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CHAPTER 113 *"The Backyard Eagles"*



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Aerial view of Chapter 113's Father's Day Pancake Breakfast.
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CHAPTER MISSION STATEMENT:

"EAA Chapter 113's major focus is on the relationships with people who have diverse aviation interests, centered around their love of flight, fellowship, learning, and fun.

Chapter members have a passion for flying and are willing to share it with others.

Chapter 113 provides the opportunity for exchange of information, as well as the interaction that leads to friendships that last a lifetime."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

"The Board of Directors are to provide both advice and assistance to the chapter officers on an ongoing basis."

Presidents Podium July 2024



Greetings Chapter 113 members and friends.

I know you'll hear it elsewhere, but I'd like to add my thanks to the many volunteers that showed up to help with this year's EAA 113 Father's Day Pancake Breakfast. At both Saturday morning's set up session and the main event on Sunday, we had a good number of enthusiastic people, putting forth their best effort to make the event a success. With almost perfect weather Sunday morning, we served a little shy of 700 breakfasts. I'd like to especially thank Jim Brown for leading the effort. His organizational skills have made this annual event look easier and run smoother every year. Looking to the future of the event, Jim is looking for someone to assist him next year. Not take it over but work along with him to simply lighten his load a little bit. He can be reached at jb.fly@att.net if you're interested. It's never too soon to start planning as they say.

As in the past our 2024 scholarships were presented at the pancake breakfast. Read about the individual recipients later in this newsletter. We're excited to watch these youth learn about aviation and help grow sport aviation.

Recently we sent a message to the members of our Chapter through our new software, ourchapter.org. We included a copy of the newsletter as an attachment along with several buttons so we could explore different imbedded functions. This software is from the same developer of EAA's Young Eagles program and is intended to be a one stop tool for Chapters roster, calendar, notices, files, pictures and more. So far, we've been pleased with its performance so watch for more in the future. This program is tailorable so let us know what you think, both good and bad, so we can set it to our Chapter's needs.

And lastly, we're just a few weeks away from Oshkosh AirVenture. Final preparations are underway, and the excitement is growing each day. Six Chapter members will be camping together and no doubt there will be more Chapter meet-ups during the week. Updates will be on social media to keep track of it all. Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable journey over and back. Don't forget to take a few pictures or video to share at the August Chapter Gathering.

At this month's Chapter 113 Gathering, Dan Jones will share his experiences from his recent flight to the Caribbean in his RV-9A. Don't miss it!

Stay up to date with EAA 113 at www.eaa113.org and follow us on Facebook!

EAA 113 Board Meeting Minutes June 13, 2024

Attendance: John Maxfield, Rick Karaschin, Dan Jones, Dave Buck, Al Bosonetto, Debra Redding, Jim Brown, , David Edmonds

Absent: Jack McClellan, Randy & Liz Hebron, Dave Steiner

Treasurer's Report: paid \$400 to inspect and fix roof for minor leaks, \$1900 to fix cracks and recoat asphalt pad in front of the hangar, expect \$300 from EAA National Tool Crib Program for scales purchase. Received \$500 donation for scholarship fund.

Secretary's Report: Current overall membership stands at 104 with 6 recent renewals. Having positive response to renewal request letter soon.. Plan to complete testing of new chapter email and management software in June and roll out use for going fwd. emails to members.

Builder's Meeting Report: on a summer break with re-start in Sept.

IMC/VMC Club Report: on a summer break with exception of June 27 to go over Osh Kosh arrival procedures

Newsletter Report: Deadline for the July newsletter will be Wednesday June 26th.

Library Report: no report

Events: Flying Start to be held Aug 24th, Young Eagles – discussed next events Sept & Oct.

Jim Brown working readiness for Father's Day Pancake Breakfast and is seeking volunteers for the event.

Young Builders: Had good turn of volunteers June 1st - painted outdoor tables and chock stand. Resume workshop Oct 24'

Membership Gathering: June/July presenters are Bill Brown Sr. discussing our chapter and airport history and Dan Jones on flying to Bahamas

Building: Need to have main hangar heater inspected this fall and consider CO2 detection units as well.

