

# THE LANDINGS

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## Newsletter of Chapter 75 Quad-Cities of Illinois and Iowa, USA

February 2023

### THE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

#### From the Desk of the President



As I sit down to compose this submission for our February newsletter it is quite interesting that technology marches on. Part of that technology is that, at this particular moment on this day, they are digging and line boring new fiber optic cable in through the easements that go around my property. It's quite amazing that, if I wanted to pay the money, I could have super super high-speed gigabit speed internet, if I so desired. The other thing that is quite interesting is I told the city and the telephone company to do it 20 years ago. I don't want to say I'm clairvoyant but I knew this was one of the waves of the future.

The same goes with our chapter and applicable technology; it keeps marching on. Change sometimes upsets people, but we have to adapt and assimilate this technology. We need to adopt the new requirements and change where it is needed, and this is never easy! I was reminded by one of the pilots in the chapter that there are times mid-flight corrections, alternate routes to a different airport, and flight corrections are needed for many reasons. So those of

you that read this newsletter really devour and enjoy it. But, there are those that just don't or just don't take the time. I will never be able to write the salacious high adventure articles that Jerry, our past Chapter President, was able to write. You will just have to bear with me and put up with my style of writing.

Last month, chapter members and other aviators attended the FAASTeam Seminar, at the Deer & Co. Aviation hangar in Milan, IL, on Thursday, January 12, 2023 taught by Warren Smith. There was a good turnout of approximately 50 plus people. The subject was FAA Friend or Foe. From that short quick hour meeting we took away some very applicable, appropriate, information. One of the points that the Springfield Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) representative Mr. Warren Smith wanted to pass on to us, was this, he was discussing with one of the older 40-year FSDO REPS. That after 40 years one thing that has NOT changed is, if you do not want the FAA to show up, DON'T RUN OUT OF GAS! One of the most important things is "just don't run out of gas! He repeated that at least three times. We are still running out of fuel, WOW! He said," Yes we've been taught not to pay attention to our gas gauges" but to at least glance at them and acknowledge the gauge or gauges, and don't always trust them, but don't run out of gas!! It is still happening to this day, and it shouldn't! Another thing, if you don't want the FAA to really get into your "stuff", always have all your paperwork, "IN ORDER", organized, and readily available. This is a sign to the FAA that you have your "act together. Even though you may have had a little incident or even an accident, it makes it much easier for them to be "understanding". On my last annual, my Inspection Authorization (IA) mechanic completely reorganized all of my logbooks and all of my records in a neat

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**IMC Club Meeting - February 7, 6PM**  
**[Rev Aviation, 9230 Harrison Street, Davenport, IA - \(Click for a Map\)](#)**

## From The Desk of the President

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binder! How appropriate! In a future letter, I will have to take pictures of how well organized it is now! It's fantastic and so appropriate from what Warren Smith just informed us about having our paperwork in order.

Lastly, he wanted to stress that “compliance” is far better than “enforcement”. He personally didn't like to have to use enforcement; and now, in many circumstances, there is a team that will evaluate situations as they occur. It will not be just one FAA representative, that is God Almighty and makes any final decision. Note from a couple of the other pilots: if it is a major deal, you might want to have a lawyer's phone number handy in your phone before you talk to the FAA.

Thank you, Dan Murphy, PIC and SIC Bob Weil of the IMC Club, and also Daniel Wolford who works for and coordinated with Deer Aviation for your organizational skills.

Next, the subject I would like to talk about is “learning” and “staying up to speed” with the latest information/technology that seems to be constantly evolving in the aviation arena. One of the flight instructors who happens to be a Ray Scholar recipient and now, has over 600 hours of flight time made the statement to me, “If you want to learn something new, “you need to be in that proximity”. I said, “I totally agree with that “proximity area”-if you're not in the proximity of where aviation knowledge is being discussed and disseminated, you're missing out. This may sound like I'm a little hard here, but one of the reasons you're not in the area is either you think you know everything that is going on, you're too proud to admit that you don't know what's going on, you just plain just don't take or make the time, or are just lazy. Here again, one of our other members stated that ‘EAA and our chapter have so much information available, all you have to do is show up. That's really true.

Moving on, but referring back to “showing up”, that might be one of the reasons we're no longer experimenting with not having a Saturday evening event at the Deere-Wiman Carriage House. Basically, it boiled down to this: people just not showing up. It was just as much of a no vote as the board voting on it. It is an action vote by the membership that did not show up.

Not showing up is a powerful message-essentially it is a no vote for that activity. Presently we're trying to adjust and change to what meeting the majority of the membership attends. By the way, this is not saying that we can't resurrect the Deere-Wiman Carriage House gathering and use that facility, it is that we are trying something different

And by the way, the board in the future will be forming some new committees -- social events, programs, pancake breakfasts, and fundraising. If you're excited about one of these new opportunities contact me or anyone on the board to see where and what we can plug you into.

Stay warm in the month of February, and I hope to see you at one of our chapter events.

