

E.A.A Chapter 1643

Newsletter

April 9, 2024

Hello Chapter friends,

This is my first effort at a newsletter, so bear with me.

Young Eagle Day/Chapter Gathering.

This Saturday, April 13, is our first planned Young Eagle Day for this year, and this will be in lieu of our normal Chapter Gathering. We plan to start flights at 9:00 am and go 'til noon at the Galesburg Airport with registration in the Stearman Hanger. Volunteers should plan to get there no later than 8:00 to give us time for set up and briefing. Rain date will be Sunday, April 14.

President's Report

Ford Tri-Motor

EAA Chapter 1643 has submitted an application to the EAA Air Tours Department to be a possible tour stop for the Ford Tri-Motor this fall. While EAA has generated the Tri-Motor tour schedule for the spring and summer, they are still working on developing the tour for after AirVenture. We submitted our application for the week surrounding the National Stearman Fly-In. We will share more information as it arrives.

Treasurer's Report

As of March 27, the chapter account balance was \$7714.07.

Next Board of Director's meeting:

April 24 at 6:00 on the second floor of the Stearman Community Center.

Tentative Chapter Gathering Program schedule:

- May 11 - Air Traffic Control Presentation by KMLI Controller, Brady Seei
- June 8 - Young Eagle Rally - International Young Eagle Day
- July 13 - BBQ/cookout?
- Aug. 10 - Stitchin' Chic fabric covering demonstration
- September - Stearman Fly-in, no gathering

- October – open
- November – open
- December – Holiday gathering at Inkeepers

Request from your secretary:

If anybody is aware of upcoming nearby events such as fly-in breakfasts, airshows, etc. please let me know and I will include the information in our newsletter. I think we should do the best we can to support our neighboring airports, EAA chapters and flying clubs. Also, please e-mail me with any member project reports, flying accomplishments or fun activities.

Member Reports

Ellie, Aaron, Dave, Andrea and Isaac flew to McLeansboro, IL (3LL8) and landed at a private, city owned airstrip for the eclipse. It was in the heart of totality and was a truly awesome experience! The flight went very well (especially for Isaac's first helicopter ride) and the total eclipse was such a cool sight to see! It was like a 360 degree sunrise! We hope everyone got to get out and see some form of this unique experience.



If you are looking for your aircraft to be cleaned, Jason Blynn of Abingdon, IL has been detailing cars, but is now detailing airplanes, too. Jason is providing detailing, including shampooing and ceramic coatings. Please contact Jason for more information.

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This is my first attempt at a newsletter. Positive feedback is appreciated. Complaints, keep to yourself.

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