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December 2019

The monthly newsletter of EAA Chapter 252, Oshkosh, Wisconsin | Steve Wittman Chapter

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### Farewell, 2019

CARRIE FORSTER

It's impossible for me to believe that 2019 is almost over. As I reflect upon the past year for Chapter 252, I am excited by all of the opportunities that we have been able to provide and for all the ways our members have been involved.

We had two successful Pancake Breakfasts and Young Eagle rallies, building upon a long tradition for these events for our chapter. The events were a financial success, but also a success in furthering our mission of outreach and

education. In addition to the involvement of our members, we provided flights to youth, and helped give many people a positive opportunity to learn more about aviation.

We had a couple of new events this past year.

We had our first Flying Start event in May, where about 20 participants came to our hangar to learn more about how to become a pilot. We had flight instructors, volunteer pilots, and other chapter volunteers. The weather didn't cooperate for Eagle Flights that day, but each participant was matched



with a volunteer pilot who gave them a flight experience in the following weeks. Due to the enthusiastic response of all involved, we plan to host another event in May 2020.

Our second new event was to host a pancake breakfast during AirVenture. Due to the weather and the new day of

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# Welcome

**The Pylon** is the monthly newsletter of EAA Ch. 252 and is published monthly by the newsletter editor.

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Suggestions for submissions include (but are not limited to):

- > updates on build projects
- > flight milestones
- > technical articles
- > items of interest to the general membership
- > classified ads

Submissions in either Word or PDF format, and photos in .jpg format are appreciated.

## December Gathering

DECEMBER

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See you at the Chapter 252 Hangar for the December meeting. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Meal and hangar flying. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Members, Prospective Members, and Guests Welcome!

## January Gathering

JANUARY

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See you at the Chapter 252 Hangar for the January meeting. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Meal and hangar flying. Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Members, Prospective Members, and Guests Welcome!

### December Chapter Gathering on Thursday

**December 12:** Rotax 912iS Sport Engine Overview. Rotax Flying Safety Club instructor Jorge Tavio provides an overview of the system components in the technologically advanced Rotax 912iS engine. Using detailed graphics Jorge will show how the engine differs from previous Rotax 912ULS engines, also provide some information on the 915iS engine



January Chapter Gathering on Thursday, January 9: TBD

February Chapter Gathering: Tom Charpentier from EAA's Government Relations staff: *ADSB is Here. Now What?*

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## Welcome New Members!

**Daniel DeDeker**-Dan and his wife Chelsea live in Oshkosh. Dan has been volunteering at AirVenture driving the shuttle. Dan is an Army Veteran serving from 1985 to 2008. Thanks for your service! He was also a plant manager for 19 years. He has always had an interest in aviation especially Warbirds and GA aircraft. He is currently building a Van's RV14. He is also a student pilot with the Winnebago Flying Club. In addition to flying he also likes to play the drums and is the drummer for a county music band, the Spitfire Rodeo. Thanks for joining Chapter 252!

## Coming Up!

Save the Date: Winter Party at the Roxy on Saturday, January 11. Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00 (order from the menu, as in past years). Annual Chapter Awards will be given out. Contact Dennis Moehn to sign up.

## SHORT HOPS

- **November Gathering:** We had a great turn out for our November Gathering. Chapter member Jakob Brouillette shared information about winter flying with chapter members. We had a great variety of chili for dinner - thanks to all the chapter members who brought something for our meal.
- Still looking for a co-chair for the Pancake Breakfast. Many thanks to Joe Sonnleitner for coming forward to volunteer to co-chair this event.
- Joe Sonnleitner and Steve Benesh will be co-chair or RC youth building project. Watch for more information in our next Pylon regarding volunteers and youth participation. We're ironing out exact details, but we're looking for about 10-12 youth ages 12 - 15, and a number of volunteers. Watch for more information about how to sign up.



## IMC/VMC Clubs Regional Meeting

### “Safety Through Proficiency”

**Saturday, January 11, EAA Aviation Center**

Our event is coming together nicely. A final speaker is being confirmed and once the program pieces are in place the announcements can be created and distributed. I have mentioned the training to several pilots who all immediately blocked the date on their calendars. The Bose headset is certainly going to help draw an audience - thanks Radek. Please look through the following and let me know if you have questions, comments and in particular, spot any gaps that haven't been addressed. The last portion includes a summary of individual and group to-do items. As noted, please send me your presentation titles and other info needed for the announcements.

