

## President's Message



Hello fellow EAA'ers

We had a great turnout for the last meeting at the Marshall airport and Griswold aviation, the location of Rebuild Rescue's Grumman Cougar. We even had visitors from the chapter from the Riverview airport in Grand Rapids.



(more pictures [online](#))

It was great to hear of all the activities coming up with Young Eagles.

Also great to hear from all the building of new aircraft in the chapter 221 members.

The meeting ended with the somber details of the Cougar crash February on February 1st that took the pilot's life. The preliminary NTSB report shows that the pilot failed to do a preflight and water was found

throughout the fuel system causing the engines to fail.

The VMC club meeting hit on the same type of failure, engine out.

Well we have a warmer than normal spring ahead (sorry goes out the skiers out there, unless it's water skiers, a skier was noted on Fishers lake already).

That's all from the prez for now.

See y'all at the next meeting.

Breaking right.

Prez out

Brian Klenoski

## VMC Club Meeting

The next VMC Club meeting is March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Travelers Craft BBQ and Whiskey Bar, 5225 Portage Rd, Portage, MI. Show up at 6:30 if you want to order dinner. Meeting starts at 7.

Our [VMC Club monthly meeting](#) is where local pilots can network and share their knowledge and experience flying in the SW Michigan area. The meetings use real-world scenarios to engage members, and encourages a free exchange of information that improves awareness and skills. We look forward to seeing you there.

## March Meeting

### Youth presentations

Visit Plainwell Aviation & STEM Academy (PASA) at the Plainwell Airport (61D)

<https://www.plainwellaviation.org/>

[610 N 10th St, Plainwell, MI](#)

**Wednesday March 6th  
7:00 PM**

Come to the meeting and hear Youth Pilots speak first-hand about what they are doing to further their aviation careers.

All of these youth, 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders, have time in their logbooks with a flight instructor working toward their Private Pilot Certificate. Students attend class once a week working to pass the written knowledge test, building radio controlled aircraft, and building the next generation of aviators.

PASA will have computer flight simulators available to get you current on your simulated flying skills. Bring your questions for our young aviators. They are hard to stump.

**See the event calendar [here](#).**



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