## 2023 Membership Dues Are Now Being Accepted

Just a reminder to our chapter members that 2023 membership dues are now being accepted. Dues are still \$10.00 for the year. You can pay dues (cash or check) to the **TREASURER** at the address on the application/renewal form or at a chapter function. If your membership information has changed, please update it and send it along with your payment. The application/renewal form and the treasurer's address is located on page 18.

## FAA Safety Team Seminar Presenter - Warren Smith, Springfield FSDO



*Image Courtesy of Dan Murphy, IMC Club Coordinator.*

## **EAA Chapter 75 January Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Jim Skadal on January 7, 2023, at 10:05 AM at the Davenport Municipal Airport.

**Board Members Present:** Jim Skadal, Liz Richards, Gregory Stopyra, Mary-Ellen Pfeiffer, Adam Santic, Rily Grunwald, Marty Santic (Telephone), and Chris Welvaert (Telephone).

**Board Members Absent:** None.

**Others Present:** Amber Welvaert, Tyler Nack, and Carl Brown.

**Treasurer's Report:** Liz Richards submitted the treasurer's report to the BOD via email on January 2, 2023. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Rily Grunwald and seconded by Mary-Ellen Pfeiffer. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

**Approval of Board of Directors & Annual Membership Meeting Minutes:** A motion to approve the November minutes as published in the December newsletter was made by Liz Richards and seconded by Mary-Ellen Pfeiffer. The motion passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Ray Aviation Scholarship:** Nick Anagnos applied to EAA for the full Ray Aviation Scholarship in 2023. Chapter anticipates hearing results from EAA in March. Keaton Braack, our 2022 scholar, completed and passed his FAA Written Exam.

**2. RV-12iS Build:** PVHS School is seeking commitment from EAA Chapter 75 as mentors to pursue the purchase of a follow-on RV-12iS kit to continue building. The chapter mentors will meet in February with school advisors and leadership to discuss the way forward.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Transition Update for Treasurer:** Liz Richards reports treasurer transition is complete with Ron E. This satisfies our bylaws requirements for transition of officer duties.

**2. Discuss / Approve Chapter Air Academy Students (YE submit 1? RV build submit 1?).** Jim Skadal reports that Ryan Petersen (RV) and Natalie Johnson (YE) will be our two chapter Air Academy recipients for 2023. The board will reserve slots for summer 2024 in August of this year.

**3. Monthly Chapter Gatherings:** The board of directors discussed the reality that the second Saturday evening gatherings at the Deere-Wiman Carriage House have been under attended by our membership. Our first Saturday Coffee and Donuts is consistently the major turnout for the chapter and the event most chapter members and newcomers look forward to attending. The board, through discussion, turned to investing our programs and efforts in where the membership is greatest. The board consensus was that it is easier to make the first Saturday event more formal like a gathering than it is to get more members to attend the second Saturday event at Deere-Wiman Carriage House. Using attendance numbers as an indicator, the majority of membership has already decided where to have our monthly gatherings and the board of directors are just endorsing that decision.

Greg Stopyra made a motion, seconded by Rily Grunwald, to cancel 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday events and reinvest chapter efforts to add a formal portion, to include personal aviation updates and programs, to the first Saturday "Coffee and Donuts". Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Other Topics Discussed with no Decisions:** The Board of Directors will be developing a yearly operating budget; no timeline for approval. The Board of Directors discussed the importance of having a Pilot in Command (PIC) / Second in Command (SIC) for all chapter programs. Sometime in February or March, the board will host a meeting with all chapter program leaders to discuss the chapter's mission, vision, and annual plan. The Board of Directors will update bylaws in 2023 to reflect new chapter requirements under a 501(c)(3) charity.

Rily Grunwald made a motion, seconded by Mary-Ellen Pfeiffer to close the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**As submitted by Gregory Stopyra, Secretary, EAA Chapter 75.**

## Gone West: Astronaut & Retired Marine Col. Ronnie Walter "Walt" Cunningham (1932-2023)

Article By - Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief

Former astronaut and retired Marine Col. Ronnie Walter "Walt" Cunningham, lunar module pilot of Apollo 7 and Skylab Flight Crew Directorate lead, died Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 90 years old.



(Left-to-Right): Jim Lovell, Walt Cunningham, and Gene Krantz at Theater in Woods in 2017.

Image Courtesy of Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief.

"Walt Cunningham was a fighter pilot, physicist, and an entrepreneur – but, above all, he was an explorer. On Apollo 7, the first launch of a crewed Apollo mission, Walt and his crewmates made history, paving the way for the Artemis Generation we see today," said NASA Administrator Bill Nelson. "NASA will always remember his contributions to our nation's space program and sends our condolences to the Cunningham family."

He appeared at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh in 2017, where he was a guest on EAA's [The Green Dot](#) podcast and an [evening program](#) at EAA's Theater in the Woods featuring astronauts Frank Borman, II, James "Jim" Lovell, Jr., Edwin Eugene "Buzz" Aldrin, Jr., Richard "Dick" Gordon Jr., Fred Haise Jr., Alfred "Al" Worden, Harrison "Jack" Schmitt, Joe Engle and flight director Eugene "Gene" Kranz.

