

# Above it All

#### **March 2022**

EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 327 - DUBUQUE IA USA www.327eaachapter.org www.facebook.com/EAA327/

#### From The Desk of the President



Spring is in the air! The worst of the cold is behind us for this season. Thanks to everyone for being more attentive to the hanger utilities bill. There have been no more episodes of heat left on all night in the last month. I have visions of burger burns on the ramp with corn hole games this summer, and I am sure other entertainments as well. Get a few friends

together and use the grill. Simply clean up after your-selves.

On one of the 50 degree days, Mike Nickeson coordinated washing all three of the Key City Flying Club airplanes at our wash station. I washed my RV-10 and he washed his Bonanza as well. I don't know about Mike, but I was a little sore the next day due to the unaccustomed activity. I enjoyed a flying dry his plane trip around the pattern in Mike's Bonanza, and Kevin went around with me in the RV-10. Lovely day, and we appreciated the help given each other. If those who wash planes would purchase an occasional gallon of aviation Simple Green soap and contribute to supplies, that would be appropriate.

Bridger and Joe are organizing a VMC, visual meteorological conditions, club meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the EAA Hanger for VFR pilots. Come to learn and contribute to these new young pilot's efforts. Mike Nickeson, CFII, is restarting the IMC Club for instrument pilots following a Covid break. They will be meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month starting March 10<sup>th</sup> in the airport terminal conference room at 7pm.

I noticed the paint is beginning to peel at the EAA observation shelter near the terminal. On a nice weekend we'll be getting a group of painters together to spruce up the shelter and picnic tables. The right answer is to say "yes" when asked. Check out the binoculars at the site from a Rotary grant. Bridger will be doing his Boy Scout Eagle project there this spring and is looking for donations to support his effort to place display panels at the site. Bob Woodward is coordinating a food-truck fly in for June 5th Sunday brunch. We will have to guarantee 50 meals or \$500, so please put this on your calendar to attend and support. Will be fun to get together and see who flies in and with what airplanes. Details to follow.

We have purchased some initial tools for a Chapter member tool crib, including a compression tester, buzz box magneto timing tester, tension meter, and oil filter cutter. A spark plug tester has come to reside in the hanger. Please contact Nick if you wish to check out this equipment.

I have some random member activity reports. Tim Breitfelder has finished his long solo cross country and is approaching 40 flight hours. Soon he'll be prepping for a private pilot check ride. He and others spoke with Ray Scholar Alana Duggan at Saturday morning coffee to trade FAA written test prep ideas and offer encouragement. Members Slavic and Taras have family in Ukraine. Slavic has been in Poland coordinating getting family to safety. Please keep all of them in your thoughts and prayers.

Young Eagle flights are coming soon as weather improves. Craig asked if we might do one in Dyersville. Cheryl Shelton has offered to help coordinate in Dubuque. This is one of the most satisfying of the EAA events. It is so satisfying to see the look of wonder and excitement in the faces of those youngsters who take to the skies in a small plane for the first time. I look forward to seeing you at the airport.

Fair skies and tailwinds,

-Chuck Weber, EAA Chapter 327 President



# EAA 327—LED Chicago Sectional Project

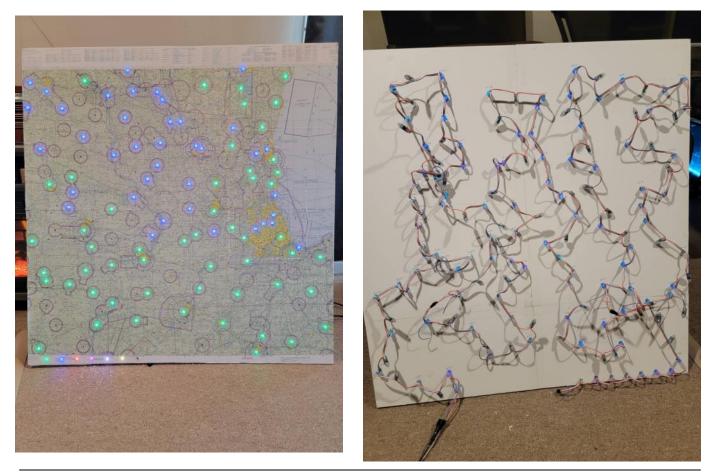
We will be building an interactive L.E.D. Chicago sectional chart for display on the hangar wall. Member Doug DuPlessis recently built a smaller version for his home office and brought it out for a show and tell session last Saturday.

It displays ceiling conditions (vfr, mvfr, ifr, lifr) and wind conditions at all the airports on the entire Chicago sectional. It is a detailed project that will require input and talent from a few of our members to complete in a 1 day build. The build date is set for Saturday April 9th starting at 0930, so come out and lend a hand or observe.

