

Chapter News

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Chapter News—Let's Get Going!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It's already November again and the time of year we elect new officers. I have discussed this with the current board and committee members, and it appears that they all want to continue in their current positions. This is great news, because I feel this is the strongest board we have had for a long time. Come December 31, I will have been president for **six** years. If by now you aren't completely bored with me, I would like to stay on for one more term. However, if someone wants to step up and run for president, then please do. Since, at this point anyway, we won't be having elections, the Board would like to have another "Chile Cook Off" similar to what we did a couple years ago, and as I recall, there was some really good Chile presented. So, cook up a batch of your best, and remember that last time it wasn't the hottest chili that won.

Richard Martin is chairman of the Sim Committee. **Richard**, along with **Bill Epperson, George Sciss, Greg Wolff,**

Mark Doughty, Ed Appleman, Dave Parsons, Tasha Parsons and Lexi Parsons built the RedBird Simulator Room. To thank them all, Richard put on a steak dinner at the hangar. The grill has never looked so lip-smacking good! Along with the steaks he provided potatoes, scrumptious salad, bread and wine. But, almost as good as the dinner was



the movie that Patty Martin put on! The "**Great Waldo Pepper**" is a boundless movie if you haven't seen it. I think is worth mentioning that all of the planes in the show are authentic, and all of the wing walking was done in real time, **without** parachutes. It pays to pitch in and help sometimes. Thanks Richard and Patty. Speaking about great dinners, I would like to invite everyone in the chapter to our Christmas Party at Patty Jewett Golf Course. We were there last year, and not only was the dinner delicious, but we had a great time. By now you have all received your invitation to the party and space is limited so get your paid reservation in early.

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This last year has been incredible for the chapter. It's not only about the RedBird

Simulator, or the fact that we have been able to lease the hangar from the Airport Association, but the fact that we were able to award scholarships to four deserving students. Our members have accomplished an unbelievable number of first flights, and other accomplishments that will be awarded this year. Additionally, I will have over 30 new name tags to hand out including 15 for Chapter 72.5. We continue to grow and the spirit is still alive! There has been an inordinate amount of interest in the simulator, but we are still learning how to operate it, and now learning, that it will do much more than we thought. Hopefully, by now you have all heard about the new GPS Approaches into Meadow Lake Airport. It was a bit of a shock to find that these approaches are already programmed into the Sim! Richard Martin and Mark Doughty are really working hard to get up to speed with everything the Sim will do, and if you want to see it in operation, or try it out, you need to contact one of them. See you on November 18th.

Blue Skies,

Jim Steward

President, Bruce McCombs EAA chapter 72

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| • Nov. 18 | Chapter meeting, MLAA Hangar, Chili cookoff | 11am |
| • Dec. 7 | Christmas Dinner, Patty Jewett Golf Course | 6 – 9 pm |
| • Dec.10 | VMC/IMC club meeting, MLAA classroom | 6-7 pm |
| • Dec. 13 | Coffee & Donuts, MLAA Hangar | 9 – 11 am |

YOUNG EAGLE RALLY, Nov, 11, 2023

Young Eagle Volunteers,

I just want to thank everybody who participated for a super successful end of season Young Eagles Rally. 36 Young Eagle flights and 5 adults! I really appreciate all of you and for a great year of Young Eagles flights. Chapter 72 has provided over 250 flights this year! So many inspired kids. Thank you for letting me be a part of it. Special thanks to Jim Steward, Hank Bartlett, Al Spratford, and Mark Gabriel for taking all the lead positions to keep Young Eagles functioning smoothly. Moving forward, we'll take a 3 month break this winter and resume Rallies March 9th, 2024. God bless you all, and have a great Holiday season.



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Jeff Hyatt

Young Eagles Coordinator, EAA72

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Young Eagles on Oct. 14, 2023



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EAA Chapter 72.5

What we're about

Through the newly formed EAA chapter 72.5. We want to get young people, like you, who are interested in aviation a chance to get into the world of flying. We are looking to do larger scale R.C. projects, help other chapter 72 members with their real airplane projects, go to airshows and other flight experiences, but most importantly, learn about flying and aeronautics and get everybody involved in the world of aviation.

Specifics

- Regular Chapter meetings will be at 9am at the MLAA hanger on the third Saturday of the month.
- Dues will be 12 dollars a year
- you must be 18 or younger to be a member.

With questions or to sign up please contact our president River Vincent at rvincent@css.org

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EAA CHAPTER 72 CHRISTMAS PARTY

When: Thursday, December 7

Where: Patty Jewett Golf Course

Time: 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Cost: \$62.00 per person

Buffet Dinner with Main Entrees of Pork Loin, Salmon, and Prime Rib along with an assortment of Appetizers, Salad, Sides, Desserts and Gratuity. Coffee, Tea, and Water comes with meal. Adult beverages will be available for individual purchase.

All reservations **MUST** be paid for in advance with either Cash, Check, or Credit Card. Make checks payable to EAA Chapter 72. The check must be received no later than December 1.

Mail to:

Esther Smith
1303 Fosdick Circle
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

If paying by credit card, please call Esther at 719-637-0876 after 6 PM. She will take your payment over the phone.

You may also pay at any Chapter event or by mail **prior to December 1**. We cannot accept reservations after December 1.



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★ **December 16, 2023** ★

National Wreaths Across America Day



Help EAA Chapter 72 honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at Fairview Cemetery.

Scan the QR code to the right to make a donation online or visit www.wreathscrossamerica.org/C00213P



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these EAA Chapter 72
members!*

EAA BRUCE MCCOMBS CHAPTER 72 TREASURER'S REPORT

As of 10/31/2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10/01/2023	Beginning Balance	\$6433.93
10/31/2023	Ending Balance	\$5830.17
10/31/2023	Scholarship Account	\$9,190.00
10/31/2023	Building Account	\$225.54

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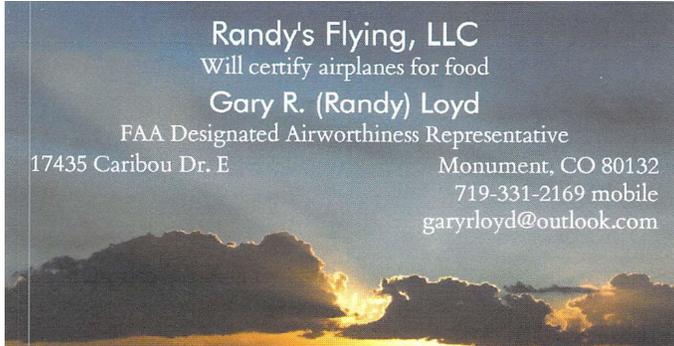
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Chapter Meeting

Date: Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023

Time & Place: 11 AM, MLAA Hangar

Program: Chili Cook-off



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About our Chapter

The Bruce McCombs EAA Chapter 72 meets at Meadow Lake Airport. Meetings are held on 3rd Saturday of each month with a breakfast or lunch. Look for the calendar of events to highlight special chapter activities like Young Eagle Rallies, fly-outs, and other chapter sponsored event. The Chapter Newsletter is published monthly, normally emailed, and available on the website a few days before each meeting. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles, photos, etc. by submitting them to the Newsletter Editor by the first Saturday of each month.

Annual membership is \$25. Send to: Secretary Esther Smith, 1303 Fosdick Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Make check payable to EAA Chapter 72 or pay on-line at <https://chapters.eaa.org/eaa72>. Be informed, attend the meetings, and have a great time with sport aviation.