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January 16th, 2021

Next EAA 551 Event: 1/18/2021

1/18/2021 – EAA Chapter 551 member meeting. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:00 PM, food for a nominal donation, all are welcome and social hour. Program at 6:30 PM. Join EAA Chapter 551 for the January Program Meeting on Monday, January 18, beginning at 6:30 pm. The topic will be **Airport Planning and Design - 101**, facilitated by Angie Olson, Aviation Planner for Bollig Engineering. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to plan an airport for the NW Angle of MN. January's program will be more participation and collaboration rather than presentation. You will be given a basic map of the NW Angle and some guiding questions to consider for planning purposes. You may work in groups or alone (whatever you prefer). All thoughts and ideas are welcome! No shovels needed....yet! Meal for a donation beginning at 6:00 pm. Social distance and face coverings as mandated.

Ray Aviation Scholarship applications are due soon!
January 31, 2021, for the full \$10,000 scholarship.

As many may already know, Chapter 551 recently lost its former past president, Neil Weihrauch. We would like Neil's family to know that the chapter sends its condolences.

EAA 551 Sponsored Coming Events

2/1/2021 – EAA Chapter 551 board meeting. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome. Light meals are available at 6:00 PM for a nominal donation.

2/15/2021 – EAA Chapter 551 member meeting. SCSU Aero Club Hangar 6:00 PM, food for a nominal donation, all are welcome and social hour. Program at 6:30 PM.



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Non EAA 551 Events:



ICEPORT 2021

MAC's Twin Bay
LAKE MILLE LACS

Da Boathouse
IN DA BAY

TANIS
AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS
Aviation Safety Starts with Tanis Preheat

A sincere "Thank You" goes out to [Tanis Aircraft Products](#) for their continued generous support of this unique, family-friendly event!

For the latest ICEPORT event updates, please visit:
www.facebook.com/CreateLift

- Pilots please monitor: 122.9
- There is no fee for this event, but donations are highly encouraged to offset Mac's Twin Bay plowing expenses
- Plowed iceway (Skis & wheels welcome!)

"Look for the orange safety cones depicting the landing zone"

VENUE: ICEPORT 2021 Fly-in Brunch
DATE/TIME: Saturday, March 6th, 2021 10:00am - 3:00pm (Drawings @1:00pm)
LOCATION: Mac's Twin Bay (Lake Mille Lacs) www.macstwinbay.com/da-boathouse-restaurant
CONTACT: Mark Priglmeier (320) 200-8050 CreateLift@gmail.com

ICEPORT 2021. It's on!

Details:

ICEPORT 2021

Saturday, March 6th, 2021

10am-3pm (Stay till dark. Da Boathouse will be serving all day. Have breakfast, lunch and dinner!)

Location: Mac's Twin Bay

<https://www.macstwinbay.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/macstwinbay/>

Dining: Da Boathouse Restaurant

<https://www.macstwinbay.com/da-boathouse-restaurant>

<https://www.facebook.com/DaBoathouse/>

But hey, don't wait for ICEPORT, Da Boathouse is open NOW!

Roads are plowed and in great shape. Head on up there anytime and grab some great food. Why not stay and rent a fish house! How convenient is that!

Remember: Give way to vehicles and fish houses and you will be just fine. Watch for any cracks in the ice. Fly courteous. Fly alert. Fly proficient. Fly safe. It's ice my friends.

Mark Priglmeier

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Chapter 551 members, if you see other aviation related events that would be fitting to have in this section, please forward them to me, Ryan Rask, at RyanCRask@gmail.com, or tell me about them in person. I will add them as I get them if they are fitting, thank you for the help!

News and Notes:

YOUNG EAGLE FLIGHTS

Did you know that you pilots can still give Young Eagle flights (free flights to youth ages 8-17 years old) even though there are no Young Eagle Rallies scheduled for 2020? Pilots can find all of the information at <https://www.eaa.org/ea/youth/free-ye-flights/ye-volunteers/ye-volunteer-opportunities/ea-young-eagles-volunteer-pilots>

Young Eagle forms, Certificates of Young Eagles Flight, and Sporty's Log Book with access code to the Sporty's Online Ground School Program (\$249 value) are available to pilots to the right as you enter the Aero Club Board Room (Kitchen area).