EAA 113 Goals for 2024

1. Be a Great Chapter
2. Increase membership – bring a friend month?
3. Member project in workshop

Next meeting: July 10, 2024

Meeting Adjourned:

2024 EAA 113 Aviation Scholarships

EAA Chapter 113 continues to support its goal of assisting young people pursuing an education in aviation based studies or flight training. To date, we have awarded 75 scholarships, totaling more than \$86,000. The EAA Scholarship Committee is proud to announce the two 2024 Aviation Scholarship recipients of \$3000 awards each.

Joshua Ng

Joshua graduated from Plymouth HS last month. He is a National Merit Scholar and AP Scholar with Honors. In the Fall, he will be attending the University of Michigan, studying Aerospace Engineering. Joshua enjoys working as a sports coach to young children.

Since Joshua was little, he was fascinated by the magnitude of space and dreamed of designing spacecraft. He grew up watching his dad analyzing engineering data and he would then go in his room and experiment with vector fields and how they applied to airflow and drag or head off to the library to study black holes. To him, the engineering field is centered upon the idea of creating a better world. He plans on being a problem solver by working in labs with his goal of one day working for NASA.

As demonstrated by his grade point and dedication to his education, Joshua is most certain to succeed.

Best Wishes, Joshua we look forward to seeing your innovations!



Nicole Sendry

Nicole is from Gibraltar, Michigan where she recently graduated from Carlson HS. She also studied at the Gibraltar School District Middle College Program of Business Administration. During the last year, she has been attending several of the Youth Workshops at EAA 113. Nicole is well into her flight training at Halls Flying Service at Grosse Isle and has her solo endorsement.



Nicole's passion for aviation is evident in her participation in her High School Aviation Club and as the VP of the Yankee Ladies Chapter of Women in Aviation. She wants to be a corporate pilot and dreams of one day flying the Boeing 777 for Fed Ex.

By holding onto the words of her father, that she can do anything she puts her mind to, we are confident she will do just that!

Good Luck, Nicole EAA 113 is cheering you all the way!

Let's not forget our youth when it comes to EAA 113 Scholarships. In addition to our advanced educational awards, we also gave two of our regular Youth Workshop attendees, scholarships to help attend Air Academy sessions in Oshkosh this summer.

Drake Stone

Drake is the recipient of a \$500 scholarship to Air Academy in Oshkosh. He attends many of our Youth Workshops and is anxious to go to camp to learn more about aviation and enjoy experiences with other enthusiasts. Drake's ultimate goal is to become a commercial pilot for an international airline...like Air France.

This will be Drake's first time going to Air Academy. We look forward to hearing about his adventures at an upcoming meeting.

Aarya Manikantan

Aarya is the recipient of a \$100 award toward Air Academy in Oshkosh. He also frequents many of the Youth Workshops and helps out at some of our events. You may remember hearing Aarya's presentation from his first experience at Air Academy when he previously received a scholarship from EAA 113. This will be his second year attending but will be in an older age group with a different focus. Aarya is excited to learn new things and meet new friends.

We look forward to once again hearing about all the fun things he does at Air Academy!



Congratulations to the recipients of the
2024 EAA 113 Aviation Scholarships

CHAPTER 113 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS AT FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

By Randy Hebron



Nicole Sundry



Joshua Ng

Presentation of \$3,000 Scholarship checks by Chapter 113 President John Maxfield.



Drake Stone

Left: Chapter 113's winner of the \$500 Scholarship for EAA Air Academy in Oshkosh, Drake Stone.



Aarya Manikantan

Right: Recipient of a \$100 award toward Air Academy in Oshkosh.

FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST - A BIRD'S EYE VIEW

Photos by Dave James



FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

By Abby Liskow





FATHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

By Dave Steiner



EAA 113 Don Zimmermann Scholarship winner **Nicole Sendry** flew in from KONZ with her CFI, brother and mom in this Cessna to accept her 2024 award and have some pancakes. Her CFI said she greased the landing at 1D2. She flew “the cage” through the DTW Bravo airspace from Grosse Isle. Well done and congratulations Nicole!



Top, from left:
CFI Leo Johnson, brother Ty,
Nicole and her mom Jolene.

Above right: Nicole and
Dave Steiner. He urged
Nicole to apply for the
scholarship at the first EAA
113 meeting she attended.



