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# PYLON

August  
2019

The monthly newsletter of EAA Chapter 252, Oshkosh, Wisconsin | Steve Wittman Chapter

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### AirVenture 2019

CARRIE FORSTER

Another AirVenture is in the books. We experienced some wicked Wisconsin weather in the days before that impacted us locally, and also impacted arrivals. Once those storms passed, we really had a beautiful week of weather.

Our chapter volunteered to host one of the chapter Pancake Breakfasts in the Chapter Pavilion. These breakfasts were new last year. It was a learning opportunity for us, but everything went very smoothly. Keith from Georgia

was the coordinator for the whole week, so he was there to show us the ropes and let us know how the event would work. We used SignUp Genius to recruit and keep track of our volunteers, and we had plenty of people sign up. We broke the morning into two shifts and had a number of people stay for both, and others that came for the earlier or later shift. We were all learning together how this pancake breakfast would work because it was different in some ways from how we run our own events.

I thought the whole thing was



a great success. Turnout was lighter than we hoped, but the weather of that weekend was a likely contributor as well as the newness of the event. Last year, the breakfasts started on Monday morning. Attendance at the pancake breakfasts didn't really pick up until Tuesday this year. The people that came had a great time,

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# Welcome

**The Pylon** is the monthly newsletter of EAA Ch. 252 and is published monthly by the newsletter editor.

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Suggestions for submissions include (but are not limited to):

- > updates on build projects
- > flight milestones
- > technical articles
- > items of interest to the general membership
- > classified ads

Submissions in either Word or PDF format, and photos in .jpg format are appreciated.

## July Gathering Recap:

Eric Abraham was the speaker for our July meeting. He brought one of the RV's he helped complete and talked to members about painting an experimental aircraft. The weather was gorgeous and we had a great turn out for this meeting. Our July meeting always brings members who live elsewhere but are in Oshkosh for AirVenture. Thanks to Mike Dooley for baking the potatoes in the EAA Corn Roaster. (See new chapter photo on page 11!)

## August Gathering

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See you at the Chapter 252 Hangar for the August meeting. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Meal and hangar flying. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Members, Prospective Members, and Guests Welcome!

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## September Gathering

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## AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

**Thursday, August 8**

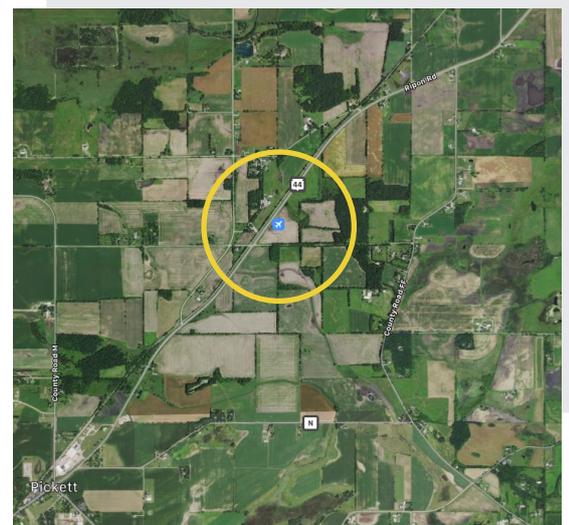
Dinner at 6:30

Presentation at 7:00: Barry Yarbro

Barry Yarbro from the Civil Air Patrol will be our speaker on August 8. Dennis Moehn will be grilling burgers and brats.

Doors open at 6:00, dinner at 6:30, speaker at 7:00.

**Save the Date for the September 12 Gathering** where we'll have our annual corn roast at Munsil Williams' private ELO airstrip (1W11). Dinner will be a bit earlier than typical and will start serving at about 5:00 pm. No speaker or program for that gathering. Fly or drive in.



## Chapter 252 Resource List

Chapter member advisors (aviation professionals, or experienced & EAA recognized) who are active as mentors and support Chapter programs/events.

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## Pancakes With Pilots!

