



# Above it All

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EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER 327 - DUBUQUE IA USA  
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## From The Desk of the President



Still cold with intermittent snows this winter, although much milder than those we recall from past years. There have been several fly outs this month to Janesville and Lone Rock. We met new friends at Middleton who plan to come visit us in Hanger 88 on a Saturday morning. Thanks for all

who helped recover my plane with a flat tire on the taxiway & ramp. It is good to have aviation friends.

Watch for the EAA B-25 Mitchell bomber to come to Truax Field in Madison June 2-4. They will be offering rides for under \$500. The Ford Tri-Motor tour to Dubuque first week of May has been cancelled due to discovery of a wing spar issue that needs to be repaired and will ground the plane for this year. We had them scheduled a few years ago and cancelled due to Covid. The flyers & posters were issued, so pick one up to hang at home or in hanger.

Please renew your \$15 annual membership to our EAA Chapter. About 30 members have not renewed yet this year. If the Chapter no longer meets your needs, please let Treasurer Brett Peace know so he can take you off his automatic billing system.

Airport Manager & member Todd Dalsing is doing his best to get our airport registered with TSA to be able to accept scheduled airline passenger service. We can help him expedite the process by taking training and getting photographed at the Jet Center for our ID badges. Although they can't be submitted for background checks until the airport security plan is approved, Todd would like to have done what we can do and submit in a batch as soon as he can. Please schedule your class and photo at the Jet Center by contacting Dan Klaas or Cheryl Sheldon. They make it pretty painless.

The new G-1000 low wing Dakota simulator is up and running, and ready for signing up and getting a check ride. You can log sim time on this one, and it is especially useful for logging instrument approaches to meet required training. Contact Kevin(563-579-3325) or Bridger (563-581-3389).

Saturday morning coffee is becoming a regular pleasure with about 15-20 pilots gathering for conversation. Last week several helped get the post-paint new weight and balance done on the RV-12. The first oil change was done this week. Hope to have it flying this spring. Merle and Bob's Cessna 150 had a new air intake filter installed and lower cowl fitted this week. Radios were installed recently after Ed Bradford worked on them.

Our meeting this week will feature Todd Dalsing on TSA issues and some aviation videos. Please contact Rich Theobald (563-564-1172) regarding signing up to help with Young Eagle event (rides for young people interested in aviation) this June. We need to get training and youth protection training done prior to event for pilots and ground crew.

Hope to see you in the EAA Hanger at 6:30 on this Tuesday February 21 for a light supper with meeting at 7.

Fair skies and tailwinds,

Chuck Weber,  
EAA Chapter 327 President



# Ray Scholar news

Our current Ray Scholar, Andrew Barbee, had to postpone his Private Pilot check ride last Wednesday due to IFR conditions and his examiner had no open slots until March. We wish Andrew well in fulfilling his flying career vision. It is a good time to be a young pilot.

Joe Chapman, our first Ray Scholar, was home this weekend from Perdue University. He plans to transfer to Auburn University where he believes flight training will be easier to obtain. We flew with Joe Weber to Middleton for an EAA chili contest this weekend, and Joe's turn at the controls was confident with everything done correctly. He is juggling Air Force ROTC and flying opportunities, as well as an academic load. These days it isn't whether one can get a job, but which of many opportunities to choose. Good luck to Joe as well.

The CAP plane is grounded for its annual, so Ray Scholar candidate Austin is concentrating on his ground school this winter.

Bridger Hawkinson is taking instrument training at University of Dubuque during his senior year of high school, getting a jump on his planned aviation program at UD next year.

Our Chapter has sponsored four of these young scholars to date in supporting their ambitions to become pilots. Congratulations to all of them, and to the Chapter for all their support.

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## ***Last Call!!!***

Haven't paid your 2023 dues yet? This could be your last newsletter!

