



**EAA Chapter 206
Yakima, Washington**



CHAPTER 206 NEWS

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From the President

Fellow EAA members,

It has been an interesting two years. I have learned a great deal. One thing I learned is that I am more interested in flying than building, hence the RV-6 from Bill Hudson. Another thing I have learned is that sometimes I should think a little more before opening my mouth. One thing I have learned that is noteworthy is that you are a great bunch of aviation enthusiasts with many talents, ideas, and willingness to help. We have had fun with meetings and projects, we have had some fun road trips and fly-outs, we had a fun poker run, there were well attended pancake feeds, and we flew quite a few youth which was very rewarding.

After all the fun, it is time to let someone else organize the fun and education we will be having in the years to come. I look forward to a great year with a fun and dynamic club being facilitated by Steve Sundquist, Scott Heppler, Richard Morken, and Dennis Franz in the elected positions of responsibility. Appointed positions of Technical Counselor (Pete Dougherty), Newsletter Editor (Lance Sorensen), and Web Master (Scott Heppler) are superbly filled. This should be a great

time. Continue to give them support and advice for a vibrant club and we will all benefit. See you at the Christmas Party. Don't forget to buy your meal tickets from Marv and buy them early so that we can get an accurate head count!

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Upcoming events

We are sending the newsletter out earlier this month because of the Christmas dinner coming up on December 10. If you have not sent in your \$22 and secured a seat at the table you need to do so very soon. We need to contact our catering service and let them know how many to prepare for.

Please send your money in to **Marvin Pugh, 404 Apple Way, Selah, WA 98942. (654-2450, 698-3967)**

The social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. with dinner being served at 6:30 p.m. The dinner is again being held at hangar #1, Yakima Airpark. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring a gift valued at around \$15. (please no junk).

YOUNG EAGLES UPDATE

The last few years have seen great interest in the local EAA group. Some are building a plane, some are pilots flying their own or rented, while others are just finding the company of pilots and aviation to their liking. Members meet on Saturday mornings for coffee and flying activities at Yakima Airpark, Hangar #1. Check: <http://www.eaa206.org/>

Young Eagles Program; This was the 14th year of the program in Yakima and we had four separate events. Three at the Yakima Airport and one out of Sunnyside. The Yakima Chapter has sponsored about thousand flights and given a "once in a lifetime" experience to 2,564 kids ages eight to seventeen. If you wish to see who has been involved, click; <http://www.young eagles.org/logbook/> and enter Chapter Type EAA, number 206. You do not have to be a member to come and drink coffee or participate at a meeting.



Eaglets from Zillah. July 18th2009

NEW MEMBER

We have a new member who recently joined Chapter 206: Randy Lervold. Randy is the new *General Manager* at CubCrafters and should have his move to Yakima complete by the end of December.

He's from the Portland area and has been quite active with the EAA. He was the President of Chapter 105 (www.eaa105.org) for the past four years, the newsletter editor for several years before that, and is both a Technical Counselor and a Flight Advisor.

Randy's built two RVs, an RV-8 and an RV-3B, and documented both builds with web sites, www.rv-8.com and www.rv3works.com. He reports he was very active in formation flying having earned an FFI card and participated in the FFI team large formation demo at Oshkosh last year.



FFI team formation at Oshkosh