In 2018, he was enshrined into the National Aviation Hall of Fame and a [video](#) summarizing his career was shown.

## Charles Lindbergh Birthday Celebration Event

"Whether outwardly or inwardly, whether in space or time, the farther we penetrate the unknown, the vaster and more marvelous it becomes."

-Charles Lindbergh

Hopefully, we can all agree with this quote. Explor-

ing and learning makes life interesting, and as pilots (or those with an interest in aviation) we all know that aviation fascinates. However, what are we doing to share this knowledge with others? How are we inspiring future generations to get involved? What actions are we taking to share this love of aviation with others?

Now, where do we even start? There are so many possibilities but it all takes time and money. I am working on a project to help kids discover aviation! My name is Katrina Pfeiffer, I am 17 years old, and I love to fly. I am very involved in the community, and the United Way chose me as one of fifty young individuals for a leadership challenge. This leadership challenge is called the caring assignment. They gave us each \$100 to use to better the community for a cause we care about. Being an absolute aviation nerd, I chose flying. I want to use my money to send pilots into schools and libraries to talk about aviation. Then, once the kids are inspired by the pilots, they will be invited to a birthday party for Charles Lindbergh on February 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM At the party, I am organizing a Young Eagles flight and other aviation-related activities. It will be at Elliot's at the Quad Cities International Airport. Depending on the number of kids and the weather, we may have to limit the number of the flights. However, there will still be plenty of other things for the kids to do at Elliot Aviation, and they will be welcome to sign up for future flights!

I cannot do this on my own. I need the help of other people who are passionate about aviation. I am going to need pilots for the Young Eagles' flight, volunteers, pilots to go to libraries and schools, and I will also need money to be able to pay for supplies for the activities and to, hopefully, stipend pilots that are going into the schools and libraries. Gas for vehicles is not cheap, and I want to offset that cost for the pilots volunteering their time. Also, if you would be interested in doing any of the flights/volunteering/going into schools and libraries, let me know! I would love to have any help and support I can get, and I think this will be a great opportunity for the kids.

Don't hesitate to reach out and thank you so much for your consideration!

**Katrina Pfeiffer**

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## EAA Virtual Ultralight Days – February 22-24

Article By - EAA

Experts from throughout the ultralight community will share their knowledge to those engaged in the lighter side of recreational aviation on February 22-24, as the inaugural [EAA Virtual Days](#) hosts webinars open to all at no charge.

The 15 total webinars – five on each of the three days – are based on the highly successful format used during EAA Homebuilders Week and EAA’s popular webinar series. The live sessions will be hosted by well-known subject matter experts in the ultralight community, with question-and-answer periods to address specific questions.

“As we celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the FAA Part 103 regulations that created the modern ultralight movement, EAA Virtual Ultralight Days is a way to make our community stronger, safer, and more fun,” said Timm Bogenhagen, EAA Ultralight and Light Plane Community Manager. “This three-day event connects well with EAA’s mission to grow participation in aviation by sharing The Spirit of Aviation, inviting everyone to learn and develop their own skills and knowledge.”

Topics covered will include how to get started in Ultralights; how-to instructions on a variety of Ultralight aircraft like powered parachutes, trikes, and gyroplanes; and overall informative topics on maintenance, airport operations, safety inspections, & more.

All sessions are free of charge to everyone, with the archived presentations available to EAA members afterward. Pre-registration is encouraged, with registration links and additional schedule information available at [EAA.org/UltralightDays](#).

### About EAA

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) is based in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and embodies The Spirit of Aviation through the world’s most engaged community of aviation enthusiasts. EAA’s 250,000 members and 900 local chapters enjoy the fun and camaraderie of sharing their passion for flying, building and restoring recreational aircraft. For more infor-

mation on EAA and its programs, call 800-JOIN-EAA (800-564-6322) or go to [www.eaa.org](#). For continual news updates, connect with [www.twitter.com/EAA](#).

## EAA Creates 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logos

2023 marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and with that they have created fantastic logos to mark the occasion.



## Keaton Braack Passes his Private Pilot Written Exam

Article By - Nick Anagnos, Ray Scholarship Coordinator



Nick Anagnos, EAA Chapter 75's Ray Scholarship Coordinator, congratulates Keaton Braack, the EAA Chapter 75 Ray Scholarship Recipient, on passing his Private Pilot Written Exam that was taken on Dec. 14, 2022, at Revv Aviation in Davenport, Iowa. Keaton is one step closer to receiving his private pilot's license and his next milestone will be the checkride. I would like to congratulate Keaton on this amazing milestone. Good job!

