

October 2022



EAA CHAPTER 145

SINCE 1962



**Chapter Meeting: Saturday, Oct 8, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Riverview Airport (08C)– Open Field-North of “C” Hangars**



SPECIAL CHAPTER PROGRAM

The Chapter meeting for October will be our annual bonfire. This is a gathering of aviation friends and family around a blazing fire. We'll start about **6 pm** and end about 8:30 pm or so.

This will be a "Bring-Your-Own-Food" picnic type event. The chapter will provide a variety of beverages snacks, and the firewood. Also remember to bring a chair to sit around the fire.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

-Many chapter members are looking forward to the annual activities at Riverview, such as the bonfire this month and the Christmas brunch in December. Also your chapter vice president, Bruce Whitman, has come up with a unique program for the November meeting. We will travel to Comstock Park to visit Tom Kozura's Sopwith Camel reproduction. More info later....

-This month's Bonfire and Picnic will be near the pond just north of the "C" hangars. Also note we will start about 6:00pm to enjoy the cool of the evening around the fire. It's a picnic, so bring your favorite finger food. We'll supply the beverages and some snacks. A chair may be useful.

-An EAA Chapter is truly the "Spirit of Sport Aviation" and is an enjoyment to belong to. As noted in another part of this newsletter, I have been with EAA145 for 35 years, during those years I have been involved with many activities and acted as a volunteer officer in several positions. I'm getting the feeling that it's time for me to step down as an officer and let someone else enjoy working with this fine chapter. Please give this some serious thought and let's talk. Also refer to the general Election section of this newsletter.

-Tail winds to all, Dick



EAA #145 VMC CLUB

The VMC Club meets on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Riverview airport lobby. The next meeting will be on Tuesday Oct 18th.

Everyone is welcome to join in the flying discussions.

EAA #145 HANGAR

There is space available for projects that can help keep the hangar active. Contact Dick Foster for details.

HINTS FOR HOMEBUILDERS

The strap duplicator, or hole finder, is a very useful tool that helps builders locate blind holes in metal parts. Often used for match-drilling holes when building or replacing parts on metal aircraft.



See the following videos for a good tutorial on how to use the hole finder tool:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=DLpXnykw5dA
www.youtube.com/watch?v=eK-d00TAJ1g

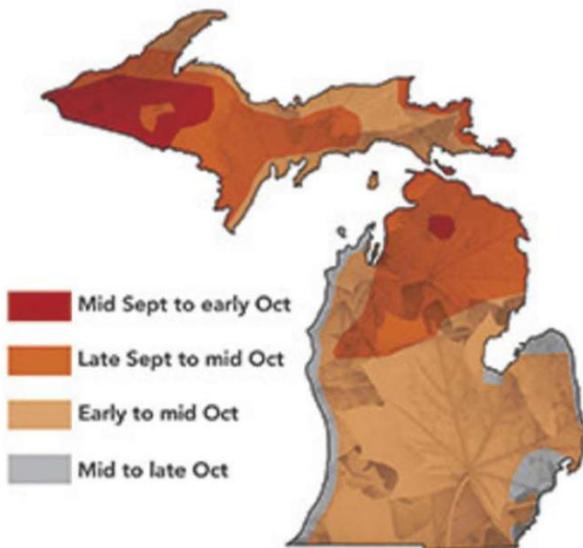
THANKS BRIAN

Thanks to Brian Paugh, of Premier Avionics, for last month's meeting. Brian told us the history of ADS-B, how it works, and installation issues. He is a member of the FAA Safety FFAST team, and by attending you can earn points for the FAA WINGS pilot proficiency program.



FALL COLOR TOUR

Crisp, cool air is circulating throughout Michigan which means fall colors are upon us! Early to mid-October looks to be best time to get out and see the colors this year. The colors last only a few weeks so you'll need to get out while the air is smooth, the visibility and weather is good.



PRESIDENT RETIRING

EAA Chapter 145 was formed in 1962, 60 years ago and has been an active chapter ever since. I joined the Chapter in 1987, 35 years ago. During that time, I have held various offices: President, Vice-President, Young Eagle Coordinator and Eagle Flight Coordinator. I have been Young Eagle Coordinator for 25 years, Eagle Flight Coordinator for 15 years and President for the past 10 years.

I feel that EAA145 could benefit from a new president. I am willing to mentor anyone who would like to continue the quality activities of EAA145 by volunteering to take over as president. Hopefully this process would take only a few months and allow me to "retire" early in 2023.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the role of EAA145 Chapter president.

Cheers, Dick Foster



OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME

Because of the steady and stable leadership, we have not had to think about having elections or leadership turnover for well over a decade.

