



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

February, 2018

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING NOTICE**

Chili Feed Fly-In, Saturday, February 10, 10:00 am to 2 pm

See the Chili Feed Flyer attached to this newsletter

Hot Chili and Cool Music!!!!

Music, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., is by *Cowboys in Sneakers*, a folk/rock group from the Dassel/Cokato area.

At: West Metro Aviation hangar on the Buffalo Airport

This event will take the place of our normal monthly meeting.

Please volunteer your time to help make this chapter fund-raising event a fun and profitable time.

Set up and prep begins at 9:00 a.m.

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

Music from the Black Eyed Peas caught my ear as I was thinking about 2018. Their hit song, "Gotta Feeling" (circa 2009) should be our theme song this year!

Already 2018 has had many good things happen...with the Vikings' Minneapolis Miracle, a 'blow-em-out' successful Maple Lake Ice Fishing Derby (in which I'm actively involved), and with a robust economy.

Thinking about the many things EAA Chapter 878 has going this year, I feel that this will be one of our greatest, most historical, as a chapter. Thank you for your many efforts to making (as the Black Eyed Peas would say)... "2018 is gonna be a good-good year."

May your skies be bright and breezes light.

Greg



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

<http://www.878.eaachapter.org>
www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/

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• MORE CHAPTER 878 AWARDS

More Chapter Service Awards

Chapter members receiving the following awards were not able to attend the awards presentation at our December Christmas party chapter event:

- **Fly-Out and Eagle Flights Leader: Kyle Weatherly.** Kyle was presented with an award certificate in recognition of these roles he has taken on for the chapter, plus heading up a scholarship committee. He is the FOBA liaison; attends IMC functions; frequent attendee at AirVenture; assisted with hangar remodel; assists at chapter functions and Tree of Hope.
- **IMC/EAA 878 Club Coordinator: David Wendt.** Dave was presented with an award certificate in recognition of his leadership of the IMC Club and its integration into Chapter 878.



Greg Thomes with Kyle Weatherly (right)



Greg Thomes with Dave Wendt (left)

- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2018**

- Feb. 10 EAA Chapter 878 Chili Feed, 10:00 am to 2 pm, at West Metro Aviation, Buffalo Airport
27 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
Mar. 10 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 9:15 am at A/D Building, Buffalo Airport
27 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
Apr. 14 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 9:15 am at A/D Building, Buffalo Airport
19-21 Chapter 878 Garage Sale, at Dick Borrell's home/hangar near Waverly, MN
24 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 the EAA Chapter 878 website, www.878.eaachapter.org/, 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.

- **MID-WINTER WARM-UP / CHILI FEED / FLY-IN**
by Wayne Flury

Things are coming together for the February 10th Chili Feed. The long range forecast is currently favorable but, as anyone in Minnesota knows: "If you don't like the weather, just wait a minute!"



The chili (with toppings) will be \$5 per bowl. Hot and cold drinks are extra. Serving from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (or until the chili is gone).

The music, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., is by *Cowboys in Sneakers*, a folk/rock group from the Dassel/Cokato area.

Volunteers to assist are needed at 9:00 am for set-up and prep, plus serving through to 2 pm, and then for clean-up.

Please help to make the Chili Feed another of Chapter 878's great (and profitable) events!

- **YOUR YEARLY CHAPTER 878 DUES ARE DUE**
by Wayne Flury

Your dues to the chapter for 2018 become due this month. Your membership in the chapter is dependent upon maintaining a current "dues-paid" status. Several members paid at the January meeting, and others have been mailing their dues to our Treasurer Dick Burns. Either way is good.

As established in our chapter bylaws, "Payment of dues shall be made to the and shall be payable January 1 of each year for the period of January 1 through December 31."

Note: if you joined the chapter during this past year, please check with our Chapter Treasurer Dick Burns regarding your individual status. Persons joining late in the year have generally been considered to be "Paid" for the following year.

Contact info for Chapter Treasurer Dick Burns is: 9620 50th St. W612-723-3052 / 952-473-1887
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As noted in the Chapter Info on page 12 of this newsletter, our dues structure is: Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 per year for age 35 and over.

Please help our treasurer by paying with a check made out to EAA Chapter 878. Paying with cash, while acceptable, puts the burden of proper tracking on Dick. He may have several people throwing money at him at the same time!! If you do pay by cash, please attach your name to the payment!!

Note (1): Chapter dues are not the same as your national EAA dues.

Note (2): Also, if you are receiving this newsletter, but no longer want to be a part of our chapter, please let us know that too.

