

EAA Chapter 958 San Marcos, TX

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Where every day is a good flying day!

EAA Chapter 958 Meeting Saturday August 21st, 10:30 AM at the briefing room on

the ground floor, NE corner of the CAF hangar

The speaker for this meeting will be talking about "Getting your Airframe and Powerplant License via Experience"

Mike Rice, A&P, IA will discuss the 14CFR 65.77 regulation allowing individuals with experience to get an A&P license. The FAA regulations are pretty simple, but the actual practical experience level needed can be daunting. How do EAA members use their building experience to get an A&P license, and what are some methods to apply and pass the FAA written and oral and practical exams? Aerolearn and Northrop Rice offer some avenues for training and test preparation.

Also-Last chance: Let's help our partners at the Central Texas Wing finance their golf tournament by buying golf ball numbers. On October 7th, 1200 numbered golf balls will be

dropped from a helicopter on a green at Onion Creek golf course during the fund-raising Dick Cole golf tournament. The three closest to the hole will win \$1000, \$500, and \$300. You can buy 1 ball # for \$10, three ball #s for \$25, or a sheet of 25 for \$210. Grant Lannon will have numbers at the meeting and you can pay with cash or a credit card. If you buy 3 ball #s, you have a 1 in 400 chance of winning. You do not have to be present to win!!!! If you will not be at meeting, and want to buy, email Grant at rlannon@austin.rr.com

Pay Dues for 2024: You can pay Dave Olvera in person at the next meeting or go to the link below. Thanks.

You can Join for \$25 or renew for just \$20 at this link:



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KHYI INSTRUMENT METEOROLOGICAL CLUB

IMC meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at the KHYI admin Building.

Follow their Facebook page for more information or email Gary White (imckhyi@gmail.com) to be added to the newsletter.

Note: VMC Club meets 6:30 PM KBAZ Administration building 2nd
Tuesday of the month. Contact Terry Ross at: <u>tkedpcross@gmail.com</u>

Secretary's Report

Speaker at August meeting

Air Force veteran Tim Black gave a briefing on how C-7 Caribou aircraft broke the siege of the U.S. outpost Dak Seang during the Vietnam war. After attempting to drop supplies in the daytime with low altitude parachute drops and losing several aircraft, Tim came up with a plan for nighttime airdrops. After plotting inbound courses using TACAN instrument approaches, they arranged for a light to come on from the ground to show the drop zone as they were on final approach. Using a low level nighttime approach with a rapid pullup when the cargo went out the back, the U.S. aircraft survived the new technique and the NVA/VC gave up the siege. Tim

had maps, pictures, and other diagrams showing the successful solution.

Unfortunately, we don't have pictures of the presentation but appreciate all that he told us!!!!

Officer Notes

We have been fortunate lately to gradually add new members to the Chapter roster. We appreciate all new members and solicit their input for chapter programs and activities. In the past we have had chapter pancake breakfasts and had the EAA Ford Trimotor visit and provide fund raising tours. With everyone's help we can get things moving again and have more Aviation fun.

We are always looking for ideas for presentations at the chapter meetings, whether its flight experiences, building experiences or tips, new, engines, avionics, etc. So please let us know if you have any ideas or contacts that might help. Russ

Young Eagles Rally, Saturday, September 28

Dave Falleur, Young Eagles Coordinator

On Saturday, September 28, we will have our third Young Eagles rally in San Marcos at the Commemorative Air Force hangar on the San Marcos Regional Airport. We will set up at 8:00 am and plan to finish by 12:00 pm. Check-in will be at our tent near the hangar door. Pre and post-flight will be in the Briefing Room. Fingers crossed that we will have cooler weather.

If you would like to be an EAA Young Eagle Pilot or Ground Crew, check out the Young Eagle website at https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/free-ye-flights

To sign up as a pilot or ground crew, go to https://youngeaglesday.org/ and click on the Sign-Up tab.

Here's a YouTube video that shows what the Young Eagles flights are all about.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zuqA9n5GnR0



San Marcos Chapter of Experimental Aircraft Association Advanced Air Academy Scholarship

Next Spring the San Marcos Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) will be awarding the Johh Brecher Air Academy Scholarship to an outstanding high school student who has participated in the Young Eagle program.

