

# EAA Chapter 1094

Chapter Newsletter



March 2020

## Greetings Chapter 1094 Members!

The City of Sulphur Springs and Hopkins County has shut down public buildings and restaurants as far as meetings are concerned. And, also due to the virus precautions, we had to cancel our March meeting. We attempted to meet with officers and that was also not possible. So, President Jeff Secules came over to my house last Friday night to discuss our Young Eagles Rally and a few other items.

**We have cancelled the Young Eagles Rally for April 18 indefinitely** and will regroup when the time is right. We will attempt to have our regular meeting on April 18 if conditions allow. We can discuss a new rally date at that time.



We had planned to have a "Flying Start" program on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully, we can hold our April meeting to discuss and finalize activities for Young Eagles and the Flying Start program and make adjustments as needed. Until then, we are all in limbo and will do what is



needed to protect our families. My granddad always said, "Take care of yourself first, then take care of your tools. If there is any time left, you can get some work done."

Since we could not all meet together and we could not afford to wait any longer, I took the opportunity to present the **Captain Ron Hoesterey Memorial Scholarship** to Jeff Secules! Members, and some non-members, of EAA Chapter 1094 got together and created this fund to present to Jeff in order for him to begin his flight training. It just didn't seem right to have a chapter president who could not fly! We decided to do something about it by raising enough money to at least get him through solo. With today's regulations, that is about 15 hours of flight time.



Several flight instructors in our group volunteered their time to teach Jeff but none had aircraft to use for training. So, I reached out in an attempt to find an instructor and a plane within driving distance. I was quickly led to **Code 1 Flight Training** in Wills Point. I knew that some of our members had learned from the owner, Norm Rathje, and he came highly recommended by several pilots in our area. I contacted Norm for pricing and told him about our project. After asking several questions about Jeff, Norm stopped me and told me that he would be happy to help with our goal and would provide the training for the amount we had already raised to help get Jeff in the air! **WOW!** So, we have contracted with **Code 1 Flight Training** to get Jeff started on his quest to be a pilot. We will continue to receive donations to carry Jeff as far as we can in his training.



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Certificate:  
Good for 15 Hours  
Flight Training  
For  
Jeff Secules

Norm Rathje, CFI  
Owner

3/15/2020

1973 Cessna 172M



We have a new website! EAA changed the host of our website so I have basically had to build a brand new one from scratch. We could not transfer information from the old site. We won't be able to keep all of the Young Eagles photos from past years but I do have them backed up for future use. The old site will go away on March 31. Until then, feel free to download any pictures or information you need. I will be working on the new site for quite a while. Here is the new address:

<https://chapters.eaa.org/ea1094>

## Calendar

April 18, 2020  
Meeting

May 16, 2020  
Flying Start Program

June 20, 2020  
Meeting

July 20 – 26, 2020  
AIRVENTURE!



August 15, 2020  
Meeting

September 19, 2020  
Meeting



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