## Ray Scholar Update

Article By - Keaton Braack, EAA Chapter 75's 2022 Ray Scholar



Hi, my name is Keaton Braack. I am 17 years old and a senior at North Scott High School. I am the son of David and Sara Braack, and have a younger brother and older sister. Some activities that I am involved in include: swimming, theater, aviation club, volunteer fire-fighting, and I am a sandwich artist at the local Subway. I started getting involved in avi-

ation in the summer of 2022 when I started flying at the Quad Cities International Airport. Ever since then, I have been working on getting my private pilot license, and plan to pursue aviation as a future career. Next year I plan to go to the University of Dubuque to study and fly with their aviation program. I plan to double major in Flight Operations and Aviation Management. I plan to get all of my ratings, build hours, and then become a commercial pilot. I hope after all of these experiences I can share my story and help others get involved in aviation as well.

I am grateful to be considered for this scholarship opportunity, and should I be selected, I would use it to advance my aviation career. I believe my dream is to become a successful and knowledgeable pilot. One of the hardest things to do in life is to follow your dreams because it can be scary and unfamiliar; and maybe at times seem a bit unrealistic. I am dreaming big, have set many goals for myself, and I am determined to make this dream come true. In order to maintain the path that I envision for myself, I am seeking financial assistance for my Private Pilot's License education and training. This scholarship award would enable me to make strides toward the career goals I seek to accomplish in the near future at the University of Dubuque. This scholarship will help me financially, and academically, to succeed in aviation.

Over the years I have shown passion, sacrifice, and discipline throughout my schooling, activities, church, and volunteering. If selected, I would be a proud recipient and honored to be among the others who have received such a scholarship. This scholar-

ship would allow me to keep pursuing my passion and advancing to my future goals. When I become a pilot, I will be committed to inspiring the next generation of aviators by introducing others to the aviation field and the many opportunities that go with it. I greatly appreciate your time and consideration.

This past December, I passed the FAA Written Exam for furthering the process of my private pilot license. I found studying for the exam a little harder than I expected. I found it a little more difficult because I used the online Sporty's course. Now, I am not saying that the Sporty's course didn't teach me anything because it helped a lot with passing the test. The reason I found it more difficult was because I am more of a hands on learner and it was hard for me to just watch videos to learn all of the information. What seemed to help was using the textbooks that you can purchase on the Sporty's store. They cover all of the same material needed to study for the test. Another thing that I found really helpful within the online Sporty's course was the practice tests and the study flashcards. These were the biggest help toward my success on the exam. I took multiple practice tests which were timed and almost exactly like the real thing. Overall, I wish I would have spent a little more time preparing for the test so I wouldn't have felt as much pressure and stress going into the test. I am now proud to say that I am one step closer to my license.

## NASA's 747 *SOFIA* Retires

End of an era! Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy "*SOFIA*", a Boeing 747SP-21 (N747NA), the world's largest flying observatory, carrying a 19-ton, 2.5-meter telescope made its first and last air show appearance at the Aerospace Valley Open House, Air Show, & STEM Expo on October 15-16, 2022, at the Edwards Air Force Base in Edwards, California where it did flybys and was also on static display and open for tours. The observatory had its final scientific flight on September 29, 2022, and NASA retired *SOFIA* on September 30, 2022, You can watch videos filmed by AirShowStuff [here](#) and JQ [here](#).



## January's First Saturday Coffee & Donuts Photos

Location - Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN/KDVN)

Hosted By - Ed Leahy

Photos By - Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief



*Liz Richards and Ed Leahy standing next to Ed's Airbike.*



*Ed Leahy talking about the progress he has made to his Airbike to the students of the PNB Aviation Club.*



*The panel Ed Leahy installed in his Airbike.*



*Arnie Kaufmann, Tim Baldwin, and Diane Kaufmann standing and chatting next to Ed Leahy's 1958 Piper PA-22-160 Tri-Pacer (N8735D).*



*Jim Smith, Steve Boardman, Mike Elbe, and Carl Brown.*



*The attendees are socializing.*



*Jon Miller and Gary VandeVoorde.*

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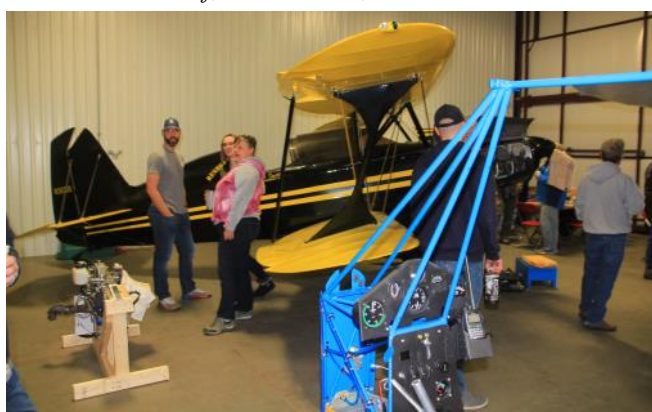
Jim Smith's 1942 Waco VKS-7F (N31663).



A engine for Ed Leahy's Airbike.



Jim Rohlf, Ron Ehrecke, and Carl Brown.



The attendees are having a nice chat around Jim Smith's 1990 Stolp Starduster Too (N387JS).

**The Landings** is seeking articles from members to publish in future issues. We are looking for articles about flights you have taken, aviation events you have attended, tech issues you have solved or builds/repairs you have done that others might be interested in reading about. We would like to make these a regular feature of the newsletter in the future. Please submit articles to: [adam.santic@gmail.com](mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com).

