



The Maple Lake Flyer

A newsletter of EAA Chapter 878, Experimental Aircraft Association

EAA Chapter 878: a part of the aviation community in Maple Lake, Buffalo and surrounding areas of Minnesota since 1986.

June, 2016

• EAA CHAPTER 878 EVENTS and MEETING NOTICE

Saturday, June 11

- **Setup for pancake breakfast, 1:00 pm. Need many hands to lay down protective cardboard, set up grills and tables, and other miscellaneous preparations.**

Sunday, June 12

- **Pancake Breakfast Fly-In at Buffalo Airport. See attached poster. Serving begins at 7:00 a.m. See: <http://www.socialflight.com/event-details.php?eventId=70734>. We need many hands early, during the day, and for clean-up. Please help where you can and for as long as you can. Main committee members arrive at 6 AM for preparations, first shift arrive by 7 AM.**



NOTE: if you didn't have a chance to sign up for a shift of work, please volunteer as you are able. Contact Greg Thomes at 763-443-7039.

Tuesday, June 14

- **Chapter Meeting at West Metro Aviation at 7:30 p.m.**

We'll debrief the pancake breakfast and have a general business meeting, with agenda subjects as appropriate. Perhaps we will catch up on watching some of the EAA Chapter Video Magazines.

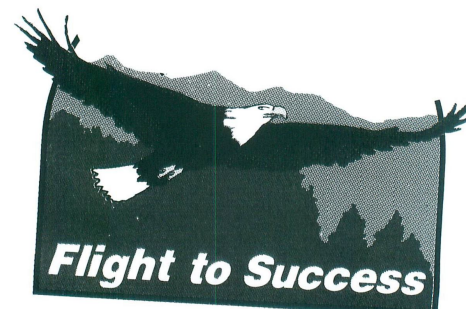
Anybody got a big popcorn popper??

FLIGHT TO SUCCESS

by Greg Thomes, Chapter President

It's time to go for it! Summer is here. All hands *On Deck*. We're zooming into a busy G.S. season and an active EAA#878 time of year.

If you haven't put your name on a time slot yet, for our major June fundraiser, please contact me. June 12th marks the 3rd year of hosting a pancake breakfast at the Buffalo Airshow. We have need for cooks, servers and line-guys.



Also, we commend the committee of Kurt Pennuto, Elaine Morrow, Dick Burns, Tim Simmon and Tim & Connie Erickson for planning an exciting Chapter 878 fly-in scheduled for September 10th & 11th. Please keep these dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

Air Venture is right around the corner too. We hope to see many of you in Oshkosh.

2016's gusty winds should begin to tame-down a little bit. So, we hope to see you at the airport or in the air!!!

May your skies be bright and breezes light!

Greg

- **MINUTES OF MEETING – May 10, 2016**
by Wayne Flury, Chapter Secretary

May meeting of EAA Chapter 878 held in the hangar of West Metro Aviation at the Buffalo Airport, with 18 members and guests present. After a meal of burgers and sides, meeting called to order by President Greg Thomes at 7:30 p.m. Thanks to Carla for doing the grill duties.

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report by Wayne Flury for April, as printed in the May newsletter; motion to approve by Patti Sandusky, second by Tim Bond; no discussion; approved.

Treasurer's Report by Dick Burns from March as printed in the May newsletter. Motion to approve by Tim Simmon, second by Fred Jude; no discussion; approved. Report for April was presented verbally by Dick with no questions or comments. April Treasurer's Report to appear in June newsletter.

COMMITTEES:

Young Eagles: Chapter President Greg Thomes noted that Tim Bond was now our Chapter Young Eagles Coordinator. Tim advised that no events were currently scheduled, though he has a few kids interested in rides. Pilots and assistants are required to comply with the Youth Protection Plan, which was briefly discussed.

Chapter Website Update: Website Coordinator Wyatt Erickson not present. Wayne asked Connie and Tim to have Wyatt review the preliminary website work he has posted and remove the reference to another chapter in the text.

Chapter PIC Hours: Chapter President Greg Thomes passed around the PIC sheet for attendance and for record of chapter member flying hours to date.

TABLED BUSINESS:

Chapter Build or Acquire a Structure (Hangar or Garage) at Maple Lake Airport: Currently tabled.

