sale at the the Santa Fe Airport Grill. All proceeds will go toward an introductory flight in a Cessna 172 for young pilots.

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*The Wings of Freedom Tour*

NORTH AMERICAN P-51 MUSTANG

BOEING B-17 FLYING FORTRESS

CONSOLIDATED B-24 LIBERATOR

Three of the most famous WWII bomber and fighter aircraft are visiting your community as part of the *Wings of Freedom Tour*. A "living history" event where the museum comes to you! Tour the beautifully restored aircraft and even **TAKE TO THE SKIES YOURSELF** in an ultimate 30-minute flight experience aboard the bombers or get some "stick time" in the world's only Dual Control P-51C Mustang.

**SANTA FE**  
 Santa Fe Municipal Airport  
 at Santa Fe Air Center

April 11 - 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
 April 12 - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
 April 13 - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Tour - Explore - Fly  
 The Ultimate Living History Experience.  
 Walk-through tours: \$12 for adults and  
 \$6 for children 12 years and younger.

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 Once in a lifetime opportunity to fly aboard the B-17 or B-24. 30-minute Flight Experiences are \$425 per person. Half hour and full hour flights in the P-51 Mustang fighter also available. Flight experiences are a tax-deductible donation. No reservations needed for walk-through tours.  
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We have been fortunate to be able to have the Collings Foundation stop off in Santa Fe on their Wings of Freedom Tour. They will be bringing a Flying Fortress, a Liberator and a P-51 Mustang.

They will be here starting the afternoon of Wednesday, April 11th, all day Thursday, April 12th and the morning of April 13th. Tours are available at those times and flights on ALL the planes will be available before or after regular tour hours. Most of the costs of the flights are tax deductible. They will do tours for school kids at \$2.00 each and the regular \$12.00 for the chaperones. They only need 5 or more students so it could be a good opportunity to get groups together and tour these magnificent aircraft at reasonable levels.

As you know these planes are terribly expensive to maintain and keep in the air and we'd like to get as many people to fly in these planes or tour them.

Thanks much,  
 Carol Stewart  
 Secretary, AASF

*From the President (Continued from page 2)*

effort: The big smile on a girl or boy's face while flying a plane for the first time, the heartfelt thanks of the parent of that child just given a rare opportunity to fly, the sated smile of someone full of pancakes and sausage, the tear in the eye of a WWII veteran sitting in Aluminum Overcast recounting his last flight in a B-17 sixty-eight years ago that didn't return to base. Thanks to all our volunteers – past, present and future! There are still lots of great opportunities!

At this month's meeting, we'll have the New Mexico Tech students return and give us a report on their success at the national flying competition. As you know, the Chapter made a donation to help defray their travel costs to Kansas. And just like NASCAR, we got a branding opportunity too: one of our EAA179 stickers was prominently displayed on their plane! I look forward to seeing you at meeting. Remember, invite a friend and give us all the chance to grow another member. Happy flying! BW



## Chapter 179 Meeting Minutes

Regular meeting of EAA Chapter 179 was held March 20, 2012 at the Copper Canyon Café, convened by President Bob Waters at 6:10 PM. Being absent, these minutes were constructed from notes provided by Laura Tweed.

President Waters recognized in attendance: Marc Ausman, new EAA National Board Member, and new chapter member Will Taylor and his wife Edie.

Motion & second to accept The Minutes of February 21, 2011 were accepted as published in the Newsletter.

The Treasure's report was given by Curtis Smith. Curtis also reported that funds will soon be transferred to the CD per Board approval. Motion to accept made, seconded and passed.

Curtis discussed altered plans for our March fly-out from Santa Rosa to Belen, to coincide with the planned pancake breakfast this weekend.

Laura Tweed related information on the recent successful Young Eagles event at Double Eagle and thanked all the volunteers involved. She announced that she would have to resign her role as YE coordinator due to tremendously growing business responsibilities and the time required to attend to them. Requests for a YE chairman volunteer were made.

Steve Rokicki announced that \$400 had been donated for the scholarship program in the name of Jay Schmidt.

Kevin Banks reported on the successful transfer of chapter websites from Don Gilmore to himself and progress to get them organized. The chapter gave Kevin a round of applause for his significant efforts.

Joyce Woods announced the planned WINGS seminar at KAEG on 4/28 10 to noon. Our chapter will provide a lunch of hamburgers for donations.

President Waters called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made, seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:25PM followed by a presentation by Steve Rokicki about fatigue and controllable stress factors for pilots.