The Young Eagle form to be completed in its entirety prior to flight, including parent/guardian signature.

Be sure to turn in your completed (flights given) Young Eagle forms. There is a file drawer below the TV in the EAA Chapter 551 Board Room marked for this. Pilots who are in compliance with giving Young Eagle flights and with each fully completed Young Eagles form, EAA Chapter 551 will be given \$5 in Young Eagle credits for each flight. EAA Chapter 551 can then spend those funds on items to support future Young Eagles Programs.

St. Cloud Regional Airport is looking to gauge demand for the construction of new T-hangars. The hangars are currently full now and creating a waiting list demonstrating demand is the next step to getting more hangars constructed. Please email lynn.hoff@ci.stcloud.mn.us and cc william.towle@ci.stcloud.mn.us to get put on the waiting list - thank you!

It's time for you to fly! Complete your SCSU Aero Club application today! The website has changed for scheduling, info, and registration. The new website is: www.scsuaeroclub.org

*****PLEASE DO NOT PARK ANY VEHICLES IN FRONT OF HANGERS***** EAA Chapter 551 membership dues are \$25.00 Dues can be submitted/mailed to EAA 551's Treasurer: Kenneth HT Olson CPA LTD. PO Box 335, Sartell, MN. 56377

EAA 551 chapter programs are held on the 3rd Monday of every month @6:30 p.m, dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please reference our EAA 551 monthly newsletter for details: <http://www.eaa551.org/newsletters.php>

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Chapter 551 Member's Corner

What's happening around the chapter? Go somewhere cool in your airplane? Go flying with some friends?

Want to see it here? Send pictures (and a description) to RyanCRask@gmail.com with "551 Member's Corner" in the subject line

Submit projects you are working on and/or project updates to Steve Reisdorf at srreisdorf@charter.net for publication in the newsletter



October 2020 Program Meeting: Great presentation by Josh Trisko and Brittany Kahawai!

2021 EAA Chapter 551 Directors (Voting Board Members)

Class 1 Directors:

President: Tyler Gohmann
Vice President: Isaac Stone
Second Vice President: Steve Reisdorf
Secretary: Angie Olson
Treasurer: Ken Olson
Young Eagles Coordinator: Chip Sauers
Immediate Past President: Mark Priglmeier

Class 2 Directors:

Dale Field
Dave Tannehill
Dean S.
Chip Sauers (Young Eagles Coordinator)
Rob Jahnke (Webmaster)
Ryan Rask (Newsletter Editor)

EAA Chapter 551 Appointments

Young Eagles Coordinator: Chip Sauers
Webmaster: Rob Jahnke
Newsletter Editor: Ryan Rask
Membership Coordinator: Ken Olson
Scholarship/Fundraising Committee: Carol Schimnich, Greg Bednark, Ken Olson and Angie Olson

Board Minutes:

EAA 551 Board Meeting

Date: 12/07/20

Attendees: Mark P., Tyler G., Chip S., Steve R., Ken O., Dave T., Dean S., Dale F., Angie O.

Called to order: 18:30

Treasurers Report: Ken Olson

- o Scholarship Fund: \$1,555.62
- o Ray Aviation Fund: \$1,818.11
- o General Fund: \$7,228.16

Scholarship Committee: Carol S., Greg B., Ken O., Angie O.

- o Ray Aviation Scholarship Deadlines:
 - o December 31, 2020, for the 50/50 match
 - o January 31, 2021, for the full \$10,000 scholarship.

Web Master:

Rob J. – no report

1, 3, 5-year plan:

Wade – No Report

Young Eagles:

- o Young Eagle Flights: 2021 Dates

- May 15 – STC
- June 19 – LXL
- Sept. 18 - STC
- o Young Eagle funds to be used by the end of 2020
 - Approximately \$140.00

New Ratings and Accomplishment Recognition:

- o None reported

Meal Assignments

- o Not discussed for 2021

2021 Program Ideas:

- o Ice Port
- o Flight/snowmobile

Old Business:

- o **Thank you, Tyler G.,** for spearheading the purchase of walkie-talkies and accessories for EAA 551 events!!
 - All radios are labeled
 - Earpieces are back ordered
- o **Submit projects you are working on and/or project updates to Steve R. (srreisdorf@charter.net) for publication in the newsletter**
- o Discussion on the purchase of Microsoft Flight sim is not cost effective (approximately \$2,500) and additional requirement of internet service is also prohibitive for acquisition. Move to table – Dale F., seconded Steve R., M/S/P
- o Internet options are being explored by Mark P.

