

JULY 2024

# Thoughts Aloft

Manitowoc EAA Chapter 383 Newsletter

## Chapter Logbook

by Chapter President Jim Zuege

The T-34s invade KMTW every year and it's pretty exciting to meet the pilots and talk with them. The skies are loud, colorful, and alive as they make this their home prior to AirVenture for practice, meetings, visualization and walk-throughs. Nadine and Mike take amazing care of them every year and this year they are coming Thursday July 18 - 21. Volunteers are needed for Thursday evening for dinner service. Saturday smoke-oil duty will be covered by Ron Barker who has done smoke oil many times! Thanks Ron. We need a smoke oil person on Sunday and Monday. Volunteers will receive a coveted gift this year! Sunday at 1730 will be a pot luck with the pilots. Bring something delicious to share. Contact Mike Lefky to volunteer. His contact info is on this page.

Shelving is being donated to us from the airport. We will move low use items from the office and hangar to the shelves. We need to make room for the flight simulator that will call Chapter 383 its new home. Thank you again Josh Honey! Cleaning and organizing starts at 0830 on Saturday August 17. All available people are welcomed to help.

Once AirVenture is concluded for the year we can turn our attention back to the Seabee. We will discuss the work needed at the August meeting.

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### Monthly Meeting

2nd Wednesday  
6:30  
KMTW  
Chapter 383  
Hangar 22  
1805 Freedom Way  
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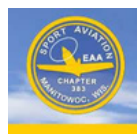
The EAA VFR workshop is on Saturday, August 24 at 1000 hrs at the PPC in Oshkosh. These workshops consist of two seminars and a simulator session which will get you two thirds of the way to get a full set of FAA Basic WINGS credit. It's FREE and you get LUNCH! Only 14 spots are available. Email [Jurg.grossenbacher@faa.gov](mailto:Jurg.grossenbacher@faa.gov) for a seat.

I will be in Oshkosh from Sunday July 14 through July 20. I volunteer the week prior to AirVenture every year. It's hot and sweaty and sometimes easy work and sometimes hard work but I look forward to it every year. I don't know ahead of time what the projects will be but in the past we've remodeled buildings, made cellphone charging stations, redid some shower buildings and last year we made the sign in the picture below. It sat at the front entrance and now it lives in the aviation museum. I'm planning to fly in during AirVenture.

My wife writes the newsletter and she is asking for people to take pictures during all aviation events you volunteer at or attend and send them to her [SherryZuege@gmail.com](mailto:SherryZuege@gmail.com) with a brief description and your name. Thanks!

Happy AirVenture 2024! Enjoy and see you there!

Jim



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## 2024 Wisconsin Airport Events

**July 19** Wautoma Rotary Canadian Shore Lunch Fly-in/Drive-in  
Wautoma Municipal Airport Y50  
1700-1900

Authentic Canadian shore lunch with walleye, camp potatoes, beans, bread and beverage.

**July 20** Pistons and Props  
Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport KJVL  
0900-1700

Historical aircraft, live music, car show, hangar dance, and a beer garden.

**July 20** Washington Island Fly-In and Fish Boil  
Washington Island Airport (2P2)  
1100-1300

Fly in for this flaming Scandinavian traditional community meal of fresh-caught whitefish, onions, potatoes, and corn, topped with a slice of Door County cherry pie!

**July 22- July 28** 2024 EAA AirVenture  
Wittman Regional Airport (KOSH) Oshkosh, WI  
The world's largest aviation event. Free youth admission ages 18 and under has been generously supported in part by Boeing.

