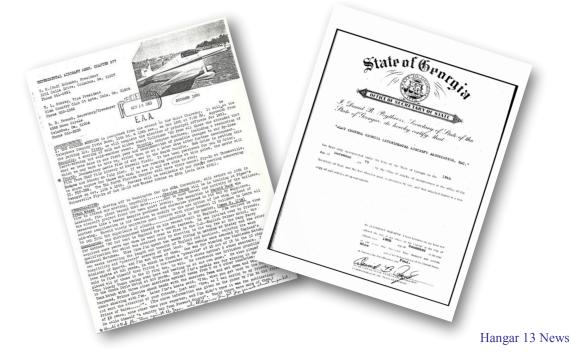


### Happy 33rd Anniversary

The West Central Georgia Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 677 was incorporated Dec 18, 1979. According to EAA HQ our chapter was originally chartered in October of that year





### We now have 33 years behind us. But what's ahead?

The past year has flown by, if you'll pardon the pun.

It's hard to imagine that a year ago, we were hoping to get 250 Young Eagles flown; and we were still patiently waiting for the final agreement that would allow

us to start work on Hangar 13. Ken Sines wasn't flying for medical reasons, Daniel Jones wasn't flying for Tri-Pacer reasons, and Rocket Rick was buying fake roaches for mischievous reasons. In 12 short months since then, we've added new members, flown a record number of Young Eagles (529 and counting), and made significant progress on our hangar space. We sent our first Young Eagle to Air Academy, and we suffered the heartbreaking loss of friend, Young Eagle Flight Leader, and flight instructor George Wade.

In fact, so much has happened in 2012, this column just won't allow for a full review of all of it. But if you have a few moments, I encourage you to go to our Facebook page to see the "Year in Review" video Ken Garbacik and Chris Cook assembled. (It's on YouTube, too: <u>http://youtu.be/</u><u>W tbZIwtq24</u>.) It has more than a year in it but includes this year and is a wonderful reminder of how, despite our challenges and setbacks, our Chapter has regained a level of vibrancy over the past three or four years that had been missing – something for which each of you deserves full credit.

And now we're at year-end again, a time when Chap-

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ter VP Gary Brossett gets on us to be sure we take care of all the necessary paperwork to keep our charter and not-forprofit status. I don't know how he ran across it, but he recently saw in the records that our Chapter was incorporated on December 18, 1979 – that's 33 years ago this week.

Since it's the Advent season, and Jesus is the reason for this season, our 33<sup>rd</sup> birthday struck me as significant. Jesus spent 33 years on earth, working with his "chapter" to bring vibrancy back to the relationship between God and man that had been missing. Jesus' 33-year earthly life was just the start of something that is still happening.

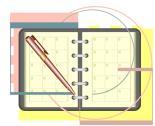
Which leads me to this simple thought: Although we have a 33-year history as a Chapter, and we've been significantly blessed during many of those years, what has happened is just the start. The best part of our history is ahead of us if we are willing to continue to work toward a bright future as a group.

The Chapter leaders can't do it alone; and frankly, we don't want to. Just like the very first Christmas in Bethlehem, the ultimate goal is more about growing relationships than it is about meeting growth targets.

And speaking of Christmas, I pray for a joy-filled, richly rewarding, and safe Christmas for each of you – and hope you join us for our last Young Eagle Rally on December 29!

Blessings, and thanks for all you do. Let's look forward to a great 2013.

Ernie



**Date to Remember** 

December 29-Young Eagles Rally Finale-08:30 to 11:30 am





### Thunder in the Valley Update

Members of the 2013 Thunder in the Valley Air Show planning committee traveled to the annual ICAS (International Council of Air Shows) convention held this week in Las Vegas. While at the convention, the committee secured an air boss – George Cline, announcer and sound –



Hugh Oldham, air show insurance, concessionaire – Puff and Stuff, kids carnival – Plane Things and an exciting line-up of acts and statics.

The Thunder in the Valley Air Show took first place in the marketing awards for 2012. Our great friends with the Great Georgia Air Show accepted the award on our behalf. The committee had to leave before the announcement to catch their flight back home.

Loyal sponsors of the Thunder in the Valley Air Show , Chick-fil-A and Waffle House, will be participating in the 2013 show as vendors.

**SCHEDULED TO APPEAR** (Click the photo for details)



Lockheed P-2 Orion

F/A-18 TAC Demo Team



Jane Wicker Air Shows



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### Thunder in the Valley Update cont...







T-28s from the Hixson Flight Museum



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That's not all, so stay tuned!



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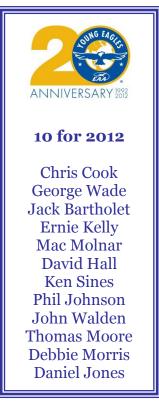
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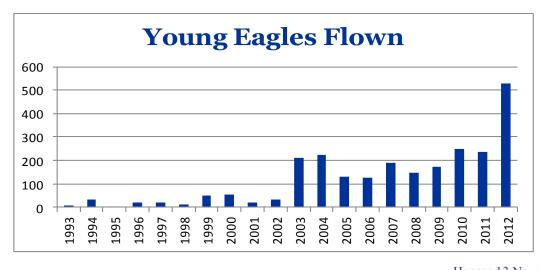
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First, I'd like to apologize for not having pictures of our
November 24 rally. The excitement of it all was just too much.
According to national HQ, our official Young Eagles total is **529 year to date**. Be sure to mark your calendar and join us for the Young Eagles Rally Finale on Dec 29, 2012.





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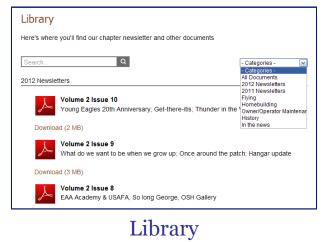
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Young Eagles Aug '12 9 Photos | Updated Aug 27, 2012



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Young Eagles Sept '12 1 Photo | Updated Sep 29, 2012



Hangar 13 project 7 Photos | Updated Aug 23, 2012



Young Eagles Jul '12 8 Photos | Updated Jul 28, 2012

### Photo Gallery





November 27, 2012 chapter election

### Class I Directors (2 yr term)

Secretary/treasurer

Katie Preston

**Nominees** 

### Class II Directors (1 yr term)

Board Board Board Chris Cook Mac Molnar Marty Flournoy Phaedra Childers



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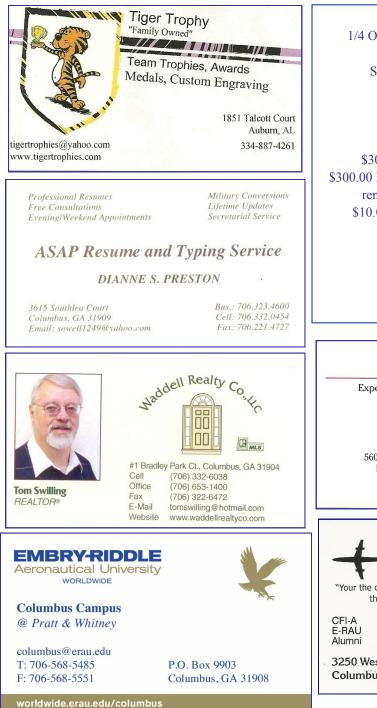




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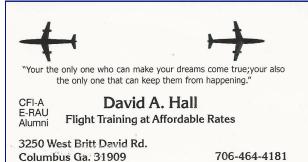
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