The Eagles Flying Club of Menominee would like to cordially invite the members of your EAA chapter to participate in our first ever Pancakes with Pilots fly-in on September 7th 2019 from 9am to noon at Menominee Regional Airport (KMNM) in Menominee, MI. A pancake breakfast will be provided for anyone who pre-registers their aircraft for the event. This is a great opportunity to help us share our love of aviation with our local community, or just another reason to fly your plane! Attached you will find a flyer for the event. If you could be so kind as to post it in your local airport to notify non-members it would be greatly appreciated.

This is a unique opportunity to enjoy a dual event that's fun for the whole family! We are working in conjunction with Wisconsin & Michigan Model Railroad Club to make their Family Fun Day (flyer to

follow in reminder e-mail) a great event. You are welcome to stay and take in this event after you've enjoyed your breakfast. There will be food and beverages available for purchase on site as well as a car show, craft vendors, kid's activities, tractor rides, a model train layout, and static display aircraft from the National Guard. We'd be truly grateful for the opportunity to add Young Eagle Flights to this event to show local youth that aviation offers exhilaration that all should experience from the cockpit.

To preregister please email name, number attending, make and model of aircraft, and if you are willing to do Young Eagle flights to ladywesely@yahoo.com, please include Sept. show registration in the subject line. Not a fan of email, call or text (715) 587-6900 with the same information.

*Please help us to show our county airport board what an airport is for and how much joy having an airport should bring to the community.*

## Speaking of Pancakes...

Thanks to the many volunteers who helped out with our first AirVenture Pancake Breakfast. It was the first time volunteering for a pancake breakfast at AirVenture, but we had many volunteers who are experienced with our own, chapter pancake breakfasts. We had some first time volunteers as well. Our number of customers was lower than expected, likely due to the weather that weekend and it being a new event. Overall, it was a great success and we plan to apply for the event next year. We'll find out in a week or so what our share of the proceeds will be. Thank you to everyone who helped out!



## Welcome New Members!

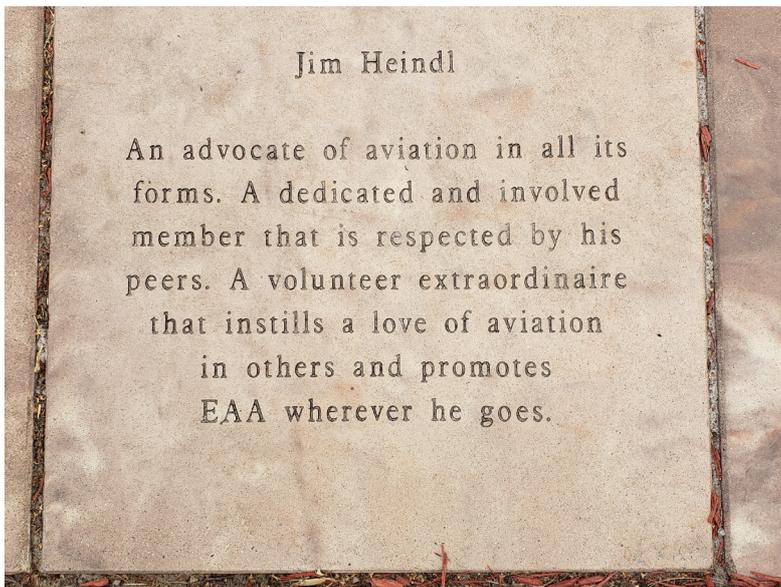


Welcome to EAA Chapter 252, *Steve Stefonik!*

Also, we welcome *Jerry and Lucas Pulvermacher* (father and son) to Chapter 252. They both live in Omro and have an interest in aviation. They are both interested in volunteering at our events. Welcome!



**Congrats, Sarah!**  
Sarah Springborn, Chapter 252 member, passed her Private Pilot Flight Test on June 19, 2019, in a RV-12 at the Waupaca Airport. Sarah trained with Dennis Carew.



