



# The Flyer



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## Paulism of the Month by EAA Founder Paul Poberezny

I'm very proud of what we've built. I'm proud of our staff, but most of all, I'm proud to call each and every one of you my friend, my fellow EAA member.

### THE WINGS 44 SOCIETY WILL YOU JOIN US?

By Rob Williams

If you are like me, EAA Chapter 44 has been a part of your life for many, many, many years. I have made many friends, shared aviation adventures and dreams, as well as found a constant solace in knowing that this organization and all its members in some way have always been there for me, a part of me and my world. I bet many of you feel that way about our chapter as well. Perhaps you are a relatively new member who is looking for this kind experience. Perhaps you have already found it here. In any case, EAA Chapter 44 holds a meaningful place in your life. In recognition of this, it makes perfect sense to consider a means of supporting the chapter and its future to provide the same meaning for generations to come.

The *Wings 44 Society* was formed by our Capital Campaign Committee and approved by the Board for the purpose of thanking and recognizing generous visionaries who have remembered EAA Chapter 44 in their estate plans (Will bequest; Revocable Trust; Charitable Trust; Life Insurance policy, and other deferred-type gifts).

### FORD TRI-MOTOR UPDATE

by Bob Nelligan-Barrett  
Tour Stop Chair



The Tri-Motor Planning Committee has met several times and has been developing plans to recruit sponsors, to recruit volunteers (THAT'S YOU!) , and to make contact with local media for advertising and promotion.

Samantha Horne has stepped up to Chair the Volunteer Committee. She will be responsible for recruiting, training, and scheduling volunteers throughout the event. She has identified many different positions where we need volunteers. There is a lot to do and a place for everyone. See Sam if you would like to help out for a shift or three.

Because we got snowed out in February, we will be actively looking for members to sign up on the boards in the Great Hall. I look forward to your participation.

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This support can be used to continue and expand the great programs we provide and enhance chapter development. It's also a great way to ensure the completion of our hangar project. Several other members and myself have already joined the Society. It is not limited to the Chapter members. Any friend of the Chapter can qualify. Members and friends who do so between now and the close of Calendar Year 2018 will be designated as *charter members* of the **Wings 44 Society**.

I strongly urge you to consider this in your planning. Your participation will remain confidential. There is no minimum gift. If you are interested, please contact Larry Greeno or myself for more information. Larry, who is now retired, has 30 years of experience providing information and assistance to friends of charitable organizations considering planned gifts. He is available upon request to serve you and/or your advisors at no cost to you as you consider a planned gift and **Wings 44 Society** membership.

Please contact me if you have already established a planned gift for the benefit of EAA Chapter 44 that you believe qualifies for **Wings 44 Society** membership.

### **WHY BUILD A HANGAR? A CASE STATEMENT**

**by Rob Williams**

The need for a hangar and its general design concepts should support the sum of EAA Chapter 44's unique vision and mission. Therefore before directly responding to the question, it is helpful to address what we are about and where we intend to go.

Chairman Jack Pelton of Experimental Aircraft Association's national organization accurately states that our mission has not changed: "As an association we welcome all with an interest in aviation and must work

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### **HANGAR FUND CHALLENGE ALTIMETER**

For every dollar donated to our Hangar Fund, an additional dollar will be matched by an Anonymous Donor now through 12/31/2017. Our current total is \$1,145. The Altimeter will be updated monthly at the General Meeting.



Now that our Altimeter has broken a \$1,000 threshold, our Anonymous Donor has added his/her match to the Hangar Fund. At every \$1,000 milestone our Donor will add their matching \$1,000.

Make your tax-deductible donation payable to "EAA Chapter 44" and put "Hangar Challenge" in the memo line. Mail or give your donation to Treasurer Gail Isaac, 6 Clearview Dr., Spencerport, NY 14559.

