

# EAA Chapter 54

## NEWS

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### SEPTEMBER MEETING

**DATE:** 9-8-97

**TIME:** 7:30 PM\*

**LOCATION:** Hobo's Hanger, 11C, Alpha Lane, Lake Elmo Airport.

#### PROGRAM:

After the close of the business portion of the meeting there will be a project review of Ed Piefer's Fisher Classic.

### AUGUST MEETING

The August meeting opened almost on time, 7:32 p.m.

Reports; Secretary's report approved as printed in newsletter. Treasurer John Thomas reported that there presently is \$90.00 in the Hanger/Housing fund and \$888.07 in the General fund.

Old Business; The Treasurer reported that at the present time there are a few members with delinquent dues. Two paid up during the meeting. Those delinquent will be receiving a notice soon.

Jim Anderson, Chair Location Committee is out of town. Dale Rupp reported that it appears we can continue to meet in the Taylor hanger until year end.

There was no official report from the Nominating Committee. It is known that most current officers and directors with term ending 12/31/97 have been contacted regarding willingness to run again.

Dan Parker reported on the status of the Fly-In preparations.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

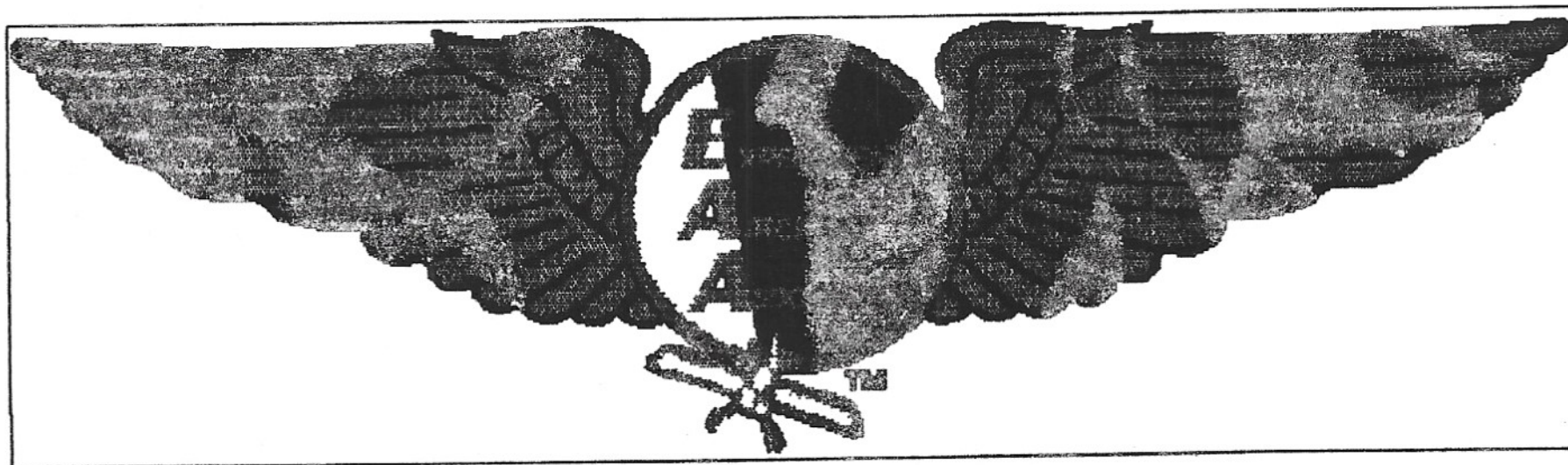
**DATE - August 16, 1997**

Thanks to a hard working crew and a weather man that once again was wrong, at least for the local area, the day went off terrific.

The mothers from the Early Childhood program were there to give their usual top flight performance in the kitchen. Some of the Stillwater Rotarians also helped out as needed in most every job. If help was needed they were there to step right up and volunteer.

