



# EAA 196

# NEWSLETTER

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### Coming Events

- With COVID-19 finally beginning to wane, the chapter will be trying to revive traditions and events. The calendars included in this newsletter may be outdated or updated soon, as we add or re-start events.
- The Governor's office will proclaim July as General Aviation Appreciation Month at 6B6. Please plan to attend Friday, June 25th at 11:00 to show your support!
- Myricks Fly-In, Sunday September 19. Yet to be confirmed.

### News

- The airport Open House and 5K Run-the-Runway, in conjunction with NAA, has been set for Saturday, October 2. More news to follow.
- Jayda Acevedo-Dickinson took her first official flight lesson from the left seat. More on that in this issue.
- Our first Young Eagles Rally since 2019 was unfortunately weathered out on Saturday, June 12. We'll try again for Saturday, July 10.

### Licenses and Ratings

- Karen Collins soloed in December 2020.
- Noah Wells passed his private pilot check ride in April and is now a newly minted private pilot! He is the chapter's second Ray Aviation Scholar.
- Ashley Yarnell received her CFI rating.
- Peter Alberti soloed!

## Jayda's Story

By Jayda Acevedo-Dickinson

Hi, my name is Jayda. Some of you know me, some maybe not.

My Grandma and Grandpa have helped me and guided me along the way but they suggested that it's time for me to tell my own story, so here it is.



Many have asked how I first got interested in aviation and I honestly can't remember back that far. They tell me that I was about 4 years old when they noticed that I would drop everything to watch any kind of airplane as they went by. I can believe this because I still do this today! I did insist though, that they cut the bottom out of my pool floatie so I could be an airplane for Halloween!

After that, they brought me to Castle Island and different airports just to watch the planes up close. When I was about 7 years old I finally flew in my first

airplane. My grandparents arranged with a pilot from Norwood who flew us from Mansfield to Fitchburg for lunch and back. He let me control the airplane most of the way! It was one of the most exciting things I had ever done! I was convinced that I wanted to become a pilot and to fly big airplanes as a career. I am now 13 1/2 years old and only feel more sure about that than ever.



As time went on, I got to meet many more pilots and



have joined several

groups along the way. These include many of my friends from the TPA, Taunton Pilots Association, The Minute Man Airport and their Young Eagles group, Cranland Airport, Crow Island and many more! I am very thankful for each of them and the support they have given me.

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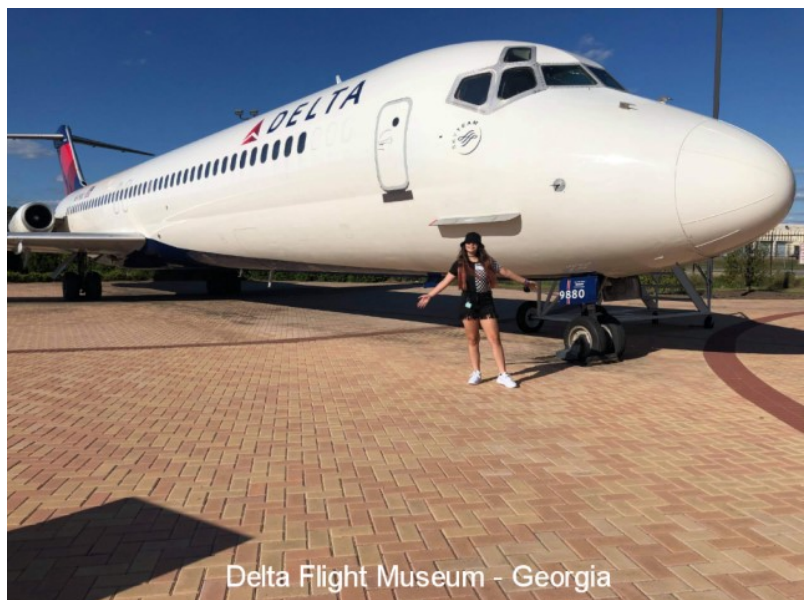
Some people have asked me how the "whole Covid thing" has affected my flying. It really had taken away a lot of my time in the air but much of that was replaced with virtual groups and friends. One of those groups is Peter's 'Central MA Youth Aviation Club' which he formed while the Eagles group was unable to meet in person. It is a great learning experience and both will resume meeting in person now.



