

**EAA CHAPTER 260**

**A Chapter Of The  
EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION  
Bult Field (C56) – Monee, Illinois**



**2021 CHAPTER MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

The following is an **updated** schedule of activities. With some of the relaxed COVID restrictions, we plan at this time to continue with our “event packed” schedule for this year. Along with our recent Chapter Meetings, we have had some very successful events! *See this newsletter for the highlights.*

If you know other pilots, please encourage them to attend the meetings. They do not have to be EAA Members to attend. Hopefully they will join as members!

Saturday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Photo Event 8:30 A.M. <i>On the ramp</i> at Bult
Saturday, May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Young Eagles and Eagles Rally 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Poker Run Starting and ending at Bult. Route to be determined
Saturday, July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Friday, August 13 <sup>th</sup> –Saturday, August 14 <sup>th</sup>	Dad-daughter/son Chapter Campout
Saturday, August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Young Eagles and Eagles Rally 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, September 18 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Saturday, November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Meeting 10:00 A.M. at Bult
Friday, December 3 <sup>th</sup>	Chapter Christmas Holiday Party

**TO MAKE THESE ACTIVITIES SUCCESSFUL, VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!**

COMING SOON!  
Oshkosh AirVenture is July 26<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>  
See Page 6 for EAA Chapter 260 proposed group campsite information.

Specific details regarding these events will appear in upcoming newsletters, emails, on the Chapter website and on Facebook.

# '260 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Chapter Members,

What a great start to 2021! We are all very excited at our participation level along with the amount of volunteers stepping up. Our museum tour was a blast and more recently our Trivia Night was a tremendous success thanks to Pamela Rose and Krystal McKean who went way above and beyond. Also thanks to Jerry Pearson and Dan Simanaitis who have secured the Ray scholarship fund for our Chapter. 2021 is shaping up to be a *very active* year and I would encourage everyone to volunteer when they can. There is much to come and I look forward to seeing you all at the meetings and thank you all for making Chapter 260 what it is today.

Rob Unger  
President, Chapter 260



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Recently joining our Chapter...

- GLEN HEGY
- RUSSELL HOMANS
- ISABELLA SMITH
- BRUCE SROKA
- JAMES F. WOOLARD
- MIDWEST AIRCRAFT DETAILERS

## IN THE BEGINNING



**FRED BOOS**  
FIRST EAA 260 CHAPTER PRESIDENT

EAA Chapter 260 was initially formed in 1966 in Dolton, Illinois at the home of Fred Boos. Our Chapter has come a long way over the years to its present form. In an upcoming newsletter, a capsule history of the Chapter will be included. This will give those who have been Members for several years and *also* the newer Members, an insight of the Chapter's history. *More coming soon!*

## RAY SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

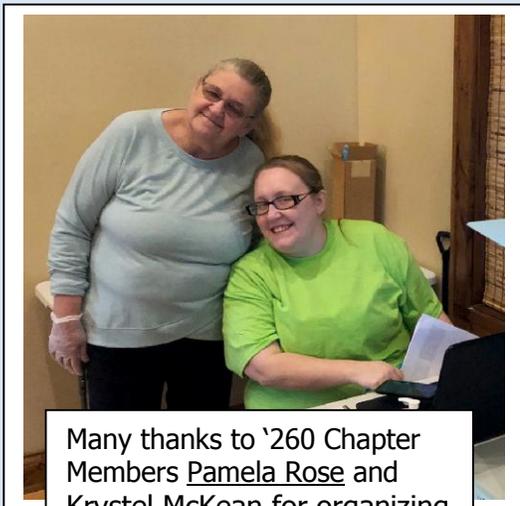
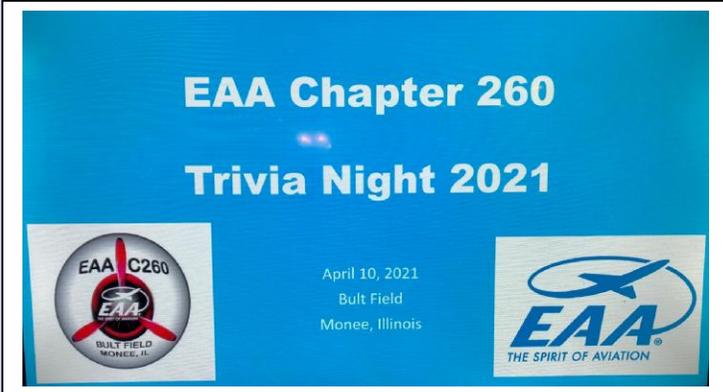
Progress continues on the Ray Scholarship. EAA Chapter 260 was one of the 140 Chapters of 1,000 nationwide that was selected to receive the scholarship. Our candidate Isabella Smith has been busy with completing her application and writing an essay. She has also completed her medical and received her student pilot certificate. We will be following her progress!



Jerry Pearson, Isabella Smith,  
Dan Simanaitis

# AVIATION TRIVIA NIGHT RE-CAP

On Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup> the first Aviation Trivia Night was held at Bult Field. It was a resounding success!