Jim Heindl

An advocate of aviation in all its forms. A dedicated and involved member that is respected by his peers. A volunteer extraordinaire that instills a love of aviation in others and promotes EAA wherever he goes.

Chapter 252 member Jim Heindl was recognized for his EAA volunteer efforts with a stone at the Brown Arch during Air Venture. Jim is a Viet Nam vet and volunteers as a co chair for FLO during Air Venture.

## Sonex Aircraft Announces 2-Place SubSonex Project

Sonex Aircraft is pleased to announce the development of a 2-place variant of the popular SubSonex Personal Jet! SubSonex JSX-2T is designed to be the lowest cost jet trainer ever! It will be a perfect trainer for the single-place JSX-2, and for those who want to share the unique experience of jet-powered flight in a light aircraft.



# Wittman Airport - Oshkosh

# Fly-In Drive-In



## Pancake Breakfast & Airport Expo

September 14, 2019

7:30 – 11:00 A.M.

Wittman Airport Terminal

20<sup>th</sup> Ave., Oshkosh, WI

### FREE AIRPLANE RIDES!

(EAA Young Eagles)

For kids ages 8 – 17

With Parent Permission

9:00 to 11:00 A.M.

Weather Permitting

Register at: [youngeaglesday.org](http://youngeaglesday.org)

Pancakes (all you can eat),  
Sausage,  
Scrambled Eggs,  
Milk, Juice, or Coffee

Adults: \$7.00\*

Children under 10: \$3.00

\* Free breakfast for pilots of  
homebuilt aircraft who fly in.

- Featuring Displays By Wittman Airport Businesses!
- See How Your Airport & Its Businesses Operate!
- See Aircraft on Display!

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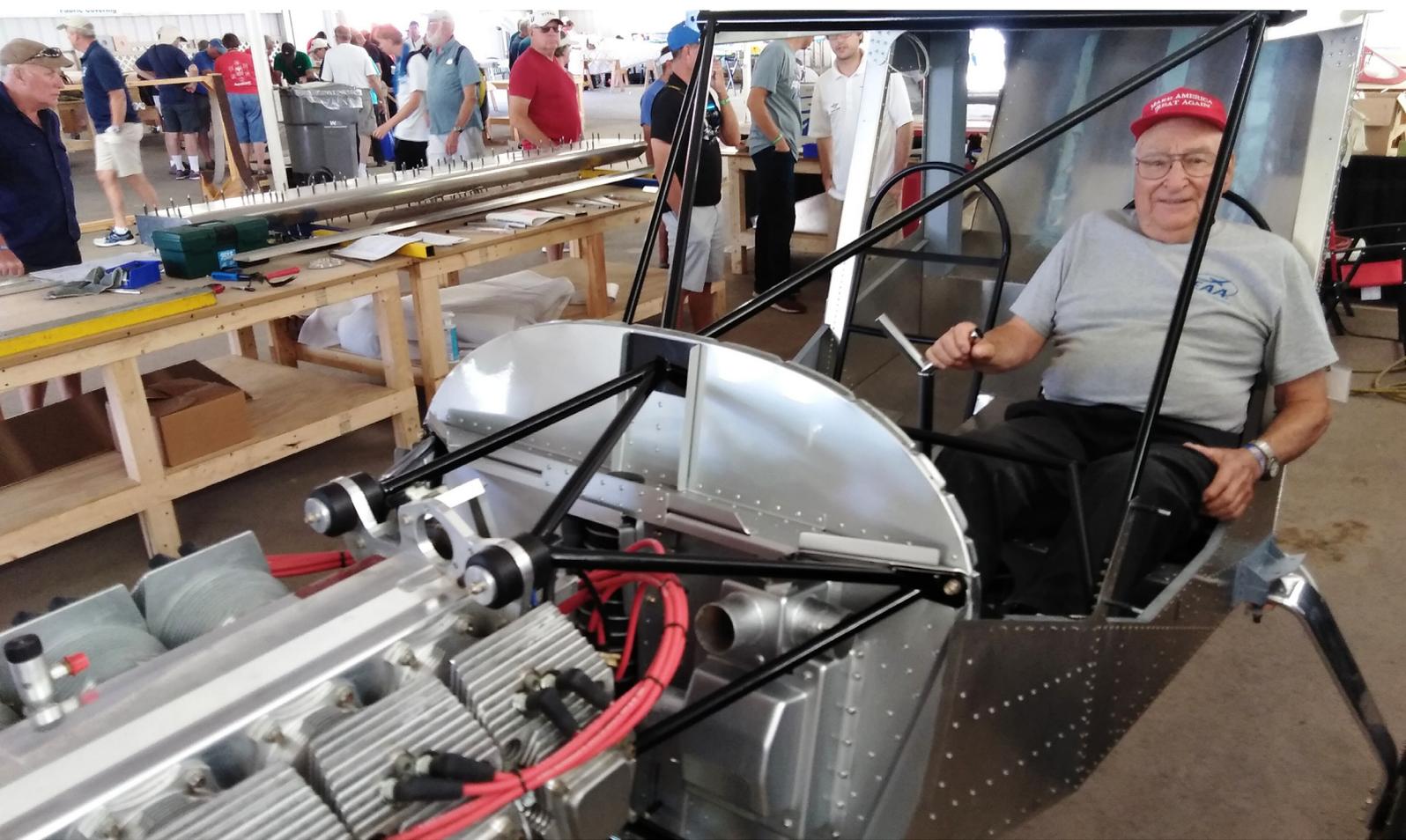
# Thanks, George

