

# North Central Wisconsin North Central Wisconsin

## Lite Flyers

SEPTEMBER

EAA Ultralight Chapter 75

1998

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### Editors Notes

by Bill Markstrum

How often in past newsletters I have referred to the pleasant scenes available to us, living at the edge of the Wausau Downtown Airport, the comings and goings of friends and their planes during these beautiful summer evenings. That tranquility was shattered on the evening of August 12th. when the wail of sirens brought us outside and we saw the flashing lights along runway three zero. We prayed by the back fence that no one was seriously injured but soon found out that Dan Marlenga had lost power on takeoff in the GT 500 and that he and his daughter Michelle had crashed attempting to land. Dan suffered a broken leg and other non life-threatening injuries but Shelley died as a result of the crash. She was fifteen years old and her dad's flying companion. She will be remembered and missed by all of us who knew her.

Our hearts and prayers go out to Dan, her mother Patty and brother Peter. We will continue to support and help them in any way we can.

Shelley's death inspired me to write a poetic eulogy for the funeral. If I may, I'd like to share the last lines of that poem with you.

*"We ask you to be with us,  
You, girl so young and bright,  
An angel on our shoulder,  
On every future flight."*

Any cards, letters or donations to Shelley's memorial fund may be sent directly to the Marlenga family at:

5006 Tanya St.  
Schofield, WI. 54476

President Steve Krueger will probably give you more details on our planned September 19th chapter meeting which one might call a "progressive meeting". As they so graciously did last year, Northwoods Chapter 243 has invited us to the "Toy Box" to share a meeting plus corn, brats and all the fixen's. After all that food, if we can still get airborne or behind the wheel of the car we will proceed to Mark Blume and Tom Voss' spread north of Marathon

City. The meeting, party, fly-in and camp-out will continue there and will include, on the serious side, a memorial service for Shelley Marlenga. Please try to make this meeting if you can and camp-over at Mark and Tom's. It will be our autumn fling.

And further into autumn, keep the weekend of October 3rd and 4th open. As you will note on the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter, the Wausau Downtown Airport is being re-dedicated on that weekend. There will be plenty of food, Ford Tri-motor rides, a C-130 Hercules on the field and an F-16 flyby on Saturday. We've invited other interesting antique planes and I am asking that as many as possible chapter members fly-in or roll out their ultralights for crowd display. Surprise! Even I am going to try to have my newly acquired Monett "Moni"; motor-glider on display as well. See you there for some good 'ol hangar flying and to tour John and Angela's new accommodations for Wausau Flying Service. They'll show you the gorgeous new hangar as well.

Maybe we can do some "indoor flying" in one of our Ultralights There's no charge to get in and by the way, Chapter 243 and Friends of the Wausau Airport are sponsoring a great raffle for that occasion. See the prize list at the end of this column. Contact me at 845-8673 if you want to purchase tickets prior to that weekend. Good luck and see you there.

### WAUSAU DOWNTOWN AIRPORT REDEDICATION RAFFLE OCTOBER 3, 1998

PRIZES: LLOYD GILES PRINT "LOOKING FOR JETS," COLOR TV SET,  
FORD TRIMOTOR RIDES, MANY DINNER CERTIFICATES, 6 AIRPLANE  
RIDES, MOTEL CERTIFICATES, DAVID CLARK HEADSET,  
CASH PRIZES OF \$100, \$50 & 50.

**\$2.00 PER TICKET OR 3 TICKETS FOR \$5.00**

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN  
SPONSORED BY NORTHWOODS EAA CHAPTER 243, INC.  
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# Buy · Trade · Sell

- y Fiberglass floats for single place ultralight. \$375. obo 66 x 30 Tennessee prop. Like new condition. \$185. For more information call Orlyn Hansen (715) 683-2710
- y Wanted - 750# BRS Chute. Tony Borchardt (715) 845-3018
- y 1983 Teratom Tierra I. 503 Rotax tach altimeter. Pilot enclosure. All instruments. Electronic fuel system. Too much to tell here. \$7,500.00 Hilary Omernik (715)-693-3231
- y Quicksilver MXL I-3 axis. Controls, Steerable Nose wheel, Saddlebags. BRS soft Chute, Brakes, Gauges, 32 hrs on rebuilt engine. \$4,400. 414/563-9654.
- y Challenger II. 274 Hours. 503 Rotax. Hiper Light N8. 79 Hours. 447 Rotax. Contact Reinie Hirsch (715) 384-5073.
- y 1986 Kolb Firestar, 377 Rotax, Rehm wood prop, altimeter, tachometer, airspeed, CHT, EGT, antenna, **s t r o b e**, **b l u e p r i n t s**, always hangered, includes trailer, 170 hours total time. \$5,500.00 / obo. Larry Barrow (608) 742-3278 Portage, WI