## Chapter 75 Flight Instructors

Per a member's request, we will be publishing a listing of EAA Chapter 75 members who are flight instructors willing to help with primary flight instructions, biennial flight reviews (BFR), etc. If you are an EAA Chapter 75 member who is a flight instructor, are willing to assist, and wish to be included in the list, please email the newsletter editor at [adam.santic@gmail.com](mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com).

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Barry Logan	309-303-0211	<a href="mailto:manager@marshallcountyaairport.com">manager@marshallcountyaairport.com</a>	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	C75	Owner, FBO, Club
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Tim Toal	309-235-0087	<a href="mailto:timtoal@mchsi.com">timtoal@mchsi.com</a>	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN, MLI	Owner
Gary VandeVoorde	217-412-1376	<a href="mailto:vandevoorde.wings@gmail.com">vandevoorde.wings@gmail.com</a>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN, MLI	Owner, FBO

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# PNB Aviation Club Featured in the North Scott Press

Article By - Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief  
Photo By - Jimmy Skadal, Chapter Member

The North Scott Press wrote a nice article for their December 28, 2022 edition about PNB Aviation Club's Van's Aircraft RV-12iS student-build project that features students from Pleasant Valley, North Scott, and Bettendorf Community School Districts and mentors from the local EAA Chapter 75.

EAA Chapter 75 member and North Scott senior Keaton Braack even got included in the North Scott Press publication for being awarded a Ray Aviation Scholarship from the Ray Foundation.

You can read the article here (subscription required): <https://www.northscottpress.com/stories/avionic-ambitions-soar-beyond-bus-barn,90992>

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**NORTH SCOTT SCHOOLS**

**Students from North Scott, Pleasant Valley and Bettendorf make plans for a second plane.** NSP photo by Mark Ridolfi

**Avionic ambitions soar beyond bus barn**

**Experimental aircraft club helps youngsters take flight**

**BY Mark Ridolfi**  
NSP Assistant Editor

Plane No. 1 has yet to get off the ground, and members of the Experimental Aircraft Chapter 75 are helping to plan another.

The EAA chapter based at Davenport Municipal Airport is partnering with Pleasant Valley for grants to fund a second kit being assembled by area students at the North Scott bus barn.

The EAA hosted a Dec. 3 open house that brought together students, parents and volunteers for the program.

"It's an event that has a ton of camaraderie, social activity, and education. It's hard to capture the emotion of this enjoyable event," EAA chapter president Jim Skadal said.

North Scott hosts the build. Students work alongside Bettendorf and Pleasant Valley students building kit planes under the eyes of advisors and EAA volunteers.

Much of the work so far has been riveting aluminum sheets to frames. It's meticulous piecemeal that can be done by students with a little training.

Students are building a two-seat, single-engine RV-12iS.

They meet 6-8:30 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays, and 9-11 a.m. Saturdays at the North Scott Bus Barn, 120 N. Scott Park Road, Eldridge.

**Scholarships**

EAA Chapter 75's 2022 Ray Foundation scholar is North Scott senior Keaton Braack.

The foundation provides up to \$10,000 to deserving youths for their flight training expenses, totaling nearly \$1,200,000 in scholarships annually across the country.

The program is supported by more than 100 EAA chapters, and supports close to 120 scholars.

Each year, the chapter supports one scholar between the ages of 16 and 19, in the form of funding and

**County allows private parks on 'case-by-case' basis**

**Supervisors establish 13 public park areas, and limit others**

**BY Mark Ridolfi**  
NSP Assistant Editor

A proposed recreational zoning ordinance accepts 13 county-state or federal parks in the county, establishes new zoning requirements for any new public parks, and allows special permitted private parks "on a case-by-case basis."

Supervisors on Dec. 20 approved the last of three readings needed to make the new law. According to the law, other public parks shall be identified and added to this section upon rezoning approval. No new private parks shall be added to this section.

**New trails**

- Supervisors OK paved loops in Scott County, and West Lake parks. PAGE 4A

Anyone wishing to operate a private park or recreation area would need a special use permit. The ordinance provides no lot size or setback provisions.

It says county zoning administrator will recommend lot area, building and structure setbacks and heights of buildings, structures, or other infrastructure.

Those rules would require public debate and approval by the planning and zoning commission, board

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**NSP YEAR IN REVIEW B**

**A year of firsts**

**An astonishing year points North Scott area in new directions.**

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## For Sale: 1989 Viking Dragonfly Mk II N340TD Project \$8,500 (OBO)



Up for sale is a 1989 Viking Dragonfly Mk II project. This experimental canard has a 133.2 TTAF. The original Subaru EA-71 engine was replaced by the builder with a Subaru EA-81 engine at 20.1 hours. The Subaru EA-81 has a Dave Johnson 1.64:1 propeller speed reduction unit with a total of 113.1 hours on it. The propeller that is currently used is a ground adjustable, HPRPM warp drive prop (SER.No.R2800) which has 113.1 hours on it. There are no electrical systems or radios installed. The airplane was last inspected on January 2, 1998 by the builder. The work that needs to be done includes elevators that need to be repaired or replaced and the cooling system which needs to be upgraded and engine tested. This could be a great candidate for electric propulsion. More pictures and questions are quickly available upon request. This aircraft currently has the canard and wings removed for ease of storage. The owner has the original builder's logbook, plans, drawings and newsletters. Asking \$8,500 OBO. Contact John Eagles at 309-721-3694 or [jeagles@mchsi.com](mailto:jeagles@mchsi.com).



