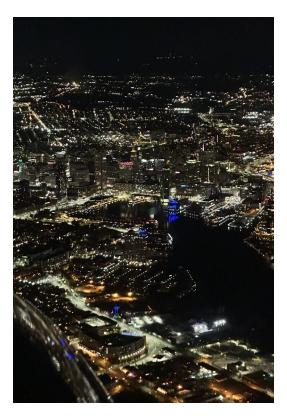


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## 2023-24 OFFICERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

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Jim Marsden	Austin Colby	
Elizabeth Thornwall	Dave Anderson	

+++ Our next general membership meeting will be held December 3rd +++

#### The President's Corner



It's hard to believe 2024 is nearing its conclusion. And it was another good year for the chapter! We met our Concessions goal, flew over 350 Young Eagles despite scrubbing two events, had our fifth youth flight training scholar become a certificated pilot, several flyouts, continuation of the Green Landings Fly-In/Drive-In event, several educational presentations at monthly chapter gatherings, a few field trips, and our most successful Poker Run.

On Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, we had our fourth attempt at a flying Poker Run event. In the previous years, the weekends in October proved to be awful for a VFR flying event. Of course, this year the weekends in October were pretty much picture perfect for VFR flying. Fortunately, Mother Nature cooperated with us for this event—we had the best flying weather, by far, for this year's event compared to the previous attempt.

We had 10 aircraft and 15 participants compete in the Poker Run—not counting additional family that was actively engaged in the event. I was pleased with the turnout knowing we had several regular who couldn't participate this year as well as some new interest that were obligated elsewhere. I just finished going down the list of winners to have them pick their prizes, which will be distributed in the very near future. Thank you to everyone who helped make the event happen.

A few families participated in the new Youth Aviation Adventure. Held concurrent with the Poker Run, the turnout was disappointingly low—though the feedback from those who did participate said the kids

thoroughly enjoyed visiting the airports, collecting the stamp for their passport book, and acquiring a unique gift at each airport. The amount of driving and time involved was significant for the families who aren't pilots, so I can appreciate the apprehension to participate.

Our selection for the Ray Aviation Scholarship was formally approved by EAA at the beginning of the month. When you see Asa Martin, be sure to congratulate him as our latest scholarship recipient. Ask him about his flight training, and feel free to quiz him as we mentor and guide him as we have with our past scholarship recipients.

The election process is still playing out for the chapter. The nominations from November's chapter gathering are on the ballot. By this point you have two emails from me containing a link and a QR code to the Google Doc ballot box—and the ballot box is still live and accepting submissions. The last time I peeked at the results, a few of the nominees were winning by a landslide. But the race for the chapter's next President is neck and neck between Mr. Huges Itgunnabe and the Honorable Knot I. Dentifiedyet. Needless to say, the chapter is still accepting nominations for chapter President. Let me assure you, EAA makes it pretty easy for incoming chapter leaders to take over with a wealth of resources including webinars that cover key topics for a new leadership team. Stick with the three tenets of EAA chapters and all will be well—Aviation, Education, and Social.

For the past couple of years now, we have not had a monthly chapter gathering in January. The reason behind the decision was the meeting's proximity to the holiday season and all of the stresses that come along with it (cleaning, decorating, hosting, cooking, travelling, etc.). Unless you hear otherwise, plan for that to be the case this coming January as well—no monthly chapter gathering on 1/7/2025.

As I find myself on short final, already cleared to land, and ready to set the parking brake for the last time as PIC of EAA Chapter 36, I offer my sincere appreciation for the work that everyone has done to help make this chapter a gold standard of EAA chapters across the country.

Safe skies!

## **Chapter 36 News and Events**



Weekly Build Nights at the Chapter 36 Hangar, Monday nights at 7 p.m.

Current Fuel Prices as of November 25, 2024			
Airport	SS	FS	
Hagerstown Frederick Martinsburg Winchester Cumberland Carroll County	\$6.65 \$6.75 \$5.98 <b>\$5.47</b> \$6.79	\$7.50 \$7.50 \$6.59 <b>\$5.87</b> \$6.55 \$7.19	
www.airnav.com			



#### **EAA Chapter 36 Election Ballot**

Use this QR code or the URL below to access the Chapter 36 online ballot:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1O-F0M9u-EvQHslFGPio1l5VgGIsosQkaQMV9d1jaQ-A

#### **December**



**Chapter Meeting** 

Monthly chapter meeting on Tuesday, December 3rd, 7:00 p.m. at the Hagerstown Aviation Museum hangar.



Christmas Party on Saturday, December 21st, 6:00 pm, at Curtis & Kate Berry's residence.

Please RSVP before December 10th.