**Thank you to our Anonymous Donor and thank you to YOU for your support of the Sport Aviation Center Hangar Fund.**

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together to grow participation in aviation. EAA was founded on shared interest in flying and building airplanes and I promise that we will continue to celebrate all aspects of aviation." Chairman Pelton more recently has also commented: "EAA Chapters are the widespread aviation support system for any EAA member, but chapter members are also the eyes and ears for all of EAA, and for all of personal aviation."

EAA Chapter 44's Certificate of Incorporation dated December 10, 1965 states the purposes for which the *Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 44, Inc.* was formed:

1. To encourage, aid and engage in study for the improvement and better understanding of aviation and the science of aeronautics.
2. To foster, promote and engage in aviation safety and education.
3. To encourage and foster development of experimental aircraft through home engineering.

Our mission statement reads: EAA Chapter 44 is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization of aircraft builders and aviation enthusiasts in the Western New York Region dedicated to promoting aviation and encouraging participation in aviation-related activities. These include designing, building and restoring aircraft, education, advocacy and youth outreach programs. We promote flying with high standards in an environment that supports freedom, safety, family and personal fulfillment.

Especially notice the harmony between our EAA 44 local chapter and EAA National. We have and always will be focused on the

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**OLD GOAT, QUE SERA SERA**

**by Art Thieme**

Several months ago I attended the U. S. Navy Cruisers Sailors Convention in Washington, DC. I attended my first in Tucson in 2006. I debated about going as I have seen the war memorial several times. But such trips convinced me- also the fact that my daughter Cindy said she would come along and push me in a wheelchair. There were 90 members and 40 family helpers. Only nine of us were WWII vets. Besides the war memorials the trip to the new Marine Corp Museum in Quantico, VA was outstanding. It's new and a must see, depicting every engagement the Marines have been in.

We also went to the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center. It is HUGE-GA! The ground floor is filled with planes like the Enola Gay, SR-71, Concorde, Virgin Atlantic Global Flyer, Junkers Ju-52, Lockheed Constellation, etc, etc, and so forth. Many planes hang from the ceiling. Two levels of walkway bring you to eye level. A plane lovers dream.

The last Rochester Airshow I attended was when the Chapter had a booth there. Compared to Oshkosh it was amateur night. I went to this years show and it was better but still too much time between the flights. The expanded layout was great.

I had my son-in-law push me in a wheel chair. I had my WWII hat on and many people thanked me for my service. I appreciated that. Rob Williams was there in his jet.

EAA Headquarters offered me a Lifetime Membership. Perhaps they should check the ages of the members they are soliciting!

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traditional values of creating opportunities for learning and developing knowledge and skills pertaining to building and operating aircraft, along with all matter of aviation safety and aeronautical science.

“Success breeds success.” Most recently EAA Chapter 44 has successfully completed and is now utilizing an outstanding meeting and education center known as the Sport Aviation Center of Western New York (SAC). This was accomplished by members of EAA Chapter 44 and free of any associated debt. EAA Chapter 44 is a mature organization devoted to serving our community through its membership. There is no question but that whatever its members set their minds to, it can and will be accomplished.

The next major phase in support of our mission is to expand the SAC to include a hangar. So now to the question; ‘Why build a hangar?’

Based on our local chapter mission and working plan, we will be increasingly deliberate in welcoming all in our communities and those participating in personal aviation. As we expand our reach, increasingly we will better serve our membership, Western New York State, and aviation through enhanced opportunities for learning, networking and involvement.

Envision activities utilizing both our current facility and a substantial attached hangar specifically designed, but not limited to these varied aviation interests:

1. Builder workshops with themes such as woodwork, fabric covering, engines, welding, riveting, composite and other construction methods requiring a larger shop environment.
2. Seminars on topics relating to aviation, aerospace, aircraft construction, and

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What is the conversion factor for changing Knots to MPH? I've often wondered. Plane & Pilot, June 2015, has the answer:

“Just remember, it takes more miles to make up a knot, so you multiply by 1.15 (Easy way to estimate: take 10%, add half of that, and add this to the number of knots.”) Works for me.