OLD BUSINESS:

Buffalo Fly-In: Buffalo Fly-In on June 12 with a pancake breakfast and air show by Mike Wiskus and the Lucas Oil Jump Team. This committee met prior to the meeting. Chapter will handle the breakfast. Greg asked that all members please commit to helping and passed around a sign-up sheet. Greg noted that there needs to be people responsible for parking airplanes and that there were criticisms last year from

pilots. Greg will discuss with Mike Wiskus. Chapter will arrange for Porta-Potties. Boy Scout Troop 358 will again assist with clearing tables, general assistance with the breakfast. Chapter will donate \$500 to them.

Maple Lake Fly-In: Chairman Kurt Pennuto not present but sent a report to Greg. Scheduled for Sept. 10 and 11 with Friday night camping, chili feed and music. Music sponsored by Ascend Aviation, band still to be determined. Connie Erickson noted that Maple Lake will have a fire truck display. Tim Simmon has a color guard lined up. Still working on the poster. Planning to mail the fly-in poster to all Minnesota airports and make a mass email through EAA.

STEM Programs: Kurt Pennuto: no update.

Yellow Cub Club: A Mike Wiskus / West Metro program, using a J-3 Cub as an intro to aviation for youth. Mike not present – no update.

Jump Club: Fred Jude– no update.

NEW BUSINESS:

Glen Morrow Memorial: Scheduled for May 22, 1 – 5 pm, in Buffalo. Wayne will send out an “AvBits” to remind everyone. Greg noted that the chapter had received a \$100 donation to be used for Young Eagles.

“Summer Social” Meeting: Our July chapter meeting will be held at the home of Harold and Lynne Greseth on the 12th. Harold noted that Lynne had asked for permission to do something other than hamburgers...approved!

Announcements: Greg introduced new member Steven Waddell of Buffalo.

Discussed upcoming events: AirVenture; Minnesota Seaplane Pilots, Duluth Air Show and others.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tim Bond, seconded by Fred Jude.

Program: James Aarestad discussed the history of his company, Eagle Eye Photos LLC. This began as a photo service using a helium-filled blimp but the blimp has pretty much been supplanted by drones. James noted that he has a commercial drone operator license.

James then discussed the evolution of his new venture which is a FAA approved modification to his Cessna 172 for a gyroscopically stabilized camera pod mounted on the wing strut. For more details on the camera and the services James can provide, see: <http://blimpguy.com/aerial-overview>.

Treasurer's Report Summary:

Monthly Treasurer's Report by Dick Burns for April		
Opening Balance		\$6756.16
Income:	\$ 0	
Total	<u>\$ 0</u>	
Expenses: Tim Bond (supplies for breakfast)	\$ 200.00	
Total	<u>\$ 200.00</u>	
Total Gain/Loss:	\$ (200.00)	
Ending Balance		\$6556.16

● NEW CHAPTER WEBSITE EDITOR by Wayne Flury

Shortly after our May chapter meeting, Wyatt Erickson advised Greg Thomes that, due to his busy schedule (graduating high school and preparing for his next educational experience) he has resigned as Chapter Website Editor.

After a few days, I approached a young man who has been making a habit of hanging out with us old retired guys, drinking coffee at the West Metro 10:00 coffee breaks, about doing this work for us. Since I'm such a nice guy and a persuasive talker, he agreed to become a chapter member and be the Website Editor.

Dan Hanson is a Buffalo native and recent UND graduate of their ATC program. Dan has done some website work and writing for West Metro Aviation while he has been waiting for a slot to continue in his field.

Greg Thomes and I met with Dan and gave him some of our ideas. He will explore options and make a recommendation on how to proceed. If anyone has ideas or input, please see Dan at our upcoming meetings. Wyatt had started setting up a new website (<http://eaa878.com/>) but it needed to be finished.



Dan Hanson

At the Chapter Leader Summit during the Minnesota Pilots Association gathering, a comment by an EAA staffer prompted me to investigate a "standard" website page provided by EAA for all chapters. It is very generic, but can be adapted and modified. Greg, Dan and I agreed that this might a good course. See the current Chapter 878 page at: <http://878.eaachapter.org>. For examples of other chapter websites, see: <http://www.eaa.org/en/ea/ea-chapters/find-an-eaa-chapter> which is a listing of chapters by state.

Please welcome Dan Hanson into the chapter.

Note: last week I saw Dan at coffee and he advised he had just accepted a job which will soon take him out of state. I'm hoping that, since website work and other communication is all done over the internet, that this will not dissuade him!! Chapter members DON'T have to live in Maple Lake or Buffalo!!