I am very thankful for my TPA friends who kept me flying to Martha's Vineyard, Plymouth and other places for Sunday breakfast. Thanks also to my Dad, a Delta Ramp Agent based at Atlanta right now. He has flown me in large aircraft to many places, most recently to the Delta Flight Museum in Georgia.

A sad thing was that I had been given a scholarship to attend the EAA Youth

Air Academy Camp in Oshkosh, Wisconsin for a week. That was cancelled due to Covid last year and again this year. My friends at Minute Man, Mike, Peter, Andy and others wanted to help while we hoped that I would be able to attend in 2022. They made a collection and bought me a great headset of my own and raised enough to pay for some terrific flight lessons with Beth Cook! She is the best CFI! This was the first time that I was actually able to fly in the pilot's left seat and put real recordable hours in my official logbook.



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This will all count toward my solo flight at 16! From there, I will have another year to go to earn my private pilot's license. After that will be more school and eventually a start of a great career!

Some of the highlights that I have done recently was an overnight trip to Crow Island Airport where we had a bonfire on Friday night and a fly-in breakfast the next morning with a day full of airplanes! I had already flown in 28 airplanes, many of them many times and with hands on. I was able to fly in a Cessna Bird Dog and my first flight in an ultralight trike, an Air Creation Skypper. This made numbers 29 and 30! Another highlight was that we were able to sleep in a restored Caboose. It was

beautiful! Most recently, my friends Mike and Doug from TPA invited me to tour a FEDEX 757 cargo plane at the TF Green Airport. I got to see a lot of the parts of the plane that you don't normally get to see, like the landing gear and the engines, and watching the huge control surfaces being moved by the pilot. This was an outstanding experience!



I can't thank everyone enough for being there for me. Maybe I can invite you to fly with me one day.

Happy flying :)

Jayda

#JaydaFuturePilot



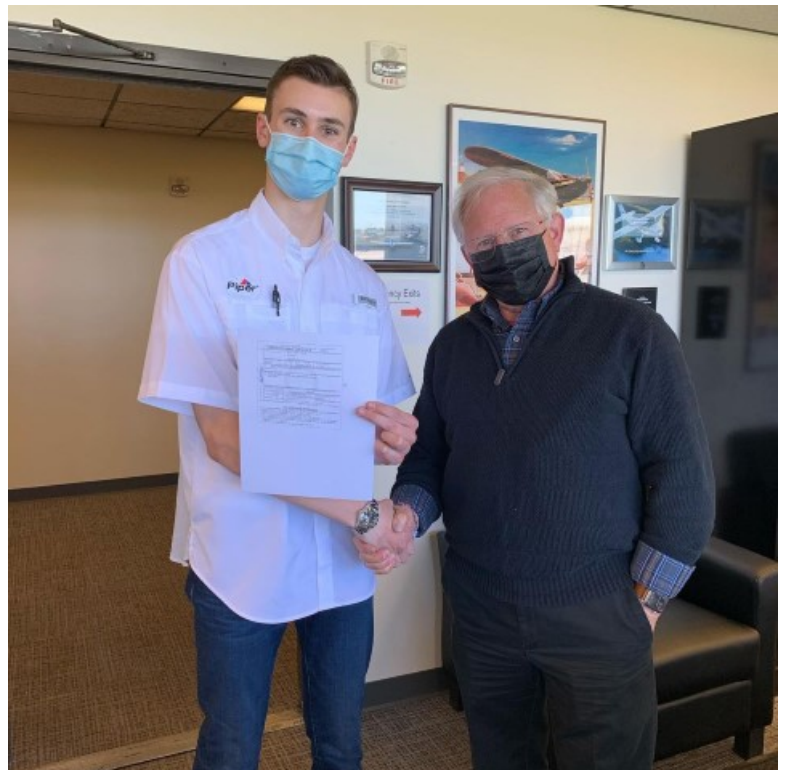
## *Noah Wells—Ray Aviation Scholar*

By Peter Alberti



Noah Wells, of Concord, MA, was the EAA Chapter 196 recipient of the 2020 Ray Aviation Scholarship. Noah completed the program by passing his Private Pilot checkride on April 26<sup>th</sup>, which also happened to be his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday. Rumor has it that he accomplished his maneuvers to commercial checkride standards despite having had winds gusting to upwards of 30KT!