Now is an opportunity for you to take a larger role in EAA Chapter 145 and help drive the direction of the chapter for future success. All positions are open, not just the president position. We can shuffle things around to accommodate your particular skills or preferences. Chapter 145 has been around for 60 years and there's no reason it can't be for 60 years more. The success of the chapter hinges on everyone contributing to its future. So if you would like help out, contact one of the chapter officers and we'll give you more info.



EAA145 Weeks Trip, 1999



EAA145 Weeks Work Party
Oshkosh, WI. March 26, 2022



DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Dues of \$25.00 are payable to "EAA CHAPTER 145" and can be mailed to Bob Swietek at the address listed at the end of the newsletter or brought to the monthly chapter meeting. If you need to make any updates on your contact information, please include the tear-off slip for member data and update with your payment. Please have payment in by Jan 15th, 2023 to stay current.

YOUNG EAGLES

Summary of West Michigan EAA Chapters Young Eagles activities: A total of **438** young people have been introduced to aviation this year.

May 14 **31** Y.E.'s flown, B.S.A., (08C) EAA 145
May 21 **73** Y.E.'s flown, WMAA, (GRR) EAA 704/145
June 4 **145** Y.E.'s flown, Grand Haven (3GM) EAA 211/145
June 11 **147** Y.E.'s flown, Greenville, GAAA, (6D6) EAA 145

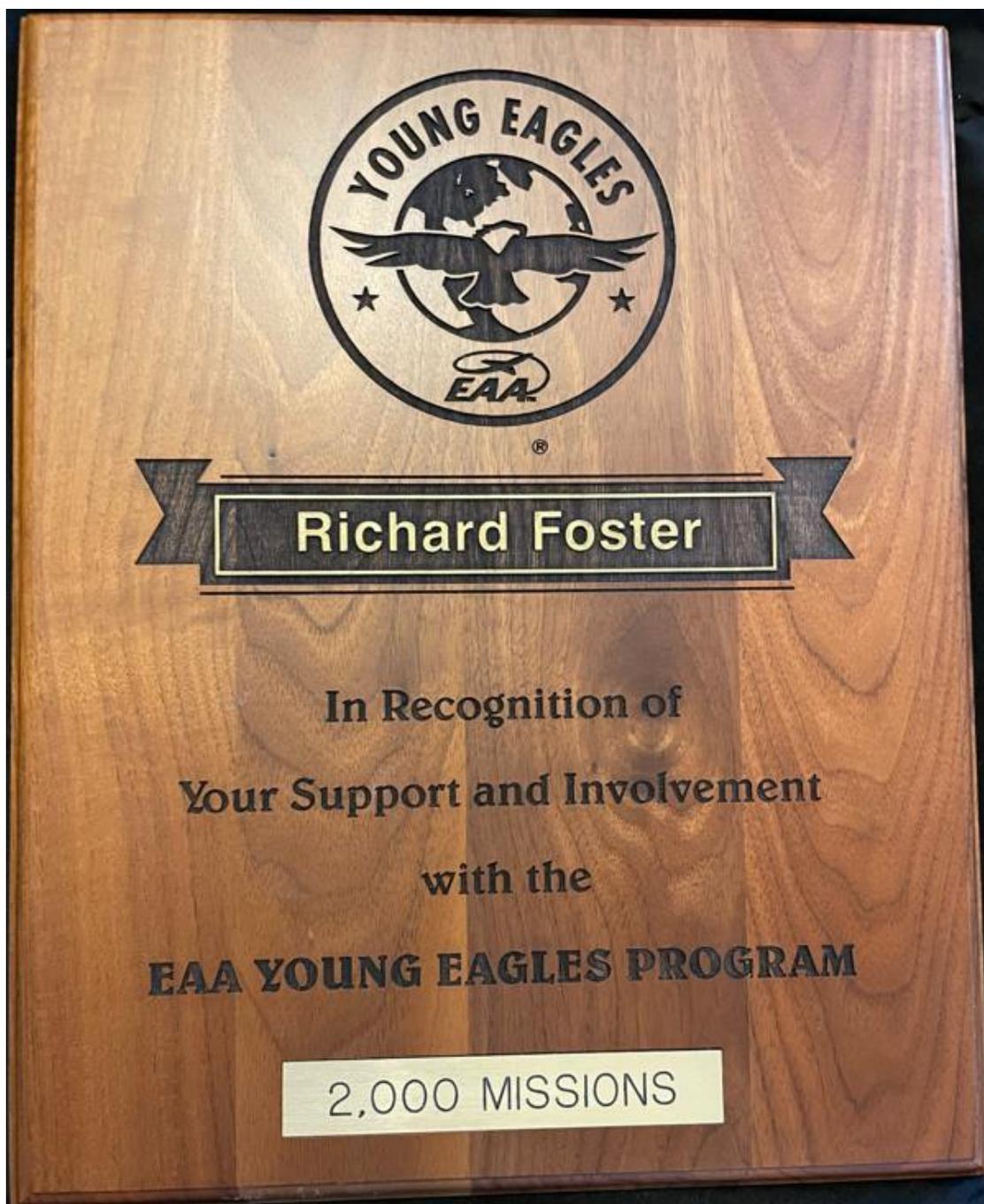


After 30 years of Young Eagle rallies, 2.3 million young people have flown by EAA chapters. EAA Chapter 145 contributed over **5,000** young people flown. And Dick Foster has flown **2,012** Young Eagle himself, putting him in the top 15 of all Y.E. pilots. WOW!!