Long time member is going on the last Honor Flight out of Rochester in June. His pusher will be Phil Hazen.

Old Goat, out!



Heritage Flight: P-51 Mustang and F-14 Tomcat at the Statue of Liberty.

Source: Internet



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youth orientation to aviation able to support larger numbers than the current facility.

3. Aero Camp expanded activities and Young Eagle program expansion.
4. Youth and adult 'Build an Airplane' programs.
5. Final assembly opportunities for member aircraft building projects.
6. Aviation Badge, Boy and Girl Scout camping programs would enjoy the enhanced facility for expanded programs and improved alternative housing in inclement weather.
7. Fly-Ins and Fly Outs, open houses and theme-based fly-in pancake breakfasts.
8. Provide a home for the EAA Chapter 44 Museum.
9. Hosting aviation related events for the purpose of outreach to our surrounding communities.

For EAA Chapter 44, building a hangar is about an *enhancement project* in the development of the *EAA Chapter 44 Sport Aviation Center of Western New York*. The structure itself and the design concepts incorporated in it will support the sum of our unique vision and mission. As a chapter focused primarily on aircraft construction and aviation education, the facility will be tailored particularly around the concepts of 'workshop' and 'education'. But increasingly EAA Chapter 44 is oriented around social and family activities as well. An example is the very successful Young Eagles program. Therefore, all of these varied interests will be considered in the 'design concepts' phase of the hangar.

So there you have it. A substantial hangar is not only desirable, but indeed essential if EAA Chapter 44 is to be enhanced to fulfill its' vision to serve the aviation interests of Western New York as declared in the Chapter's vision statement:

*"EAA Chapter 44 aims to become widely recognized as the premier aviation association in Western New York. It will have a growing membership made up of traditional core interest groups, as well as members representing a variety of aviation interests, all active in promoting aviation through chapter activities."*

Why build a hangar? In one word: **ENHANCEMENT**. As outlined in the Chapter's

working plan, this project will *enhance* the expanding design and development of programs and events for the benefit of its growing membership, surrounding Western New York communities, and all who have an interest in aviation.

**EAA Chapter 44  
Board of Directors' Meetings  
9 February 2016**

**Board Members Present:** Clayton, Nelligan-Barrett, N. Isler, Hazen, Horne Arganbright, Ritson and Peters

**Other Members Present:** G. Isaac, Williams, Greeno

**Reports:**

- ▲ President (Mike Clayton)
  - ▲ No Formal Report
  
- ▲ Vice President (Norm Isler)
  - ▲ The AOPA Safety Institute Seminar will be held at the SAC on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - ▲ Norm updated the Board re the communications that he has had with EAA regarding the potential of Chapter 44 hosting a Chapter Leadership Workshop that has been historically held in Oshkosh.
  
- ▲ Treasurer (Gail Isaac)
  - ▲ The report was read and approved. To facilitate the chapter's financial & budget system, separate bank accounts will be established for specific designated fund categories.

- ▲ Secretary (Jeff Peters)
  - ▲ January Meeting minutes read and approved per motion of Bob Nelligan-Barrett, seconded by Kevin Arganbright , passed unanimously.

**Business:**Homebuilder's Council (Darryl Byers)

- ▲ No report.

- ▲ Capital Campaign (Rob Williams & Larry Greeno)

- ▲ Rob & Larry updated the Board re the status of the Capital Campaign, the Capital Campaign Committee, the Hanger Fund, the Hangar Match Challenge and the Wings 44 Society. Joe DiDonato will join Bill Shaw and Jeff Peters as the other members of the Committee. A Committee meeting will be held prior to the next board meeting.

- ▲ 2015 Program (Mike Kuyt – Speaker Seeker)

- ▲ No Report

- ▲ Building Committee (Kevin Arganbright)

- ▲ Kevin updated the BOD re the completed back flow preventer inspection. A discussion was held re the best way to ensure that the building maintains an appropriate temperature during the winter months.