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Noah for his accomplishment. Noah stated he intends to pay it back by flying Young Eagles with EAA Chapter 196.



## Youth Aviation Club

By Peter Alberti



In January the Central MA Youth Aviation Club was formed. Six youth are currently participating. The club was formed because numerous parents asked during Young Eagles rallies: "Is there anything else locally that is aviation-related for kids to do besides Young Eagles?" Since there is little else that is structured, the club was formed to offer activities, discussions/learning, and group visits to aviation-related events and place. Until recently the meetings were

held virtually using Discord, a communication platform for gamers. A few weeks ago the club members met in person for the first time at Minute Man Air Field. Future activities include flying, trips to museums, plane spotting, visits to air traffic control facilities, and more. Once the group has completed a series of EAA activities donated by EAA Chapter 196, the current members will be offered the opportunity to mentor new members.



## ***Cub Scout Visit***

Members of a Cub Scout Pack from Maynard visited Minute Man Air Field on May 16<sup>th</sup>. They were offered a tour of the airport and the opportunity to check out the inside of one of our based aircraft.



## ***POST COVID-19, CHAPTER 196 MEETS AGAIN!***



For more than a year the chapter successfully held on-line Zoom-based chapter meetings. While we all missed meeting in person, we did get the opportunity to have numerous presenters from around the country, present interesting topics to us online. I think we'll actually miss the variety of speakers we were able to access from hundreds of miles away.

But as Massachusetts has begun to emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic of

2020/2021, we were finally able to meet again in person on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31., 2021! On purpose, there was no agenda and no speaker. We simply wanted to bask in the ability to meet face to face once again!





