

# ***EAGLE'S PROPWASH***

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**CHAPTER 113** *"The Backyard Eagles"*



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**Meetings: 7:30 PM**

the 3rd Thursday of each  
month at the

**EAA 113 AVIATION  
EDUCATION CENTER**

**Mettetal Airport (1D2)**

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Joe Kirik's Taylorcraft at Auburn, IN.

*Photo Courtesy of Stefan Rairigh*

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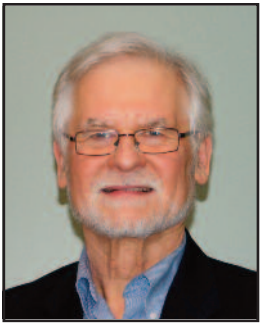
*"EAA Chapter 113's major focus is on the relationships with people who have diverse aviation interests, centered around their love of flight, fellowship, learning, and fun."*

*Chapter members have a passion for flying and are willing to share it with others.*

*Chapter 113 provides the opportunity for exchange of information, as well as the interaction that leads to friendships that last a lifetime."*

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

*"The Board of Directors are to provide both advice and assistance to the chapter officers on an ongoing basis."*



## **PRESIDENT'S *PODIUM***

**Joe Kirik** (248) 872-3220  
president@eaa113.org  
July 2019

### **Pancake Breakfast Recap**

Considering the steady rain that fell during most of our Father's Day Pancake Breakfast, we did pretty well, serving almost 500 meals, many of them to "regulars" who said they wouldn't miss it, whatever the weather. It was steady all morning. All three college scholarship recipients were on hand to tell us about their career plans and receive their checks for \$3,000. As always, they were impressive in their spirit and dedication. Big thanks to all who turned out to help! And thanks to WWJ's Dennis Neubacher who again deftly handled the announcer duties, and to the Civil Air Patrol for supervising parking.

### **6:30 Start for this month's Chapter Meeting – cookout!**

As usual in July, we'll be having a cookout before the Chapter meeting, starting at 6:30. The Chapter will provide burgers, dogs and fixins'. Please bring a dish to pass. The program will feature Nate Melvin, who will update us on attractions and happenings at the Kalamazoo Air Zoo. In the EAA Chapter video, Jack Pelton discusses EAA webinars, EAA chapters, the Ray Aviation Scholarship Program, EAA Flying Start, International Young Eagles Day, EAA Aviation Museum updates and EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2019. The video feature highlights the U-FLY-IT Light Sport Aircraft.

### **AirVenture less than two weeks away**

Many Chapter members are busy gearing up for the annual pilgrimage to Oshkosh. Once again a group of 113 faithful will be camping on the Vintage Flightline. Big thanks to Ken and Valerie Jablonski for organizing this, and to Ken for heading to Wisconsin early to reserve the spaces. Our traditional AirVenture dinner at Oshkosh will be a low-key affair this year. We're no longer able to secure the Chapter Pavilion due to heavy demand for its use. Debbie and John are working out an alternate plan. We'll let you know when it's finalized.

### **Aviation Center Expansion**

Visible progress on the Don Zimmermann Aviation Education Center has slowed down somewhat as the subcontractors do their specialty work. Electrical is almost complete. The big overhead door will go up soon, and drywall work will be getting underway. Watch your email for continuing updates.

### **Mettetal Airport For Sale?**

Not yet – and hopefully never! But talk persists in Lansing about selling the four state-owned airports to help finance the massive road repairs Michigan needs. A recent news article featured a state legislator from this area asking why Michigan is in the "airport business." You can view it at <https://www.michigancapitolconfidential.com/why-is-michigan-in-the-airport-business>. We've passed this info along to the appropriate government affairs staff at EAA and AOPA. We'll let you know if/when there's any specific action we can take at the Chapter level.

### **Looking Ahead**

On Saturday, August 10, we'll host our second "Flying Start" program, kind of a Young Eagles event for adults. It includes a short presentation on what General Aviation is and how to get involved. We'll be offering demo rides and have flight school and flying club reps on hand to provide info. Board Member Dan Jones is again taking the lead. He'll need volunteer pilots, ground crew and hosts/presenters to make it happen. Our first effort with this program last year went quite well. And remember, on Saturday, August 17 starting at 4 p.m. we'll have our annual Chapter 113 Summer Picnic.