- **IMC CLUB**
by Dave Wendt, Coordinator – IMC/EAA 878

IMC/EAA 878 Club meetings:

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

NOTE: new 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)



IMC Pilots Strive to be IFR Professionals – Always: Current, Competent, Proficient
Trusting: Judgment, Decisions, Curiosity

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!

Features and Benefits: Redbird and Frasca 242 equipment access. Goal: Log one approach/month. Result: always Current and Proficient.

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

- **CHAPTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

YOUNG EAGLES COORDINATOR

Our current Young Eagles Coordinator, Tim Bond, advised the chapter last month that he and his wife, Carla, are moving from the area. Therefore we need someone to step in and take over this very important position. Responsibilities include: familiarization with the program, operation and goals; coordination with the Oshkosh EAA headquarters; promotion of the program to chapter members and youth; and promote and assist members with their involvement with Young Eagle flights. Contact any chapter leader if you are interested. Also see: <https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/aviation-education-and-resources/ea-youth-education/ea-young-eagles-program>.



MOBILE SIGN TRAILER MANAGER

The chapter has two mobile sign trailers (a donation to the chapter under our non-profit status). Renting them to local businesses and organizations is a potential source of chapter income.

A person (or persons) is needed to organize and direct this effort, and will include advertizing, establishing a rental price, setting up contracts with renters, monitoring condition of the trailers, and general supervision of the program. We also need to be sure we are in compliance with any regulations regarding rentals of such equipment, and insurance.

The signs have been used for the February 3rd Maple Lake Ice Fishing Derby, so we're already into the business! You can help the chapter take the next steps!



- **CHAPTER VIDEO MAGAZINES**
by Wayne Flury

EAA's Chapter Video Magazines are distributed exclusively to EAA chapter leaders for the specific purpose of showing at chapter meetings. However, many chapters (Chapter 878 is one) don't typically use the videos in regular meetings, and many members don't regularly attend the monthly meetings.

If you need something EAA and aviation related to while away the cold winter hours, here's a link to previously released Chapter Video Magazines (the current month will not be available at this site). These magazines cover a wide variety of topics, are well produced and entertaining. Enjoy!

<http://www.eaavideo.org/category/videos/chapters>

- **TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS TO THE CHAPTER**
by Wayne Flury

If you purchase something for the chapter (that is, it becomes property of the chapter and is not just something you bring occasionally for the chapter to use at an event), you may claim this purchase as a tax-deductible donation to the chapter.

REMEMBER – EAA Chapter 878 is a 501(c)(3) organization and (currently) any donations you make to the chapter are tax deductible! Help the chapter and help your tax situation at the same time!!

- **CLASSIFIED ADS**

Help Wanted:

Aircraft modification company based at the Buffalo Airport has a part-time job opportunity in our office, 15-20 hours a week (unless you can provide more). Involves maintenance of records and other general office duties. Looking for someone with the following skills: organized, with ability to learn new tasks and systems. Love of aviation a plus!

For more information, call Scott at 763-559-5998, or email: scott@d-shannon-aviation.com.

D'Shannon Aviation, 1309 County Rd 134 NE, Buffalo, MN 55313

Garage Sale:

Chapter 878 Spring Garage Sale, April 19-21

This garage sale, with proceeds to benefit the chapter, will be held in the hangar of Allen and Barb Zabel / Greg Thomes at the Maple Lake Airport (last hangar on the east end of the front row of hangars that are parallel to the runway).

Contributions (eligible as a tax deductible donation) are requested. Check your attic, basement, garage, storage shed, etc. for things in good condition that you no longer need or use.

For more information, contact Barb Zabel at 763-360-6286 or zabe_73@hotmail.com.

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.

● **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.

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 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



"I hated to disappoint them, but I had to tell those nice people on the bus that this was not a Rapture Center!"

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For two of the great Raptor Centers in Minnesota, see:

<https://www.raptor.umn.edu/>

<https://www.nationaleaglecenter.org/>



Chapter 878 "Mid-Winter Warm Up" 2018



CHILI FEED

FLY-IN / DRIVE-IN



Saturday, February 10

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

(bad weather date, Feb. 17)

at

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

Chili with lots of toppings

Hot and cold drinks

Live music in the hangar from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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 music in the hangar of West Metro Aviation, hosted by EAA Chapter 878. Meet your friends, share some stories, have some food, and listen to some good music.

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EAA Chapter 878 is a local chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. We've been a part of the aviation communities of Maple Lake, Buffalo, and surrounding areas of Minnesota since 1986.