



The Maple Lake Flyer

A newsletter of EAA Chapter 878, Experimental Aircraft Association

EAA Chapter 878: a part of the aviation communities of Maple Lake, Buffalo, and surrounding areas of Minnesota.

32 Years.....1986 – 2018

August, 2018

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING and EVENT NOTICES**

Tuesday, August 14; 7:00 pm

Chapter meeting at the Thomes/Zabel hangar on the Maple Lake Airport
(furthest east hangar in the front line of hangars parallel to the runway)

- **FLIGHT TO SUCCESS**
by Greg Thomes, Chapter President

A great number of EAA Chapter 878 pilots attended AirVenture 2018 in Oshkosh. Wayne and I counted at least a dozen (and there may have been more) of our members who experienced another fun and information packed event.

One of my takeaways from this year's air shows were the large number of women involved in key military and civilian flying positions. We met Lt General Maryanne Miller of the Air Force Reserves, and Jessica Hodson (stands 5' 2" and approximately 110 pounds) pilot of a UPS MD-11 and also a KC-10 aircraft.

Women have long-been a huge asset to aviation...including my wife, Betty who originally got me interested in flying. Thanks to her, I was able to see aviation in a whole different context: [AirVenture](#).

To those of you staying back home – thanks for letting us enjoy aviation at its finest in Oshkosh.

May your skies be bright and breezes light!

Greg Thomes, President



Remember to regularly check our chapter's website and Facebook accounts:

<http://www.878.eaachapter.org>



www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/

- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2018**

Aug.	14	EAA Chapter 878 meeting
	23-25	Hangar Sale at Maple Lake, Thomes/Zabel hangar, 9 – 5 daily
	25	Young Eagles flights at Buffalo (Boy Scouts)
	28	IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
Sep.	8	Young Eagles flights at Maple Lake (9:30 – noon)
	8 & 9	EAA Chapter 878 Fly-in at Maple Lake (32 nd Annual!!). Saturday night camp-out; Sunday Pork Chop Dinner (noon)
	11	EAA Chapter 878 meeting
	25	IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
Oct.	9	EAA Chapter 878 meeting
	23	IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
Nov.	13	EAA Chapter 878 meeting
	27	IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm

Note: this list generally will not detail the many pancake breakfasts and other fly-ins or local aviation events because they are already well documented on other sites which are dedicated to that purpose. For that information, see our EAA Chapter 878 website, www.878.eaachapter.org/, and other websites such as <http://www.flyins.com> and www.socialflight.com, or the various Calendars of Events in magazines, websites and airport bulletin boards.

- **CHAPTER MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES and CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP**
by Wayne Flury, Chapter Secretary

EAA Chapter 878 meeting minutes are distributed separately from the newsletter. To receive a copy of the minutes, please join and maintain membership in Chapter 878. To become a member, simply contact any one of the current officers (see the EAA Chapter 878 and Maple Lake Flyer section at the end of this newsletter) and request a membership application, or click on the “Membership” link on our website, www.878.eaachapter.org/. Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 per year for age 35 and over.

- **CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ROSTER**
by Wayne Flury, Chapter Secretary

I recently sent an email to all dues-paid chapter members which included a long-awaited (and long overdue) EAA Chapter 878 membership list. This list is the current and best-information-available from our Chapter Treasurer Dick Burns regarding “dues current” status. It was sent ONLY to current chapter members and it is intended for chapter use only. The information is not to be shared with others.

Thanks to everyone who responded upon my request to provide any missing info and/or update your info. This assures our member list is accurate and complete.

A membership list is obviously a fluid document, changing as our members come and go or as our lives change with relocations, etc. With your help, this membership list will be kept current and up-to-date.

Please save the membership list so you can use it as needed to make contact with our other members.

Note: In all I have read about membership in organizations such as our chapter, whether focused on airplanes, cars, boats, books, etc., the primary reason people give as to why they are not a member of a group is that they have never been asked to join the group. Of course, the group also has to provide some degree of perceived benefit to the person.