- ▲ Young Eagle Aviation Camp (YEAC) (Jeff Peters)

- ▲ Jeff Peters updated the BOD re the 2016 YEAC that will be held on August 8th-12<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting of the Committee will be held prior to the March General Membership Meeting.

- ▲ Ford Tri-Motor Visit (Bob Nelligan-Barrett)

- ▲ Bob Nelligan-Barrett, the Tour Chair for the EAA Ford Tri-Motor visit to the SAC on June 23 -26, updated the BOD re the project. The committee has been formed and is meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. To facilitate marketing the Ford Tri-Motor Visit, the BOD authorized an expenditure for printing materials.

- ▲ Chapter Web Site (Phil Hazen)

- ▲ Phil summarized the issues pertaining to the updating of the Chapter's Web Site and the needed purchase of software to assist in the transition to a new domain host. The Board authorized funds to purchase of the recommended software.



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Gifts of cash, securities or other property to the Chapter for the benefit of the Sport Aviation Center are welcome and fully tax deductible.

Contact Treasurer Gail Isaac for details.

**REGIONAL CALENDAR**

Look to Upstate NY's Aviation List at <upstatelist.org> for regional fly-in breakfasts and other events.

**May 5 AOPA ASI  
Safety Seminar @ the SAC**

**Ford Tri-Motor Rides  
at the SAC!**

June 23-26

Adult \$70,

Child (17 & under) \$50

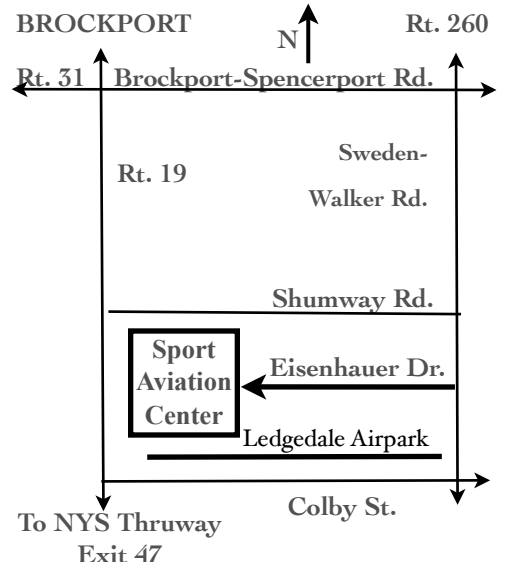
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## EAA 44 Calendar



### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

**Mar. 15, 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Mtg.**

**Jim Martin** will bring his sailplane fuselage to the SAC for us to see and will be talking about the Finger Lakes Soaring Club. He is rated one of the top 100 sailplane pilots in the country. As always, he will be very interesting.

**Jeff Peters** will be providing a ham dinner. Please bring a dish or dessert to complement our meal. Thank you.

Mar 12 SAC Work Day (tent)

Mar 15 General Mtg.

Mar 19 Tri-Motor Comm.

April 2 Tri-Motor Comm.

April 9 SAC Work Day (tent)

April 12 Board Meeting

April 16 Tri-Motor Comm.

April 19 General Meeting

**May 5 AOPA ASI Safety**

**Seminar @ the SAC**

**June 11 Young Eagle Rally**

**June 23-26 Ford Tri-Motor**

**July 9 Young Eagle Rally**

**Aug 8-12 YEAC Camp**

**August 13 Young Eagle Rally**

**All activities take place at the Sport Aviation Center, & are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted.**

### **Sport Aviation Center**

44 Eisenhower Dr. 14420

Brockport Airport/  
Ledgesdale Airpark (7G0)

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43° 10' 56" N 77° 55' 1" W

### **Board Meetings**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

### **General Meetings-**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month

\$5 Dinner 6:30, Meeting 7:30

### **SAC Saturday Work Days**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays, 10 AM

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