







What's Happening?

BY MARY-ELLEN PFEIFFER

A lot is happening!!!! As I write this, many of you are at Oshkosh having an incredible experience. We can't wait to hear the stories and see the pictures!!! Quad Cities Aero has opened their hangar and now our Chapter has a home. We have raised enough scholarship money for one matching scholarship, but we still have time to raise the other half to offer two. We've flown over 75 Young Eagles participants. We've had three successful Chapter gatherings, and we are just getting started. The future is bright!!!! Thank you for being a part of it!

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Upcoming Chapter Events:

August 3 - Chapter Gathering QC Aero @ 11:30am

August 6 - Business Meeting QC Aero @ 6pm

August 20 - VMC Meeting QC Aero @ 6pm (virtual option)

August 24 - Young Eagles Rally QC Aero 8am-12pm

Quad Cities Aero 3100 69th Avenue Moline, IL 61265

<u>Membership Registration</u>

If you haven't registered as a member yet, please do so as soon as possible. This will ensure that you are receiving all of the membership emails, are kept up to date regarding the happenings, you are aware of all the volunteer opportunities, and will allow us to hear your voice to give you the greatest chapter experience possible Membership also allows all of us to work together to make a strong, vibrant aviation community and support network for each other. Registration is simple - follow the link on EAA1702.org and, if you have any questions, email chapter@eaa1702.org. Membership dues is \$20 for and individual, \$30 for a family, but dues should not be an impediment to membership.

<u>Spirit Wear</u>



Spiritwear is here!!!! Show your chapter spirit with a t-shirt, hat, or hoodie! There are lots of options to choose from. Find the link at **EAA1702.org**, or any of our social media. Be on the look out for some special edition merchandise.

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Arthur Ashe, professional tennis player, once said, "Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can." That is the spirit to consider as you are reviewing your options. No judgement, think about just doing what you can. There are two types of opportunities: one time volunteer for specific events, and ongoing volunteer opportunities with a longer commitment.

One time volunteer opportunities at this time:

- Greeters at Young Eagles and Flying Start events.
- Girls In Aviation Day people to greet and talk to guests at table about our chapter
- One time educators and assistants for Young Eagles workshops/presentations
- Plane Wash volunteers for fundraising plane wash

Long term volunteer opportunities at this time:

- Coordinator of educational activities (Young Eagles Workshops)
- Coordinator of hospitality (Greeters at events/welcoming people)
- Coordinator of Youth Board
- Coordinator of Fundraising

We are a growing chapter with many opportunities that extend beyond these opportunities, the possibilities are endless. If you are interested in hearing more about any of these opportunities, please contact **chapter@eaa1702.org**.

Additionally, the chapter holds business meetings once per month. These are open to the public and we encourage you to come, voice your opinion, and share your ideas. We need you and value both your time and your opinion!!!!







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Member



Paul Peterson, Private Pilot, June 29



Jon Floming, Air Academy, June 2023



Katrina Pfeiffer, Pilot First Young Eagles Flight



Savannah Devolder, Private Pilot, June 21



Cody Devolder, Private Pilot, May 29



Suleman Chaudhry -Instrument, May 30 Commercial, July 22



Craig Bloomingdale, Air Academy June 2023



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IMPACT THE FUTURE

Give Today!!!!

Pilot Shortages

The aviation sector has been hit in recent times with a growing demand for new pilots as the airline industry continues to experience global shortages in the number of certified pilots. In the next 20 years, airlines in North America alone are going to be in need of around 130,000 new pilots. Pilots pursuing a career in flying will spend \$75,000—\$100,000 for flight training.

Make a Difference now!!!!





Within our communities, we have eligible youth interested in pursuing careers in aviation and families that would love to foster their teens aspirations. The problem is that the cost is prohibitive for most families. The EAA Ray Scholarship is a merit based scholarship that is funded by the Ray Foundation, a private foundation that supports programs and organizations that teach life skills through aviation to young people. Through the generous support of the Ray Foundation, the EAA offers chapters the opportunity to obtain to 25/75 matching scholarships a year to be able to offer two eligible youth \$11,000 scholarships to complete their private pilot certificates, a year. Chapters must provide 25%, and the Ray Foundation will provide 75% of the funds.

EAA Chapter 1702 is committed to bringing this opportunity to the Quad Cities. To do this, we need your help. 25% of each scholarship is \$2,750. To be able to provide two scholarships, our chapter needs to rase \$5,500. We need your donation to allow these students the head start, this first certification towards many, for their careers. We'd love to share our progress with you so follow us on Facebook and Instagram at EAA Chapter 1702. Please contact us for more information or to see how you can become more involved!

EAA Chapter 1702 is a 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Non-Profit Charity organization (99-1740388) committed to the advancement of aviation education. Donations to EAA Chapter 1702 are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.











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Other Area EAA Chapter Events

August 1, 7PM - VMC @ Gen Air Park Pilots Lounge (EAA 410)

August 3, 8:30 AM - Coffee & Donuts @ Gary VandeVoordes Hangar - E-8, Davenport Airport (EAA 75)

August 6, 6 PM - IMC @ Revv Aviation, Davenport Airport (EAA 75)

August 10, 12 PM - combined Chapter 410 & 75 Potluck @ Gen Air Park

August 17, 8 AM - Wingin' It breakfast @ Gen Air Park (\$5 suggested donation) (EAA 410

Find more information at www.eaa1702.org







Contact us at chapter@eaa1702.org

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