

# JUST PLANE NEWS ...

EAA Chapter 1236 Newsletter FEBRUARY, 2025

## SAVE THE DATES

FEBRUARY 8TH (Saturday)  
Chapter Mtg: 9:00 donuts/coffee  
10:00 mtg: Carlile's hangar  
15720 SE 175th ST Weirsdale

FEBRUARY 20TH (Thursday)  
VMC/IMC 7:00PM.  
Carlile's Pilots Lounge (Hangar)

MARCH 8TH (Saturday)  
Chapter Mtg 9:00 Pancake  
Breakfast Carlile's Hangar

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## JANUARY 2025 MEETING Chapter Member, Jim Ostrich, Shared His Recent Trip to the Battle of Britain Air Show

In a once in a lifetime experience, Jim Ostrich had the opportunity to attend the Battle of Britain AirShow in Duxford, England in September 2024. He shared with the 80 + members in attendance, the sense of history and achievement that was due in large part to Hurricane and Spitfire aircraft during WW2. Below is a link to a 4 min. YouTube video of the ReEnactment of the Battle of Britain AirShow that Jim attended.

[https://youtu.be/n0p4jsZXXcl?si=wjJNl7NJpwwg2hC\\_-](https://youtu.be/n0p4jsZXXcl?si=wjJNl7NJpwwg2hC_-)

Jim also had a list of what he thought were the top Aviation Museums in the World: Nat'l Air & Space Museum DC; Udvar Hazy Nat'l Air & Space Annex - Washington Dulles; Nat'l Museum of USAF - Dayton, Ohio; Navel Aviation Museum - Pensacola, FL; Nat'l WW II Museum - New Orleans, LA; Pima Air Museum (Davis AFB boneyard and Titan missile museum) - Tucson, AZ; Cole Palen's Old Rhinebeck - Central New York; Imperial War Museum - Duxford, England.



Two presentations. . . One Great Meeting

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But wait. . .there's more. . .a Fly Out After!

At the February 8th meeting, Chapter member, Jim Harvey, will be sharing information on what it takes to be a STEM program Pilot Mentor. Jim, a retired Navy Captain, had 40 years in the service. . .which included submarine commands. He has been retired since 2010 and divides his time between Leeward Air Ranch and the family farm in Boyceville, Wisconsin.



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Also on deck for the February 8th mtg. . .  
Chapter Members, Mark & Shelly Buckner will share their  
Aviation Journey in South Africa.

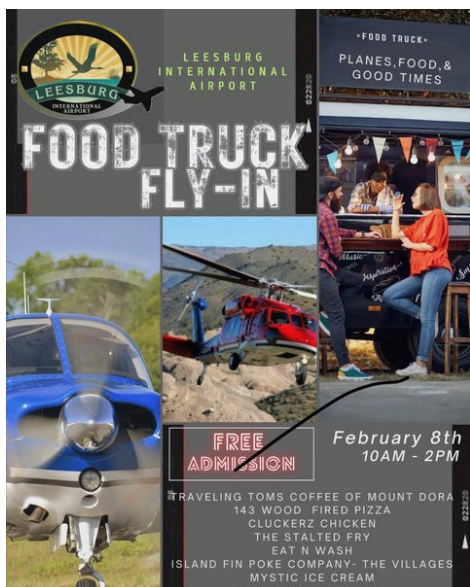
Mark and Shelly Buckner, had one of those bucket list trips that many of us never considered doing before. They will share their experiences on a "You Fly Yourself" Safari in South Africa that they took in June/July 2024. The recently married couple (October 2024) are both 747 Captains for UPS and while they are based in Louisville, they have a home in Loves Landing where they do their recreational flying. They are both retiring in March of this year.





## ...and AFTER THE February 8th MEETING?

There are two local aviation events that you pilots might be interested in attending after the meeting. One is the Leesburg Int'l Airport's Food Truck Fly In, 10am-2pm. The other is in Bushnell, FL ; Chili Lunch at the Flying W 11:30-1:30pm. Bruce Cynamon has suggested we do a Fly Out from the meeting.



## SINCE YOU HAVE YOUR CALENDARS OUT. . . CHECK OUT THESE FUTURE EVENTS. . .



February 22nd

February 22 & 23

March 15

## ...and of course, the Sun 'n Fun Dates are April 1-6, 2025

## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CHAPTER MEMBERS

JANUARY 2025

Nick & Shirley Masters

Jeff & Sloane Daum



## 2025 CHAPTER DUES TO BE COLLECTED AT FEBRUARY 8th mtg

NOTE: If you joined the Chapter during  
July-Dec. 2024, you will not need to pay  
2025 dues.

