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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Maine-Endwell High School, Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter. Business meeting at 7:30 P.M., program to follow.

## Frank Gioffredo The Prez Sez

I can't believe it is almost the end of January already. I am writing this just a few days before the Mall Show is to take place. I hope everyone has planned to help out where possible. There are a great deal of things going on this year, with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as well as our regular activities. It is up to all of us to make these events successful. The Winter Fly is just around the corner as well as the Annual Banquet in early April. Let us all take part in these events to make it worth while to the people who have done the work to plan and put on the activities. I personally will be looking for some eager volunteers to help out with Aviation Day. This will be an open house at the held at the field on Sat. July 24, where we will be hosting the general public so they can meet us and see who we are and to help make them aware of our fifty years of history in our community.

Some additional news Mike Harris our Webmaster has stepped down due to the recent acquisition of his parents business Lone Maple Farms. Mike plans to remain in the club but with a much less aggressive schedule due to the demands of re-starting and running his family business. Good luck Mike. And fortunately to take over as Webmaster, Mark Lecher has stepped up to the task. Thanks Mark. Brent Bryson will still be the liason to get info to Mark. We look for some exciting new changes to be taking place with the website.

The Board has been busy trying to finalize a budget for the coming year, if there are any request for expenses please get

them to myself or one of the board members before the next Board meeting so we can plan accordingly. Also we are trying to catch up on late dues payments so if you haven't paid yet this year please do so at the next meeting. Thanks

Hope to see everyone at the meeting. Remember listen for the closing of the Maine-Endwell School district for meeting cancellations. One other item that comes to mind. Bob Noll will be setting up and showing some older film reels from the early years of the AGS and early nationals events, as well as other early R/C activities. These we be run prior to the meeting, I believe a half an hour or forty-five minutes before meeting start time.

Well enough for now, look for sun and warmer temps spring is not to far around the corner.



### 50th Anniversary Committee

By Rick Allabaugh

If you've been a regular visitor at the field, you might have noticed the poor condition of the AGS sign mounted to the pavilion. I believe the last time the sign was re-painted was in the early 70's.

In honor of the 50th Anniversary of the club, I made the recommendation to the 50th Anniversary Committee to replace the main pavilion sign. Bob Noll and I contacted a couple of sign makers and received some quotes for different layouts.

Tim Mooney from Summit Signworks, a local company, gave us a quote of \$160.00 for a 45" x 45" sign. The sign  
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### Coming Events

Winter Fly.....Jan 12  
Moore Park 11:00 AM

Annual Banquette.....Apr 9

Field Cleanup.....Apr 23

Busch Development Day.....Apr 24

### Cancellation of AGS

**Meetings:** In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Maine-Endwell High School classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

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**Ancient Photos board**

As part of the AGS 50th anniversary activities we are going to put together an ancient photos display board. If you have a photograph, slide or negative you'd like included, please loan it to Gib Vandling to copy. You can bring it to the February or March meetings, send it by email, or mail it. You'll get it back along with a digital image on a 3 1/2" diskette. The older the better, see the example.



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**Activities**

Brent E. Bryson

Time to mount those skis on your favorite winter flyer, because the Winter Fly is just around the corner. This year it will be held at Moore Park (note: This is a location change from previous announcement) on February 12th, from 11AM till 2PM. If you don't have skis, pontoons, or a flying boat also work fine.



**One For Right and Two For Left!**

By Bob Noll

One blip of your transmitter button to get right rudder and two blips for left rudder, if you were lucky. If that works, then why not three blips for up elevator and four blips for down elevator. That was the world of RC in the early 50's when I started my new hobby while in high school.

For our program at our February meeting I will take you through a bit of RC radio control history. From some working escapements thru galloping ghost, reeds and early digital proportional control, you will be amazed with what we older guys had to deal with as we struggled to excel in one of the greatest hobbies in the world.

**Did You Know?**

By Bob Noll

Did you know that one of our members pioneered RC multi-engine performance? Do you know whom and can you name the multi-engine planes he built and flew?

I would like members to bring in photographs of their planes, both old and new, to be scanned and considered for insertion into a club calendar. Every member should at least bring in a picture of their favorite plane. Please Submit photos to Mark Lecher.

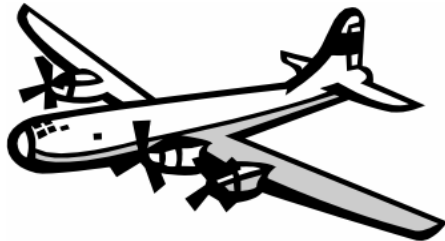
### **Membership**

By Rick Allabaugh

At last month's meeting, we voted Rick Curtis into full membership of the AGS. Congratulations Rick!