John Brecher was an active member of the San Marcos EAA Chapter and promoted aviation to kids of all ages. John was an instructor with Sport Air Workshops, consultant to Texas Aircraft, former aircraft builder, pilot, and technical advisor. As Coordinator for the Young Eagles program, John was instrumental in involving the Junior ROTC programs of San Marcos, Lockhart, and Byron Steel High Schools. Mr. Brecher passed away in January, 2019.



The EAA Air Academy is a unique summer camp that takes a young person interested in aviation to the next level. Participants spend a week at the Air Academy Lodge in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, completely immersed in the thrilling world of aviation. Top-notch instructors help the participants explore the world of flight through aviation studies, hands-on activities, flight simulation and many other exciting experiences. The highlight of the week is a flight in a real airplane! These camps provide the foundation for a lifelong love of aviation as well as the opportunity to create friendships with fellow aviation enthusiasts.

From the moment a student arrives, the sky becomes the goal as a dynamic aviation experience unfolds and close friendships with fellow aviation enthusiasts begin. All camps are conducted at the EAA Leadership Center in Oshkosh, with the residence portion of the program at the impressive Air Academy Lodge.

The EAA Advanced Air Academy provides an atmosphere for mature students to become totally immersed in the world of flight. Ground instruction and introductory recreation flight experiences highlight this meaningful, action-packed camp. It combines "in-the-air" and "on-the-ground" hands-on activities. The EAA Advanced Air Academy also includes full participation (access to forums, flight-line and all associated activities at Air Venture- the world's premier aviation event!

The Air Academy Lodge is a 56-bed facility complete with great room, kitchen, dining room, computer room, conference space, flight simulation lab and recreational facilities. The dates for the Advanced Air Academy are July 20-26, or July 27-August 2, 2025. For more information on the Air Academy please refer to the EAA Air Academy website,

https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/eaa-aviation-and-flight-summer-camps/eaa-air-academy-advanced-camp

The San Marcos Chapter of the EAA will offer one EAA Air Academy Scholarship. The San Marcos Chapter will pay for the tuition and room and board expenses for the successful scholarship applicant. The Chapter will also provide travel reimbursement of \$1000 to offset travel expenses. After attending the Academy, the student will write a report and make a presentation of their experiences at one of the San Marcos EAA Chapter meetings. For more information about San Marcos EAA Chapter 958, go to https://www.958.eaachapter.org/

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SPEAKING OF SCHOLARSHIPS-HERE IS ANOTHER FROM OUR PARTNERS IN THE CAF

This requires a CAF Cadet membership but we can help the applicant with that. The membership requires an application to CAF headquarters. There is no active cadet program at the Central Texas Wing.

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The Zachary James Collie-Moreno Warbird Scholarship
Applicant Checklist
(Applicant must submit all this information to apply)

The Zachary James Collie-Moreno Warbird Scholarship is available to all <u>CAF Cadets residing</u> in central Texas that are passionate about Warbird aircraft and are actively pursuing their <u>Airframe & Power Plant (A&P) certification.</u> Applicant submissions are now being accepted for awards for 2024. Applicants must submit the following information.

- 1. CAF Cadet Number
- 2. Dates the applicant plans to begin and complete the A&P training program.
- 3. Name of accredited A&P training program/school the applicant is planning to attend or is attending.
 - a. If currently attending: copy of applicant's current transcript (classes completed and grades earned)
 - b. If planning to attend: copy of applicant's acceptance letter from the school
- 4. Total amount requested and list of other awards/scholarships received
- 5. Written references from three individuals that attest to the applicant's interest in warbirds and aircraft maintenance. Email addresses and telephone numbers for all references.
 - a. One reference must be from a CAF colonel
 - b. One reference must be from a former teacher/instructor
 - c. One reference must be from a personal acquaintance who has known the applicant at least three years.
- 6. In the applicant's own words, a 150-250 word explanation of their interest in warbird aviation and maintenance and why they should be selected for this award.

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All information listed above must be submitted in one submission to the Scholarship Committee at the Central Texas Wing. Submissions should be emailed to education@centraltexaswing.org. Incomplete submissions will not be accepted. Questions about the application process may be submitted to education@centraltexaswing.org. All amounts awarded will be paid directly to the applicant's school, on behalf of the applicant.

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