We are going to have a Great IMC/VMC Proficiency Day in January!

Note: Also have program handout posted in several locations, including presentation rooms – considering adding to PPT and put on screen at end of each presentation, directing attendees to the next session

Sponsors: EAA, FAASTeam, Bose, Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics, AOPA, NAFI

Time	Activity	Speaker	Topic	Notes
8:00-9:00	Coffee/pastries			
9:15-10:15	Session 1 General	Radek	Proficiency - Stay Active and Current Year-Round	
10:30-11:30	Session 2 IMC	Andy	Accident case study	Icing related – lead in for afternoon weather presentation on icing
10:30-11:30	Session 3 VMC	Karen	Habit Forming – Safety Tips for Every Flight	
11:30-12:30	Lunch & Door Prizes			
12:45 - 13:45	Session 4 General	Jeff	Winter Operations – Recommendations from an A&P-IA	Pilot/A&P-IA: maintenance topic
14:00 - 15:00	Session 5 IMC	Rich	Understand Your Icing Risk – A Meteorologist Explains What, Where, When, Why	Meteorologist: weather topic
14:00 - 15:00	Session 6 VMC	Levi/Jurg	TBD – Nontowered Operations?	



# EAA Air Academy Scholars!

Our chapter is providing two scholarships to Air Academies this summer. We are paying 75% of the cost of the camps from our Young Eagle credits.

Karver Repp is from Minnesota and will be attending the Young Eagle Camp in June. Karver is a family friend of chapter members Jeurgen Otte and Amy Rolph. Karver is very interested in aviation and loves flying flight simulators. He is looking forward to taking his first Young Eagle flight with Jeurgen in the future.

Alayna McKinnon is from Appleton. She had her first Young Eagle flight with chapter member John Forster this past summer, and enjoyed it so much she came to our fall pancake breakfast and Young Eagle rally. Alayna is excited to learn more about aviation at the Basic Camp in July. Alayna is interested in engineering and has been in Vex Robotics at her school for several years.

Congratulations to both Karver and Alayna! Our chapter is thrilled to be able to help further the aviation passion and goals of these two young people.





RAY AVIATION  
SCHOLARSHIP



## From Our Scholar, Sonja

Before I give my November monthly review, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support. It was truly an honor to stand in front of you at our November meeting and celebrate my milestones. It means the world to me; thank you!

Although we have continued to experience the start of Wisconsin winter weather, November has been another productive month for me. It has entailed a main focus on cross country flying. I have logged a total of 20.4 hours and 44 landings, including 13.6 cross country hours. This month I completed my first cross country, my first solo cross country, my first night cross country, and my first simulated instrument training lesson.



On November 8, I went on my first solo cross country; from Oshkosh to Central Wisconsin Airport, then to Green Bay, and back to Oshkosh. I had previously flown this route



with my instructor, Jamie Pittman, so I was familiar with it, but I was still very nervous. I did well communicating on the radios, including requesting flight following, communicating with the tower at Central Wisconsin, and at Green Bay. My landings were all good and my navigation went well, however on this flight I learned a big lesson. At Green Bay, I was lining myself up for the wrong runway and seemed to realize it at the same time as the tower controller. We were able to work it out and luckily, I was the only one in the pattern. Everything was ok, but this could've been bad. I learned the importance of being 110% confident of the instructions from the tower and the lay out of runways at the airport. Overall, I was proud of the good things I had accomplished, but I was eager to continue improving and gaining experience.

Following my first solo cross country, I began simulated instrument training and continued to fly cross countries. On November 15, I flew my first solo cross country to a non-towered airport; from Oshkosh to Baraboo-Wisconsin Dells Regional, then to Waupaca Municipal,

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and back to Oshkosh. With more experience under my belt, I think this flight was much more successful than the first. I did well communicating my position on the UNICOM, including at each leg of the pattern. I also did well positioning myself among the other traffic in the pattern at each airport. I have logged 6.2 solo cross country hours this month and through this training, I have developed my understanding of weather and gained more experience in analyzing the choice to go or not to go.

For a couple of weeks this month, we had been planning a dual night cross country to Madison but we kept delaying it due to weather. On November 25, I was finally able to go on this flight with Harley Miskov! My favorite part about the flight was coming into Madison and seeing the Capitol building illuminated just beyond runway 21, which we were lined up straight for. It was beautiful! During this flight, I was amazed by how quickly the 'work-load' could change as we got closer to Madison and had landed, but I was grateful to experience and practice that. I was also glad to experience the differences in navigation between day and night cross country flying. This month, I also started my simulated instrument training with Harley and was able to log 2.5 hours. I will finish the rest of the required simulated instrument hours this upcoming month.