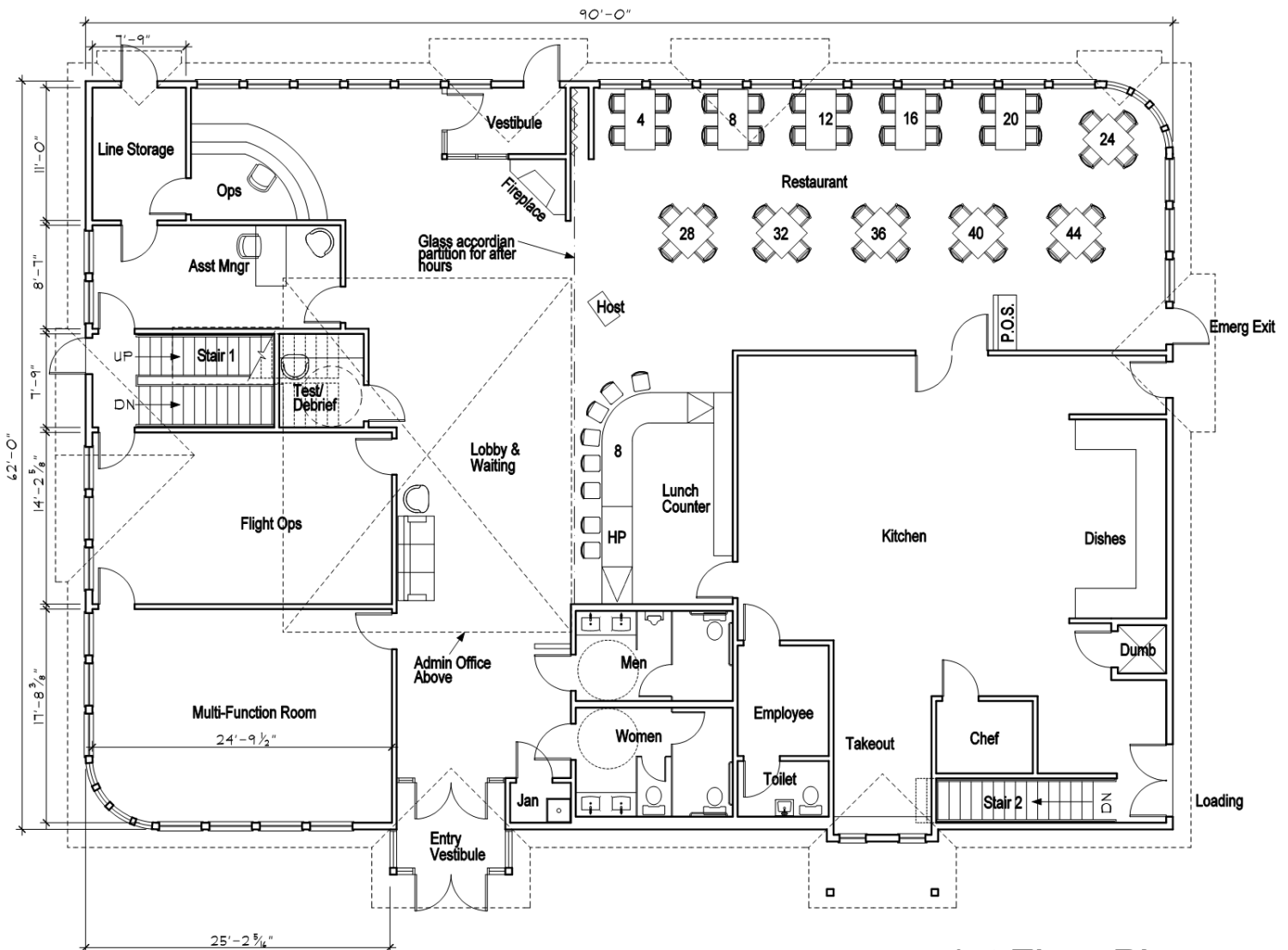
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