What really impressed the people was the willingness of Chapter 54 members, spouses, children, grand-children, etc to dig right in and help. Bill Schanks and Dale Rupp were on KP duty, Jerry Sarracco had a group on the flight line, Jessie Black, Tom Marson and others worked the auto parking traffic. Your president/editor just seemed to be walking around looking like he was doing something.

(See Fly-In page 2 )



## North Central EAA Fly-In

"Old Fashioned"

Can anyone from 54 find the Mississippi. Can they figure out which way is down stream. Looking for an interesting fly-in to hop off to.

Our Illinois member C John Olson has indicated that if all of the above is possible, along with finding Clinton, Iowa and knowing how to turn left its the place to be on September 20-21.

The airport name is Whiteside county airport in the Sterling/Rock Falls, Illinois area. Just a very short hop, about 30 miles east of Clinton, Iowa. From 21D to Whiteside is only about 300 miles. To ease the strain on us northern members C John even has made out a Navigation Log for both down and back. C John even sent along Green Bay and Chicago sectional charts already indicating the line of flight. Believe it or not they are even current charts. He must be very serious about having a good turn out from 54.

A 1997 program was not available but for sure there is a breakfast on Sunday. A bit long for a 150 for a down and back to be there for the breakfast.

Anyone game for a interesting flight? Unfortunately the chapter president has a previous family commitment on Saturday the 20th. Gary Miller just might be in need of a long flight to help break in his overhauled engine about then.

The information from C John will be at the September meeting. A good time to plan a group trip.

## GUESTS AND VISITORS AT THE JULY MEETING

The following are new members in 54.

Ed Pieffer, Art Brown and Scott Hutchinson.

Guests were Lee Andrew Weston and Steve Roscoe.

### FLY - IN

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Again this year two members of the local RC Club displayed their aircraft. To think that the amount of time spent building some of those models is the same time spent building a full sized aircraft. The detail is beyond words.

The local CAP Squadron set up a display table. A representative was available to discuss the mission of the CAP with all interested parties.

Minnesota Aviation History and Education Center was selling T-shirts. Actually Sally, Mary, Julia, Jessie and Michelle Jelick volunteered to sell them for MAHEC. They sold at least 24 shirts as a fund raiser for MAHEC. What an energetic bunch.

While the female side of the family was busy selling for MAHEC the male side spent time on the flight line. Son and a friend of his helped keep Gary Miller organized directing aircraft. Father Nick checked out the interesting aircraft.

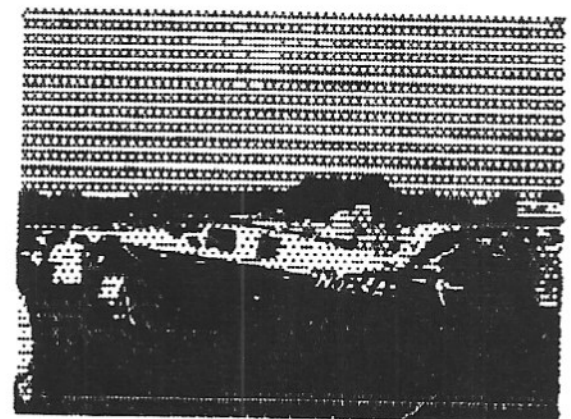
Spotted in the crowd, and apparently enjoying themselves was Roy Furman, MAC Tenant Relations, and his daughter Jenna, and MAC Commissioner John Kahler up from Rochester. It was nice to see that these individuals were willing to give our fly-in efforts a bit of their time. Hope they will show up more often.

Due to the weather around the state, and competition from Little Falls celebration the out state flyers was not to large. The total number of airplanes was up this year. As about 32 PIC meals were given out there should have been about 32 aircraft from other fields. Most of the aircraft seemed to have made it all the way from Fleming Field. Included in that group were 3 AT-6's and 1 Havard. Nice to hear those round engines.

Jim Anderson brought out his N3N and Bamboo Bomber. All morning long someone was there to help people climb into the bomber. A great hit with the visitors.