\$15 for individual, \$20 for Family  
80+ years young? Honorary member FREE

80+ YEARS YOUNG? See Patti  
Stahr to become an Honorary  
Member

**CAN'T MAKE THE MEETING TO  
PAY?** Please make your check out to

"EAA Chapter 1236" and mail to

Patti Stahr

16085 SE 179th St.

Weirsdale, FL 32195

## Chapter 1236 Young Eagles Event has been set for March 8, 2025

The Chapter's March 8th meeting will be a PANCAKE BREAKFAST, with an added twist. Right after our pancakes, we will be hosting the Young Eagles Flying Event so members can see lasting memories being made. Details to follow.

## Important Message to Current Young Eagles Pilots/Ground Volunteers. . .and to Wanna be Pilots/Ground Volunteers

### **From Bob Kircher, Chapter 1236 Young Eagles Coordinator:**

I'm pleased to announce that we have scheduled our second Young Eagles Rally on March 8th, 2025 immediately after our meeting that same day. Our last Young Eagles Rally went well and we wanted to conduct another rally while it's still relatively cool weather and also give our larger chapter membership the opportunity to observe a rally conveniently on a meeting day.

I hope you might be interested in flying one or more Young Eagles that day in support of the program. The system that registers the youth, as well as scheduling of Pilots and Ground Volunteers has changed as of this month. The old website ([youngeaglesday.org](http://youngeaglesday.org)) will be decommissioned shortly. As a result, all volunteers must **once again** sign up in order to participate.

Please go to the new website [eaachapters.org](http://eaachapters.org) and click on the SIGN UP button at the bottom. Once you complete the short SIGN UP process we can then invite you as volunteer for the March 8th rally. The username in this new system is your email address and the password that is used will be the same password from your [eaa.org](http://eaa.org) credentials.

If you have any questions or problems getting signed up in the new system, please feel free to contact me. We hope to see you at the rally and get a chance to volunteer in Young Eagles.

Warm Regards,  
Bob Kircher  
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## EAA Chapter 1236 Annual Membership/ Celebration of Volunteers Party. February 2, 2025

It takes VOLUNTEERS to host a Celebration of Members /Volunteers Party. KUDOs and THANKS to Julie & John for the use of their hangar, Judy Brown for painting & donating the Silent Auction works of art, John Leary for organizing the Silent Auction, Ana Kircher who designed the decor, Mike Ricketts for coordinating the fantastic Chapter Members' Loves Landing band for entertainment. Volunteers did everything from nametags, rsvp's, arranging catering, serving food, making coffee, buying additional food and water supplies, and of course the set up and take down of all the tables and chairs. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO HELPED MAKE THIS PARTY A WHOPPING SUCCESS.



SET UP started at 10am Sunday and was completed in no time- over 30 people showed up to help.

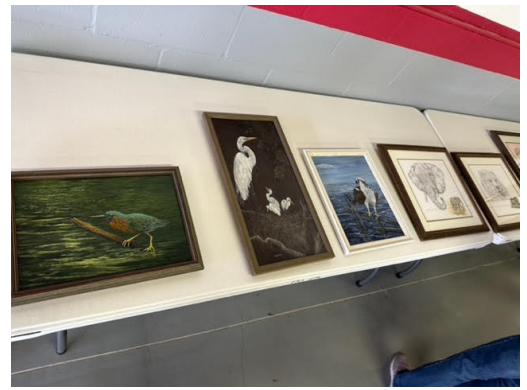
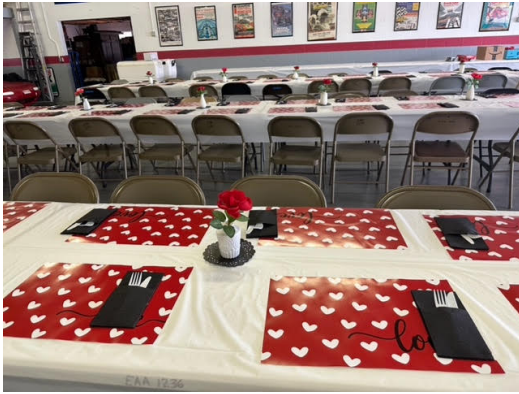


By all accounts, this was a party and celebration that was enjoyed by all. 120 members came out to celebrate not only the Year's volunteers, but to recognize what a great Chapter of nearly 200 members this really is.





# Snapshots of a Good Time. . .2/2/25



Some of the paintings that Chapter Member Judy Brown painted and donated for the Silent Auction. She donated 50 % of the proceeds to the Chapter. Combined with other auction donations, the Chapter was awarded about \$550.



Jolene Near & Patti Stahr at the Nametag Check in table



Servers Dara Oliver, Julie Dane, Barbara Boyer



Servers Marcelaine Lewis & Deb Kelley

Servers at the "ready"!



Service with a smile - Bob Blankenship & Don Bartlett







Mike Ricketts worked his musical magic on his guitar.



Our President, Bruce Cynamon, joined in with his sax.



Band members are all Chapter members and Loves Landing residents. Jay Goodman, guitar; Bill Near, Conga drums (in the back) Dara Oliver, Julie Dane, Lee Blankenship vocals, Mike Ricketts, guitar.