Enjoy your summer flying, and stay safe! Joe



# **BBQ and General Meeting**

**Thursday, July 18, 2019**

**6:30 p.m.**

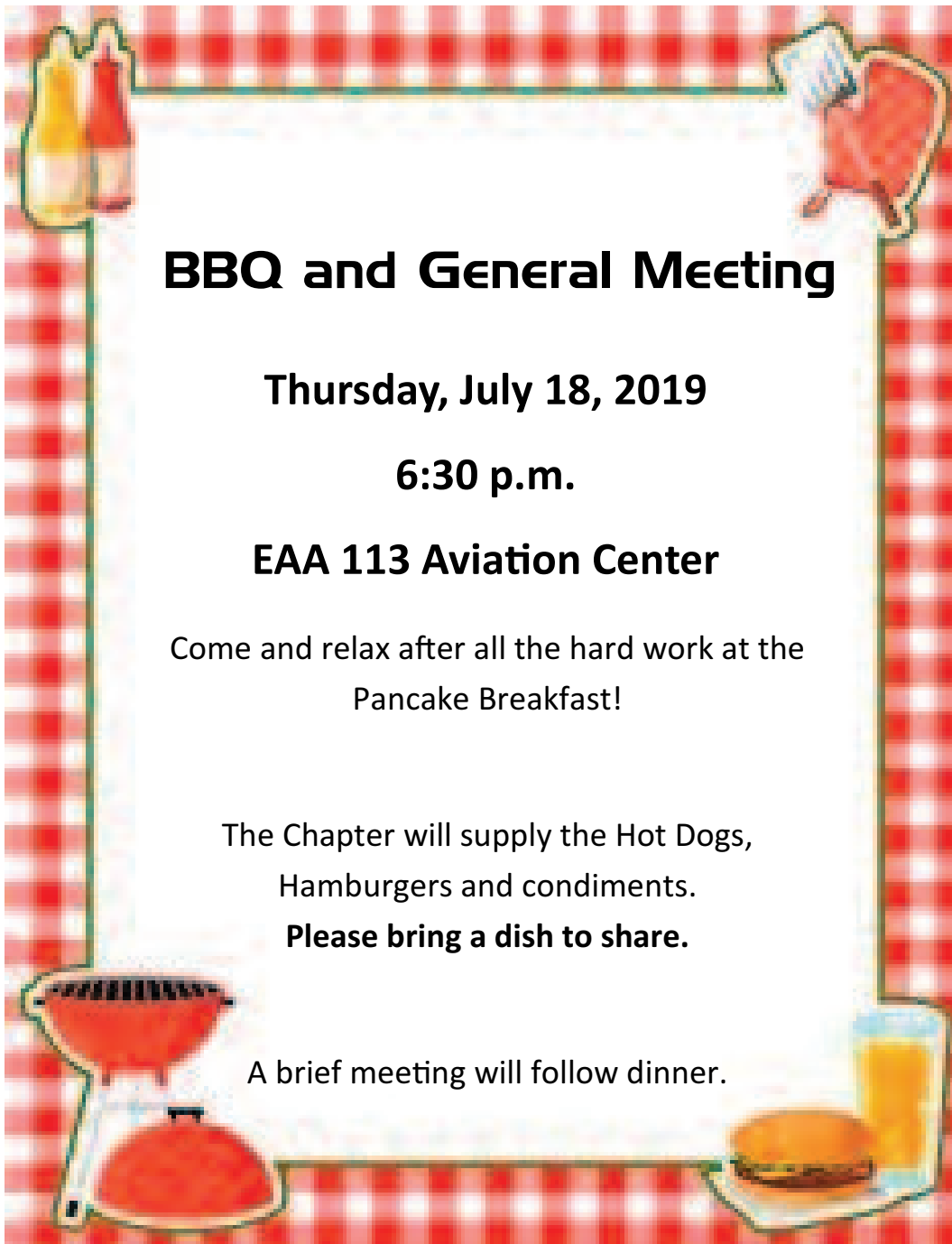
**EAA 113 Aviation Center**

Come and relax after all the hard work at the  
Pancake Breakfast!