I had the honor of having my Zenith 750 on display in the homebuilders production building next the Homebuilt sales area. But the biggest honor of all was having George Rotter be the very first person to sit in my airplane! I just installed the seats a day before the plane was taken to EAA and the highlight of the convention was to have George be the very first person to try it on for size!

George Rotter and my father, Al Scheibinger, were the best of friends along with Joe Gibson back in the day when I was a teenager. I

can still remember George working on his Fly Baby at home, then coming over and helping my father with his Volmer Amphibian. Those were the best of times for me listening to great aviation stories and watching 3 aviation masters at work. I'm sure because of all three of those gentleman I am enjoying aviation as a hobby to this day. And to have George be the first person to sit in my plane was the icing on the cake to an incredible convention for 2019. Thanks George...for everything!

--Joe Scheibinger





## RAY AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP



### From Our Scholar, Sonja

With another month behind us, I have more updates for you! I started July with a lesson transitioning from the Cub to the Warrior, followed by lessons practicing slow flight, stalls, and landings. Throughout the month, I have practiced communicating with the tower and ground control, listening to and analyzing the weather reports, and flying in the pattern. I have also practiced and completed a total of 16 landings this month within 3.6 flight hours. I currently have a total of 6.4 hours logged and will continue flying frequently in August. I am also still studying diligently for my FAA Written Test.

As far as my week at Airventure, I worked

at Redbird Flight Simulators, where I got the opportunity to learn about and operate their systems, as well as make many great contacts for my future. I was very proud to represent our chapter throughout the week, especially while volunteering at our Pancake Breakfast! As a Ray Scholar, I was invited to ride on the B-17 before the Wednesday night airshow, which was a truly incredible experience! I am so grateful I was given this opportunity! During the week, I was also invited to attend The Gathering where I enjoyed exchanging aviation stories with other attendees. I will always remember Airventure 2019!

Thank you all for the continued support, it really means the world to me!



### Brat Barn!

Our final Brat Barn of the season will be held on Friday, August 30. We are in need of a coordinator and volunteers for this event to take place. If you are able to coordinate this event, please email Carrie Forster at [ea252@gmail.com](mailto:ea252@gmail.com) as soon as possible. We will also ask for volunteers at our gathering on August 8. If we are unable to find a coordinator, we will have to cancel the event. A typical Brat Barn event nets about \$400 - \$500 for our chapter. Thanks for considering.



