

CHAPTER 153



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello EAA 153 Friends,

Do you know someone with a unique flying machine that would bring it to Schaumburg Airport for discussion to one of our Friday night, summer, sunset dinner presentations? Let us know and plan to enjoy yourself!

Our recent '**Aviation and Law Enforcement**', given by a recently retired Law Enforcement Officer and Local Pilot at our May meeting was very informative, important and entertaining. Thanks to Rich, our great speaker and to the people that make the nice treats...Rich will be doing a course on First Aid/Stop the Bleed at an upcoming meeting.

On **Friday evening June 13th at 6:30**, on the tarmac outside of big hangar at Schaumburg Airport will we socialize and dine on delicious VALLI Subs, chips, drinks and desserts.

Then a **yellow taildragger Cessna 180** will taxi up and entertain us, as we learn more about this iconic model and certain desired modifications. There could be a quiz with prizes at the end, so pay close attention to the details;-) Our gathering will continue afterwards with each of you having an opportunity to tell us about any aviation travels, dreams, experiences or building reports, as we finish off the desserts in the sunset. It may be good to bring a folding chair and your appetite. If the weather(wind or rain) does not cooperate in some way and the pilot chickens out, then we will just move the event inside.

On Sunday, **June 15th-Father's Day**, Holiday Airways is hosting the Schaumburg Airport Pancake Breakfast. See the inside flyer and consider coming to enjoy a great breakfast and have fun. They are also accepting volunteers to help with a few things if you are able.

We are planning a group picnic in August, so stay tuned for details.

Some of our members have been flying around and ending up at some airport restaurants to have lunch together. Airplane food always seems to taste better, especially with friends.

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Garry's Bonanza and Bob's Cessna 180 and Steve's RV 10 at Rochelle Airport after lunch.

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Should you choose to be a member of our long standing Chapter, if you haven't already, you can mail or hand me the new updated membership form with your check or cash at your convenience. You can attend a Thursday night monthly Zoom EAA 153 board meeting if you wish-just let me know.

Please submit any ideas you have for future presentations, speakers, topics, social gatherings and please write an interesting, funny and/or helpful airplane story/article/tips for Madeleine to put in the newsletter. Be published and famous, and maybe get a prize!

Also if you have your airplane photo and you would like it showcased on our website, then send Glenn or me a nice picture of it. Check it out!!

The Chapter has some aircraft hardware and handy airplane tools to loan out to our paid members for short term use. Call me with any questions.

Our Chapter has flight advisors and technical counselors to consult with.

Maybe some friendly members would like to help you with building your aircraft project. Just ask during the Builder's reports.

Please also Visit, Share and Like us on our fun, educational, helpful EAA 153 Facebook page.

Masks at our events are optional. In case you feel any unhealthy symptoms, please stay home and get better. Please practice safe social distancing and use the hand sanitizer. Let's all stay healthy!

You will enjoy our hangar meetings, ice cream socials, picnics, sunset outdoor meetings-while we learn new things and have airplane fun with our friends....

Thank you all for your ideas, support and for being part of our 62 year new EAA Chapter 153!

Thanks everyone. See you soon, have fun and stay safe.

Bob Brandt-EAA 153 President

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153 Tool Collection-

Donations of More Tools Welcomed

Cylinder compression testing equipment

Magneto Timing Tester

Cable tension meter

Oil filter torque wrench

Oil filter cutter

Safety wire roll

Oil filter media cutter

Six inch safety wire twister

DOW Corning DC 4 Lubricant

3/8" torque wrench

3/8" variable speed reversible drill

Adjustable wide jaw wrench set

Endoscope

Seven piece professional nut driver set

Miscellaneous Aluminum bending tools

Cable Swedger

Label maker

Miscellaneous Hardware in the hangar

Cissy and Bob have the key for the cabinetry in the kitchen to the right of the sink and also on a lock box combination....

For insurance purposes-Anyone using the tools must be a currently paid up EAA 153 member and be knowledgeable in how to properly use the tools Or do not use them. Seek help as needed.

EAA 153 assumes no liability for their misuse or use.

Wear goggles and other safety equipment as appropriate.

Please return them when done and asap.

Please sign out tools on the sheets provided.

Bob Brandt

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Father's Day Pancake Breakfast 2025

Join Holiday Airways at the
Schaumburg Regional Airport

Breakfast will be served in
the terminal aircraft hangar
from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Sunday, June 15th
905 W. Irving Park Road,
Schaumburg

Holiday Airways
will be serving up Pilot Pete's
delicious pancakes,
scrambled eggs, sausage, juice
and coffee.
\$15 a plate online
or at the door

**You're Plane
Awesome!
Let it Fly
This Father's Day**

Airplane rides per seat
Cessna \$40.00
Cub \$50.00
Stearman \$120.00
Pitts \$200.00
Helicopter Rides \$60

PILOT PETE'S
WHERE THE ADVENTURE BEGINS
RESTAURANT & BAR

Pancake Breakfast Tickets available at the

Holiday Airways website

www.flyholidayairways.com or Village of Schaumburg website

Limited number of tickets available,

walk up tickets available until all are sold out.

