



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.

33 Years.....1986 – 2019

March, 2019

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING – Chili Feed “Fly-In/Drive-In”**

Date: Saturday, March 9

Location: Buffalo Airport, in the West Metro Aviation hangar

Time: Serving 11:00 am to 2:00 am

All members needed to participate to make this a success.

See more info inside the newsletter and the Chili Feed poster included with the newsletter.

Note: the chili feed takes the place of our regular March meeting.

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

If you gaze around our airports (those places where our members hangar their planes), you’ll see some amazing aircraft. One will also find some planes which have been neglected for many years.

Now the old saying, “One man’s junk is another man’s treasure” may come into play here. But, remember, even flying machines decay over time when not used.

Anything of value (even airplanes) reach a point where the cost to put that item back into service far exceeds any novel or intrinsic return. But, changing that pattern is right at your fingertips!

Two points here:

#1) Airplanes are made to be flown...as often as possible. My goal is to get-back-to 100 hours of flying this year. What’s your goal?

#2) What better way to hone your EAA skills than to put a neglected plane back into the air? Make this the year you get “ole Betsy” airworthy again.

May your skies be bright and breezes light!

Greg Thomes, President



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

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



www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/

- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2019**

- Mar. 9 2nd Annual Chapter 878 Chili Feed, at West Metro Aviation, Buffalo, 11 – 2. Note: this will take the place of our regularly scheduled March meeting
- 26 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- Apr. 2 – 7 Sun 'n Fun, Lakeland Linder International Airport, Lakeland, FL
- 20 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 9:15 am, location TBD
- 23 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- 26 & 27 Minnesota Pilots Association meeting, GMAG, West Metro Aviation and others, Buffalo Airport
- May 14 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 7:30 pm, location TBD
- 28 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.

- **2ND ANNUAL CHAPTER 878 CHILI FEED FLY-IN MARCH 9**

Our 2019 Chili Feed Fly-In (our 2nd Annual event) is this Saturday, March 9 at the Buffalo airport in the main hangar of West Metro Aviation. See the fly-in poster included with this newsletter.

Please plan to attend and volunteer your labor as you can. On this day, make a commitment to meet, greet and eat! Remember that this is a chapter member recruitment effort as well as an aviation social event.

For questions or to offer your services as a volunteer, contact Laura Herrmann at 952-210-8600 or ljherrmann@yahoo.com.

SCHEDULE:

- a) 3:00 pm, Friday, March 8, move tables and chairs into West Metro, bring other items into hangar
- b) 10:00 am, Saturday, March 9, set-up and prep for meal service
- c) 11:00 am – 2:00 pm, March 9, Welcome all visitors, eat, visit, and promote EAA and Chapter 878. Have fun!!
- d) 2:00 pm, clean up

Other:

1. Greg Thomes and Dave Swanson have each volunteered to bring a portable generator. Please bring a suitable power cord.
2. The chapter is borrowing tables and chairs from FOBA. These will be moved into the West Metro Hangar at 3:00 pm Friday, March 8.
3. Greg Thomes will bring additional tables.
4. One table will be set up with Young Eagle info, YE sign-up sheet, and Chapter 878 scholarship info
5. Need volunteers to park aircraft. Depending upon the weather, be sure to rotate into warm hangar! Need high visibility vests and wands for directing aircraft.
6. Bring a hand held radio if you have one
7. I've probably forgotten something! That's what the Friday prep day is for!!

- **CHAPTER 878 MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2019 ARE NOW DUE!**

by Wayne Flury, Secretary/Newsletter Editor

Please be sure your dues to the chapter for 2019 have been paid.

Check with our treasurer, Henry Williams if you're not sure.

- **DONATIONS AND RECEIPTS FOR EAA CHAPTER 878 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UNDERWAY**

by Kyle Weatherly, Scholarship Committee Coordinator

If you haven't yet made a donation to our scholarship program, but have been meaning to, please do this as soon as possible so final scholarship planning can be completed.

Contact Kyle at 612-759-5227 or k.weatherly@live.com.

- **CHAPTER LIBRARY**

by Wayne Flury

You may know (or more likely, maybe not) that the chapter has a collection of donated books, magazines, DVD's, VCR tapes (ask your parents what these are) and other miscellaneous aviation items. This was kept in a storage cabinet in the common area between the two hangars owned by Tim Bond.

With Tim's decision to sell his hangars, he asked that the cabinet and contents be removed.

I've brought the cabinet and contents to my home storage shed/workshop. I'll get with our Chapter Librarian Harold Greseth to do some sorting and tossing as appropriate. I'll probably bring the magazines to the Chili Feed with a "Free. Take them home with you or they will get tossed into recycling" note. The magazines are mostly Sport Aviation, and Warbirds.

- **IMC CLUB**

by Dave Wendt, Coordinator – IMC/EAA 878

IMC/EAA 878 Club meetings:

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

This month - February 26. Look for a future email with the program info.

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.



Ed. Note: All pilots are encouraged to check out the meetings of the IMC/EAA 878 group. You need not be an instrument rated pilot to attend...just need to be interested in upgrading your knowledge base. And, you might find you have more in common with this group of pilots than you think!

- **WELCOME NEW CHAPTER 878 MEMBER**

Our chapter continues to grow! Our newest member just bought Tim Bond's hangar at the Maple Lake airport. As you can, please greet and welcome Patrick Flavin of Buffalo.

● **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 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. Annual dues are \$10 for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 for age 35 and over, and \$35 for a family membership.

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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! Thank you!

● **THE FUNNIES**
by Wayne Flury



A bad case of igloo fever.

Too busy this month to get a new cartoon created!

But then I remembered this one from April 2008 and decided it was appropriate to our winter of 2019!

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EAA Chapter 878 "Mid-Winter Warm Up" 2019



CHILI FEED

FLY-IN / DRIVE-IN

Saturday, March 9

(bad weather date, Mar 16)

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



**West Metro Aviation
Buffalo Airport (KCFE)
Buffalo, MN**

HOME MADE chili with lots of toppings

Hot and cold drinks

General public welcome

Break off those icicles, defrost the windshield, preheat the airplane (or the car) and come to Buffalo Municipal Airport for some hot chili and cool conversation in the hangar of West Metro Aviation, hosted by EAA Chapter 878. Meet your friends, share some stories, and have some great food.

For additional information, contact
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