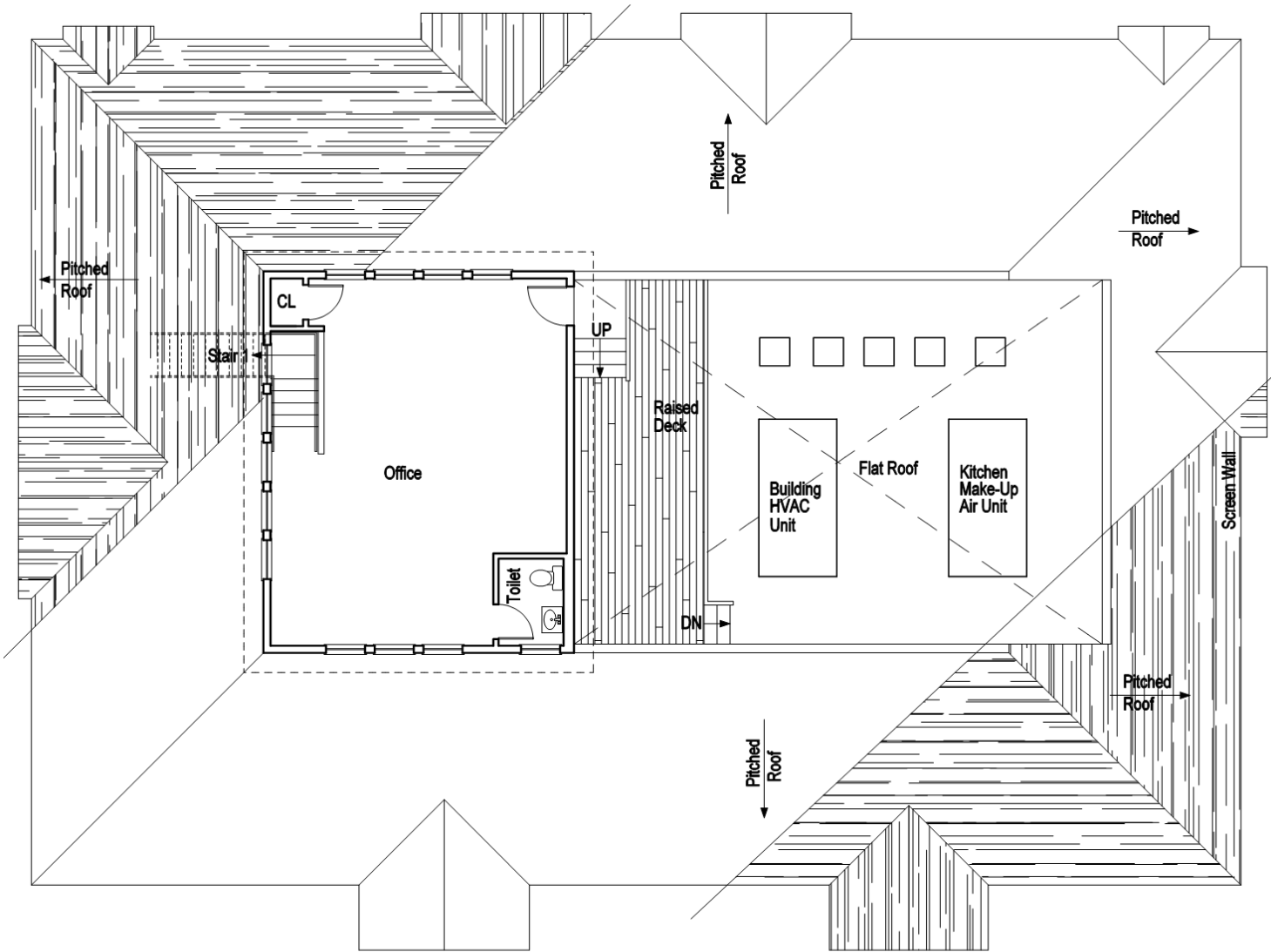
# New Admin Building Proposed