Overall, November has been another success for me and with my required hours and training almost completed, I am excited to announce that we have scheduled my checkride for December 7. Until then, I will be focusing on continuing to prepare for the oral exam and reviewing the maneuvers for the flight portion. Best wishes to everyone this coming month, and happy holidays!

*Sonja Karner*

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## CONGRATS, SONJA!

As this newsletter was wrapping up, we received word that Sonja, our Ray Foundation Scholar, has become a pilot! "Six months of fun and unique challenges has brought this training story to an end, but it's only the beginning for Sonja. She is of the most talented pilots I've worked with, and it'll be a pleasure to continue mentoring her as she grows to be a professional aviator."

-Jamie (her CFI)

Look for more details on this momentous occasion soon!



## Scrip & Save!

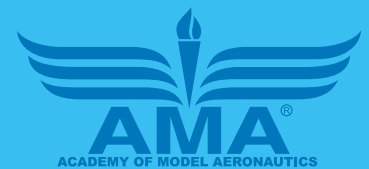
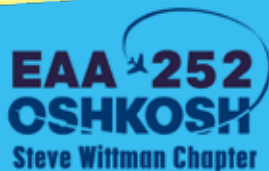
A limited number of Kwik Trip Scrip cards will be available for purchase at the chapter meeting. The cards, in \$20 and \$50 denominations, are convenient for personal use and for gifts. A portion of each Scrip card sale goes directly to the Chapter treasury, so you can help the Chapter while eating a Kwik Trip donut!



Wittman Flying Service t-shirts are now available for \$15.00. We have adult M, L, and XL in stock. Members who would like to order other sizes can contact Carrie Forster at eaa252@gmail.com. If I get 12 orders (they don't need to all be the same size) I can place another order for those specific sizes.

Please note that board meeting start will be changed from 6:00 to 6:15.

Starting in October, the board meetings will take place in the leadership classroom at EAA and will be in that location through April.



### Board Meetings

Fourth Thursday of every month at 6:15 p.m.

Location: EAA Leadership Classroom

Members Welcome at board meetings.

### IMC Club Meetings

Third Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm

Location: EAA Aviation Center

All Chapter Members

Welcome

### Winnebago RC Flyers Club Meetings

Fourth Tuesday of the Month 7:00 pm

Location: Chapter Hangar

Local AMA Chapter



PIK-20E Sale Price: 35,000.00 USD



<b>Model:</b>	PIK-20E	<b>Exterior:</b>	★★★★★
<b>Make:</b>	Eiri Avion	<b>Interior:</b>	★★★★★
<b>Year:</b>	1984	<b>Created:</b>	Aug-17-2019
<b>Total Time:</b>	821	<b>Renewed:</b>	Aug-17-2019



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### Description

This glider is a one owner aircraft, me, which I took possession of in 1984. It is being sold because of my age which is 78 and because of having recently experienced a minor stroke. The glider has always been stored in a trailer, in a hangar, or in a trailer in a hangar. Its engine has always been started and fogged prior to (and periodically thereafter) idle periods anticipated to be longer than 3 months. It has not been flown since after 2012 because of my commitment to Sylvania Soaring Adventures, Inc. to teach and to give rides after which there was little soaring window left and there was little energy left in me to assemble, fly, and re-trailer the glider. For identification, if you decide to contact me by phone (847-336-4473), please leave a message that states that you are calling about the sale of my PIK20E II, but, if you decide to contact me by email (DLCORONEOS@ATT.NET), please make the Subject, PIK20E II sale.

**Certificate Type:** Experimental

**Last Inspection:** 7/2012

**S/N:** 711

**Registration:** N130DC

**Location:** ILLINOIS,USA

**Region:** North America

**Engine:** Rotax-Engine Type 505

**Engine Hours:** 175.5 (79.5 since overhaul)

### Avionics & Instruments

**Airspeed:** 80 mm kts

**Vario:** 61 mm kts

**Altimeter:** 80 mm ft

**Compass:** Panel mounted Airpath style 57 mm

**Flight Computer:** Zander SR820

**Radio:** Walter Dittal 20-015 FSG 60M

**Transponder:** No

**Flarm:** No

**Nav 1:** None

**Nav 2:** None

**Other 1:** Electric artificial horizon

**Other 2:** Uninstalled Cambridge electric vario coupled to a Cambridge speed-to-fly director

### Equipment

**Trailer:** 1984 PIK; condition between 3 and 4

**Trailer Condition Rating:** ★★★

**Ground Handling:** Tail dolly, wing wheel, tow bar, one-man assembly equipment, etc.\_ All listed are hand made by seller.

