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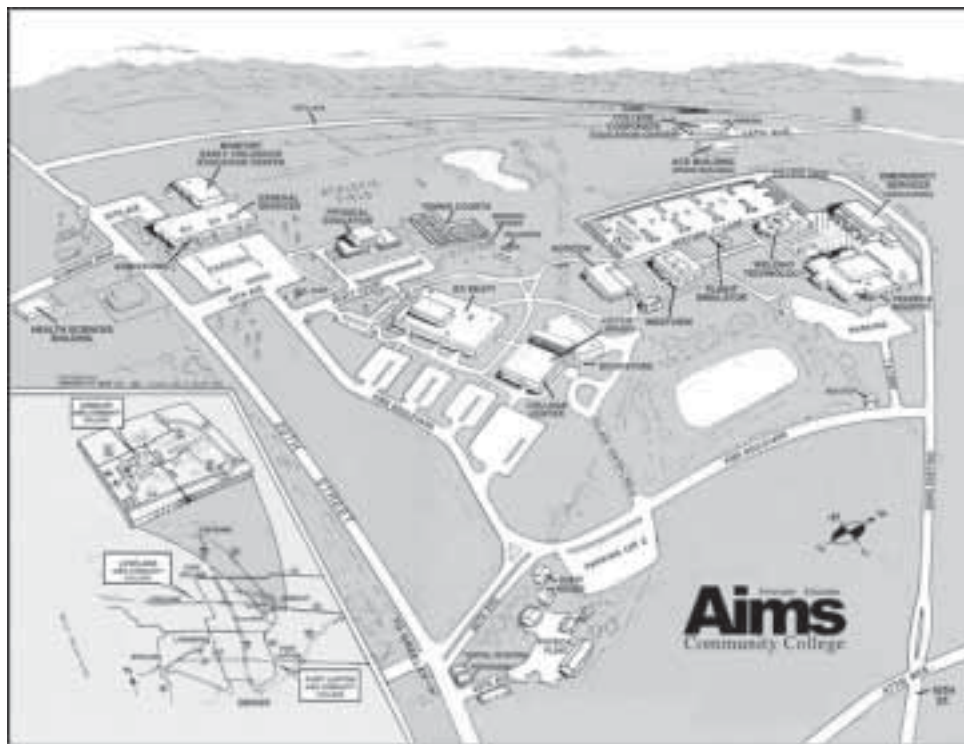
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## Simulator Field Trip

Thanks to Dale Matuska, the October 7th program will be held at the AIM's simulator building in Greeley. Bill Forbes will be our host at Aims. He is the simulator instructor in the 1900 Beech full motion simulator and works

for the airlines as an instructor also. We may not be able to get in the simulator as it is very busy for the next two months but we can tour the facilities and watch it work.



## EAA Chapter 515 Presents

**When:** Tuesday, October 7, 2003 7:30 PM

**Where:** Aims Community College, Greeley - Simulator Building

**Program:** Tour the 1900 Beech full motion simulator.

**All members are encouraged to attend**

### 2003 Chapter 515 Activities

October 4th-Bald Eagles fly-in at Ft. Collins-Loveland/  
Milo Smith to determine location

October 7th - Program to be arranged by Dale Matuska

November 4th - Program to be arranged by Dave Nabus

December 2nd - Program to be arranged by Dave Klink

February - Potluck Banquet, with Chapter 515 providing the meat (more details later)

members stated that they would like more hands on learning about building and craftsmanship. They would like to learn more about the members and their experiences. There was also discussion on the role of the Vice President. The duties in the past were too much for one person. The Board agreed. At the previous Board meeting, the Board had discussed taking on some of the Vice President's responsibilities and having Board meetings at least quarterly. The Board also announced that they had selected Hugh Beckham to serve as Vice President. The Membership accepted Hugh as our new Vice President by a show of hands. Since there is no President of the Chapter at this time, Hugh is serving as President and Vice President. He will also serve as President for the upcoming year. The meeting was then turned over to Hugh.

Hugh gave the members a background of his many years of involvement with EAA. Hugh told the membership to consider the Board to be all of the committees for the remaining portion of the year. Hugh then reviewed the remaining events of the year. October 4th will be Bald Eagles Day. Milo will be working on a location. October 7th will be the next Chapter meeting and Dale Matuska will be in charge of the program. The November Chapter meeting will be on the 4th and Dave Nabus will be in charge of the program. The December meeting will be on the 2nd and Dave Klink will be in charge of the program. There was also discussion on moving the annual banquet from December to February. A motion was made and passed to have the banquet in February. The banquet will be a Pot Luck with the Chapter providing the meat. Hugh mentioned to the membership that the EAA Bylaws require local chapter

members to also be members of National EAA. Hugh then announced that the Board had voted Dean Hall to the position of Member at Large. Steve McClintock also volunteered to be a Member at Large. A motion was made and carried by the membership to accept Dean and Steve as Members at Large with voting privileges.