The Chapter will supply the Hot Dogs,  
Hamburgers and condiments.

**Please bring a dish to share.**

A brief meeting will follow dinner.





## OTSEGO LAKE SPLASH-IN - JUNE 8-9, 2019



Herb Schulke & Randy Hebron,  
with Randy's Volmer in the background.  
*Photo Courtesy of Joe Kirik*

### Make your plans now for the Otsego Lake Splash In 2020

Jun 12, 2020, 8:00 AM EDT – Jun 14, 2020, 10:00 AM EDT

Otsego Lake County Park,  
1657 County Park Rd, Gaylord, MI 49735, USA

Headquarters – Seaplane Parking and Events at:  
Otsego County Park  
Landplanes Welcome at Otsego County Airport

As always help is needed for set-up and tear-down

Northern Michigan:	Don Seelye	231-330-2393
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Lower West	Brian VanWagnen	517-764-4193
South	Randy Strebig	260-466-3961

LAT-LON N 44degrees 57.9'  
W 84degrees 41.9'  
VOR: 109.9  
Seaplane Base: 123.3  
Otsego Airport 122.8



## ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST - JUNE 16, 2019



Future aviators braving the wet tarmac between rain showers.  
*All Photos Courtesy of Shunsuke Shibata*



The cold and rain didn't deter many loyal community members from coming out to support Chapter 113's annual scholarship fundraiser.







Members of the Canton Fire/EMS enjoying their complimentary breakfasts, and giving tours of their ambulance.  
*All Photos Courtesy of Shunsuke Shibata.*



2019 EAA Chapter 113 Scholarship winners Gabe Wilson, Kyle Albrecht, and Haley Smokovitz, with president Joe Kirik.



MC Dennis Neubacher (WWJ Newsradio's traffic reporter) interviewing scholarship winner Kyle Albrecht.



# VAA CHAPTER 37 - AUBURN, IN PANCAKE BREAKFAST - JUNE 22, 2019

By Joe Kirik

VAA (Vintage) Chapter 37 in Auburn, Indiana, has a pancake breakfast on the 4th Saturday of every month. I've wanted to go to this one for a long time, but this was the first time that the weather and my schedule cooperated. I asked Stefan Rairigh to join me.

A beautiful, smooth ride down in the Taylorcraft, cruising at 105 mph for just under 100 nm, in crystal clear skies. The VAA Chapter has their own building, a former maintenance hangar, at the DeKalb County Airport (GWB). Inside the hangar they've built a fabulous Chapter House with a fully equipped kitchen, lounge, seating from a restaurant for enjoying pancakes, and very cool aviation decorations everywhere. The hangar has room to work on at least three projects.

At breakfast we sat across from a couple from Los Alamos, New Mexico, who were there visiting relatives. The guy is an engineer at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. He said he had a hand in designing and building five different spacecraft that are currently in orbit. He flies a beautiful Tri-Pacer that he restored himself. And he recently completed an Arion Lightning, a sleek low-wing composite two-seater. Elevation at his home airport is 7,171 ft -- talk about density altitude!

