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EAA Chapter 1017 Dinner

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The Annual EAA (Experiment Aircraft Association) Chapter 1017 Dinner at the Old Erie was well attended and well remembered by the local chapter's members. Guest speakers Richard Forger and Charlie Tyler, and Jack Briggs held the members captivated with many stories and experiences of yesterdays.

Prior hanger owner, Richard Forger first took to flight in 44' before he went to services under the GI bill in 49'. After the service he raised five children which kept him busy for many years. Later after the children had grown he took flight once again and his passion for the airplane not only put him up in the air but also led him into rebuilding junked aircrafts like the Tiger Moths, J-3 Cub, J-5, TA-12, L-5, L-6, to name a few. He also built Ultralights and was the local dealer for Challenger Ultralight Aircraft for several years.

Charlie Tyler is a local aircraft enthusiast that has fabricated Ultralight. His current projects are a Challenger and a P51 Mustang scaled down to about half size.

Jack Briggs is a former Navy pilot who flew for 62 years and a former flight instructor for the



Navy and a local FAA Certified flight instructor. His goal was to educate and most of all insure safety in the air. Jack had a hand in publishing with a column in the EAA Flight Advisor and a book of his memoirs of earlier days. A few of the local member have read his book "No Two Alike" and highly recommend as a good read. Few copies were published and there is a copy available on a readers list through the local chapter.

His first Personal Solo was at least one of his most memorable memories and he just cannot understand why everyone does not fly. Briggs career was inspired by two renaissance men of aviation Charles Lindbergh for the first solo airplane flight across the Atlantic Ocean from NY on 20 May

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PASSINGS

STERLING EVENTS

SPRING! OLD BRUTUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEW DISPLAYS AT OLD BRUTUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CHAD-DART News WE ARE SO PROUD...

EAA Chapter 1017

MORE WEST SHORE

CLEAN SWEEP AND EARTH DAY:

What's The Secret Ingredient?

50th Anniversary Faith & Bill Finnegan

Finger Lakes Antique Power Club Tractor Ride And Farm Display at Mentz Church

What's The Secret Ingredient?

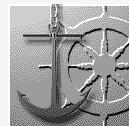
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ANDREW FISH, CAYUGA COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO SPEAK TO MONTEZUMA RESIDENTS

Power From Wind

STAGE STRUCK

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1927 to Paris and James H Doolittle for his B-25 bombing raid on Tokyo in the opening months of America's entry into World War II. These men were daredevil aviators, racing pilot, scientists, and great role models in the world of aviation.

These men and other EAA member expressed common goals to inspire young people to fly and pass on the legacy of aviation.

The Chapter meets monthly at the Richard J



Forger building, now owned by R.Keene Christopher. For those who are unfamiliar with this building it is the red hanger next to the Airport on Ditmar Rd. Weedsport, NY. The local EAA 1017 is an organization of aviation enthusiasts devoted to promoting Sport Aviation on a local and national basis. There are around 80 plus members who meet monthly for refreshments, discussions, and community involvement, event planning and working on achieving their common goals.