Ron O'Dea gave a Treasurer's report. Ron stated that there were 57 paid members and 21 unpaid members. The Chapter also had approximately \$600.00 in cash and \$2,000.00 in savings. Young Eagles director Britt Crowell stated that he was approached by a Cub Master who wanted to know if kids could get rides. Britt was going to gather more information. There was also discussion about a Chapter Membership List with information about members' projects and aircraft. The Board decided that this was a good idea and would start working out the details to publish one.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

### Chapter 515 September Meeting Minutes

By *Larry Larkin, Jr.*

The meeting was held on September 2nd. The membership enjoyed a cookout with all the fixins from 6:30 to 7:30. Thanks to all those who helped out. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. The meeting began with Treasurer Ron O'Dea explaining how the Chapter arrived at its present state. The Board decided at its last meeting that the Chapter appeared to be stagnant with no apparent direction. The Chapter has also been without a Vice President for most of the year. Ron presented the membership with the question of whether or not we wanted to remain a Chapter or an informal organization. He then opened it up to the members for discussion. The members were very vocal about wanting to remain an EAA Chapter. A motion was made on whether or not those present wanted to remain an official EAA Chapter. The motion was passed unanimously to remain an EAA Chapter. The

### Chapter 515 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

By *Larry Larkin, Jr.*

Board Members Present:  
Hugh Beckham, Ron O'Dea, Larry Larkin, Dean Hall. Members Present: Larry Drake, Milo Smith.

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. on 9/16/03.

The Board discussed roster issues and the Membership Directory. The Board decided to discontinue distributing the Chapter newsletter to members not in good standing. There was discussion about sending out one or two newsletters a year to delinquent and previous members. The Board

agreed to do this. The Board discussed the February Chapter Banquet. Dean Hall agreed to head up the Banquet Committee. If you would like to serve on the Banquet Committee or know of a location that would be ideal for hosting this event please notify a board member. The Board discussed purchasing some camp chairs with the Chapter logo on them. This item was tabled. The Board also had discussion on the club trailer and the use of it. The Board decided that the trailer shall be used only by members in good standing and shall be used for the movement of aircraft and aircraft parts. The Board then discussed nominations for next year's Officers. Hugh Beckham will serve as President. Jeff Dinius agreed to serve as Vice President if no other person volunteers. Ernie Stevens volunteered to serve as Treasurer. Larry Larkin agreed to serve again as Secretary. Dean Hall and Steve McClintock will serve as Members at Large. Ron Grob will continue as the Newsletter Editor and Larry Drake will continue as the Newsletter Publisher. Thanks to all who have served and will serve. The Board also agreed to ask the membership to nominate the Newsletter Editor and Publisher to the Board of Directors. The Board discussed the Bald Eagles event being held on October 4th. Milo is working out the details of the location and catering for the event. Milo also gave treasurer Ron O'Dea \$92.00 from a silent auction held earlier in the year. The next Board meeting will be held on November 18th at 7:00 p.m. at Dean Hall's residence.

## Chapter 515 Election of Officers to be Held at October 7 Meeting

*Submitted by Hugh Beckham*

At our last meeting it was decided that the Board of Directors should serve as the nominating committee for the upcoming election. The board has been successful in finding willing candidates for each of the 2004 offices, however there are more highly qualified people in our chapter who were not asked. Please feel free to volunteer to serve in any capacity, or get a friend to do so. We really shouldn't have to threaten or cajole anyone to fill our leadership positions.

The Board of Directors is made up of the chapter officers and one or two members at large. In addition, the current board feels that the newsletter editor and publisher, though not officers, should also be members of the board.

In addition to possible nominations from the floor, your candidates for 2004 are:

President: Hugh Beckham  
Vice President: Jeff Dinius  
Secretary: Larry Larkin Jr.  
Treasurer: Ernie Stevens  
Newsletter Editor: Ron Grob  
Publisher: Lawrence Drake  
Members at Large: Dean Hall  
Steve McClintock

### Say Again?

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## Pres Sez

Well, not really. I am Vice President and acting President.

I hope that you were at our meeting September 2nd. It was great. The weather was perfect, the food was good, the feared mosquito attack never occurred, and we had great participation from all who attended.

It was time to take a good look at our chapter and to admit that it was dying a slow death. When faced with the reality of our position, members spoke up and many volunteered to take on the responsibilities of office or programs. That is exactly what I had hoped for and actually expected. Most of us were just not aware of how badly we are each needed. Many thanks go to Ron O'Dea for leading the drive to get us moving again, and in the right direction.

We have "booked" our programs for the next six months,

## Chapter 515



## TOOLCHEST

*Here is a list of tools and equipment either owned by the chapter or available for use by members.  
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**Engine hoist**  
**Flat bed trailer**  
**Instrument panel hole cutter**  
**Nico press, with gauges**  
**(bolt cutter style)**  
**Scales**  
**Stoves**  
**Torque wrench**

*Tools that members may loan out*  
**Lycoming Engine Overhaul Stand**  
**(Mel Callen, 587-4824)--may work with a Continental**  
**Cable Fitting Swaging Tool**  
**(Hugh McTeague, 586-5910)**

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which will make the position of Vice-President much less daunting. We have also promised to not let that office be the fearsome work load that it has been in the past.

You know who your officers and board members are. Speak to them about your concerns and your hopes for the chapter. Together we can make this thing fly.

*- Hugh Beckham*

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## **Requirements for EAA Chapter Membership**

*By Hugh Beckham*

As promised at the last meeting, we have contacted EAA headquarters with the question regarding chapter membership requirements. We have been advised that Article IV :1 states Regular Chapter Membership: A Regular Chapter Member shall be any person who pays chapter dues and is a member in good standing of EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association, Incorporated).

As a result of this directive, the Board of Directors has agreed to allow all current chapter memberships to continue until January 1, 2004, and to enforce the directive with the application for new or renewal of membership after that date.

## **Receive Your Newsletter Sooner (and save Chapter 515 some money)**

If you have email, please consider having your monthly newsletter emailed to you. This saves considerable labor and postage and makes more money available from dues to pay for chapter activities. If you are willing to help us all by doing so, please send your email address to the Treasurer, Ron O-Dea. His email: [r2av8r@earthlink.net](mailto:r2av8r@earthlink.net), or call 667-9558.