By Michael Smith

Air field owner Don McPherson, and architect Mike Smith, of Signature Architects, worked over the winter to create schematic designs for a proposed new administration building to replace the undersized and aging building that held Nancy's Air Field Restaurant and the Operations Office. The goal is to present the designs to the MassDOT- Aeronautics Division for consideration of funding. The available area for the new building is severely limited by various site and subsurface constraints, and even after adding basement storage and moving the airport manager's office to the second floor, an annex has been planned to accommodate the entire program of sorely needed spaces. The main building will contain not only a new restaurant space and operations office, but also larger and handicap accessible restrooms, a multi-function meeting room, a flight operations office, a test and debrief room, and plenty of basement storage. The Annex will contain areas for staff training and break room, pilot quiet room, showers, WX briefing and storage space for our mobile airport maintenance equipment. The annex is planned for the inside corner of our access road.

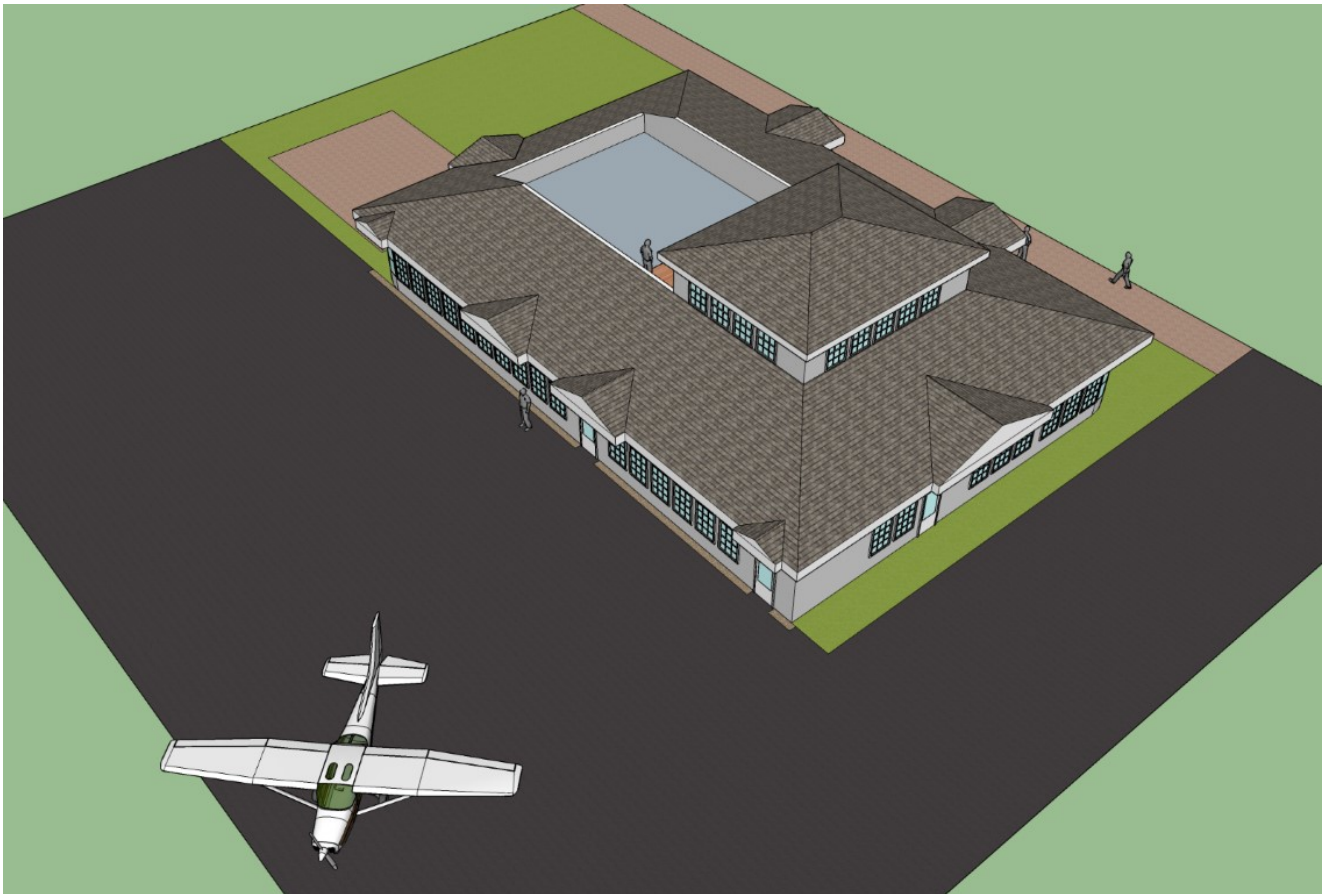


1st Floor Plan

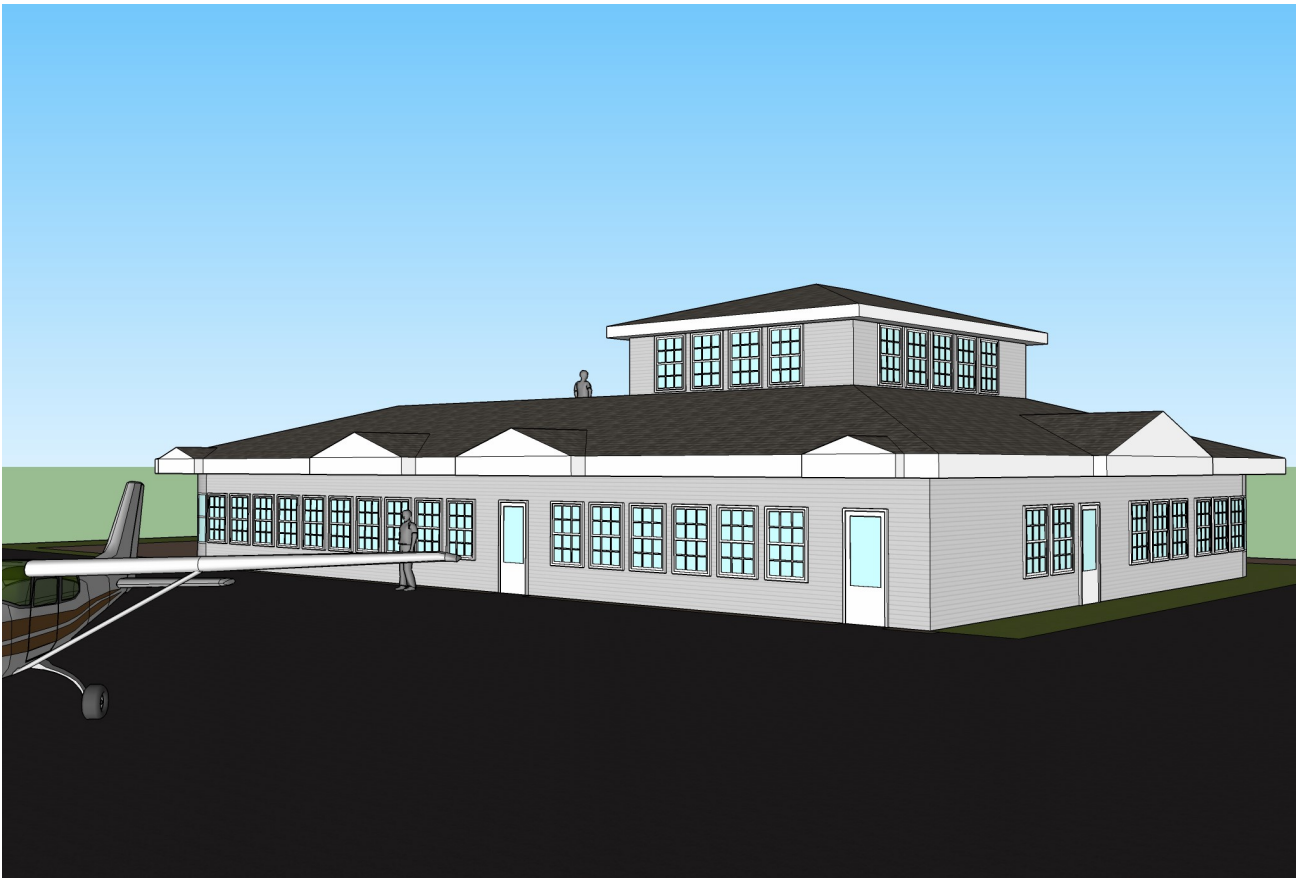


# 2nd Floor Plan

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## ***What's on the WEB?***

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### ***The History Guy***

Oodles of history stories including many about aircraft and pilots.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/TheHistoryGuyChannel/featured>