Jay, Julie, Lee, and Mike



**Dancing the Night Away. . .  
Making More Memories. . .**



Judy brown (our Silent Auction Artist) hardly left the dance floor. She's with Jamie Macpherson having a great time.



The Chapter Members Loves Landing band kept the room hoppin'.



Having fun with the heart sticker decorations!



**This was SO MUCH FUN. . .  
Let's Do This Again Next Year!**



Honoring a fellow Chapter Member on  
February 2, 2025.  
Howard Farley Headed West  
December 30, 2024



Alpha Flight: Craig Ritson, John Stahr, Ron Moring



Howard's Flight: Pete Putnam, Hanh (Howard's wife in their Tecnam P2008) with Bruce Cynamon, Bob Blankenship, Bob & Ana Kircher, Mike Angell. Hanh and Bruce headed their aircraft West in honor of her husband.



Howard (on left) being congratulated for passing his Sport Pilot Check Ride on November 30, 2024 in his new Tecnam P2008. Soon after, Hanh and Howard did a cross country trip to Arizona & Nebraska to visit family.

## ALERT! ALERT! We REALLY need your help in finding speakers for future meetings. . .

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Maybe you have been to other aviation oriented clubs & organizations? We are looking for good speakers for 20-30min(max) presentations that our membership would enjoy. OR maybe you know of someone (or yourself) who has an interesting aviation story to tell?

Please email us with names and contact info:

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## WINGS & A MAP

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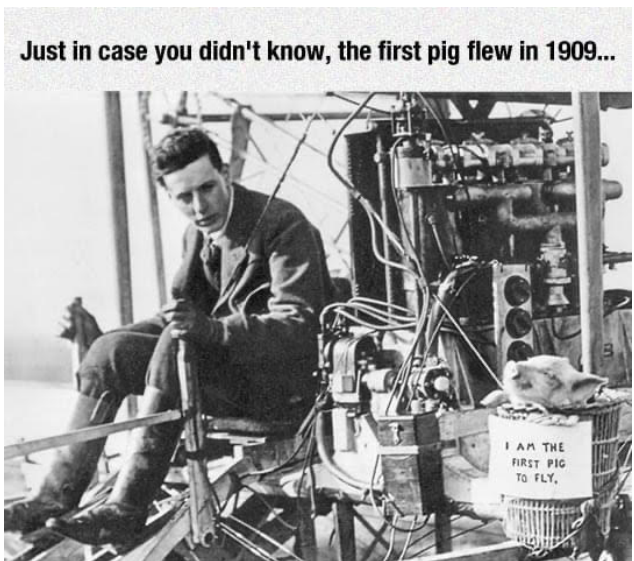
Let me know if you've had a trip in your plane or are planning one. We'd love to feature it in the newsletter. [janette.g.carlile@gmail.com](mailto:janette.g.carlile@gmail.com)

## I Really Want to Hear Your Story!

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Please share photos of day trips, long trips in your aircraft. Have you been to a really cool Aviation museum that others might want to know about? You ALL have stories to tell. . .Please share with me:

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Now . . .This would be an interesting story!



## Toys in the Toy Box

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We'd love for you to share what's in your hangar (Toy Box)...maybe it's a favorite plane you travel XCountry with? An ongoing project? A new acquisition? Send Janette Carlile a photo or two with explanations. Make sure you're in at least one of the photos! Send to:

[janette.g.carlile@gmail.com](mailto:janette.g.carlile@gmail.com)



## An Aviation Public Service Alert from Chapter Member, Rich Wyeroski

Rich Wyeroski wrote an article a few years ago for the Air Facts Journal regarding issues with the elevator attaching system failing for some Cessna 150's prior to 1969. This happened to him in 2016. You can read Rich's article by clicking on the link below. If you'd like to ask questions, feel free to email Rich at [rwyerowski@gmail.com](mailto:rwyerowski@gmail.com)

<https://airfactsjournal.com/2018/12/elevator-failure-at-4500-feet-in-a-cessna-150/>



This is a photo of Rich's Cessna 150's elevator after landing. The safety wire is holding the elevator from going lower.

## CHAPTER 1236 TOOL BIN

Don Bartlett, our EAA Chapter Tech Counselor, is the keeper of the Tool Bin Inventory. These items can be signed out and returned via Don by contacting him at [flyerpa22@gmail.com](mailto:flyerpa22@gmail.com) or 618-521-8591

INVENTORY: Rotax carburetor synchronization gauge set  
three Rotax 912 engine manuals  
cable tensioner 50-350 lbs for 3/16 and 5/32 cables  
cable tensioner 10-70 lbs. for 1/16, 3/32, 1/8 cables  
Hawkeye Bore Scope with functioning AA Battery light source, plus a non-functioning high intensity light source (needs charger)  
dual shop light set  
set of Preform digital scales 7000 lbs capacity (for aircraft use only)

**UPDATE: The prop balancer has arrived !**

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