## Local Calendar of Events

For many other Aviation Related events, visit the following websites.

[EAA Chapter 75 Upcoming Events](#)

[EAA Aviation Calendar of Events](#)

[AOPA Calendar of Events](#)

[FAA Safety Team Calendar of Events](#)

[Iowa DOT Office of Aviation Calendar](#)

[Wisconsin Fly-Ins and Airshow Event Calendar](#)

[Fly-Ins.com Calendar Website](#)

[Fun Places to Fly Website](#)

[Social Flight Calendar](#)

[Midwest Flyer Magazine Calendar](#)

[North American Air Show Calendar](#)

### Upcoming EAA Webinars

Go to [eaa.org/webinars](http://eaa.org/webinars) to view the schedule and to register.

**Obsessed with EGT** Feb. 4 at 7 pm CST

Presenter: Mike Busch

**Sonex High Wing Aircraft Update** Feb. 7 at 7 pm CST

Presenter: Mark Schaible

**Is Your Airplane Airworthy?** Feb. 8 at 7 pm CST

Presenter: Larry Bothe

**Donations and Contributions to Chapters** Feb. 9 at 7 pm CST

Presenter: Patti Arthur

**Introduction to Backcountry Flying** Feb. 15 at 7 pm CST

Presenters: Stef and Randy Goza.

Send event information on aviation related activities that would be of interest to the newsletter editor at [adam.santic@gmail.com](mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com). Activities can include: aircraft fly-ins, airshows, conventions, pancake breakfasts, programs, seminars, etc.

## Classified Ads

**DAR Services:** Amateur Built/Light Sport Airworthiness Certification Inspections, Ferry Permits (Certified and Experimental), Replace lost/damaged Airworthiness Certificates (Certified and Experimental). Call Ross Carbiener (A&P) at 309-312-1066.

**Hangars Available at the Davenport Municipal Airport.** Hosts 78 aircraft t-hangars, 6 box style hangars, and 2 executive aircraft box hangars. Prices range from \$105.00-300.00/month. Contact the Airport Manager Thomas Vesalga at 563-326-7783 or [thomas.vesalga@davenportiowa.com](mailto:thomas.vesalga@davenportiowa.com) for more info.

### For Sale: One share in the Four Seven Jays Flying Club

The club plane is an extremely well maintained 180HP 1973 Cessna 172M Skyhawk (N147J) hangared at MLI. IFR equipped. Paint and interior new in 2003, and the following avionics were installed in 2010: Garmin GMA-340 Audio Panel/ICS/Marker, Garmin GNS-430W WAAS GPS, Garmin GI-106A CDI, Garmin GTX37 Transponder. Installed in 2021 was a Garmin G5 HSI & Garmin G5 AH with a GFC 500 Autopilot. Contact Dan Murphy 309-752-3887, Ron Ehrecke 309-236-9785, or Ralph Stephenson 309-737-6902.



### Wampus Cats Flying Club Shares for Sale

This is a 1978 Cessna 152 that belongs to the Wampus Cats Flying Club and has been located at the Davenport Municipal Airport since it was new. This aircraft receives regular maintenance & has less than 6000 airframe hours and approximately 1000 hours remaining on the last overhaul. It has been used mainly for short distance recreational flights but can also be used on long cross-country flights. The aircraft is scheduled via an online scheduler and has very good availability. Nowhere else can you fly so economically with dues at \$45.00/month and at a rate of \$55.00/wet. Contact Bernie Nitz at [bernien@visioncrest.com](mailto:bernien@visioncrest.com) or 563-508-8200.



### Hangar Space at the Clinton Municipal Airport

Hangar space is available at the Clinton Municipal Airport in either an individual t-hangar or in one of the community hangars. All hangars have electric bi-fold doors, and hard floors. T-Hangars are rented through the City of Clinton and rental rates vary from \$95 to \$156/month depending on the size of the hangar. For information on availability please contact Marlana Nass, the airport manager at 563-242-3292, or at [marlananass@cityofclintoniowa.us](mailto:marlananass@cityofclintoniowa.us).

### Hangar Space at the Gen-Airpark

Hangar space is available at the Gen-Airpark (3G8). Our Sport Aviation airport, with its nice grass runway, is particularly well suited for your vintage, homebuilt, or tailwheel aircraft. Oh yes, we also have store bought tricycle gear for folks who enjoy the easy going "country" airport! Contact Kent Johnson at 309-912-0437 or [airport3g8@gmail.com](mailto:airport3g8@gmail.com).