Many thanks to '260 Chapter Members Pamela Rose and Krystal McKean for organizing and hosting this event.



'260 Chapter President Rob Unger welcomes everyone.



Krystal, who composed the Trivia questions, explains the rules for the evening.



**A SUMMARY OF THE GAME...**  
5 teams were organized. Each team chose a name. The game had 5 main rounds with 10 questions per round. The questions were challenging ranging from questions on airports, aviators, aviation history, and music related themes to mention a few.  
Following the the 5 rounds, was a Bonus "Jeopardy" Round where teams waged accumulated points prior to answering the "Jeopardy" question at the right.



Good food selection for the evening!



Steve Sikorski with Pamela and Krystal. Steve got a break for the evening since Pamela and Krystal did the cooking!

- THE TEAMS and point totals**
- Team Fokker - 70
  - Beech Blasters - 67
  - Red Barons - 65
  - Spitfire - 61
  - NASA - 41

One woman managed three firsts in aviation, including being the first African American woman to hold a pilot's license, first Native American to hold a pilot's license, and the first African American to earn an international pilot's license. **Who is she?** If you don't already know, see page 6 for the answer!



The winning Team for the evening **TEAM FOKKER**  
Marge Babiak, Jerry Pearson, Steve Westlund, Wayne Babiak

All-in-all it was a fun evening!

# A VISIT TO THE EAA AVIATION MUSEUM

On Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> several EAA Chapter 260 members made a day trip to the EAA Aviation Museum in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The weather that day was not conducive to flying, so IFR (**I Follow Roads**) was the "road plan" for the trip. It was a trip well worth the drive.



Bob, a Docent with the Museum, conducted a very well informed tour.



Rob makes some "minor adjustments". He promised his mom Janet that he would check Carl out when he was there.

A group photo of EAA Members at "Breezy" with Carl Unger "replica"(Center).  
 (Back) Peter Baranko, Rob Unger  
 (Front) Tim and Patty Bryan, Dick Henry, Wayne Babiak, Jerry Pearson

One of the highlights of the tour was a visit to the Breezy display. As many know, Carl Unger (Rob's dad) passed away in 2013.



## HOMEBUILT

### ROLOFF-UNGER "BREEZY" MODEL RLU-1



Carl Unger & "Breezy" N59Y at the 1970 EAA Fly-In Convention.



Designed and constructed by Charley Roloff, Carl Unger, and Bob Liposky in 1964, the Breezy used a set of Piper PA-12 wings and a factory new Continental C90-8 engine with a "pusher" crank. Busily flown at every EAA Convention from 1965 to 1990, the prototype Breezy has flown several thousand passengers, including many notables.

The Breezy has fully met its design criteria of a summer "fun" airplane and many examples have been constructed by EAA people around the world.



Carl Unger & "Breezy" at Pioneer Airport prior to donating N59Y to the EAA Aviation Foundation in 1990.

ROLOFF-UNGER "BREEZY" N59Y SPECIFICATIONS/PERFORMANCE	
Wing span	33 ft.
Length	21 ft.
Empty weight	698 lbs.
Gross weight	1200 lbs.
Fuel capacity	10 gal.
Cruising speed	65-75 mph.



Donor:  
 Carl Unger (EAA 25215)

# MORE EAA AVIATION MUSEUM PHOTOS

Some of the many aircraft on display in the Museum.



The EAA Museum is a "must visit" for anyone planning a trip to Oshkosh.



One of the exhibits is a recreation of the first EAA office space in the basement of Paul and Audrey Poberezyny.

## ...and after a visit to the Museum...

After the tour of the EAA Museum, Rob Unger shared with us one of his favorite places to dine in Oshkosh. This small neighborhood restaurant-bar is not obvious to many "out-of-towners". We had delicious pizzas and appetizers. Check it out when you are in Oshkosh!



Ratch & Deb's is located at 720 Merritt Ave. Oshkosh



An eclectic collection of sports memorabilia. Don't let the Packers stuff intimidate you... it's a friendly place!

## UPCOMING SPRING and SUMMER CHAPTER EVENTS

Now that Spring is upon us and Summer is on the horizon, EAA Chapter 260 has various events planned.

### CHAPTER GROUP PHOTO EVENT

Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup> 8:30 A.M.  
Rain date Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>

Will be held at Bult Field on the ramp (weather permitting). A group photo to include the aircraft our members fly will be taken. All dues paid Chapter members are welcome! You do not have to have a plane to participate. Contact Rob Unger to reserve your spot on the ramp!

### THIRD ANNUAL FLYING POKER RUN

Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup>

This Chapter event held the past two years has been highly successful and well attended. The flying route will start at Bult Field (C56) to KVPZ, KRZL, KIKK and then back to C56. Lunch will be served following the flight along with winners being declared for the best card hands held.

