



# THE FLYING TIMES

The Official Newsletter  
of the Sonoma Skyrafters

EAA Chapter 1268

Sonoma Skypark Airport  
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Sonoma, CA 95476

NOVEMBER 2017



IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO BRODHEAD, YOU'VE MISSED OUT  
Thanks to Lee Ray for permission to use some of his beautiful photos.

## **CHAPTER OFFICERS**

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## **FIRST THINGS FIRST**

The November meeting is this **Tuesday, November 14**. The Board of Directors will meet at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. after the Board of Directors' meeting, and is \$8.00 per person.

Our chef for the month will be a great big, huge surprise. (We're going to have a little discussion about dinner sign-ups at the meeting.)

Our speaker/program will be the November Chapter video and an FAA presentation to George Inskeep.

### **OFFICERS FOR 2018**

We will be electing officers for 2018. If you would like to pitch in and help out, we would be delighted. A good starting position is Board member or even Vice President (sorry Don.)

We need fresh blood (yeah, I know that sounds like a cheesy vampire plot, but what the heck...) The danger of having the same few folks step up each year to run the Chapter is that they get burned out and then you don't have a chapter any more. Same thing with the dinners, Young Eagles and the rest of the activities the Chapter is involved with.

I'll be asking for dinner volunteers, and if we don't fill the slate for 2018, I'll be asking for help calling the members to get the dinner schedule filled before we get to the big New Year's Day celebration. (You did know about that, didn't you?)

We haven't reached to point of no return, but we are heading down that road. We've got a great Chapter with a great bunch of people. We will elect officers at the November meeting and then "install" them at the December Christmas party/official meeting.

Let us know if you would like to stage a coup d'etat and join in our little secret society of Chapter officers. Nominations and volunteers will be accepted at the meeting. It would be nice if this were a bloodless coup, but what the heck (as I keep saying), maybe we could use a little more excitement at our meetings.

I keep promising Paul that I will get the Air Academy information and applications done

before the meeting. He'll just have to pin me down about which meeting that will be.

See you Tuesday. Viva la revolucion!

### **EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER REPORT** **November 2017**

Treasurer Report – Our checking account balance decreased in October \$1270.86. This was due to debits of \$1200 (2018 Air Academy tuition) and \$120.86 (payment for our September dinner) countered by a \$50 donation to the Air Academy fund. Our effective balance is \$8811.44 which does not include \$7500 held in the Jack Strehl Memorial Fund and \$100 payable to the Air Explorers.

That's it for now; see you at the meeting,

Bill Wheadon, EAA 1268 Membership  
Chairman and Treasurer

### **YOUNG EAGLES**

Young Eagles day is Sunday, November 12. As always BK White is looking for volunteer pilots, ground crew and registration helpers for our monthly Young Eagles events. Let him know you will be joining us and helping out by sending him an email to [eagle1@vom.com](mailto:eagle1@vom.com) or by calling him at 707-996-1335.

### **MOVIE NIGHT AT SONOMA SKYPARK**

Movie night is scheduled for **Saturday, November 25 at 6pm.**

**Free admission.** Pizza is always available for \$5 per person, including beverages, and complimentary popcorn just to whet your appetite (or spoil it), courtesy of Walt Lewis and his Amazing Real Movie Theater Popcorn Popping Extravaganza Machine.

See you at the movies on Skypark Movie Night, **SATURDAY, November 25** at 6 p.m.

### **DINNER SCHEDULE**

We are lining up our celebrity chefs for **2018** so let us know if you would like to be one of our famous chefs for the upcoming year. Contact Robin at [robntat@aol.com](mailto:robntat@aol.com) or 707-553-2747. You can also let me know at [wd6bor@vom.com](mailto:wd6bor@vom.com) and I'll put you on the roster.

The schedule for this year so far is:

Month	Cooks/Meal
2018 DINNER SCHEDULE	
JAN	
FEB	
MAR	
APR	
MAY	
JUN	
JUL	
AUG	
SEP	
OCT	
NOV	
DEC	XMAS/PARTY

### **SPEAKERS**

We are always, continually, everlastingly looking for speakers for our monthly programs.

Send an email to me at [wd6bor@vom.com](mailto:wd6bor@vom.com) so we can get your program or speaker information into the newsletter.

Month	Speaker/Member	Subject
2018 SPEAKER SCHEDULE		
JAN		

FEB		
MAR		
APR		
MAY		
JUN		
JUL		
AUG		
SEP		
OCT		
NOV		
DEC		

### **2017 EAA 1268 CALENDAR**

Send me any exciting, thrilling, terrifying or just plain fun events you have for the calendar.

DATE	EVENT
11/12	Young Eagles 9 am
11/14	1268 Meeting 7 pm
11/25	Skypark Movie Night
12/?	Skypark Xmas Party
1/1/17	New Years' Day 1 <sup>st</sup> Flight
Every Saturday Noon to 1:30 pm Skypark Hamburgers and Hot Dogs in the clubhouse!	

### **EAA CHAPTER 1268 MINUTES**

October minutes will be in the next newsletter.

The rest of this space is empty because I haven't received all those great photos and stories I know you have squirreled away in your archives. Let's change that.

**Send me your news for your newsletter!**

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MEMBERSHIP **DUES ARE DUE** IN JANUARY, AND MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER. DUES ARE STILL A MODEST **FIFTEEN BUCKS**, SO BRING SOME CASH FOR DINNER AND A BIT MORE TO **PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2018!** SEE YOU THERE!

**REMEMBER! THE NOVEMBER MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 AT 7 P.M., AT THE SKYCRAFTER'S CLUBHOUSE HANGAR B-5 AT SONOMA SKYPARK AIRPORT. DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE!  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE 6 P.M. BEFORE THE MEETING**

**SKYCRAFTER MEMBERSHIP**

**EAA CHAPTER 1268** Membership Dues: **\$15 per year.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ APT: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number, home: \_\_\_\_\_ work: \_\_\_\_\_

**EAA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EXPIRATION DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AIRCRAFT OWNED OR BUILDING:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your check should be made payable to: **EAA 1268**

**Please mail your dues to:**  
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**1021 Stonebridge Drive**  
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