Once this project is completed, we have the information about what products are required, where to purchase, and plan on offering a second session for any individual(s) that want to build a smaller one for their home/office/hangar etc.

That build will take place in May with an official date to be determined.

Cost will be about \$250 including frame & materials. Contributions welcome. A check or cash to our Treasurer Brett Pearce marked "LED display" would be grand.



- Kevin Bohach

#### - Laney's Lane: The Ray Scholar Report



This month in Laneys Lane,

I have decided to do at least thirty minutes a day of studying for my Lenten goal along with giving up caffeine. So far it's going pretty well. I am just finishing up Chapter Two of *Kings Ground School & Test Prep* book and am about to move on to Chapter Three, "Sectional Charts". I have only briefly looked over the material for this chapter but am interested to learn how to read these very intimidating looking maps.

I'm looking forward to the warm weather coming up to hopefully get a little time in the air maybe on the weekends when I'm not in school and track. What I am really looking forward to though is this

upcoming summer when I will be getting more consistent flight time after I have taken my FAA written test.

-Alana Duggan, Chapter 327 Ray Scholar-in-training

# Aviation Summer Camp opportunity

Do you know anyone who would be interested in an aviation oriented youth summer camp for boys or girls? EAA runs a highly regarded Air Academy Camp at the Air Venture campus in Oshkosh. The national magazine MSN Money described the camp as one of 10 camps being "worth it". Every summer they are over subscribed and there is a wait list. It came to my attention that Chapter 75 in the Quad Cities has been sending young people to camp for many years.

Our Chapter Board was able to reserve some spots for this summer. Young Eagles Camp for ages 12-13 June 20-24 is \$960. We have reserved one spot at the Basic Camp for ages 14 & 15 from July 5-10 costing \$1,280 and another for Advanced Camp ages 16-18 July 28-Aug 8 costing \$1,805. Our chapter paid the \$200 deposit/ reservation fee for each camp. Reservations are first-come, first-serve and payment must be made 30 days before the camp.

Here is a link to a part of the EAA website that describes the camps, accommodations, curriculum, and scholarships, etc: <u>https://www.eaa.org/eaa/youth/eaa-aviation-and-flight-summer-camps/eaa-air-academy</u>

I personally stayed in the Air Academy Lodge for the Chapter Leader Academy. It is a modern building with four bunks to a room and showers down the hall. Food was great and plentiful. It was located across Pioneer Airfield from the EAA Museum. This looks like a great experience for an aviation/STEM oriented young person. It is something I would have enjoyed at that time of my life. There are also openings for camp staff & counselors. Please give it some thought. If there is sufficient interest, our Chapter may make it an ongoing program.

#### **Local Calendar of Events**

For many other Aviation Related events, visit the following websites. Click on the following links. Will only list events submitted to the editor and other most local events here.

EAA Aviation Calendar of Events **AOPA** Calendar of Events Iowa DOT Office of Aviation Calendar Wisconsin Fly-Ins and Airshow Event Calendar Fly-Ins.com Calendar Website Fun Places to Fly Website Social Flight Calendar Midwest Flyer Magazine Calendar

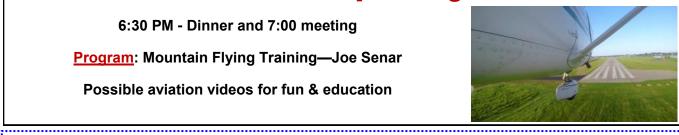


### Tuesday, March 15, 2022 Chapter Meeting **Location: EAA Chapter Hangar 88**

6:30 PM - Dinner and 7:00 meeting

Program: Mountain Flying Training—Joe Senar

Possible aviation videos for fun & education



#### Chapter Website: www.327.eaachapter.org Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/EAA327

\_\_\_\_\_ Send event information on those activities that would interest the membership. Will be delighted to include any information on aviation related activities, fly-in breakfasts, etc. e-Mail your information to Bob.Woodward312@gmail.com.

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EAA Chapter 327 IMC Club

"To promote instrument flying, proficiency, and safety'

Meets: 7pm, 2nd Thurs of month Location: Dubuque Airport Terminal Conference Room

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# **Upcoming EAA Webinars**

Go to www.eaa.org/webinars to view the schedule and to register.