● EAA CHAPTER 878 FLY-IN Fly-In / Drive-In Weekend Planned for 30th Annual Event

See the attached fly-in poster for our 30th (yes, thirty years!) annual EAA Chapter 878 fly-in, with our featured pork chop dinner on Sunday, September 11.

A few years ago a friend of mine noted that he wouldn't be able to attend our event because he had a previous dinner engagement for that night. I had to explain to him that, in sort-of-rural Minnesota, dinner is still a more common term for the noon meal!

Many new things are being added to the fly-in this year which should make it a very special event both for us and attendees. All chapter members will be needed for help. Please put this on your schedule and help to spread the word by printing out the flyer from this email and posting it at airports during your travels, or pick one up at either Ascend Aviation at Maple Lake or West Metro Aviation at Buffalo.

- **CANBY AIR SHOW 2016**
by Wayne Flury

I will again be the Air Show Announcer for the Canby Air Show on Father's Day, June 19. This marks the 8th year of my association with Matt Wagner and all the other folks who make this free air show possible. Matt has another great lineup of performers, headlined by Matt Younkin who will fly his Twin Beech, plus Erik Edgren doing a comedy routine and aerobatics in his clipped wing Taylorcraft, plus Grant Nielsen flying his CAP 232. Plus a great Belgian Waffle breakfast and burgers and more for lunch!

See the attached poster.

- **BUILD YOUR OWN AIRPLANE...RV-4 PARTS AND MATERIALS FOR SALE**
by Elaine Morrow

Ed. Note: Some chapter members may not be aware that Glen Morrow had begun building an RV-4 some time ago. I'm not sure if this was before he bought the Cardinal, but most of his time and love in recent years was directed to the Cardinal. His death has made this opportunity possible. If you ever wanted to build an RV-4, here's the perfect chance to get a head start and carry on the project in Glen's memory!

Hopefully someone is interested in getting a great deal on building their own RV-4! See the link below for all the items in the on-line auction of household goods plus much of Glen's equipment and tools.

<http://www.postabid.com/cgi-bin/mnlist.cgi?postabid3/category/ALL>

Photos of the RV-4 items are in the photo collection titled 9A. Click on "more pics" by 9A to see 20 pictures of parts completed, supplies, instruction manual, and photo album of each step of completed parts.

- **AIRPLANE RIDE IS A "10,000 THUMBS UP" GOOD TIME**
by Wayne Flury

On a nice afternoon last week, Harold Greseth took my daughter Paula and grandson Jason for a seaplane ride in his Glasair Sportsman on Clamar floats.

This was Paula's first seaplane ride, and Jason's first small aircraft and seaplane ride. Paula said Jason had many questions for "Mr. Harold," was very impressed by how much he could see and how small the big hill by our place looked from the air!

When they got out of the plane and were on the dock, I asked Jason how he liked the ride and he gave it "10,000 thumbs up," so I assume that meant it was pretty much OK!



- **MINNESOTA SEAPLANE PILOTS ASSOCIATION FLY-IN**
by Harold Greseth

The Minnesota Seaplane Pilots Spring Safety Seminar at Maddens resort was held Sat. May 20, 21 and 22. Twenty nine seaplanes and twenty wheel planes attended. A spot landing contest was held and a number of informative sessions were held. Dave Swanson joined me in 947HG and we flew up in the morning of Saturday in fantastic weather. Featured in one of the photos is Mike Schmitt who won a weekend stay at Maddens!



Photos by Harold Greseth and Dave Swanson.

Upper Three: The beach at Maddens on Saturday, with Harold's Yellow/White Glasair Sportsman.

Lower Left: Chapter member Mike Schmitt (at the podium in white hat).

Lower Right: Lunch is an essential part of any pilot gathering! Harold (right) with Brian Huberty of Clamar Floats (the floats that Harold has on his Sportsman).



- **DREAMING ABOUT AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2016**

by Wayne Flury

About this time each year I start daydreaming about how many days it is until the big event at Oshkosh when thousands of my closest friends will gather for a weeklong full-body immersion in aviation. EAA doesn't help either when they start sending out emails about coming attractions, who will be performing at the opening night concert, what special aircraft will be attending, new aircraft or modifications to be debuted at Oshkosh, air show performers, special highlight events, etc., etc. Even social media hits me with it almost every day too!