# July 2019 Board Mtg Agenda

Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.  
Chapter Hangar

Attending: Jakob Brouillette (Board Member), Fred Stadler (Treasurer), Serena Kamps (Ray Scholarship Coordinator, Young Eagle Co-Coordinator), Charlie Becker (Past President), Carrie Forster (President), Wayne Daniels (Board Member), Jim Kress (Hanger Mgr), Kurt Weina (Secretary), Jim Casper (Board Member, Chapter Historian), Dennis Dennis Moehn, Karen Moehn, David Leiting (Vice President)

**Old Business:**

- Ray Aviation Scholarship – updates
  - Is behind with her flying time
  - Weather, AV, and plane downtime issues
  - Has been very involved with Chapter activities
  - Worked for Red Bird during AV
  - Need to follow-up with her on her ground school activities
  - Chapter needs to start planning for next scholarship award process
- AirVenture Pancake Breakfast recap
  - Was very slow
  - May be due to weather and lack of publicity
  - Chapter participation was excellent
  - There was some feedback on value of product being low compared to price, Charlie said he would pass this information along to EAA
- August Brat Barn at Festival
  - Need a chair/organizer for this event
  - Jim and Catie are not available due to work commitments
  - If worse comes to worse, we are out \$25 if we do not do the event
  - Put something in the newsletter to get someone to organize and volunteer and mention at the meeting.
  - Friday, August 30
- Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagle Rally
  - Saturday, September 14
  - We should be all set for the event
  - Use signup genius to sign up volunteers (David will take care of this)
  - YE rally has been registered on [youngeaglesday.org](http://youngeaglesday.org) – encourage preregistration but will take walk ups as we have room
  - Market as an Airport Expo
  - Bring outside organizations in to present during the breakfast
  - Jim K has list of contacts, David and Carrie will make the calls

- Do a chapter blast a week before the event, Serena will take care of
- Monthly Gatherings:
  - Thursday, August 8, Barry Yarbro, CAP, Burgers/Brats (Dennis)
  - Thursday, September 12, Corn Roast at Munsil's
  - Saturday, September 14, Pancake Breakfast/YE Rally
  - Thursday, October 10, ADSB? Panel discussion of ADSB solutions? Grill if weather good
  - Thursday, November 14, Jakob Brouillette, Winter Flying Considerations, Chili
  - Thursday, December 12, Pizza
- Board Meetings:
  - Thursday, August 22, Chapter hangar
  - Thursday, September 26, Chapter hangar
  - Thursday, October 24, Chapter hangar?
  - Thursday, November 28 EAA?, Thanksgiving Day - need to change date. 11/26 possible date
  - Thursday, December 26 EAA?, Does this work?
- Monthly Fly-Outs
  - Saturday, August 10, Ephraim/Fish Creek
  - Saturday, September 14 Pancake Breakfast/YE Rally, Skip
  - Saturday, October 12
  - Saturday, November 16
  - Saturday, December 14
- Hangar Expansion - updates?
  - Chapter Hangar rental during AirVenture - updates from Charlie
  - \$1000 golf cart storage
  - \$300 for AOPA RV10 storage
  - \$1000 from EAA for XP51 storage
- New Business/Other:
  - Jakob volunteering to conduct a ground school
  - Looking for what amount of interest there would be
  - Would envision to do it week day evenings.

## Upcoming Fly-Outs!

### August Fly-Out – August 10, Ephraim, WI (3D2)

We will plan to meet at the Chapter 252 at 10:30 am for an 10:45 am departure. This should get most people on the ground in Ephraim (3D2) by 11:30 -11:45am, so if you would like to head straight to 3D2, that it completely fine! (This is mainly for you speedsters or low and slow flyers.). Once on the ground at 3D2, folks can use airport bikes or the crew car to run into town for lunch. This is a beautiful flight, but there are a few hills between the airport and lunch so the biking may be a little difficult!