Respectfully submitted by; Todd Blue, Secretary

### Attendees:

Laura Tweed, Curtis Smith, Russ and Margaret Prina, Joyce and Art Woods. Charles Alden, Marc Ausman, Emilio Verastegui, Bob and Marilou Hartman, Kevin Banks, Harley Wadsworth, Will and Edie Taylor, Jim, Chuck Swanberg, Steve Rokicki, Rich Ritmuller, Konrad Werner, Lew Chesley, Dion and Maxine Lear, and Bob Waters.



**CHAPTER 179**  
*A 501(c) 3 tax exempt charitable Organization*

**FREE airplane ride in a general aviation aircraft KIDS [ages 8 to 17]\*.**

**The goal of the EAA Young Eagles Program is to introduce KIDS to Aviation By giving them a FREE flight in a general aviation aircraft -AT NO CHARGE- \*with Parental Permission.**



**Saturday, May 5, 2012**  
[Weather permitting.]

**Flights from 8:00 am to 11:30 am**  
**Moriarty Airport**

**[\*Parental Permission forms will be provided at sign in]**  
**A Certificate of the flight and a log book will be given to each Young Eagle.**

**Pancake breakfast 8:00 to 11:00 am [Pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee]**  
**Lunch served 11 am until 12 pm**

**[Donations gladly accepted]**

**For more information call: Curtis Smith 505-710-4186**

### Volunteers are needed!!!!

In order for any organization to be successful, it's the membership that makes it a success. We need members to volunteer for several committees and events! Without your help the organization gets stale depending on the same ole same ole people. It's time we all step up to get involved... it's as much your EAA Chapter 179 as it is the Board of Directors.

Currently a Committee is needed to determine the chapters Land of Enchantment Fly In [LOEFI] direction. I announced at a previous meeting that this will be my last year as Chairperson. I will be glad to mentor the new chair this coming September. Won't you consider doing your part? Contact me at [mach2@centurylink.net](mailto:mach2@centurylink.net).

### WINGS

I, Curtis Smith, just qualified for WINGS Basic phase 3 and WINGS Advanced. I am very proud of these accomplishments. However, I am questioning the cost of this program. The educational portions of WINGS has no cost except for flying to seminars around the state. Training is also computer based at FAA - FAASafety.url and is fairly easy and comprehensive. The flight portion is another story without much benefit. For each phase of each WINGS level, there are three flights covering different flying skills. An instructor will usually spend one hour on each of these. As you know, BFRs usually are completed in one to one and a half hours. I am contemplating doing the training and seminars but going back to BFRs.

### My last cross country

As most of you know, I love to fly my Sport Cruiser cross country and the majority of them are to California. This last flight was no different. The trip out was uneventful with a fuel, food and rest stop in Prescott. I headed to Chino to spend a night with my cousin and have dinner with her family. Flying into Chino is always an experience but it is fun with all the traffic and the beautiful scenery. The next day I headed to Oceanside to use an Uncle's timeshare right on the beach. It was Sunday and the beach was crowded with bikinis. The next morning I walked to Ruby's

on the longest pier on the west coast and ate breakfast. The weather was gorgeous and no marine layer for six days. I ate at Ruby's for breakfast and lunch a couple more times and tried to find more upscale eateries for dinner. After 6 days, I returned to Chino for one last night with my cousin. We decided to eat breakfast at Flo's at the Chino airport [if you haven't eaten there, you are really missing good diner food. The bikers and hotroders flood in there on weekends. When we got up, of course there was a marine layer. After breakfast, I packed my baggage and pre-flighted and fueled but the layer still didn't lift. It was back to Flo's for more coffee and waiting. About 11am it lifted and I was off.

The flight to Prescott was a half hour shorter with a tail wind. I fueled and took off. About 20 minutes east of Prescott, I started bouncing all over the sky. The best I could do was hold my 9500' within 2-300 +/- feet. As I got closer to AEG, I heard pilots talking about the winds on the ground. AEG ATIS indicated 20+ mph winds with gusts across both runways but 35 was the best. I made one attempt and after flaring and leveling, I found myself heading for the bushes. I added power and around I went. I told myself that if I aborted this time, I might try taxiway 'c' but the northwest wind would be across that also, but not as bad. My next option was ABQ. However, I planted her on the runway and made a sigh of relieve. The return trip was one hour shorter.

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## When Systems Don't Work

By Rose Marie Kern

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Have you ever tried to tune into a frequency, a VOR, an ILS or an NDB only to have no response? Have you gotten strange readings from your GPS or WAAS? What do you do when this happens? Who should you report it to? The easy answer, and the most often correct one, is to report it to ATC. Let's take each one individually.