**To place an ad:** Submit requests for aviation related For Sale or Want Ads to the newsletter editor at [adam.santic@gmail.com](mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com). Ads are free to EAA Chapter 75 members. Ads from nonmembers are \$10.00 per ad. Ads will run / rerun at the editor's discretion.



**PNB Aviation Club** (*Pleasant Valley, North Scott, Bettendorf*)

**Students are building a two passenger airplane!**

(Under the guidance of EAA Chapter 75 mentors)

Feel free to stop in during a build session:



**Mondays 6pm-8:30pm**

**Thursdays 6pm-8:30pm**

**Saturdays 8am-11am**

**At the North Scott Bus Barn**

**120 N. Scott Park Rd.**

**Eldridge, IA**

[PNB Aviation Club](#)



# ***EAA CHAPTER 75 – QUAD CITIES***

**1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY COFFEE AND DONUTS**  
**MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS**  
**ALL ARE INVITED – BRING THE FAMILY**

**FREE COFFEE & DONUTS WITH SOME GOOD HANGAR TALK**  
**QUAD CITIES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (KMLI)**

Saturday, February 4, 2023  
8:30 – 11:00 AM (RAIN OR SHINE)

**Hosted this Month by:**  
**Katrina Pfeiffer**



## ***DRIVING OR FLYING – WE HOPE TO SEE ALL***

This month we hope to see everyone at our 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month coffee & donuts hosted by Katrina Pfeiffer. Come for some coffee & donuts and good hangar talk.

**FLYING:** Fly to the Quad Cities International Airport. When using this airport, listen to the air traffic controllers' instructions and request parking by Elliot Aviation for the event.

**DRIVING:** We will be meeting at Elliott Aviation, located at 6601 74<sup>th</sup> Ave., Milan, IL 61264. Vehicles can park in the designated parking slots provided by Elliott Aviation. Call Jim Skadal at 563-320-6896 if you get lost.

**Additional Info:** In conjunction with the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Coffee & Donuts event, EAA Chapter 75 member Katrina Pfeiffer has scheduled a birthday celebration for the Charles Lindbergh event which includes aviation-related activities, a Young Eagles Rally, and a tour of Elliott Aviation. The Young Eagles Rally will take place from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Contact Young Eagles Coordinators Bob Thomas at 563-343-1825 or Bob Weil at 563-650-7068 if you are interested in helping out as a pilot or ground crew.



## Do you dream???

I believe I can fly  
I believe I can touch the sky  
I think about it every night and day  
Spread my wings and fly away

### Step 1

Attend your briefing!

In this briefing, you will hear from one of our experienced pilots:

- their experiences as a pilot
- give you the amazing history of flight!
- how aircraft stays in the air
- possible career options
- how flying can be affordable and reachable for all!!

Briefings will be held at schools and libraries across the Quad Cities.

### Step 2

You're invited

Date: February 4, 2023

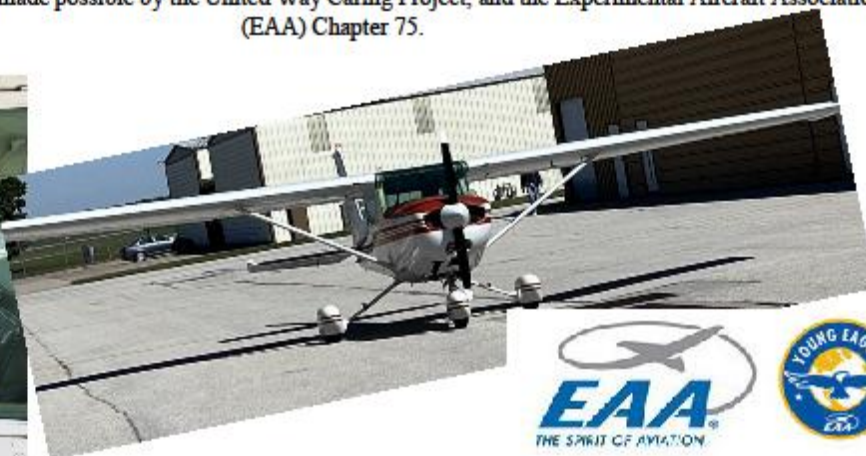
Location: Elliott Aviation

Required: Parent or guardian

We will be hosting a birthday party for Charles Lindbergh!!! Charles Lindbergh was the first person to cross the Atlantic. Come celebrate with fun activities, a tour of the control tower at QC International Airport, food, and a limited number of Young Eagle flights that day (parents/guardians have to be there to sign the permission slips.) This is a family event!

**For questions, or more information, please contact Katrina Pfeiffer at 309-206-0028, or [katrina.t.pfeiffer@gmail.com](mailto:katrina.t.pfeiffer@gmail.com)**

This program is being made possible by the United Way Caring Project, and the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 75.





Winter Flight Fest will take place at the EAA Aviation Museum on Saturday, February 11, and will feature indoor excitement and family-friendly activities.