Annual dues are just \$15 per person. Less than the price of a Premium pizza!  
For that low, low price you get:

- Invitations to every monthly EAA 327 meeting (with interesting speakers and food).
- Welcome to join Saturday morning Pilot Coffee (9am—11am).
- Access to two flight simulators (one of which is FAA-certified so you can legally log flight time and instrument currency)!
- Access to Hangar 88 before and after you fly (nice, warm bathroom)!
- Invitation to the annual holiday party.
- Ability to join Chapter Camping at EAA AirVenture in OshKosh

So don't delay. Contact treasurer Brett Pearce to get current today!

**Brett Pearce**  
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## Tribute to Lyle Hefel

Lyle is a member of our Chapter that gave up flying and sold his RV-8 airplane a few years ago when he came to realize “his feet would no longer do what his brain commanded”. He was a much-admired machinist at John Deere for most of his working years after doing a tour in the Air Force.

We mounted several of his photos of planes he has built and flown over the years. His instruction was while he worked at John Deere. Lyle owned a few certified planes including a twin Piper Comanche, and a Citabria. He built seven Van’s RV-8’s over his building career, as well as an RV-4, and assisted in many other builds in his airplane assembly workshop at his home off HW52 in Durango.



Members Harry Styer and Denny Schares built planes in that hanger, as well as a priest and instructor, Fr. Heiman, who was active in the flying priest’s association. Lyle became a real student of quality aircraft building, and was a legend in the area and even nationally, as he won several Lindy awards at Oshkosh for quality builds, sometimes bringing home first in the nation awards. Lyle told me he made a point of visiting as many RV projects as he could, especially those of builders winning quality awards. He wanted to see what it took to be best.

He was always happy to talk engines, and offer a hand in solving other pilot’s airplane concerns. One of his planes was destroyed in an airport thunderstorm microburst that collapsed his hanger. After insurance totaled the plane, Lyle bought it back as salvage and restored it to flying status. He was generous in teaching and assisting others in the area in aircraft building. Lyle is currently living in the Memory Unit at Stonehill in Dubuque and usually enjoys visitors.

In the upper right corner of the display is a copy of Lyle standing with his RV-8 plane “Old Crow”, built and painted in recognition of a WWII ace Bud Anderson. Lyle loved to read history, and especially valued meeting and talking with Bud for some time next to his plane. For those of us not very familiar with the story of Bud Anderson, here is a link to a You Tube video at the San Diego Air & Space Museum getting an oral history interview with him: <https://youtu.be/TmzzuMzOcKM>.

# WANTED

## Young Eagles Pilots

The EAA is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Young Eagles program; as part of this celebration, they are giving local EAA Chapters double credits through July for conducting YE events. We are planning to sponsor an event this spring and would like to establish a pool of pilots who would like to fly the Young Eagles. If you are interested in diving into our pool you need to complete the following steps:

- 1.) Go to <https://youtu.be/5kAjq-d3nnA> and review the EAA's video describing how to sign up as a pilot.
- 2.) Go to and log into your account at [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org) then navigate to My Account>Go To Training>Youth Protection Training. After you have completed the Youth Protection Training proceed onto complete the Background Check by going to <https://www.eaa.org/eaayouth/youth-protection-policy-and-program> for a description of the steps to complete EAA's Youth Protection & Background Check program.
- 3.) If you would like to fly some individual YE flights, visit <https://youtu.be/Lrk10ksz-nM> to learn how to sign up for these flights so that the Chapter receives its credits and the Young Eagles get their full benefits from the EAA. If you are interested in the individual flights and would like some names contact me at [rjtheobald@yahoo.com](mailto:rjtheobald@yahoo.com).

### Signup Requirements

### Before Flight Requirements

#### EAA Volunteer Pilots

- Current EAA member
- Youth protection and background check
- Legal to carry passengers
  - Currency requirements
  - Flight review
  - Medical/Basic Med (if applicable)
- Airworthy aircraft
- Passenger liability insurance
  - Pilot must carry a minimum of \$100,000 per passenger liability insurance
- Supplemental EAA insurance (\$1M)

#### Before the Flight

- Complete registration form and waiver
  - Signature from parent/legal guardian and pilot
- Leave the waiver on the ground
- **No hot loading (boarding with the engine(s) running)**
  - **Helicopters included**
- Provide passenger briefing (suggested)
  - How to board the aircraft
  - How the seatbelts work
  - How the doors/canopy work



# Snow removal adventure Dubuque Airport

One Saturday morning, an EAA member and member of the maintenance crew, Bob Moyer, got permission to take your EAA President on a ride on his ginormous snow moving machine.