By Dave Steiner

MARTIN FILIATRAULT ATTENDS 2024 BOMBER CAMP

By Martin J. Filiatrault

April 15, 2024: My application for service was approved and I received induction orders. I was to fly to Sacramento, CA on April 30, drive to Stockton and check into my quarters at the Hampton Barracks to await deployment. My instructions were to report to the Stockton Metropolitan Airport Terminal on Friday May 3 at 0700 sharp, fed and ready to meet the other recruits and catch the troop bus to the training facility for indoctrination. Upon arrival we were issued dog tags, coveralls, hats, musette bags, canteens and mess kits. We were briefed on the day's schedule and given training material on bombardier and gunnery information. We received classroom training on bomb ranging, trajectory, course/wind correction, Norden bombsight operation, navigation, 50 cal. machine gun operation, sighting and deflection. The equivalent of 18 months of training during WWII was crammed into three hours. We were given the opportunity to try our hand at machine gun operation, ball turret operation, Norden bombsight operation, bomb rack operation and cockpit/crew station familiarization.



An authentic G.I. meal of SOS (**** on a shingle) was served for lunch. Then we got back in line to board the troop bus and head to the flightline where our aircraft were being prepared. There were two missions scheduled for that day. During the first mission I was assigned to the T-6 escort aircraft to fly top cover for the B-17 during multiple bombing runs, dropping inert concrete bombs onto the remote target range. I met up with my flight instructor, we strapped in and followed the B-17 out to the range. The mission lasted about an hour before we returned to base. As the bomber returned from the first mission, the T-6 departed to return to its home field.



The crews stood down while the B-17 was reloaded with eight more concrete bombs. Crewmembers were allowed to write personal messages on the bombs before they were winched into the bomb bay and hung on the bomb racks. When rearming was completed, the crew boarded the aircraft and we departed for the target area. On the second mission our only escort would be the liaison aircraft that followed and provided bombing results. During the eight orbits of the target, the crewmembers were encouraged to swap positions and gain experience at the various aircraft stations: Bombardier, navigator, radio operator, waist gunner, tail gunner and ball turret gunner. There were some restrictions: the pilot and copilot were the only crewmembers allowed to occupy the pilot seats; the larger and less nimble crewmembers were discouraged from getting in and out of the tail gun position, and no one was allowed across the catwalk while the bomb bay doors were open. I dropped the first bomb of the mission and captured video of the other bombs being dropped. Since these missions were classified, I was sworn to secrecy about divulging any other details. When the mission was complete, we returned to base, tired but happy that the day's activities went well. We gathered for a toast to honor the veterans that performed their perilous duties during the war. Then we were given our training certificates and posed for group photos before retiring to the Officer's Club for libations and an excellent spaghetti dinner.





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Eventually I was driven back to my quarters where I sorted my photos and video clips before retiring to dream of winning the war.

Life is very precious; sometimes it is very good and for that I am very grateful.

My sincere thanks go out to Taigh Ramey, Sydney Ramey, Jan Johnson, "Deep" Pannu, Roger Cain, Tim O'Brien and the rest of the staff and crews of the Stockton Field Aviation Museum, the Erickson Aircraft Collection and Advantage Aviation that made this amazing experience happen. We are bound by duty, stewardship, and friendship forever.

MJF

P. S. I plan to make a more detailed presentation of this event for each Chapter in the future. Stay Tuned!

Seen at Willow Run Event

Sanjay Dhall was invited to display his Quickie at the Wing & Wheels event June 22nd put on by Michigan Flight Museum (formerly Yankee Air Museum). About 500 tickets were sold for the event. His ramp mates included a T-28 Trojan and RV-8 among many others. It was a toasty day on the ramp to say the least. Sanjay said he got some morning flying in before heading to his parking place.



Left: Trojan, Quickie and RV-8 on the south end of the east ramp at YIP. A Ford Trimotor from Port Clinton, OH and the MFM Huey were selling rides.

Fortunately there was a good breeze and substantial cloud cover for a good portion of the afternoon to make the 92F temps a little more bearable. Sanjay had a steady stream of interested viewers. Most had probably never seen an airplane like his Quickie.