## NCWLF Treasures Report

**Balance Fwd.** - \$518.42

**Deposits**

-Dues-\$31.00  
Total -\$31.00

**Disbursements**

- Postage - \$19.20  
- Sorenson's Floral - \$52.75  
Total - \$71.95

**Ending Balance** - \$477.47



## Next Chapter 75 Meeting

Our 2nd annual joint meeting with Chapter 243 will be Saturday September 19th at the Toy Box at 1:00 pm. A lunch will be served by 243 with brats, corn on the cob, and soft drinks. There is a nice grass strip on the north side of Falcon Drive. The strip is approximately 2,000 ft and runs east and west with clear approaches.

Following the meeting at the Toy Box we are invited to Mark Blumes for a camp over fly-in. Chili will be served as a night cap. Bring your favorite beverage for consumption around the camp fire as well as a video to share. Sunday morning will be a pancake breakfast. Plenty of no hook up campsites provided. The weekends flying festivities will be in honor of Shelley Marlenga whose spirit and love of flying will be with us forever.

EAA ULTRALIGHT CHAPTER 75  
North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers  
Application Form for Membership and Subscription

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

USUA# \_\_\_\_\_ EAA # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Ultralight you fly \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Due Schedule:

_____ \$ 12 MAY	_____ \$ 6 NOV
_____ \$ 11 JUNE	_____ \$ 5 DEC
_____ \$ 10 JULY	_____ \$ 4 JAN
_____ \$ 9 AUG	_____ \$ 3 FEB
_____ \$ 8 SEPT	_____ \$ 2 MARCH
_____ \$ 7 OCT	_____ \$ 1 APRIL

Mail Check Payable To:  
NCWLF  
P.O. Box 12  
Schofield, WI 54476

*Payment of dues affords me voting privileges, and a subscription to news updates*

## The Buss Family Skyraider Project



*Brandon & the Skyraider*

For those not familiar with the Skyraider, it is a single place, tube and fabric ultralight. It is a kit manufactured by Flying K Enterprises in Caldwell, Idaho.

The Skyraider has a pre-welded steel tube fuselage. We have the wheels on the landing gear and it is mounted to the fuselage. The control stick, pulleys, and push pull tubes are in. The engine, a Rotax 447, is mounted.

We have the wood ribs glued to the aluminum spars forming the wings. They are mounted to the fuselage for rigging. Next step is to build the flaps and ailerons and rig them. The tail feathers are rigged. We hope to start covering soon.

The Buss Family

## NCWLF Welcomes New Members

Glen Wagner - Tomahawk, WI

Carl Green - Crivitz, WI

Dean Turner - Tomahawk, WI

### WAUSAU DOWNTOWN AIRPORT Re-dedication & Fly-in

**Pancake Breakfast**

By the Bevent Lions Club  
7:00 am - 11:00 Sat.

**Lunch**

By Texas Lions Club  
11:00am - 4:00Pm Sat & Sun.

### Sat. & Sun. Oct. 3rd & 4th

#### Aircraft Displays

National Guard's C-130

Civil Air Patrol Display

Russian Yak

Military Aircraft

Other restored and Experimental Aircraft

#### F-16 Flyby on Saturday Oct. 3rd.

*Go for a ride in a Historic*

### Ford Tri-motor Airliner!

Sponsored by EAA Chapter 243

### Fly-in Drive-in

Rain Date Sun. Oct. 4th

Wausau Downtown Airport is the city's most convenient airport!

Take Grand Ave to Lake View Drive

Lake View to the Airport

Sponsored by Friends of the Airport

For More Information, contact:

Wausau Downtown Airport

715-845-3400

## Welcome Home To Wausau!

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
Or sat quietly in a chair,  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece,  
If so we saw it there,  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,  
As any friend could say;  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
Just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console  
our hearts,  
We thank you so much  
whatever the part.*

*The Family of  
Michelle 'Shelley' Marlenga*

# NCWLF Calendar of Events



**SEPTEMBER 19 UL Chapter 75 Meeting**

1:00 on Saturday at the Toy Box. Go north from Fleet Farm in Wausau on Hwy K to Falcon Drive. Turn right on Falcon - the Toy Box is at the end of Falcon. See map below.

**SEPTEMBER 19 - 20 Fly-In / Camp Over at Mark Blume's**

Camping available for Saturday night. Pancake breakfast Sunday morning. Go north from Marathon City on Hwy 107 to Short Lane. Turn right on Short Lane. If you get to Little Chicago, you have gone to far north.