If you haven't been to Oshkosh for a few years, plan to DO IT this year! You know you had a great time when you went before, and you will be sure to enjoy this year even more. Those of us who live in Minnesota are incredibly fortunate for the ease with which we can travel to Oshkosh. No matter which part of the state you live in, it's just a few hours away. Contrast that with the folks who regularly travel from both coasts or from overseas. For some of the international visitors (many of whom I get to meet), attending Oshkosh isn't just a nice thing to do every few years, it's a once-in-a-lifetime experience! And after touring the EAA Museum (no cost ever to EAA members, and included in the AirVenture admission fee for all) you can't help but be awed by the remarkable contributions to this thing we call aviation by so many fellow EAA members. Their history and aircraft are there for you to examine and reflect upon the influence to your own life.

So brush up on the NOTAM if you plan to fly there, or get the trusty family car or truck checked out, and head east! If you absolutely, positively, no-way Hosea can't make it through the night in anything other than a hotel with indoor toilets and hot and cold running water, go on-line and start checking things out. If the motels/hotels are full (or your breath gets taken away by the rates they charge during this week), look into staying at one of the college dorms or local homes that rent rooms. If your knees still allow you to get up and down from the floor without aid of a personal nurse, throw a tent in the backseat along with a decent air mattress and sleeping bag. Or, hook up to a camper trailer. There is ALWAYS room in the EAA campgrounds, though you might end up being a mile from the main gate! The solution for that is to bring your bicycle. AirVenture Adventure Awaits!!

I'll see you there. I'll be working at the Announcer's Stand...stop by to say hello or at least wave!

For complete convention info, see: <http://www.eaa.org/en/airventure>.

- **OSHKOSH WEEKEND WORK PARTIES**

by Wayne Flury

I hope some of you were able to respond to the recent opportunity to schedule yourself for participation on June 24 - 26 with EAA Chapter 237 and other local chapters as they continue their regular work party volunteering at Oshkosh at the Weeks hangar.

If you couldn't, or if you can't attend AirVenture Oshkosh 2016, or if you can't do any volunteering while you are there, here's a way to become more intimately involved in our annual convention event, and to ease the path for your fellow EAAers who will be attending: a recent email from EAA outlined the upcoming "Weekend Work Party" schedules, plus a list of Saturday night entertainment offerings.

Note: these work parties are similar to, but not the same as, the Work Party in which some of us participated with EAA Chapter 237 earlier this year when we worked on the B-17 and other projects.

As noted in the email, "Volunteering at a Weekend Work Party is a simple, fun, and easy way to get involved in the aviation community. You'll spend a weekend day (or two) in Oshkosh connecting with people behind the scenes, forging new friendships, and helping the biggest fly-in in the world come to life. Duties vary but can include painting, building construction and remodeling, fence removal, grass cutting, tree planting, material staging, and more.

"Volunteers are provided overnight accommodations in the EAA bunkhouse, daily meals, and Saturday evening entertainment."

You can participate as an individual or as part of a chapter group.

Weekend Work Party Dates & Entertainment still available:

June 25-26: CAF WWII Nose Art Exhibit Tour, Zack Baughman

July 9-10: Pioneer Airport Tour, Jim Casper

July 16-17: CAF WWII Nose Art Exhibit Tour

If interested, contact Theresa Meixensperger at tmeixensperger@eaa.org or 800-236-4800 ext. 4819. Also see: <http://www.eaa.org/en/eaavolunteer/weekend-work-parties>. I guarantee you will come away with a whole new perspective of EAA and our national convention.

Perhaps YOU can volunteer to organize a group from Chapter 878 to participate on one of these dates.

● **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2016**

- June 12 Buffalo Fly-In, Pancake Breakfast by Chapter 878, Air Show by Mike Wiskus plus Lucas Oil Jump Team
- June 14 EAA Chapter 878 meeting at West Metro with debrief of the pancake breakfast fly-in.
- July 12 EAA Chapter 878 meeting and chapter picnic at the home of Harold and Lynne Greseth.
- Aug 9 EAA Chapter 878 meeting at West Metro Aviation at the Buffalo Airport, with a presentation about the National Weather Service by Joe Calderone of the NWS.
- Sept 10, 11 Chapter 878 Fly-In, Maple Lake. Note: current plans are for 2-day event with Chili Feed and Hangar Hoedown on Sat; Pork Chop Dinner on Sunday
- Sept 13 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, with a debrief of the chapter fly-in.
- Oct 11 EAA Chapter 878 meeting
- Nov 8 EAA Chapter 878 meeting. Election of chapter officers for 2017-19. (Note: potential meeting date conflict with national election day).
- Dec 10 EAA Chapter 878 Christmas Party

Note: this 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. If I did try to list them, I risk the possibility of missing one or slighting someone if I fail to list their event. I will make an exception for some events.

