

**15-May-2024**

## **EAA Harbor Springs Chapter 1087 Update**



### **A note from Pete:**

Our busy and productive year continues. Please pay special attention to our LONG list of upcoming events and also we have a scholarship winner!

### **Scheduled Upcoming Events**

- Young Eagles at Harbor Springs, Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm– please let Bill know if you can fly or assist on the ground.
- Our normal breakfast meeting on Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup> at Southwoods Petoskey will still take place for those not participating in the Young Eagles event although I expect it will have a small turnout.
- Fly-out to Detroit Metro – Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Ron Bazman has been coordinating this event which is limited to 10. Thanks Ron! I'm sure it will be awesome.
- Annual Summer PICNIC at KMGN is Wednesday July 17<sup>th</sup>. Details will follow as we get closer but please block your calendar.
- Young Eagles at Boyne City, Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm– please let Bill know if you can fly or assist on the ground. This will replace our normal breakfast meeting.
- Regular breakfast meeting Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> 8 am and every two weeks after that, Southwoods restaurant, Petoskey
- Our monthly IMC/VMC Club Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the KMGN terminal

### **To-Be scheduled Event Planning**

- Young Eagle events – Pellston expected in early September, Mackinac Island with the Boy Scouts in September
- Fly-out to the Air Zoo at Kalamazoo
- Fly-out to North Fox 6Y3
- EAA Oshkosh Airventure – July 22-28

### **Forrest Neff – our EAA Ray Scholarship winner**

Our scholarship committee has selected Forrest Neff as our EAA Ray Scholarship recipient. Please extend your congratulations! Forrest is a senior at Petoskey High School and will be graduating soon. He plans to train for his private pilot certificate with Tom in Cheboygan. We are confident that Forrest will be tremendously successful in his future in aviation.

The committee members were Charlie, Ron, Dan, Gus and Pete. We had 8 applicants for the award. Each applicant was required to submit an essay explaining their interest in aviation, their future plans, and why they should be considered. They also submitted 2 letters of recommendation. The committee used this information as well as a 30 minute interview. The EAA scholarship requirements set the criteria used for the decision.

Pete will act as the scholarship coordinator and mentor all while reporting progress to the EAA scholarship program.

### **EAA Leadership Academy at Oshkosh and some outcomes**

I've been able to make some progress on the topics discussed at the Leadership Academy in January. You can see the March newsletter to review the tasks.

We have submitted our Chapter as a tax exempt organization – a 501(c)(3). This will be beneficial as donors will be able to deduct any donations to our chapter going forward. Especially good if they donate an airplane or a hangar!

Our website has been updated and is current. Here's the link: [Chapter 1087 \(eaa.org\)](http://Chapter 1087 (eaa.org))

### **Our Chapter history and the Charlevoix Flying Club**

With the help of Bill and Craig, I've begun to collect information on the history of our chapter and the flying club. We have already put together a short article and submitted it to the EAA Chapter manager for possible inclusion in a future edition of Sport Aviation.

### **Young Eagles Credit**

Our successful Young Eagles events last year have resulted in a \$980 credit. It has been proposed that we donate these funds to the Char-Em aviation program at KPLN. We'll discuss this at the next breakfast meeting. Other ideas are also requested.

### **Member Profile – ??? –** we don't have one this newsletter – what's with that?

If you haven't previously submitted a profile, I'm looking for volunteers!

### **IMC/VMC Club for our Chapter** **– Rod Cortright (IMC/VMC Club Coordinator)**

Our IMC/VMC club meetings have been very successful. We typically have 10-12 members attend each meeting. Each meeting has one video scenario presented for VMC and IMC. The discussions that follow are very interesting. Seems like we never had consensus on a specific outcome but there were several possible directions one could take for each scenario.

The IMC/ VMC Club promotes visual and instrument flying, proficiency, and safety. We present two video scenarios at each meeting—one in VMC and the other in IMC. After each video, we discuss what you would do faced with a similar situation. The intent is to create a community of pilots willing to share information, provide recognition, foster communications, promote safety, and build proficiency in all aspects of flying.

We will be meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at the Harbor Springs Airport. Whether they are EAA members or not, all area pilots are welcome to attend.

### **2024 Chapter Dues**

Please note that the 2024 dues are being collected.

If you haven't paid dues yet, please be prepared to give Rod your \$20 at the next available opportunity or send it to him at his home address: PO Box 435, Boyne City, MI 49712

### **Chapter 1087 Board Members:**

- Peter Aiello, President
- Rod Cortright, Secretary/Treasurer and IMC/VMC Club Coordinator
- Bill Meyer, Young Eagles Coordinator