You can help add names to our member list by asking someone to attend a chapter meeting, ask for their email address so an introductory newsletter can be sent to them, or invite them to attend one of our programs. Or, you can really go out on a limb by asking them to join the chapter.

Who do you know that could become a member of EAA Chapter 878?

- **AirVenture Oshkosh 2018 Was a GREAT Week by Wayne Flury**

Wow! Each year I return from Oshkosh buoyed with amazement at the people, airplanes, displays and exhibitions I have seen. Personal relationships have been strengthened, new things learned, and skills improved. Each of you who attended had your own agenda for your days, and I hope it exceeded your expectations! I discussed with several of my interview guests and visitors how AirVenture is not just one big homogenous event, but rather a large event made up of communities of specialized interests under the umbrella of the larger organization we know as the Experimental Aircraft Association. The beautiful thing though is even if I'm interested in air shows and you're interested in vintage aircraft, or I'm interested in warbirds and you're into ultralights, etc., we all share a common bond in the brother/sisterhood of aviation.

Following are just a few of photos from the week. What did you see or do?



My yearly photo of the "Brown Arch," plus the surrounding patio where you can dedicate a paver to someone or something special in aviation.



The EAA headquarters and museum, my traditional "first stop" after driving to Oshkosh.



Near the museum entrance.

More photos next month!

Send yours to be included!



Where it all began. The "Founders Wing" of the museum has this recreation of the basement of the Pobrezny home in Hales Corners, Wisconsin. It's mostly all original furnishings (Paul saved everything!).



In 1953, Paul and Audrey Pobrezny started a small Milwaukee homebuilders club called the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and began running it from the basement of their home. The organization quickly outgrew its first "office" in what once was the basement cool bin...

THIS DISPLAY IS A RECREATION OF THE POBREZNY HALE'S COBBERS' BASEMENT OFFICE...

Starting an organization from scratch and running it on a shoestring forced Paul and Audrey to save and reuse as much as possible.

Almost all of the furniture and most of the objects in this display are the original items from that first basement office that have been preserved and saved throughout the years.

Photos by Wayne Flury, Greg Thomes, and John Sullivan.



Wayne received a plaque from EAA recognizing 30 years of volunteering at AirVenture Oshkosh. On the left is Announcer's Stand Chairman Steve Buss, and to the right is Danny (Hollywood) Clisham, Vice-Chair.
(photo by John Sullivan)



Group photo – the whole Announcer's Stand gang!
(photo by John Sullivan)



Who is that masked man? Why, it's Aviore, the EAA superhero, during an interview by Greg Thomes! The character of Aviore was introduced at AirVenture Oshkosh 2017 by Marvel Comics creator Stan Lee. Aviore's mission is to promote the Spirit of Aviation and the Young Eagles program. You'll find a copy of *The Adventures of Aviore* (issue #1, shown being held by Greg) in your August, 2018 edition of Sport Aviation.



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Look who's on the Jumbotron!!



Wayne with an interviewee at our "Interview Circle" table.

A few facts and figures from AirVenture Oshkosh 2018:

Total aircraft: More than 10,000 aircraft arrived, and there were 19,588 aircraft operations in the 11-day period, July 20-30, an average of approximately 134 takeoffs/landings per hour.

Total showplanes: 2,979: 1,160 homebuilt aircraft, 1,094 vintage airplanes, 377 warbirds, 185 ultralights and light-sport aircraft, 75 seaplanes, 22 rotorcraft, 52 aerobatic aircraft, and 14 hot air balloons.

Camping: More than 12,300 sites in aircraft and drive-in camping; estimated 40,000 visitors.

Commercial exhibitors: 867

Forums, Workshops, and Presentations: 1,500 sessions attended by more than 75,000 people.

EAA aircraft flights: 2,800 people flew aboard EAA's Ford Tri-Motors, 3,032 people flew aboard EAA's Bell 47 helicopters and 680 flew aboard EAA's B-17 *Aluminum Overcast*.