Whats the important information. Total feed just over 500. Net income figure, unaudited, is \$1,530.00. Dan Parker and John Thomas have not had the oppertunity to double check the financials.

See FLY-IN Cont'd page 5



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The week following the event Gatis was receiving calls complimenting him for allowing his facility to be used. Also, they indicated their hope that 1998 would see another fly-in using his location.

Chapter 54 had already been invited to return for another year.

Door prize winners are;

Contributions from Valters Aviation  
Dennis Pederson, \$300.00 towards an Annual  
Free oil, Cary Marias, Bob Lupelou  
Free oil change Dave Carlson

Contributions from Mayer Aviation  
Free oil change John Wood  
10 gallons of gas; Mike Aune, Cleo Young, Bob  
Waldron, Lon Hertel, Charles Leckie

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS

THANKS TO VALTERS AVIATION AND MAYER  
AVIATION FOR THEIR DONATIONS.

Next month there will be a complete list  
of volunteers.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 1997

### SEPTEMBER

5, 6 & 7 1st Annual Fly-In. Celebrating the Grand  
Opening Event for ZANKLITES, Bloomer Wisconsin.  
Competitive Flying Events & Awards for Gen.  
Aviation & Ultralight Type Aircraft. FREE Primitive  
Camping, FREE Shuttle Service to town., Evening  
Cookouts & Campfires (Grills available), Pancake  
Breakfast, lunch & Dinner Saturday. Pancake  
Breakfast & Lunch Sunday. For info call (715)  
568-2244 or (715) 879-5822. E\_mail: zanklite@win-  
.bright.net. Website: www.cipher.net/zanklites.

6 Two Harbors, MN - EAA Chapter 1128  
Fly-In/Young Ealgles 218-834-4784.

6 Pancake Breakfast Fly-In, Wheels & Wings Air  
Fair, L. O. Simenstad Field (OEO), Osceola, WI.,  
civilian/military static displays. CTAF 118.2, Class  
D NOTAMs. Osceola Bus. Assoc. 715-755-3300.

6-7 Camp Lake Arpt, WI. EAA Chapter 414 Fly-In.  
414-889-8187.

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7 Fly-In Breakfast, New Ulm Mun Arpt  
(ULM), ?? am - ?? p.m

Sept. cont'd.

7 Pancake/Sausage Breakfast, PICs Free,  
Sauk Cntr Mun Arpt (D39) 8 am - 2 p.m  
(Y33), EAA Chapter 878/Wright Aero. 11:30  
am - 2 p.m

7 Breakfast & Open House. Windom  
Mun Arpt (MWM). 7 am - 12 p.m

7 Dubuque, IA. EAA Chapter 327  
Fly-In Breakfast. 508-428-5703.

13 Racine, WI -EAA Chapter 838  
Young Eagles Rally. 414-637-4338.

14 Fly-In Pork Chop Dinner, 11:30 a.m.  
to 2:00 p.m. by Wright Co. Pork Produc-  
ers. Free dinner to PIC of experimental or  
warbird aircraft. Maple Lake Mun Arpt  
320-963-5094

14 55th Annual Hector Lions Club  
Fly-In Breakfast, Hector, MN. 7:30 am-  
noon. PICs free. Curt, 320-848-2412.

21 Fly-In Pancake Breakfast, CAF,  
Southern MN Wing, Fleming Field (D97),  
So. St. Paul.  
7 am - 1 p.m

### OCTOBER

4 Sturgeon Bay, WI. EAA Chapter 630  
Fall Colors Breakfast. 414-743-6082.

4-5 Crivitz, WI - EAA Chapter 579  
Young Eagle Flight Rally. 630-466-4193

5 Tomah, WI. EAA Chapter 935  
Fly-In Breakfast. 608-372-3125.

11 Racine, WI - EAA Chapter 838  
Young Eagles Rally. 414-637-4338.

### NOVEMBER

10 Chapter 54 meeting.

### DECEMBER

8 Chapter 54 meeting

## 1998

### JUNE

40TH ANNIVERSARY, CHAPTER 54.