By Dave Steiner

DTW TRACON VISIT JUNE 2, 2024

By Dave Steiner

My twin brother and I joined the Yankee Ladies WAI (Women in Aviation International) chapter on June 2nd, there were about 30 of us, for a tour of the DTW TRACON, including inside the control tower and access to its catwalk. EAA 113 member, 2024 EAA 113 scholarship winner and Yankee Ladies VP **Nicole Sendry** was also on the tour. It was AWESOME. We had some delay getting through security as their scanner wasn't working, but other than that it was a very interesting and educational tour. Sorry, no pictures allowed inside, but those from the catwalk are pretty cool. We had a couple of **SPIRIT AIR-BUS** cap-tains as part of the group and they had some good discussions with the tower guys. Unfortunately only four of the 63 tower personnel are women. WAI will have to work on that.

DTW is an "accordion" airport with 1700 - 1800 operations per day, mostly early morning and later after-noon/evening. DFW, ORD, ATL have twice that. An interesting thing we found out is that you can go through TSA *without* an airline ticket by getting a pass from the "DTW Destination" kiosk in the terminal. You must have government issued ID, but it will print you a pass that will get you through TSA. If the scanner isn't working, you keystroke in your legal name and birthdate as we did. I was also able to wave "hi" to EAA 113 member **Nathan Pyles** who was working ground traffic from the tower. He was too busy to talk to me at the time though, and no photos allowed.



Left: WAI group.
Nicole in the Florida shirt.



Double trouble



Above from the tower catwalk - DTW fire truck spraying a Delta jet as it pulled up to the gate to honor a retiring captain. Circled in red.

USAF Singing Sergeants in Ann Arbor - Dave Steiner

The First Congregational Church in Ann Arbor hosted a free concert by the USAF Singing Sergeants on June 21st. I'm a member there so attended and the place was packed with about 400 people from all parts of the community. The group is VERY good and has a large following on social media. They were on a Ohio/Michigan tour with a brutal schedule, seven cities in seven days, starting in Cincinnati on June 18th and ending in Traverse City on June 24th. They even wore their dress blues in the 90 F temps in the non-air-conditioned sanctuary, but no one passed out. They are part of the USAF Band that includes, Air Force Strings, Airmen of Note, Ceremonial Brass, Concert Band and Max Impact. Find out more at USAIRFORCE-BAND.COM. If you get a chance to see any of these groups do it. They are REALLY good.







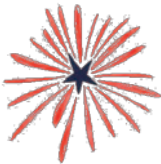

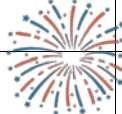









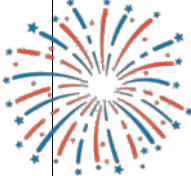
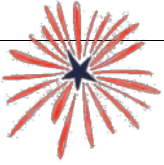
Left: Sanctuary with Wilhelm pipe organ (not used for performance). The church celebrates its 177th anniversary this year. Right: They have their own bus. I told them they rated a jet. I was ready to hop aboard.





July 2⁰²⁴



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
						6 <i>Breakfast @ ZACH'S 9:00 am</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				<i>EAA 113 Board Meeting 7:30 pm</i>		13 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers 9:00 am</i>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<i>Pancake Breakfast at: Chesaning (50G)</i> 				<i>EAA 113 General Gathering 7:30 pm</i>		20 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers 9:00 am</i> <i>Pancake Breakfast at: ~Marshall (KRMV)</i> 
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
						27 <i>Breakfast @ 3 Brothers 9:00 am</i>
28	29	30	31			
						



The Zimmerman Shop is in need of 3 bench vices. Please contact Dan Jones or John Maxfield if you have a donation to make.

The EAA113 Workshop is available to EAA members for the construction or refurbishment of their aircraft. Contact Dan Jones or John Maxfield for details to see if your project is a good fit.



ATTENTION PLEASE:

Will **Ken Burger** and **Luis Diaz** please email Dan at secretary@eaa113.org and provide updated contact info - your email address that we have is not working.



SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR *EAGLE'S PROPWASH* NEWSLETTER

1. Please send all PDFs in LANDSCAPE orientation.
2. Please DO NOT format text. Send it as plain text in MicroSoft Word or as a PDF landscape file (if you wish your specific layout must be kept). **PLEASE PROOF READ YOUR PDF DOCUMENT CAREFULLY!**
3. The deadline for the newsletter will now always be the 28th of every month.
4. Please send material to: newsletter@eaa113.org or Roogey.Batoon@gmail.com.

Thank you, Elizabeth Hebron, *Eagle's Propwash* Editor

P.S. I'm always in need of photos for the newsletter cover!

Next Chapter Gathering:

JULY 18, 2024

7:30 PM

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