**OCTOBER 3 - 4 Wausau Downtown Airport Re-dedication & Fly-In**

See details on page 3.

**OCTOBER 17 UL Chapter 75 Meeting**

Location to be decided.

**NOVEMBER 14 UL Chapter 75 Meeting**

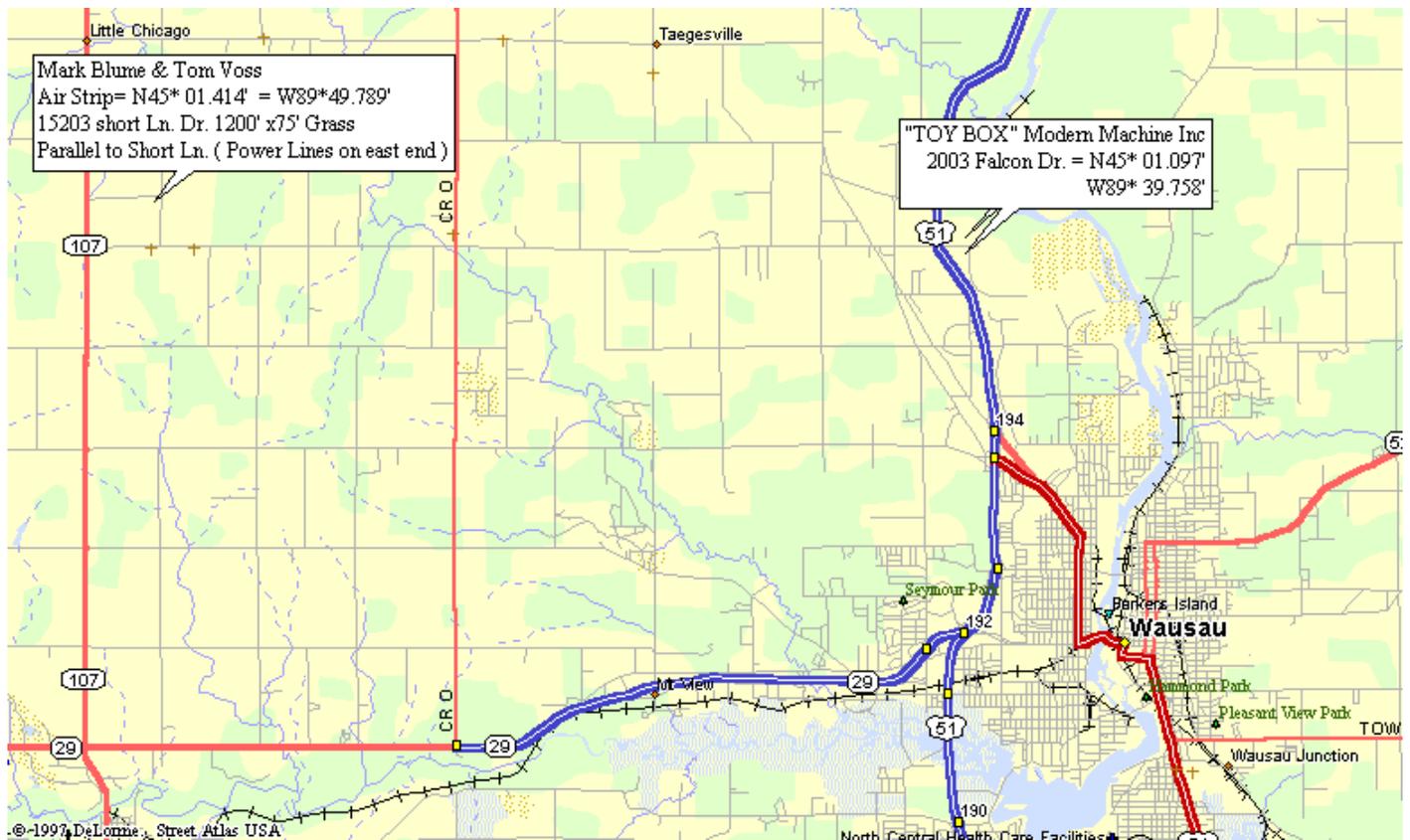
1:30 at the Wausau Airport FBO. Videos from Ron Detert.

**DECEMBER 12 Joint Christmas Party with EAA 640, 243**

1:30 at the Merrill Airport.

**JANUARY 16 Chapter 75 After Christmas Party**

Details to come.



The newsletter is a monthly publication of the North Central Wisconsin Lite Flyers and is free to all club members. Send any comments, questions, suggestions, or items you would like included in the newsletter to: Mark Blume 15203 Short Lane Marathon, WI 54448

Or send e-mail to [mblume@pcpros.net](mailto:mblume@pcpros.net)

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