From 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., kids and those who are young-at-heart can enjoy hands-on activities, interactive exhibits, and more! Concessions are available from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

### ALL-DAY MUSEUM ACTIVITIES

- Wright Flyer Simulator: Experience what the very first powered flight was like!
- Paper Airplane Launcher: Launch your own paper airplane through a power launcher.
- X-Planes: Put your own experimental X-plane through various obstacles.
- Clothespin Airplanes: Make your own airplane refrigerator magnet.
- Pararescue Challenge: Build a parachute and put it to the test in our wind tunnel.
- Indoor Model Airplane Flying: See what it takes to build and fly a radio-controller model airplane!



### AIRPLANE MODEL BUILDING CONTEST

Calling all ages, youth and adult, to build an aviation-themed model off-site for EAA’s Winter Flight Fest Model Building Contest! There will be two brackets, adult and youth. The award-winning models will receive a plaque.

Contestants must have their entries in the museum’s Air Racing Gallery by 1 p.m. Judging starts at 2 p.m., and winners will be announced immediately following judging.

### SKIPLANE FLY-IN

Watch as seasoned pilots land their skiplanes at Pioneer Airport, highlighting a unique and popular segment of aviation.

As part of the Skiplane Fly-In tradition, enjoy complimentary chili at Pioneer Airport. Chili at the Skiplane Fly-In is a longtime tradition. It started as a way to help celebrate Audrey Poberezny’s birthday. Today, we not only use it to remember Audrey but also to celebrate the camaraderie that exists in the aviation world.



[Register](#)

### ADMISSIONS

All events and activities inside the EAA Aviation Museum require admission. Adults, \$12.50; Seniors age 62+, \$10.50; Youth age 6-18, \$9.50; Children age 5 and under, free. EAA members are free.

\*Winter Flight Fest Special\* First-time family memberships are available for \$50 (regular \$60). Visit the museum for free, along with 400 other museums. EAA members receive discounted rates for EAA AirVenture Oshkosh. [Learn more >](#)

Skiplane spectators do not require museum admission and are welcome to participate in the complimentary chili lunch.



Lakeland City Commission  
**SUN 'n FUN Breakfast**  
*(Formerly Mayor's Breakfast)*

PRESENTED BY:  CLARK, CAMPBELL, LANCASTER,  
WORKMAN & AIRTH, P.A.  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

# SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday  
**March 1, 2023**

7:00 AM - 8:30 AM

GUEST SPEAKERS:  
Lakeland City Commission - Sara Roberts McCarley  
Keynote - Matt McCardle, Head of Aviation and Logistics Policy, Amazon  
Gene Conrad, SUN 'n FUN/ACE CEO talks about plans for the  
9th Annual 2023 SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo, March 28 to April 2

LIVE DEMOS OF HANDS ON STEM LEARNING!



**GET TICKETS!**

**AEROSPACE SUN 'n FUN**  
Center for Excellence Performance Expo



Join us for an annual celebration and details of what is to come at this year's SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo as we raise awareness of the positive economic and youth development impact SnF has on our beloved community. As the primary fundraiser for the Aerospace Center for Excellence (ACE), the one-week impact of SnF allows ACE to accomplish their mission to Engage, Educate, and Accelerate the Next Generation of Aerospace Professionals, all year long!

This year's featured speaker will be Matt McCardle, Head of Aviation and Logistics Policy, Amazon Air. In addition, SUN 'n FUN President and CEO, Gene Conrad, will highlight plans for the upcoming SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo scheduled for March 28 - April 2, 2023.

Attendees at the breakfast will have the opportunity to win exciting door prizes, including discovery flight opportunities generously donated by Legends Aviation Academy and SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo ticket packages. Attendees will be able to sample the exciting STEM educational programming offered to our local youth with hands-on activities, such as flying drones and flight simulators, virtual reality experiences and robotics! Frescos will provide a delicious breakfast so bring your appetite. See you there!

[Tickets](#) are per person. Tables of 10 are only available with sponsorship. Please contact Malonie Ayers at [mayers@flsfnf.org](mailto:mayers@flsfnf.org). Purchasing 10 tickets does not guarantee a table.

The event is held in the Skylight Hangar on the SUN 'n FUN Expo Campus at the Lakeland Linder International Airport.

**Regards,**  
**Sara Roberts McCarley**  
**Lakeland City Commissioner**



## Chapter 75 Merchandise Now Available

As mentioned at chapter meetings, the baseball caps are now available with the EAA Chapter 75 logo. The caps are of a nice quality as the logo is embroidered. The caps are available for purchase for \$10.00 each and can be delivered personally to you at the next chapter function. We have lots of caps in stock. If you want the hat shipped to you, that can be done for \$17.00. Please mail a \$17.00 check to Marty Santic, 3920 E. 59th St., Davenport, Iowa 52807. If you would like a cap delivered, please send an e-mail to: [marty.santic@gmail.com](mailto:marty.santic@gmail.com).



Baseball Cap in Light Khaki

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 Time Spent Flying is NOT Subtracted from  
 Your Lifespan!  
 - Dave Higdon, Jr.**

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