For next month's meeting, we have two Associate Members to vote on; Mike Budnovitch and Bill Bliss.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Associate members who are voted on at a regular meeting will not be told at the meeting if they were accepted or not. It has been requested that the Membership Chairman contact the Associate Member the day after the meeting to inform them of the voting result.



### **Annual Banquet**

Brent E. Bryson

It is our Golden Anniversary, so don't miss this year's AGS Annual Banquet. We would like to get 100% attendance for this one. Members of neighboring model clubs, and other friends of AGS are welcome.

Date: Saturday April 9th, 2005

Location: Two's Company (At the Enjoie Golf Club)

Dinner: Buffet Choice of up to 3 entrees and side dishes

Dessert: Special 50th Anniversary Cake

Entertainment:

Ancient Photos board

Name Bingo during cocktail hour

Trivia Contest

Possibly Special Musical Entertainment

Approximate cost \$25 per person

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will have the new 50th Anniversary logo made out of vinyl material placed on a light blue painted wooden board.

The goal of the 50th Anniversary Committee has been to be completely self-sufficient. Therefore, I was not planning to ask the membership, or Board, to contribute any money. The committee has received some funds through a local company, but the money has been earmarked for a particular event.

Therefore, I would like to ask for Member Donations to off-set the cost of the sign. In an ideal world, I'd ask EVERY member to donate \$2-3. However, since this is probably unlikely, if you're willing to donate \$5 or \$10, that would be greatly appreciated.

The new sign would be a nice addition to the pavilion for the 50th Anniversary of the club.

**REMINDER  
THE NEXT MEETING  
IS AT THE  
MAINE-ENDWELL HS  
February 1st @ 7:30 pm**

### **Old Movies Before Each Meeting**

By Bob Noll

Starting next month, I will be showing some very interesting movies from the Aeroguidance Society's past. I have a nice collection of films going back to the mid fifties that I know will amaze you.

The projector will start promptly at 7 PM before our regular monthly meetings. Come and see many historic flights by AGS members at several flying fields around the Southern Tier. You have no idea how good you have it these days!

### ***AGS Board Meetings***

Board meetings of the AGS will generally be held monthly on the Monday of the week following the general membership meetings and are open to all members who wish to bring business to the board. Please contact our President prior to the meeting to notify him of your interest and to get the location of the meeting.

## **AGS Meeting #690 January 4, 2005**

The meeting was held at the Maine-Endwell High School and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by vice-president Brent Bryson. Present at the meeting were approximately 28 members and 1 guest

### **Meeting Minutes**

Approved as published in the Connector.

### **Officer Reports**

#### **VP's report:**

The Winter Fly was confirmed to be at Moore Park on Feb 12th. Time is from 11AM-2PM.

#### **Secretary's report:**

Minutes from the December Board meeting were read.

#### **Treasurer's report:**

The financial report was given and accepted.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Membership**

A vote was held and associate member Rick Curtis was welcomed aboard. Two other associate members will be voted on at the Feb meeting.

#### **Librarian Report**

Nothing to report.

#### **Field**

Terry Terrenoire will be getting an initial estimate on road repairs from Vestal Asphalt. Additionally, if any club member is planning on their own driveway being paved this Spring, we would like to have the same contractor involved to hopefully grant the club a discount.

### **Program**

The February program will be given by Bob Noll on the subject of vintage radio equipment.

### **Old Business**

Bob Noll displayed several sample hats, two styles were selected to be the next official AGS club hats. Rick Allabaugh will coordinate obtaining the hats for the club. Be sure to get one or two!

### **Next Board Meeting**

The board meeting will be held at Doug Breneman's home on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Business**

#### **General**

Bob Noll had a representation of the 2' x 6' AGS club banner to be used at various club events. It is hoped it will be here from AMA in time for the Mall show.

The annual banquet was discussed. The location will be Two's Company at the Enjoi Golf Club. **Tentative** date is March 26.

If you have an old photo of yourself w/ a model please contact Gib Vandling as he will use them in display at the banquet. This year's theme will involve the AGS 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### **Show-N-Tell**

Matt Struck displayed his electric Extra 330 model. Model is 3D capable and Matt indicates the model will be "4D" capable with a Reverse pitch propeller mod.

Terry Terrenoire showed the fuselage of his Sequel pattern model. Notable features are the conversion to fixed gear instead of retracts, and the greatest wheel pant mount system ever developed.

Jeff Hatton displayed his Piccolo electric indoor helicopter.

### **Program**

Bill Underkofler and Ralph Jackson discussed the evolution of model engines and displayed many 2 and 4 cycle power plants.

Frank Gioffredo explained how to clean up engine exteriors to like new condition.

# FEBUARY PROGRAM



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