#### **Poker Run Photos**

Matt Wood's Piper Arrow in front of the recently renovated FBO at York Airport (THV), PA. And pictures of Dave and Mercy enroute to the next stop along the route in his Bristell.









Prizes for winning poker hands and winning raffles.

Tobias and Matt Wood flew over to Annapolis after the Poker Run. On the way home they were treated to the scenic tour of Baltimore's Inner Harbor.



#### **Youth Aviation Adventure Photos**

















### **Upcoming EAA Webinars**

Full list: <a href="https://www.eaa.org/eaa/news-and-publications/eaa-webinars">https://www.eaa.org/eaa/news-and-publications/eaa-webinars</a>

#### **Chapter Tax Exempt Basics**

#### Tuesday, December 3, 2024, 7 p.m. CST with Patti Arthur

This webinar will cover the basics of tax exempt status for EAA chapters. Patti Arthur, a tax attorney with many years of experience helping EAA chapters, will help you understand the basic rules of tax exempt and charitable status.

#### **Concierge Maintenance** | Qualifies for FAA WINGS and AMT credit

#### Wednesday, December 4, 2024, 7 p.m. CST with Mike Busch

More and more primary care physicians are abandoning the traditional insurance-funded, fee-for-service model in favor of a "concierge practice" in which patients pay a fixed annual fee that covers all the primary healthcare they may require. While membership in such concierge practices is expensive, patients receive far superior and responsive healthcare. Mike Busch A&P/IA believes that such a concierge model could also succeed in the maintenance of GA airplanes and could provide vastly better and more responsive service to aircraft owners, although it wouldn't be suitable for everyone. In this webinar, Mike explores how such a concierge maintenance shop might work and postulates two alternative ways that such concierge maintenance organizations might be created. Qualifies for FAA WINGS and AMT credit.

#### **The Piper Cubs** | EAA Museum Series

#### Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 7 p.m. CST with Chris Henry and Amelia Anderson

It is called the plane which taught America to fly. The Piper Cub is arguably one of the most important aircraft to the development of aviation in this country. EAA museum manager Chris Henry will talk about the bright yellow airplane as well as times when it had to shed that yellow paint and go to war.

#### All About Spins | Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit

#### Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 7 p.m. CST with Catherine Cavagnaro

CFI and DPE Catherine Cavagnaro discusses all about spins. Catherine will explain the aerodynamics of how airplanes spin including analysis of spin entry, development, and exit technique. Catherine owns and flies both a Cessna 152 Aerobat and an aerobatic Beechcraft E33C Bonanza, and she provides flight instruction at Ace Aerobatic School in Sewanee, Tennessee. Join the webinar to gain a better understanding of spins to make you a safer pilot. Qualifies for FAA WINGS credit.

#### 25 Years Ago Today - December 7, 1999

#### Thanks to Jay Kanagy

The regular monthly meeting of the Hagerstown Chapter 36, EAA., Inc. was held in the Pilots' Lounge, located at the Washington County Regional Airport on Tuesday, December 7,1999. The meeting was called to order by President Don Wilson at 7:35 P.M. Fourteen members and guests were present.

The members were reminded to take a Newsletter and sign the attendance sheet.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING:**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND PROJECTS:

Don Wilson reported the Hangar clean up went smoothly. Quite a few showed up to help. The afternoon ended with a picnic.

Don Myers reported he is still flying Young Eagles. He is just flying a few now and then with the cold weather. The Chapter flew over 500 for the year 1999. The first year we received a clock for reaching our goal, and photo albums for the second year. Don needs 3 more pilots to fly 30 Boy Scouts that completed their aviation merit badges. Plan to fly them on New Years's Day. Will fly from Hagerstown to Martinsburg, to Hancock and back to Hagerstown. The boys will change seats at each stop. Jay Kanagy and Bob Enterline offered to help fly them. If weather is bad, will fly them on another day.

Mini-Max – Walter reported the best part of it is finished. He needs to make a bracket for the resistor. Will need to put the wings on, do a weight and balance, and do a taxi test before it is deemed finished. Plan on doing all that after the first of the year.

The Monti is on hold for the time being.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Don Wilson wants to call an Executive Meeting this month – on a Tuesday evening – Tuesday, December 14, in the Pilots' Lounge at 7:30.

Chuck Doherty accepted the Presidency.

The members talked about starting a Mini-Max Club. Bob Berger appointed as Chairman.

Think about the Awards Banquet - March 4, 2000.

The first Fly-In date for Chapter 426, Cumberland, is April 30. Mexico Farm Airport is in doubt. Someone is raising game birds at the end of the Airport.

Bob Scott moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M., seconded by Richard Carbaugh, and the motion carried.

Submitted by: June Green