Guests registered at International Visitors Tent: A record 2,714 visitors registered from 87 nations. Actual counts may be higher since international visitor registration is voluntary.

Media: 976 media representatives on-site, from six continents.

● **32nd ANNUAL EAA CHAPTER 878 PORK CHOP DINNER FLY-IN COMING UP**

Dates are September 8 & 9 at Maple Lake Airport

Be sure your calendar is marked for our annual Pork Chop Dinner Fly-In, coming up on Saturday and Sunday, September 8 & 9. As always, we will need the entire membership to volunteer in any capacity you can to make the day a success. This includes set up, cooking, serving, table prep, aircraft parking, and clean-up.

Saturday kicks off in the morning with Young Eagle flights. That evening will feature an overnight campout at the airport with a cook-out at 5 p.m. (burgers and hot dogs provided bring a “dish to share”). The evening ends with a bonfire, socializing and music.

Sunday is our 32nd Annual Pork Chop Dinner with serving from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Face painting and bouncy house for the kids.

● **SECOND HANGAR SALE BEING HELD**

**Proceeds go to the Chapter – Dates are August 23 – 25
by Barb Zabel**

I am holding another garage sale to benefit EAA Chapter 878. This will be at our hangar on the Maple Lake Airport on August 23 – 25, from 9 – 5 each day. I’m looking for donations of clothes for the family, blankets and quilts. Anything left after the sale will be made available at the Pork Chop Dinner Fly-In.

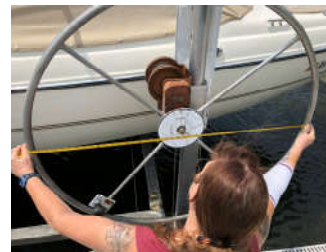
Please contact me for more info and to let me know if you may have donations. Barb Zabel at: zabe_73@hotmail.com, or 763-360-6286.

Also see our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/.

● **CLASSIFIED ADS**

Here are some items Barb Zabel has for sale or is looking for. See her description plus the photos.

- For sale: Pontoon lift, fits a 24 ft pontoon. \$250. Barb 763-360-6286, call or text.
- Wanted: Slide for lake. Not a dock mounted one. Just sits in the water.
- Wanted: Plastic water raft that sits close to the water.
- Wanted: Hewitt wheel crank for boat lift. The inside diameter is 44.5in. Need a new or newer one.



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Note: the “Classified Ads” section of this newsletter is a place to list your notices for Help Wanted, For Sale, For Trade, etc., etc. Items listed should be generally aviation related. Listings are no charge to chapter members. Non-members may take advantage of this service by contacting the Newsletter Editor for costs and conditions.
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by Dave Wendt, Coordinator – IMC/EAA 878

IMC/EAA 878 Club meetings:

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

Meeting location –

Class Room at Thunderbird Aviation at Flying Cloud Airport (immediately West of the Elliott Aviation Building and our previous meeting place at Inflight Aviation)

ATTENTION: All interested pilots (IFR & VFR), are you interested in joining IMC/EAA 878 Club? Cost is \$37.00 total dues per year. All meetings are free and open to all IFR and VFR pilots. Our Mission and Purpose is to become BOTH current and proficient pilots!

For more information and program content each month, please contact Dave at DaveWendtInsurance@gmail.com, or 612-272-4600.



● **YOUNG EAGLES FLIGHTS – VOLUNTEER HELP ALWAYS NEEDED**

by Kyle Weatherly, Young Eagles Co-Coordinator

(Ed. Note: Kyle Weatherly and Kurt Pennuto are Co-Coordinator of the EAA Chapter 878 Young Eagles leadership position, combining their personalities and passion to this youth aviation program.)

The last “organized” Young Eagle flights for this summer will be on August 25 at Buffalo for a group of Boy Scouts, and on September 8 at Maple Lake as the first event of our fly-in weekend. Remember, this doesn’t mean that you can’t do a YE flight at ANY TIME and ANY PLACE! If you don’t have the Young Eagles flight information forms, please contact either of us.