Adventures of the Lucky Flying Hat

by Cappy McHat



My first memory was being taken out of a big box with a lot of my friends after we had all been stitched with McFarlane emblems on our fronts. I learned as the days went on that McFarlane is a famous provider of almost anything great for airplanes and has a great reputation for building things better and for less money. Before too long we were all being unloaded in the booth at a place called Oshkosh before the big AirVenture flying show and airplane fanatic gathering with 10,000 nice airplanes. It was amazing to see all the nice people coming and going at our booth. Before long a guy named Bob was explaining how he just bought all new McFarlane cables, control cables and fuel parts and wondered if he could get a free hat. I was chosen to be his new hat. I walked around the show with Bob that year seeing all kinds of amazing airplane things.

Bob was restoring his Dad's 1954 Cessna 180, that his Dad and Mom flew around the country on their honeymoon in 1956. They even landed on a street near Los Angeles Airport due to fog. We decided the best place to get the best flying lessons in a Cessna 180 was from an experienced former airline pilot that coincidentally lived near Los Angeles, so we hopped on a jet and flew out there and received 25 hours of training in the instructor's Cessna 180 together. I don't really know how Bob and I did the flying so well, although there were a few times where I almost jumped off of his head. It was extremely windy with the Santa Ana winds blowing at some of the 23 airports we went to in the Los Angeles basin and up in the mountains. Somehow the fear is the back of the plane wanting to go first and swap ends or at least that was what Bob and I had been told about the notorious tail wheel airplanes. The old-time instructor would always step in to save the day if things got squirrely and he said it was all because he has his lucky flying hat watching out for him. His cap taught me quite a bit that trip. I know he is only human, but I wish Bob had paid better attention during all those lessons. After that trip Bob decided I should be promoted to become his Lucky Flying Hat! I was so proud to be called to that important duty.

Bob and I have been through a lot together since. I flew Bob and his wife Susan on some fun, folding bike riding, camping and Great Lakes Island airport adventures! He goes flying for lunches a lot and probably could drop a few pounds, but I don't tell him that. He says more adventures will come when he retires from selling airpark houses and other homes. I have worked hard to keep him on the runway and not off in the weeds. He has done pretty good for the most part. He still hasn't perfected all of his landings though, even though it's been about 800 hours and 22 years since he took those initial taildragger Cessna lessons with me. Fortunately, we both like practicing landings and we do pretty good with our exciting super short landings. His and my job is still a work in progress, I guess. Maybe in another 22 years he'll finally nail those crosswind landings...

Lately the edges of my front and sides are getting really frayed and I think Bob has aged a bit also. We don't talk about that much, but I noticed he leaves me in the airplane now and takes a handsome new hat when he goes into an Airport Restaurant. He has started carrying this hat around and introduced this new guy to me as his backup lucky flying hat. It is a Recreational Aircraft Foundation hat with fancy venting and nice fabric. We have actually become good friends and share stories with the yellow airplane, Bob's Mom's lucky flying rosary and Bob's Dad's miniature funeral flag, while we're all parked in the hangar waiting for our next flight. I'm confident that when my time has come to retire, that Bob will be in good hands. In the meantime, we'll all try to keep the greasy side down and not bounce too high on our landings.

It has been a pleasure flying with you, Bob.

Thanks for the memories!



Schaumburg Regional Airport
905 W Irving Park Road
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JUNE MEETING OF EAA CHAPTER 153

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025

6:30 PM outside the big hangar

Come and enjoy Valli subs
with chips, drinks, & desserts
and airplane show and tell!

See you there!



CHAPTER 153

2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS EAA 153

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 2ND FRIDAY EVERY MONTH

Friday, June 13
Friday, August 8
Friday, October 10
Friday, December 12

Friday, July 11
Friday, September 12
Friday, November 14



Chapter 153

Schaumburg Illinois

Membership Application

EAA National Membership is REQUIRED for all Chapter 153 members.

Chapter 153 dues are \$30 per year payable on January 1st each year.

Quarterly prorated reductions in increments of \$5.00 are made for those joining for the first time later in the year.

Return this form to the Treasurer or President.

Date _____ [] New Member [] Update

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Prefer to be called _____ Partner's name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Your EAA Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Are you currently building/flying an aircraft? [] Yes [] No

Model _____ N-Number _____

Check areas of interest [] Young Eagles [] Antique [] Classic

or other interests: [] Ultralight [] Homebuilt [] Powered Chute

[] War Birds [] Rotorcraft [] Sky Diving

[] _____ [] _____ [] _____

Other Comments (optional):

Please return completed application to a meeting or mail with payment to address below.

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