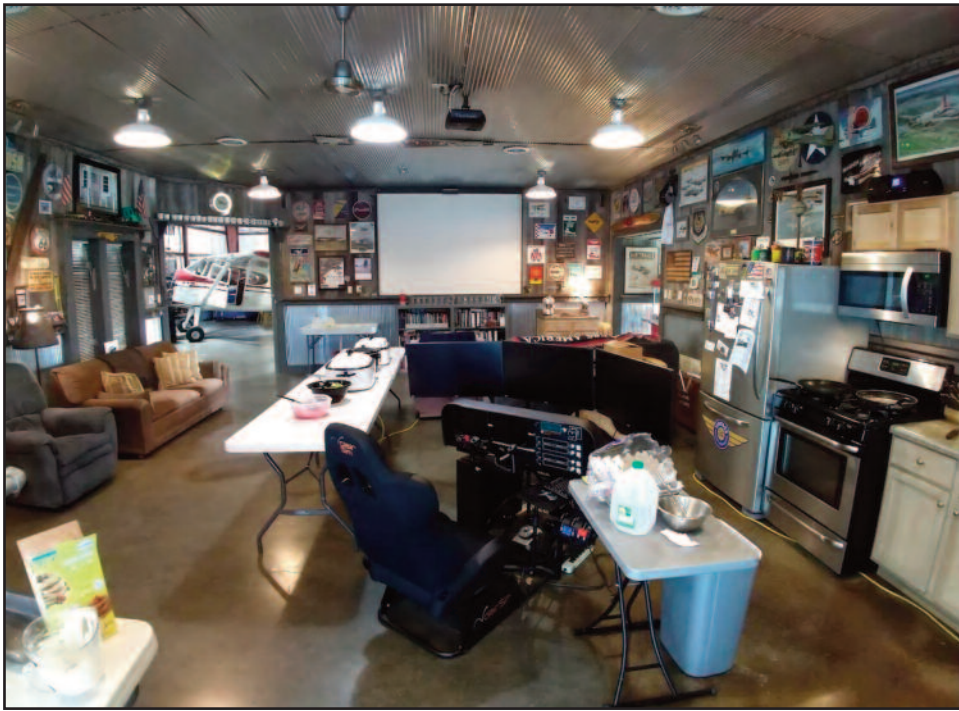
All in all, a very enjoyable experience on a perfect VFR summer day. A nice place, and really, really nice people, very happy to have us visit. And the scrambled eggs were great!



New friends and all the comforts of home!

*Photos Courtesy of Stefan Rairigh*





*All Photos Courtesy of Stefan Rairigh*





## EAA CHAPTER 77 PANCAKE BREAKFAST - FLUSHING MI



Fisher R-80 Tiger Moth  
*All Photos Courtesy of Joe Kirik*



Pietenpol



1943 Tailorcraft L2-B - Military observation WWII.



Rans S-6 Coyote



## HUMMEL GATHERING - WILLIAMS COUNTY AIRPORT - BRYAN, OH- JULY 6, 2019

Randy and Scott Hebron flew their Cessna 180 to Williams County Airport for the annual Hummel Gathering. They got to tour the Hummel Factory. Unfortunately, Randy didn't take any photos inside the factory. The H5 is very roomy inside and is a gorgeous single place aircraft. It can be built from plans or from a very complete kit that is reasonably priced.

Randy loves it, but says he can't justify another airplane.



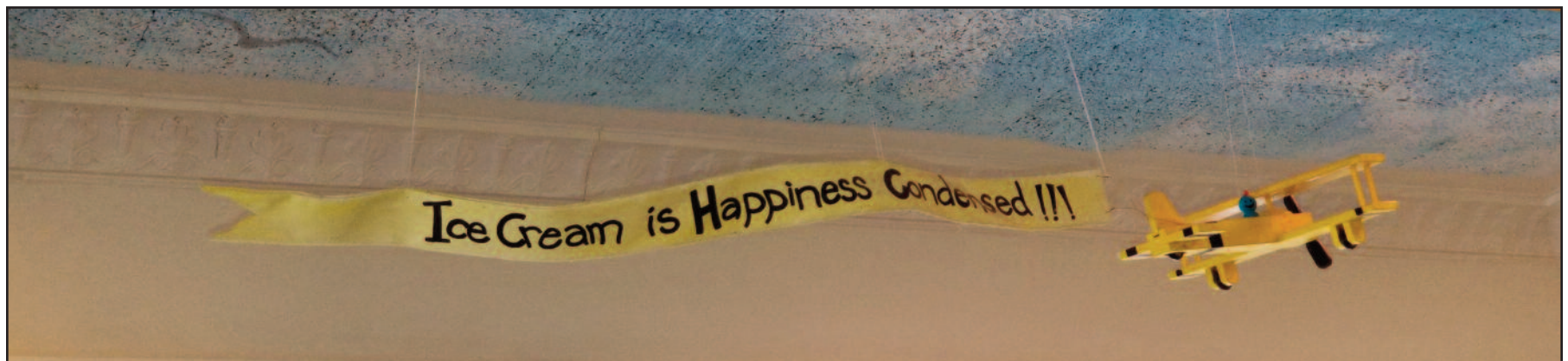
Hummel H5

*Photo Courtesy of Randy Hebron*





Hummelbird  
*Photo Courtesy of Randy Hebron*



World of Flavors ice cream shop in Ludington, Michigan.  
*Photo Courtesy of Sanjay Dhall*



