

EAA Chapter 145 MEETING: **Saturday, July 14, 2012 – 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House At Riverview Airport (08C)**



## GRAND RAPIDS **CHAPTER 145**

Web Page (<http://www.EAA145.org>)

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Let me know if you prefer to receive the newsletter by e-mail in place of postal mail and check the chapter webpage for information or send Ken Baas items to put on the web.

### **JULY PROGRAM**

The 50th anniversary of EAA145 will be the program for July. The chapter has invited the local EAA chapter, 211, 221, and 704 to help celebrate. We will have static displays of A/C, display boards of EAA145 historical documents and of course a cook-out lunch. This is the time for all our friends of sport aviation to get together, share stories, and learn about the past of EAA145. Once again your volunteer efforts are needed to make this a meeting to remember.

Contact Dick Foster with your offer to help.  
(see attached flyer for more info)

### **Treasurer's report (as of June 28, 2012):**

Cash: \$183.56      Checking: \$95.70

Savings: \$1,976.30      Total: \$2,255.56

### **JUNE PROGRAM**

Our June program was a pancake breakfast put on by West Michigan Flight Academy and "Part 2" of iPads In Aviation by Herb Harney.

### **NEW WEBSITE**

The new website for Riverview Airport is now online: [www.riverviewairport.com](http://www.riverviewairport.com)

### **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Safety is no accident. Most people don't like to talk about safety; it's just not macho. I'm reasonable healthy, coordinated, after all I fly aircraft; however, I don't always think about safety. Here is an example. On Tuesday, June 12, I hurried to take a box of YE registration forms out to the car in the garage, but I missed one of the two steps, folded my left leg under me and tore the quadriceps tendon off from my knee cap. This is not a pleasant experience and leads to a lot of thinking "how could this happen" A week later the doctor reattached the tendon and now I "just" have to heal. The six week to six months of healing will give me a lot of time to think and talk about safety; not only in everyday life, but also in flying. As the picture below indicates "*Aviation in itself is not inherently dangerous*" [but if you don't think actively about safety] "*it is terribly unforgiving of any careless, incapacity or neglect*". Please take time to discuss and follow safety procedures when you fly, work of just sit. Now go do the safe thing, Dick

*Aviation in itself is not inherently dangerous. But to an even greater degree than the sea, it is terribly unforgiving of any carelessness, incapacity or neglect.*



## YOUNG EAGLES

June has been a busy month for Young Eagle flights. Volunteer pilots and ground crew have made the effort to fly 169 Young Eagles so far this month. Top Marks to the volunteers!

32 Young Eagles flown by 2 pilots on June 9 at WMFA breakfast (08C)

113 Young Eagles flown by 11 pilots on June 16 at GAAA event (6D6)

24 Young Eagles flown by 3 pilots on June 23 at WMFA camp (08C)

The June 30 WMFA camp should produce about another 20 Young Eagle's (08C).

Young Eagle planning goes on for the August 25 Care Affaire at West MI Regional airport (BIV)

Volunteer pilots and ground crew are need for these events. Contact Dick Foster if you would like to help introduce young people to aviation

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### FOR SALE

One quarter shares available in 1947 Aeronca Chief \$8,000. Qualifies for LSA, hangared at Riverview Airport 08C. See "For Sale" page of EAA 145 Web page for more details or call Bill Willyard at 460-6397.

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### WANTED

The EAA145 chapter hanger is available for anyone who needs temporary space to work on projects. Contact Dick Foster for details.

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*It's our Chapter. Its only as good as each one of us wants to make it.*

## Future tentative programs

### **July 2012: 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

TBD: Hummel Aviation

TBD: Video story of the P-47 thunderbolt

TBD: Aircraft carriers on Lake Michigan?

TBD: A summer "all Pilots" picnic/fly in at Riverview Airport

TBD: A Second Annual Movie Day

TBD: Aircraft Ownership & Operation: An Aviation Attorney's perspective

*(This list is shrinking--Do you have any more ideas? Bring them to the next meeting.)*

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### **2012 Meeting Dates** (subj. to change)

8/11 9/8 10/13 11/10 12/8

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