

EAA Chapter 1298 December 2024 Meeting Minutes 12/7/2024

Telly Kassimis called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Meeting opened with pledge.  
Guests: Bob/Debbie Gibson, William Umstead, Michael, Bob

Phil Renard reported on the financials, which are also posted on the bulletin board.

Phil reported that Young Eagles on 11/14. Volunteers to report at 9 AM. Paul Bryant will do the pilot briefing at 9:30.

Bruce Harding spoke to the dinner next week at Wellington. We have maxed out at 40 people.

Phil spoke about 3-2-2 rule with helicopter rotor wash and downwash on takeoff.

James Chorvat spoke about 2025 Oshkosh and looking for interested parties to join him.

Motion for 2 new ladders 6' & 8' was made and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion to purchase ladders carried.

Telly spoke about the requirements for candidates for young eagles. 17-19 is the age range. Trent gave update on his training.

Bruce also spoke about the build n fly program, and pointed out that the 1<sup>st</sup> build n fly is hanging in the EAA hangar. Well done Bruce.

Telly introduced John Williams from the Combative Air Force. He spoke about the PT19, that is now part of the Tampa Bay wing, and located at LAL (Lakeland). A second plane is also onboard, which is an Aero Commander.

Our in-house magician, Elliot Smith did a neat card trick for the group.

Don Etchison reported on the bomb project, the WWII memorial and chapter member Mike Mock, who was involved in a serious car accident, and is recovering.

Bob Gibson reported on a an Searay amphibian plane SN 001 rebuild.

50/50 - \$62.50 was won by Debbie Gibson, who donated it back to the chapter. Thank You Debbie.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bill Smith