The steps ATC takes ensures that the component being reported is actually the culprit rather than the equipment in the aircraft. If it is a frequency or NAVAID, ATC will ask another aircraft to tune into the same frequency to verify that it is truly malfunctioning. If that aircraft is picking it up, then ATC will inform the initial reporting aircraft so that the pilot can have his equipment checked upon landing.

If you are tuned into an ATC frequency and no one answers, do not immediately assume any equipment is broken – Towers, Centers and Flight Service are frequently listening to more than one frequency and may be busy with another contact. Wait a few minutes, and then try your call again. If there is still no joy, go to another frequency which should work in your area and see if you hear anything. If you are able to contact another ATC facility or use UNICOM to talk to an airport manager, have them call the ATC facility with the non-operational frequency and report it. Take a note of the time, your location, and the frequency and when you land call Flight Service to confirm they received the report. They will follow up on the information. They may also give you an alternate frequency so you can request the service you initially wanted to receive.

In general if the component in question is a NAVAID, it is best to call it in to Flight Service. If it is an ILS or other piece of equipment directly linked to an airport, report it to the tower or the airport manager. Flight Service can also take those reports if airport operations and towers have closed for the night. The FAA requires that all malfunctions are reported and repair records kept. Of course, NOTAMs are issued to warn other pilots of the problem.



Should you find a GPS or WAAS anomaly, report it immediately to the closest ATC facility. They will need the following information: Aircraft call sign and type, location, altitude and date/time of the occurrence. ATC notifies the military installation monitoring the GPS system and broadcasts the information to other aircraft in the area.

One of the most common problems with frequencies is the use of outdated charts. One of the most common errors seems to be UNICOM frequencies. There have been several incidents of accidents wherein one of the two pilots landing on the same runway was using an old chart and was therefore broadcasting his position on a frequency no longer in use. The most amazing example of this was at Los Alamos (LAM) airport in New Mexico where two V-tail bonanzas were landing. In a move that could never have been rehearsed they lined up for the runway with one directly above the other – and landed that way. There were no injuries. One pilot said “I never knew there was a problem until I looked out my side window and saw a wheel.”

There are always alternatives – use 121.5 if you have to, it was created for emergencies – not having a correct frequency, or having one dysfunctional can be an emergency when you need to be in contact with ATC. The men and women of the Airways Facilities arm of the FAA work hard to keep everything working, but they need you to let them know when it isn't.

*Rose Marie Kern has worked in aviation for over 28 years. If you have a question you can contact her at [rmk@swcp.com](mailto:rmk@swcp.com).*

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### 1969 M Model C-182 Skylane , N91626

6150TT, engine replacement  
O470-U Continental in 2002,  
2,000 hr engine,  
885 hrs on time  
now, McCauley  
Prop 885 hrs.



King 170B NAV/COM, Bendix King ADF & transponder, new Garmin 340 audio panel, new DG, digital engine analyzer, new leather seats (cream color), new carpet and side panels, VERY nice interior. Doesn't use a drop of oil (rare bird!) annual May 2011. **Asking \$62,000 OBO**

**Call Laura (505) 463-4766**

## On-Going Events

**Pilots ABQ Lunch - Every Thursday**, Formation Begins at 11:15 AM, at **Monroe's Restaurant** at 6501 Osuna Rd. NE (about four blocks East of San Mateo on the North side of Osuna).

**Pilots Mid-Valley Lunch - Every Tuesday**, Formation begins at 10:00 AM at Bob Henning's Hangar, 3884 Tammy Ct. SE, Los Lunas, NM, (Mid-Valley Airpark) Ph 865-0007, then onto Lunch at T J's New Mexican Restaurant at 235 Highway 314 SW, Los Lunas at 11:45AM.

**Las Cruces/El Paso EAA Chapter #555 Breakfast - Every Third Sunday of the Month**, a huge \$6.00 breakfast. Look for the large EAA hangar located at the Las Cruces International Airport (LRU). All pilots and interested others are invited. Consider this for a 'fly out' or for other fun events!

**Aviation Historical Society—First Thursday of the Month**, Formation begins at 7:00 PM at Bear Canyon Community Center. Contact Harry M. Davidson, Ph (505) 256-7212

**Artesia Breakfast Fly-In:** Free and discount on gas **1st Saturday of every month**. 8:30 till 10:00 a.m. until time change then will be 7:30 til 9:30 a.m. Hope some of you all would like to come down. Info: Lance Goodrich, Airport Manager.

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