New Business:

- o Kade Stommes donation given to support flight training and/or aircraft rental. Receipts will be sent to Ken O.
- o A possible program idea for spring/summer of 2021: RC Airshow at Leaders
- o Board positions for 2021

2021 Board

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 2nd Vice President: Steve Reisdorf
 Secretary: Angie Olson
 Treasurer: Ken Olson
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Dave Tannehill
 Dean S.
 Chip Sauers
 Dale Field

Ryan Rask

Chapter Appointed Positions

Scholarship/Fundraising Committee: Carol Schimnich, Greg Bednark, Ken Olson, Angie Olson

Chapter Photographer: Beverly Nordvik

Membership Coordinator: Ken Olson

Newsletter Editor: Ryan Rask

Web Editor: Rob Jahnke

Motion to adjourn: Steve R. – seconded – Dave T. M/S/P

Meeting Adjourned: 19:25



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Maintenance, Aircraft Rental

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LEGACY GIFTS

Estate Planning- WHY DO IT NOW?

Some people want to quickly dismiss estate planning, thinking it relates to death; and consequently, they place it in the "I'll do it later" category. In truth, estate planning is for the living — living with a feeling of satisfaction that important family and financial matters have been thought through and wisely planned. Why not do it now?

WHAT IS A Partner Fund?

A partner fund is an investment where donations may be consolidated from many sources for the benefit of the whole organization. Interest earned on these funds will serve as a perpetual source of planned income for the betterment and continued success of **Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 551**.

Estate Planning & the Partner Fund

When planning your estate, remember, you do not have to wealthy or have extensive holdings to give something to the **EAA Chapter 551 Fund**. Every gift is important.

EAA Chapter 551 Fund
Initiative Foundation
405 First Street South East
Little Falls, MN 56345

if Initiative
FOUNDATION
877-632-9255

ESTATE PLANNING

The First Step

One of the first steps in estate planning is preparing a will that reflects your intentions & plans for your family, church & other organizations you consider important. Every adult, regardless of their marital status, should have a will. Other steps in estate planning may include decisions regarding a savings plan, life insurance, social security, an individual retirement account, pension plan, trusts and investments. If you have already planned your estate, you may want to review your decisions to see if they reflect your current financial need & desired goals.

Contributions During Your Lifetime

Giving special gifts during your lifetime is an option to be considering in expressing your support for **EAA Chapter 551** & its mission. The **EAA Chapter 551 Fund**, by virtue of its purpose, is an excellent vehicle for ensuring the future financial strength of the organization. You may consider one of the following ways to give now as an expression of your belief in **EAA Chapter 551**: Cash Gifts, Certificate of Deposit, Shares of Stocks, Bonds & Securities, Land, Home & Other Property. Art Works or Other Personal Property may be accepted, depending on the item. You may want to discuss tax advantages & legalities with your tax counsel & your attorney.

LIFE INSURANCE

You may find that your life insurance coverage exceeds the present & projected security needs of you & your family. If this is true for you, an existing policy can easily be transferred to the Endowment Fund.

PREPARE A WILL

A thoughtful will allows you to direct the distribution of your possessions you worked all your life to attain. Through a will, you can provide for loved ones in the way you choose, rather than as state laws direct, & also safeguard your estate from undue tax. Such thoughtful preparation can also guarantee a lasting expression of your support of **EAA Chapter 551**. Here are four popular ways to make bequests through your will:

PERCENTAGE: The most flexible way to give; the gift automatically changes with your estate.

FIXED AMOUNT: The most common type of bequest.

SPECIFIC PROPERTY: Securities, real estate, & personal property can all be given through a will.

RESIDUE: Property left over after other bequests have been filled.

Since a will is a legal document, the services of an attorney are advisable. You may also wish to consult with a tax advisor when planning or reviewing your will.

TRUSTS — LIFE INCOME PLANS

Trusts represent an important method of deferred giving.

The following are possible trust forms you might consider.

Charitable Remainder Trust: Life beneficiaries named in the unitrust are to receive, at special times during the year, an agreed fixed percentage of the net fair termination of the trust. The **EAA Chapter 551 Fund** would receive the remainder.

Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust: Specifically, a fixed dollar amount would be paid annually to the beneficiary. Upon termination, the **EAA Chapter 551 Fund** would receive the remainder.

*Thank you for your investment
in the EAA Chapter 551 Fund.*

EVERY DONATED DOLLAR SUPPORTS AVIATION SCHOLARSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS IN THE CENTRAL MINNESOTA REGION

Our goal is to have a 100 percent success rate at whatever rating the student is working towards from aviation mechanic, private pilot, instrument, commercial, or certified flight instructor rating.

Donation Level Recognition

Titanium	\$100,000 +
Platinum	\$10,000 to \$99,999
Gold	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Silver	\$1,000 to \$4,999
Bronze	Up to \$999

EAA Chapter 551 wants to ensure donations received and scholarships distributed are used wisely and the students stay focused and on track during their time of instruction.

Donate online at ifound.org/give-Eaachapter551



Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 551

www.eaa551.org
Ken Olson, Treasurer. 320-492-7665.
3794 Pine Point Road, Sartell, MN 56377

Partnership

Created in 1986, the Initiative Foundation is powering possible to help Central Minnesota people build and sustain thriving communities.

The Foundation serves 14 counties in Central Minnesota, providing non-profit grants, business loans, leadership training, and an array of donor services. We believe that local people have the greatest sum of initiative, knowledge and relationships to achieve a brighter future.

In partnership with EAA Chapter 551, the Initiative Foundation overseas and manages financial contributions for the Fund. The Foundation also provides staff support to the advisory board and ensures compliance with legal and professional standards. These services allow volunteer leaders to focus on meeting community needs and enhancing the local quality of life. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, contributions to the Fund are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Supporting Your Community

You can make a lasting contribution to EAA Chapter 551 through a variety of tax deductible gifts. Contributions will be permanently invested, generating dollars to be used for aviation related scholarships and scholarship recipient support, so there is greater awareness of aviation as a profession in Central Minnesota.

Discuss the possibilities with your financial advisor or attorney. For more information about the types of gifts accepted or the impact you can make, please contact an EAA Chapter 551 Scholarship Fundraising Committee member.



EAA Chapter 551 Fund

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 551 of St. Cloud, Minnesota, has become a leader in the local aviation community.

Through monthly programming, community outreach courses, sharing high school and post-secondary aviation related curriculum to local educational institutions, Young Eagle flights for youth ages 8-17 years, bringing people and organizations interested in different aspects of aviation together, and providing leadership and scholarship opportunities for youth, EAA Chapter 551 is making a difference in the aviation world.



2019 EAA Chapter 551 Ray Aviation Scholar, Michael Nordvik, with flight instructor, Joey Schminich.

The **EAA Chapter 551 Fund** is a vehicle for those who wish to help guarantee the future financial strength of the EAA Chapter 551 Scholarship programs, to ensure the continued quality of aviation related programming, and a future educational space for this programming.

"It is possible to fly without motors, but not without knowledge and skill." -- Orville Wright

Priority One Fundraising Goals for the EAA Chapter 551 Fund:

\$2,000,000 for Educational Scholarships/ Capacity Building will provide:

- Two \$5000 EAA Chapter 551 Ray Aviation Scholarships to match the two \$5000 National EAA Scholarships for Private Pilot, Flight Training for youth ages 16-19 years.
- \$2,500 flight training scholarships (eight annual scholarships) for flight training at the St. Cloud Regional Airport.
- \$5,000 aviation maintenance technology scholarships (four annual scholarships)
- \$40,000 to provide support for flight training and educational scholarships.



Michael Nordvik (kneeling) giving Young Eagle flights.

"I've learned more about people through my association with aviation than I ever did about airplanes." — Paul Poberezny, founder of the Experimental Aircraft Association

Priority Two Fundraising Goal:

\$1,000,000 Future Educational Facility at the St. Cloud Regional Airport

For donations regarding a future educational facility at the St. Cloud Regional Airport, please contact Ken Olson, EAA Chapter 551 Treasurer. 320-492-7665 or kolson@khto.com.



October 22, 2019 Aviation Profession Panel Discussion. LtoR: Steve Anderson, Rob Clay, Steve Fines, Joe Lascheider, Bill Mavencamp, Joey Schminch, William Towle, David Weeres

"The greatest use of life is to spend it on something that will outlast it." — William James



Photo on right: EAA Chapter 551 youth cleaning inside the tail of a Cessna 150.



