Local High School Student Flies Solo with Ray Aviation Scholarship from Local EAA Chapter

Logan Henning of Minong, a Northwood High Junior, completed his first solo flight in a Cessna 152 this month on his way to a private pilot's license. Henning is the recipient of an Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) scholarship for young students who are interested in becoming a pilot. Funds for the training were provided by the Ray Foundation in a \$1 million grant to the EAA in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and are administered through its local EAA Chapter 631. James Ray was an Airforce B-17 pilot with 30 missions in WWII, and then became a very successful cattle rancher that developed and patented several vaccines. EAA's Ray Foundation scholarships are worth up to \$10,000 each, so students will have adequate funds to complete all aspects of the training required to obtain a pilot certificate. Recipients are also required to complete volunteer work with the local EAA Chapter. Henning and his father Brian have each volunteered at many Chapter 631 functions including "Young Eagle" airplane ride events for youth ages 8-17. EAA Chapter 631 is one of 900 local chapters in the world's largest aviation organization promoting general aviation with 220,000 members.

Henning has always had a passion for aviation and will be continuing his aviation career when he attends college after he graduates from Northwood. He is taking lessons at Superior Flying Service in Superior, Wisconsin, and will finish his license within the next 10 months. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires Private Pilots to be at least age 17, and pass a written knowledge test and a check ride with a Designated Examiner. Henning is extremely appreciative of the opportunity to earn his license with the EAA Ray Scholarship and said "Without this scholarship there is no way I could have had the chance to get my pilots license while still in high school. I am very grateful for this opportunity and it will put me ahead of the game as I move forward into college."

For more information on EAA, its programs, and the Ray Foundation, go to www.eaa.org, or for local EAA Chapter 631 information go to www.631.eaachapter.org.