I took several photos of the equipment and one of Bob operating it. He mentioned that the brush has metal in it to help remove hard-packed snow and ice from the runway and blowers producing 400mph wind to clear the blowing snow away from the runway.

The machine was longer than a semi, had a plow up front with a brush and blower amidships. There was a separate auxiliary large power unit just to run the brush. The controls looked a bit like those of the Starship Enterprise with automatic everything. I expect it took considerable training to learn to operate it.

I was like a kid in a candy store just riding along, and knew better than to ask if I could drive! One of the perks of being President. Hope I will be able to ride the big snowblower rig that throws snow several hundred feet sometime. That looks like fun too.



## 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, February 21, 2023 Chapter Meeting

**Location: EAA Chapter Hangar 88 — KDBQ**

**6:30PM Dinner and 7:00 meeting**

**Program: Todd Dalsing on TSA issues and some aviation videos.**

Chapter Website: [www.327.eaachapter.org](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.eaa.org/webinars) to view the schedule and to register.

Date	Time	Title	Presenter(s)
2/21/23	1 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Getting Started in Ultralights</a>	Timm Bogenha-
2/21/23	2:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Powered Paraglider Training Basics</a>	Jon Eisele
2/21/23	4 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Mosquito Ultralight Helicopter</a>	Norbert Richter
2/21/23	5:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Quicksilver Aircraft and Aero 1000 4-Stroke Engine</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Gene "Bever" Borne
2/21/23	7 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Rotax Two-Stroke Operation and Maintenance Tips</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Brett Lawton
2/22/23	1 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Quad City Challenger Maintenance and Inspection Tips</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Mark Murray
2/22/23	2:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Flying Clubs and Ultralight Flight Instruction</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	John von Linsowe, Scott Skalski, and Rick
2/22/23	4 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Powered Parachute Training Basics</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Roy Beissweinger
2/22/23	5:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Sailcloth Covering: Installation and Maintenance Tips</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Malcolm Brubaker
2/22/23	7 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Ultralights Buying Guide</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Dan Johnson
2/23/23	1 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Badland Aircraft: The Folding-Wing Ultralight</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Chris Deuel
2/23/23	2:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Airport Operations and Ultralights</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Tom Charpentier
2/23/23	4 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Safety Condition Inspection for Ultralights</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Denny Demeter
2/23/23	5:30 p.m. CST	<a href="#">Weight-Shift Trike Training Basics</a> <b>Virtual Ultralight Days</b>	Paul Hamilton

(More online at: <https://www.eaa.org/eea/news-and-publications/eea-webinars> )

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# EAA Chapter 327

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NICKNAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONAL EAA NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

LICENSES/RATINGS/SKILLS: \_\_\_\_\_

AIRCRAFT OWNED/ PROJECT/ BUILT: \_\_\_\_\_

(FOR REFERENCE AS OUR CHAPTER GROWS AND FOR EVENTS)

INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN: VMC  IMC  CLUBS

YOUNG EAGLES: PILOT:  VOLUNTEER:

YOUTH PROTECTION BACKGROUND CHECK COMPLETED? (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE COMPLETED, IF YES: \_\_\_\_\_ PASSPORT TYPE PHOTO \_\_\_\_\_

EAGLE FLIGHT: PILOT:  VOLUNTEER:

We'd be glad to have you as a member of our local chapter, our annual dues are: \$15.00 and can be paid in person by check or cash or mailed to us at: Brett Pearce, Treasurer, EAA Chapter 327, 16859 Thunder Hills Dr. Peosta, IA 52068(no cash via mail please)

MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE: 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH 6:30 PM LOCATED AT EAA HANGER 88, 11052 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 [WWW.EAA.ORG](http://WWW.EAA.ORG). 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.

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