**Nose Release:** No

**CG Release:** Yes

**Canopy Cover:** Yes

**Full Covers:** No

**Oxygen:** Yes, Puritan-Bennett Aero Systems Division, El Segundo, California

**Other 1:** Electric artificial horizon

**Other 2:** Uninstalled Cambridge electric vario coupled to a Cambridge speed-to-fly director

SGS 1-26 D Sale Price: 8,900.00 USD



**Model:** SGS 1-26 D  
**Make:** Schweizer  
**Year:** 1969  
**Total Time:** 2468

**Exterior:** ★★★★★  
**Interior:** ★★★★★  
**Created:** Aug-09-2019  
**Renewed:** Aug-09-2019



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## Description

The glider has been stored in trailer, or in hangar, or in trailer in hangar. The glider is located in Wisconsin at Beloit Airport (44C). Extras are: 1, extra vertical stabilizer; 2, main tire with inner tube; 3, wing tie down hardware, (includes hardware for tying down at tail and at nose; 4, extra skid; 5. The logs are complete. For identification, if contact is by phone and if no answer, please leave a message that states that the call is about the sale of N7750S. If contact is by email, please insert N7750S as the subject. Contacts are: Terry Kramer at 608-320-7199 and at [tkgliderflight@gmail.com](mailto:tkgliderflight@gmail.com); or Donald Coroneos at 847-336-4473 and at [dlcoroneos@att.net](mailto:dlcoroneos@att.net)

**Certificate Type:** Standard

**Last Inspection:** 20 June 2018

**S/N:** 450

**Registration:** N7750S

**Location:** ILLINOIS,USA

**Region:** North America

**Engine:** No

## Avionics & Instruments

**Airspeed:** Schweizer 80 mm dia MPH

**Vario:** Ball 9V 80 mm dia FPM TEC

**Altimeter:** 80 mm dia FT

**Compass:** 57 mm dia Airpath style

**Flight Computer:** No

**Radio:** No. Has fixed antenna with BNC connector

**Transponder:** No

**Flarm:** No

**Nav 1:** No

**Nav 2:** No

**Other 1:** Winter mech vario 80 mm dia FPM TEC

## Equipment

**Trailer:** Homemade

**Trailer Condition Rating:** ★★★★★

**Ground Handling:** No

**Nose Release:** Yes

**CG Release:** No

**Canopy Cover:** Yes

**Full Covers:** No

**Oxygen:** No

**Other 1:** Winter mech vario 80 mm dia FPM TEC

the week for the event, attendance was light, but everyone who came enjoyed breakfast and networking. We had a great turn out for volunteers. We hope to participate again next summer.

We started having monthly fly outs. Weather hasn't cooperated too well, but we've had a few events and look forward to this effort growing in the coming year.

We had our first Ray Scholar. Sonja Karner is very close to completing her private pilot certificate.

Our membership is right around 180 members, which we are very excited about. We had many members join in 2019. Our monthly gathering attendance is generally around 40 - 50 people. That helps contribute to the energy of our

chapter.

In 2020, we will embark on the RC youth build project, host two pancake breakfasts and Young Eagle rallies, host a Flying Start event, and hopefully find more ways to provide support and opportunities to our members.

Read about the two young people that we are providing Air Academy Scholarships to. Thanks to the efforts of our Young Eagle pilots, we earn credits that we can turn into scholarships for youth.

I'm very proud to be a member of this chapter, and I look forward to all of the great things 2020 will bring.

*Blue Skies,  
Carrie*

## Join the 252 Family!

Annual Membership (Calendar Year)

Dues are \$20

(\$10 for partial year, July - December).

Student Memberships are \$10.

Dues in the amount of \$20 can be given to Doug Milius or mailed to him at:

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Thank you for your continued support of EAA Chapter 252!

**Check out this Air Facts article, *Bringing Home The Baby Ace*, by Cindy Baier Boelk. Click here: <https://airfactsjournal.com/2019/11/bringing-home-the-baby-ace>**