### ***Keep Up the Good Fight***

Collaboration and communication—in other words, good teamwork—help pilots and ATC get creative when small storms become big headaches.

<https://www.avweb.com/flight-safety/risk-management/keep-up-the-good-fight/>

### ***Efficiently Tour All Airports in a State***

Shortest tour of all airports within each state of the USA, ignoring terrain and airspace.

<https://statacumen.com/2021/01/07/traveling-salesman-pilot/>

### ***Sustainable Aviation Fuel?***

From The Airplane Geeks podcast, a commentary on sustainable aviation fuel (go to 1:45:46). Is it really “sustainable” as everyone is trying to define it?

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### ***How to Fly the Pattern Without Making an #@\$ of Yourself***

For some reason, pilots often make a hash of flying the traffic pattern with especially nasty arguments over straight-in approaches. In this descent into animated madness, AVweb's Paul Bertorelli takes a humorous look at the issues.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMK6GRrMCdl>

## **Books**

“Australian Women Pilots,” by Kathy Mexted.

Amazing true stories of women in the air!

“Carrier Pilot,” by Norman Hanson.

One of the greatest pilots’ memoirs of WWII.

“The Navy’s Air War (Annotated): A Mission Completed,” by Albert Buchanan.

A very details accounting of what it took to create and build up an aerial fighting force for World War II. This is all about the issues that had to be solved, how they were solved, and the structure and bureaucracy of such a monumental undertaking.

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## ***PHOTO FINISH***

More photos of Jayda on the day of her first lesson!