### OSHKOSH AIRVENTURE EAA CHAPTER 260 GROUP CAMPSITE

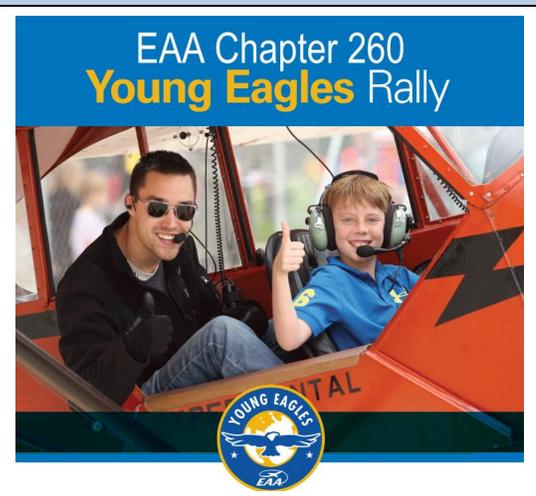
July 26<sup>th</sup>-August 1<sup>st</sup>

A possible securing of a Chapter group campsite is being considered. Rob Unger MUST KNOW by the June 19<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting if there is interest in this. 4 campsites would be reserved. This however requires the Chapter to pay in advance (with no refund) for the sites. The cost is \$252.00 per site = \$1,008.00 total. Again, there MUST BE a firm commitment from interested members.

### YOUNG EAGLES AND EAGLES RALLY

Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 A.M.

As in previous years, will be held at Bult Field. Pilots must pre-register through EAA National in advance to fly passengers in this event. Also pilots and those escorting the youth out to the planes, must have taken the EAAs on-line Youth Protection Course and received a completion certificate. If you have not done so, do it today. Go to [www.YEDav.org](http://www.YEDav.org)



Contact '260 Members Jerry Pearson 219.923.1938 or Dave Vancina at 815.715.1955 for more information. Volunteers are always needed to help out.

***In addition to the above events, regular Chapter Meetings will be held at Bult,***  
Refer to the schedule on page 1 of this newsletter.

## 2021 CHAPTER DUES – LAST CALL!

Chapter Dues renewal for 2021 are only \$20.00 per year\*. So, to avoid being removed from the Chapter Membership Roster and to continue to be considered a member of EAA Chapter 260, please see Steve at the next Chapter Meeting and pay your dues\*\*. Or mail your dues directly to Steve at 123 Highland Street, Calumet City, IL 60409. Make check payable to EAA Chapter 260. \*Note that for new members joining, the first year dues are \$30.00. This includes the cost of an engraved plastic magnetic nametag.

\*\*Current Members not paying their 2021 dues by May 1, 2021, will be removed from the Chapter Membership Roster and WILL NOT BE ALLOWED to participate in Chapter meetings or activities. In order to get reinstated after May 1<sup>st</sup>, an additional \$10.00 reinstatement WILL BE added to the \$20.00 Chapter dues.

Answer to Page 3 "Jeopardy" Trivia Question: **Bessie Coleman**



# JOIN EAA CHAPTER 260

EAA Chapter 260 is an active group. We have monthly membership meetings and a variety of aviation related programs. Some of our past activities are shown here.

We invite you to attend one of our meetings and meet our members.



Good food and camaraderie



A Chapter Young Eagle Rally



Chapter Meeting



Ready to fly on a Poker Run

Detach below and submit the form

## EAA CHAPTER 260 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Chapter membership expires in December of each year. EAA Chapter 260 first year membership dues are \$30.00 which includes the cost of an engraved plastic magnetic nametag.

Member dues for subsequent years are \$20.00 per year.

Note that membership in National EAA is also required.

National Dues are \$40.00 per year for Individual membership, \$50.00 for Family

Note that National Membership in EAA is also required in order to be a Member of EAA Chapter 260.

NEW MEMBER  RENEWAL

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

EAA Member? Yes  No  EAA National Membership. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Pilots Certificate Ratings: \_\_\_\_\_ Aircraft Owned: \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Expertise: \_\_\_\_\_ Projects Worked On: \_\_\_\_\_

### COMMITTEE INTERESTS

Membership:  Program:  Young Eagles/Eagles:  Flyer and Builder:

Newsletter:  Promotion/Publicity:  Web Site:  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Bring this application to the next EAA 260 meeting or mail it to:  
EAA Chapter 260 c/o Bult Field 28261 S. Kedzie Avenue, Monee, IL 60449

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**If not already a member...consider becoming one!**

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EAA Chapter 260 Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/EAA260/>

EAA National Website: [www.eaa.org](http://www.eaa.org)



SPRING 2021 NEWSLETTER



EAA Chapter 260 meets generally on the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 A.M. at Bult Field (C56) in Monee, Illinois

### CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED!!

If you have items for future newsletters, please let me know. These can include:

- An aviation project you are working on.
- If you flew to somewhere of interest; know of a good restaurant, let us know.
- Have something to sell? List it for FREE!
- Write a story..share your expertise!

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### YOUNG EAGLES COORDINATORS

Jerry Pearson      Dave Vancina

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