We need pilots and ground school helpers for each session. Please consider volunteering your time in any capacity you feel comfortable. If you can help with Young Eagles flights, please contact me, Kyle, at: 612-759-5227, or k.weatherly@live.com. Kurt's contact is: 612-209-3478 or kpenn_41@charter.net.

To act either as a pilot or ground instructor for Young Eagles, you must take EAA's "Youth Protection Policy" on-line course and receive a certificate of successful completion. For more information about the Young Eagles program, and the Youth Protection Policy, see these links:

- <https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/eea-ye-program>
- <https://www.eaa.org/en/eea/aviation-education-and-resources/eea-youth-education/youth-protection-policy-and-program/youth-protection-policy>



Young Eagle pilots for July 14 at Buffalo Airport: L to R – John Honour, Greg Thomes, Kurt Pennuto, Kyle Weatherly.



Kyle explains the preflight procedure to his group of YE's.

(photos by Wayne Flury)

● EAA CHAPTER 878 and MAPLE LAKE FLYER INFO

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Chapter meetings are normally held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet at 9:00 a.m. on the second Saturday morning). Meeting location and time may vary each month, depending upon the meeting program. Our December meeting is a family social event held at a local event center, with date, time and place to be determined annually.

Chapter membership is open to all persons interested in aviation. To become a member, simply contact any one of the current officers and request a membership application, or click on the "Membership" link on our website. Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 per year for age 35 and over.

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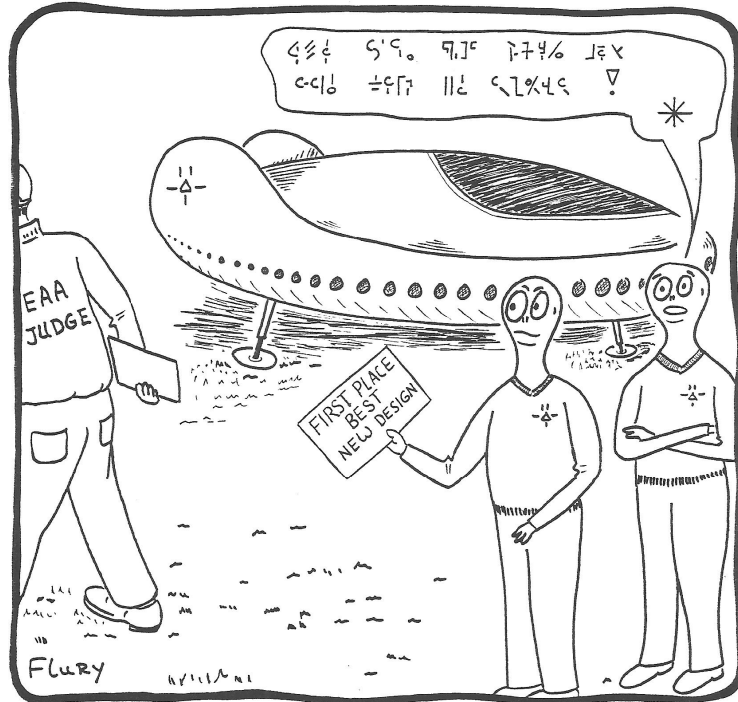
EAA Chapter 878 Advocates: All Members

Add your name to the list above – how can you help and support your chapter?

The list of volunteer leaders for EAA Chapter 878 continues to grow!

Due to the increased size of this listing, my monthly cartoon has been pushed onto the next page. That's a good thing. Thank You

• **THE FUNNIES**
by Wayne Flury



* Translation from Space Alien to English: "Somehow I expected a much different kind of welcome!"

With AirVenture Oshkosh 2018 behind me, but lots of catch-up work to do, I again dug into my files and decided this month to recycle this cartoon from July, 1995!

However, I did get lots of ideas for new cartoons from the week of AirVenture!

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