Yes! I would like to invest in Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 551 by partnering with the EAA Chapter 551 Fund.

Donor Information

☐ Business Donation ☐ Personal Donation
Donor _____
Primary business donation contact: _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Primary email address _____
Primary phone _____
☐ Please keep my gift anonymous.

Amount of Gift

☐ **IMMEDIATE CONTRIBUTION OF \$** _____
(Make online donations at ifound.org/give-EAAchapter551)
☐ **I PLEDGE A TOTAL OF \$** _____ to be paid monthly/annually at \$ _____ month/year.
☐ **ANNUAL PLEDGE:** Please indicate the amount of your pledge and the preferred reminder/payment schedule.
\$ _____ over _____ years.
Yr 1 \$ _____ (to be paid) ____/____/____
Yr 2 \$ _____ (to be paid) ____/____/____
Yr 3 \$ _____ (to be paid) ____/____/____

Method of Payment

☐ Check enclosed. Make checks payable to: Initiative Foundation (NOTE: EAA Chapter 551 in the memo line).
Mail check to the Initiative Foundation, 405 First Street South East, Little Falls, MN 56345
☐ Send me pledge reminder invoices
☐ Online gift at ifound.org/give-EAAchapter551
☐ Please call me and I will provide credit card information over the phone
☐ My employer, _____ Has a matching gift program.

EAA Chapter 551 Fund is a Partner Fund with the Initiative Foundation.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Initiative Foundation owns and manages contributions for the benefit of Central Minnesota communities.

A Challenge to Members to Share the Gift of EAA

By: David Leiting, EAA Lifetime 579157
Vice President of EAA Chapter 252
EAA Membership Development Manager

The past 10 months have flipped the world upside down for many of us, but they have also allowed us to spend more time focusing on our families and our passions. For all of us, the shared passion is aviation. It is what brought us together, and has been the one constant we can look to when the days get rough.

The flying club I am a member of shut down operations for 90 days as we evaluated how we could safely operate amongst the COVID-19 pandemic. It pained me to stay out of the cockpit for more than three months. This was the first time since I passed my private pilot check ride that I was out of my 90-day currency! Additionally, my local EAA chapter put all of our events on hold. Although we were able to conduct virtual gatherings and board meetings, it wasn't the same as our usual in-person events.

This lack of aviation activity caused me to reflect on my passion for aviation, and remind myself how easy it is to take for granted the aviation opportunities afforded by EAA. Like many of you, much of what I use to fuel my passion for aviation has come from EAA. EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, my Young Eagles flight, the relationships built through my local chapters, and the educational opportunities. Without EAA, I am not quite sure where I would find myself on my aviation journey.



One of the great pillars of EAA is the opportunity to give back, and pass the torch to future members. Perhaps you have given a Young Eagles flight that led to a career aviator, or lent a helping hand to a friend building their own aircraft. There is also a great chance that you have benefited from the generosity of a fellow EAAer. It is the lifeblood of our organization!

We all remember our mentor who introduced us to aviation and are forever grateful for the gift they gave us. That mentor may still be a close friend of yours within your EAA chapter. EAA is now asking you to join us in helping to preserve the legacy of EAA Founder Paul Poberezny, and of all our past and current members, by gifting an EAA membership to someone you feel will continue to carry on EAA's mission within The Spirit of Aviation.

It is EAA members such as yourself that can bring aboard the next generation of members. Your involvement in your local chapter is even a greater reason to introduce them to EAA. Chapter members are the most engaged and passionate members you'll find within EAA. There is no better group than a local chapter to welcome a newcomer to EAA.

Once you identify whom you'd like to sponsor, simply visit www.EAA.org/Legacy to register EAA's newest member. After you gift this membership, invite the individual to your chapter, and show them the opportunities and community that exist in their own backyard. By gifting a membership and becoming a Legacy sponsor, you will receive a Legacy sponsor pin and patch.

EAA cannot thank you enough for your continued support of the organization, and especially of your local chapter. Chapters are the lifeblood of EAA, and without them the impact of EAA would be fraction of what it is today. Enjoy your holiday season, and we hope to see you in Oshkosh this July!