Date	Time	Title	Presenter(s)
3/16/22	7 p.m. CDT	International and Cross-Border Aircraft Transactions Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Paul Herbers and Patrick Floyd
3/23/22	7 p.m. CDT	Home Flight Simulation for Private Pilot Training and Proficiency Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.	Evan Reiter and Phil Coyle
3/24/22	7 p.m. CDT	<u>Young Eagles Workshops – Bringing Youth</u> <u>Back to the Airport</u>	Serena Kamps
3/29/22	7 p.m. CDT	<u>EAA Learn to Fly Day – Hosting a Chapter</u> <u>Flying Start Event</u>	David Leiting
3/30/22	7 p.m. CDT	Taming the Tailwheel Shimmy Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit and AMT credit.	Will Fox
4/06/22	7 p.m. CDT	Your Airplane's Report Card Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit and AMT credit.	Mike Busch
4/12/22	7 p.m. CDT	Gyrocopters of the EAA Collection, Part 2	Chris Henry and Ben Page
4/13/22	7 p.m. CDT	<u>Welcome to EAA – Getting the Most Out of</u> Your Membership	David Leiting

#### **Chapter 327 Flight Instructors**

Here is a listing of Chapter 327 members that are flight instructors and would be willing to help with primary flight instruction, your next BFR or other. *If you are a Chapter member and a flight instructor please let me know and I will include your name in the listing. Additions/Corrections are welcome!* 

CFI / CFII	Phone	New Students	CFII	BFR	IFP	Airports	Plane
Mike Nickeson	563/451-6246	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DBQ	Owners, Club Plane
e-mail - Bob Woodward (bob.woodward312@gmail.com) to add your name to the list.							



# **MEMBER SIGN UP FORM**

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:
NICKNAME:	DATE OF BIRTH:
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EMAIL ADDRESS:	
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	YES: PASSPORT TYPE PHOTO
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\$15.00 and can be paid i	ou as a member of our local chapter, our annual dues are: in person by check or cash or mailed to us at: Brett Pearce, 327, 16859 Thunder Hills Dr. Peosta, IA 52068(no cash via
	ARE: 3 <sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH 6:30 PM LOCATED AT 52 AIRPORT RD, DUBUQUE, IA



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#### MEMBER SIGN UP FORM COMMENTS:

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OUR NATIONAL EAA ORGANIZATION EXPECTS LOCAL CHAPTER MEMBERS TO JOIN THE UMBRELLA NATIONAL ORGANIZATION. THE FEE IS \$40 AND AN APPLICATION CAN BE MADE AT <u>WWW.EAA.ORG</u>. THEY ALSO OFFER A 6-MONTH FREE TRIAL MEMBERSHIP. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE THAT. MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES A MAGAZINE AND SUBSTANTIAL DISCOUNTS TO THE EAA AIRVENTURE AIRSHOW AT OSHKOSH EACH SUMMER. IF NEW MEMBERS WANT TO "TRY OUT" CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FOR A FEW MONTHS BEFORE DECIDING IF IT IS FOR THEM, JUST LEAVE THE EAA NATIONAL NUMBER FIELD BLANK. ONCE YOU'VE BEEN A MEMBER SEVERAL MONTHS AND DECIDED TO STAY, PLEASE JOIN NATIONAL, AS THEY PROVIDE OUR INSURANCE AND PROGRAM MATERIALS.

AN INFORMAL PHOTO OF HEAD AND SHOULDERS WOULD BE APPRECIATED FOR OUR CHAPTER ROSTER TO HELP NEW MEMBERS LEARN NAMES OF ESTABLISHED MEMBERS AND TO BECOME KNOWN TO THE REST OF THE CHAPTER. JPG FORMAT WORKS IF YOU CAN SEND IT YOU HAVE THE PHOTO OF YOUR CHOICE. OTHERWISE, WE WILL TRY TO SNAP A PICTURE ON OUR TELEPHONE AND USE THAT. THE ROSTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE FOR MEMBERS AND IS FOUND AT <u>WWW.EAACHAPTERS.ORG</u>. USER NAME IS THE NAME YOU SIGNED UP WITH PLUS EAACHAPTER327, AS IN CHUCKWEBEREAACHAPTER327. THE INITIAL PASSWORD IS MUSTANG, AND YOU WILL ASKED TO CHANGE IT ONCE LOGGED IN. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO EDIT YOUR OWN LISTING. IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE ASK ME AT A MEETING OR GIVE A CALL/TEXT AT 563-663-3646

IF YOU ARE A PILOT AND HAVE AN INTEREST IN GIVING YOUNG EAGLE RIDES TO YOUNG PEOPLE PLEASE LET US KNOW, AND WE'LL GET YOU STARTED

YOU CAN PRINT THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM AND FILL OUT LEGIBLY, OR TYPE IN RESPONSES IF DESIRED. PLEASE SCAN AND SEND OR TAKE AN IN FOCUS PHOTO AND TEXT TO ME AT 563-663-3646. THEN INCLUDE FORM AND MEMBERSHIP FEE AND MAIL TO TREASURER BRETT PEARCE AS INDICATED ON FRONT OF PAGE.

THANKS SO MUCH. LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING AND HELPING FUFILL YOUR AVIATION GOALS. CHUCK WEBER, EAA CHAPTER 327 PRESIDENT