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Ashley Yarnell

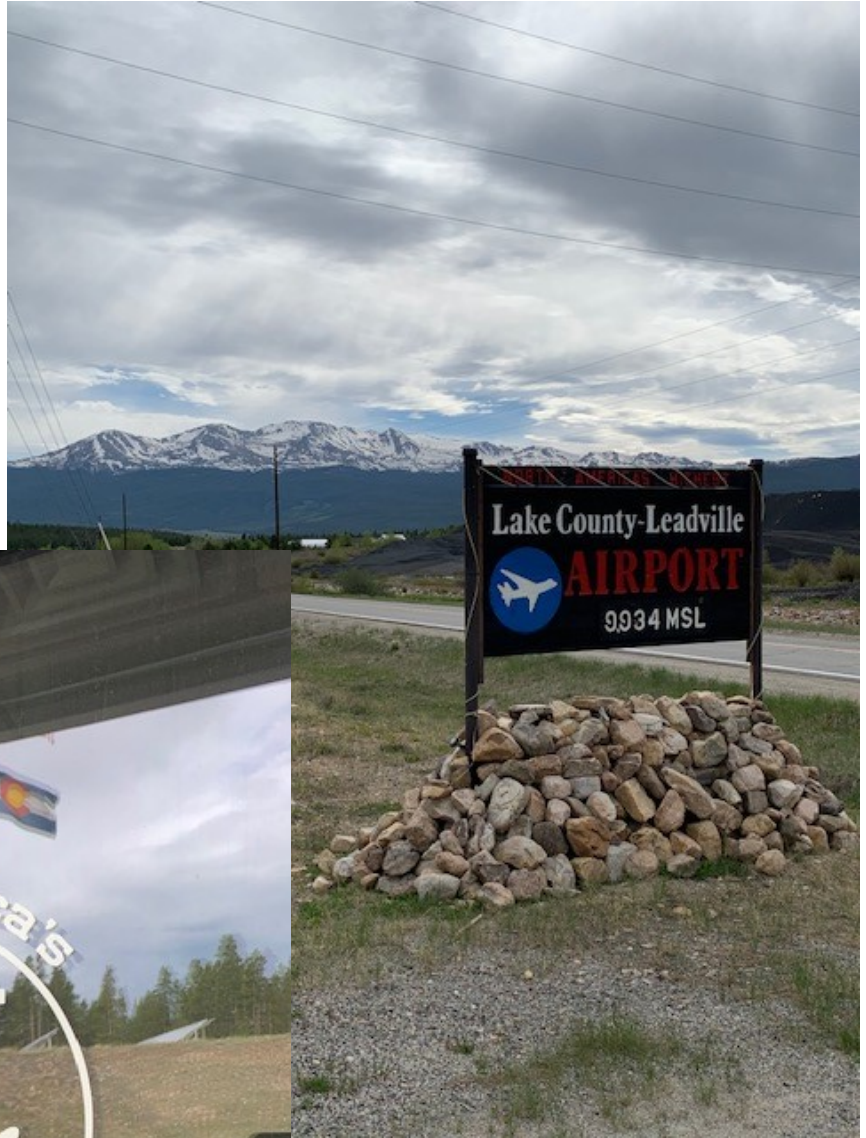
I saved this guy's dog. It was the farthest I've ever flown. 8.8 hours in one day. I flew to Carlisle, PA, and even met up with my aunt and uncle for lunch before heading back. Then I found two curious kids at the airport and let them each have a turn flying. I had to delay the return trip to due to weather, but all in all an amazing experience! I think I'll look into *Pilots-n-Paws*.



I sent my first student solo the other night at **6B6**. It was so surreal because my original CFI actually taught him 9 years ago! Everyone said "you'll be so nervous" but I wasn't. I wouldn't have gotten out if I was nervous. He was solid. Very proud. I will invite him to join our group!

## PHOTO FINISH

Doug Stone: The pictures tell the story!



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Doug Stone enjoying being high in Colorado!

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## ***PHOTO FINISH***

Don's Birthday Party!



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Mt. Washington, NH, and Sunday River, ME, from a Sonex.





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## ***PHOTO FINISH***

In memory of our dear friend, Doc D'Errico, whom we lost this month. It would be hard to find a nicer, more caring soul. Rest in peace, and know you were loved by many!



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## ***PHOTO FINISH***

That's Doc on the drums back there!



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# Calendar

## July 2021

AirventureSun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 9:00 Hangar Talk (location TBA)
4 July 4 Holiday	5	6	7	8	9	10 9:00-12:00 EAA 196 Young Eagles
11	12	13 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Airventure	26 6:00 EAA 196 BBQ & Chapter Mtg	27 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	28 Airventure	29 Airventure	30 Airventure	31 Airventure

## August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 9:00 Hangar Talk (location TBA)
8	9	10 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	11	12	13	14 9:00-12:00 EAA 196 Young Eagles
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	25	26	27	28
29	30 6:00 EAA 196 BBQ & Chapter Mtg	31				

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## September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 9:00 Hangar Talk Breakfast (location TBA)
5	6 Labor Day Holiday	7	8	9	10	11 9:00-12:00 EAA 196 Young Eagles
12	13	14 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	15	16	17	18
19 Myricks Fly-In (to be confirmed)	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 6:00 EAA 196 BBQ & Chapter Mtg	28 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	29	30		

## October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9:00 Hangar Talk Breakfast (location TBA)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 9:00-12:00 EAA 196 Young Eagles
10	11 Columbus Day Holiday	12 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 6:00 EAA 196 BBQ &	26 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	27	28	29	30
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## November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 9:00 Hangar Talk Breakfast (location TBA)
7	8	9 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	24	25 Thanks- giving Holiday	26	27
28 Hanukkah Begins	29 7:00 EAA 196 Chapter Mtg (maybe)	30				

## December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 9:00 Hangar Talk Breakfast (location TBA)
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 7:00 VMC Club Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Holiday
26	27	28 7:00 IMC Club Meeting	29	30	31	