FYI: During the 2022 Young Eagle rallies in West Michigan, 12 EAA145 chapter pilots flew an average of 20 Young Eagles each and earned a recognition pin from EAA.

We may not be done yet; There is a possible YE event on October 22 at Sparta (8D4) hosted by EAA704, Chuck Hazekamp. EAA145 is ready to help, stand by for more information.

Ground and pilot are always welcome, contact Dick Foster for details.



WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

<https://fly8ma.com/courses/2021-free-private-pilot-ground-school-pilot-course/>

<https://www.ascentgroundschool.com/>

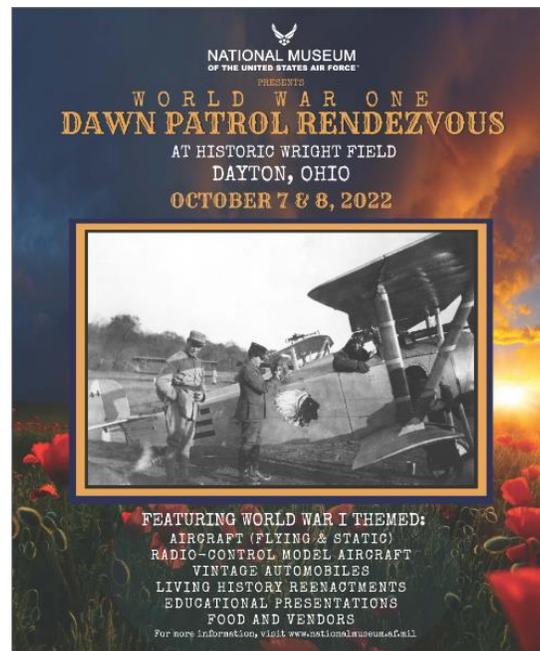
<https://pilotinstitute.com/course/free-private-pilot-ground-school/>

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/ground-school/id1444387206>

Keep on top of your knowledge and proficiency by using these free online ground schools. These sites offer a way to earn your private pilot ground school portion of your certificate, or as a refresher to us 'rusty pilots'.

U.S.A.F. MUSEUM DAWN PATROL

Aerial events, reenactor encampment, antique cars, workshops and a speaker series frame an exciting weekend of fly-ins from replica WWI aircraft. Sights, sounds and activities for the whole family will take place throughout the museum complex as we look back to WWI and America's early air superiority. This event is held on **October 7-8**, at the U.S.A.F. Museum in Dayton, OH.



ASTC TRAVEL PASSPORT PROGRAM

Enjoy free admission to museums worldwide with your EAA membership

EAA members can enjoy more than 300 museum and science centers worldwide **free of charge**, thanks to a partnership with the Association of Science-Technology Centers and its ASTC Travel Passport Program.

Taking advantage of the ASTC Travel Passport Program is easy. Show your EAA membership card at the admissions area of the museum you are visiting* to gain access to their facilities for free.**

Visit www.astc.org/passport for a list of participating museums. Remember to present your EAA membership card to receive your free admission.

* Facility must be located at least 90 miles or more from both the EAA AirVenture Museum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin and your home address.

** Any special display areas with an additional charge in the museum you are visiting are excluded



EAA Chapter 145 website: www.145.eaachapter.org
 Riverview Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EAA145/>

EAA National website: www.eaa.org

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Oct 7-8 | U.S.A.F. Museum, Dayton | WWI Replica Rendezvous |
| Oct 8 | Riverview Airport (08C) | Meeting – Picnic & Bonfire |
| Oct 15 | Brooks Field Airport (RMY) | Fly-In Drive-In Chili Lunch 11am |
| Oct 18 (7pm) | Riverview Airport (08C) | VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145 |
| Nov 12 | Comstock Park Area | Meeting – Tom Kozura – Sopwith Camel |
| Nov 15 (7pm) | Riverview Airport (08C) | VMC Club - EAA Chapter #145 |
| Dec 10 | Riverview Airport (08C) | Meeting – Christmas Brunch |

If you know of events that should be on the event calendar, please e-mail them to me
 If you would like to be on the e-mail list for meeting and event reminders, or if you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, which is full color and delivered days before the print version... please send your e-mail address to:
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Name _____	Aircraft Owned/Projects _____
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