If you plan to fly or would like to fill an empty seat, please email David Leiting at [davidleiting47@hotmail.com](mailto:davidleiting47@hotmail.com).

**September 14 fly out** will be our chapter Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagle Rally. Volunteer to help with the breakfast, with Young Eagles, or fly in.

### *Have you ever thought about becoming a Young Eagle Pilot?*

Volunteer Pilots wanted for Young Eagles and Eagle Flights: Interested pilots can email [ea252@gmail.com](mailto:ea252@gmail.com) and state that you would like to be put on a mailing list for Young Eagles, Eagle flights, or both.



If you have considered it, but want to know more, come volunteer as part of the ground crew at our September 14 rally. This is a great way to learn more about how a Young Eagle Rally works before you volunteer. If you'd like to know more, or you'd like to help out, email John or Serena at [ea252ye@gmail.com](mailto:ea252ye@gmail.com).

## Coming Up!

**Thursday, September 12**  
is our annual Corn Roast at Munsil's/ELO.

**Saturday, September 14**  
is our fall Pancake Breakfast and Young Eagles Rally.

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# Brennand Airport Fly-In

Saturday, August 17 ~ 9 am to 3 pm

- ✈ Helicopter and Airplane Rides
- ✈ Radio Control Air Show at Noon
- ✈ Grand Raffle and Bucket Raffles
- ✈ Airplane and Hangar Display
- ✈ Corvette Club Display
- ✈ Local Fire Department Display
- ✈ Food and Beverages
- ✈ Fox Cities Composite Squadron - Civil Air Patrol

## Family Fun Fundraiser

Come celebrate aviation and find out what EAA Chapter 41 is about.

## Public Welcome!



**Fly-In: 79C, Brennand**

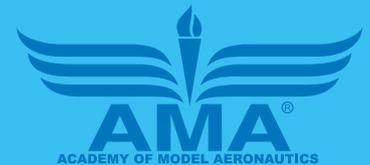
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**Drive-In: Brennand Airport**

3282 Breezewood Ln

Neenah, WI 54956



### Board Meetings

Fourth Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m.  
Location: Chapter Hangar  
Members Welcome at board meetings.

### IMC Club Meetings

Third Tuesday of the Month  
6:30 pm  
Location: EAA Aviation Center  
All Chapter Members Welcome

### Winnebago RC Flyers Club Meetings

Fourth Tuesday of the Month  
7:00 pm  
Location: Chapter Hangar  
Local AMA Chapter

and our volunteers did as well. It was wonderful to see a variety of volunteers, from those that help out at our breakfasts every time to newer members who are getting involved. When the board debriefed at our board meeting this week, we agreed that this would be an event to do again next year.

We have one more Brat Barn fundraiser this summer, coming up on Friday, August 30. We need someone to coordinate the event. This event has been a bit more difficult to get volunteers for lately. We are hoping that we can still hold the event, but if we can't get enough volunteers, we will have to cancel. It has been a profitable event

for us in the past, but perhaps it is time to retire this particular event. If you are able to help out, please email [ea252@gmail.com](mailto:ea252@gmail.com). If you have ideas for future fundraising events, you can share those ideas with any board member or email your ideas to [ea252@gmail.com](mailto:ea252@gmail.com). Our goal is to create fundraisers that help us pay our bills, reach out to the community, and are meaningful and enjoyable for our members. We're always open to new ideas!

I hope to see you at our Gathering on Thursday.

*Blue Skies,  
Carrie*

## Join the 252 Family!

Annual Membership (Calendar Year)

Dues are \$20

(\$10 for partial year, July - December).

Student Memberships are \$10.

Dues in the amount of \$20 can be given to Doug Milius or mailed to him at:

**Doug Milius**

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Thank you for your continued support of EAA Chapter 252!

EAA Chapter 252, courtesy of Kirby Scott.





## EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2019 Through the Lens of Kirby Scott