# 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR EAA 113

Regular Monthly Meetings are on Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. These include:

Home Builder's Corner on the 1st Thursday

Board Meeting on the 2nd Thursday

General Meeting on the 3rd Thursday

IMC/VMC on the 4th Thursday



<b>July</b>	
22-28	Oshkosh AirVenture
<b>August</b>	
10	Flying Start
17	Family Picnic
<b>September</b>	
21	Young Eagle Rally
<b>October</b>	
19	Young Eagle Rally
<b>November</b>	
9	Chili Fly-In
<b>December</b>	
19	Holiday Party

Be sure to check our website: [www.113.eaachapter.org](http://www.113.eaachapter.org) and the EAA Chapter 113 Facebook page for any changes to the schedule.



*Wishing those heading to Oshkosh, a very  
safe journey!*

*May you enjoy many great airplanes,  
wonderful people and fantastic weather!*



*Bring home lots of pictures and stories to share.*















*Cheers!*





# July 2019







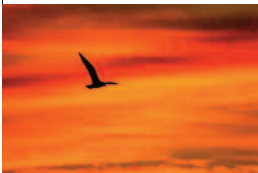



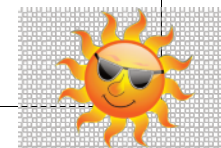
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7	8	9	10	11 <i>EAA 113 Board Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	12	13 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers 8:15am</i>
14 <i>Pancake Breakfast at Chesaning (50G)</i> 	15 	16	17	18 <i>EAA 113 Picnic &amp; General Meeting 6:30 pm</i> 	19	20 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers 8:15am</i>
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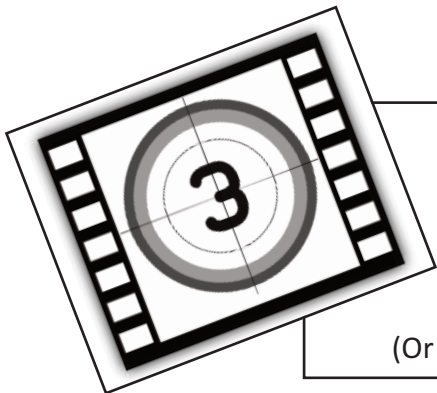
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11 Oakland County International Airport Airshow 10-4	12	13	14	15 <i>EAA 113 General Meeting 7:30 pm</i>	16	17 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers</i> 8:15am <i>EAA 113 Family PICNIC</i> 4:00 p.m. 
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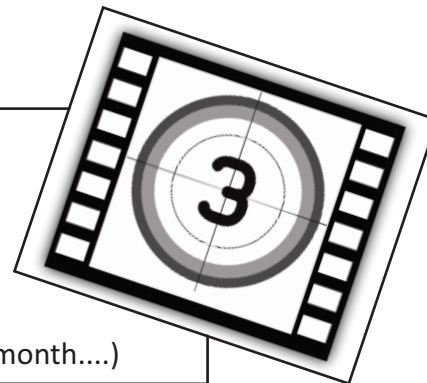




## ***Calling all video enthusiasts!***

*Submit your video of the month to Sanjay Dhall  
at [vicepresident@eaa113.org](mailto:vicepresident@eaa113.org)*

(Or you might be watching someone's 60-year-old 8 mm home movies next month....)



### **AMAZON SMILE REMINDER**

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**Dave Buck, Treasurer**



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# **Next Meeting:**

**Thursday, July 18, 2019**  
**6:30 PM BBQ followed by**  
**a brief meeting after dinner.**  
**EAA Aviation Education Center**

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