For aviation events throughout the area, see the various Calendars of Events in magazines, websites and bulletin boards, plus I recommend subscribing to the free email alerts through <http://www.flyins.com> and www.socialflight.com.

● **WANTED...YOUR PHOTOS AND STORIES ABOUT FLIGHTS YOU TAKE THIS SUMMER**
by Wayne Flury, Newsletter Editor

Where are you going and what are you doing this summer flying season?

When you go, take a photo or two and send them to me, along with a story or at least a brief explanation. I'll put it in the newsletter so others can share in your enjoyment of flying!

Blue skies and tailwinds!

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Beginning in September, 2014, our meetings will normally be held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet on Saturday mornings). Meeting locations may vary each month, depending upon the meeting program.

Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age and \$25 per year for age 35 and over.

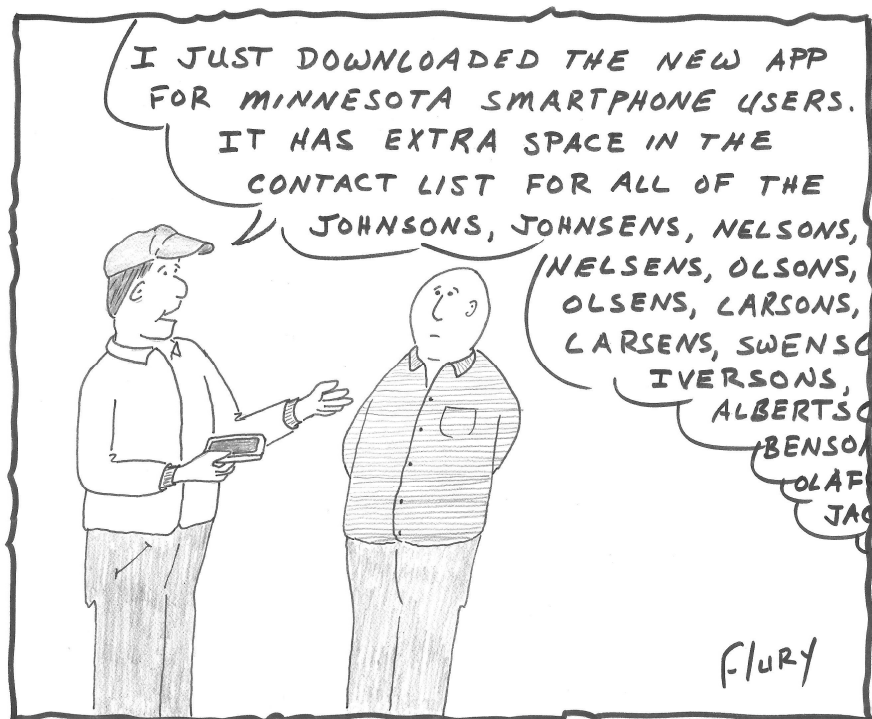
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• THE FUNNIES

by Wayne Flury



6/2016

BUFFALO FLY-IN BREAKFAST & CAR SHOW

Buffalo Municipal Airport
June 12, 2016

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AIRPLANES!
AEROBATICS!
SKYDIVERS!
AND
PANCAKES!**

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CANBY FATHER'S DAY FREE AIR SHOW

Sunday, June 19, 2016



Dad's Belgian Waffles

7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

(Sponsored by the
Canby High School
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St. Peter's Burger Feed

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Bouncy Houses •
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Action-Packed Airshow!

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ begins at 1:00 p.m. ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Erik Edgrin • Matt Younkin • Grant Nielsen



with Airshow
Announcer



Wayne Flury

Airplane Rides all day!

\$20 – Adults • \$15 – 12 & Under

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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Maple Lake Fly-in Camp Out

Sept 10-11, 2016



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MN.. Call Kurt 612-209-3478.

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Saturday, Sept 10	Sunday, Sept 11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Annual Camp Out—2 PM • Fly-out to local airports—5-7 PM • Chili Dinner—7 PM • Bonfire—7-11 PM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 30th Annual Fly-in * Pork Chop Dinner 11-2 * Aviation Vendors * Honor Guard * Military Aircraft * Fire and Rescue