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#### December 2024

#### THE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

### **President's Corner**



Welcome to December,

Action Required: It is that time again for the annual chapter member survey, and your participation is highly encouraged. By participating in this survey, our chapter will have the opportunity to use this feedback as a way to improve the overall member experience. Also, if at least 20% of our members complete the survey by December 31, 2024, we will receive a point towards Gold Level Status Recognition, a recognition we along with thirteen other chapters have received every year since the EAA launched this program in 2019.

EAA Chapter 75 continued to be a very active chapter in November, with volunteers organizing a wonderful First Saturday Coffee and Donuts event and a 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Chapter Gathering and Program. The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Chapter Gathering and Program was presented by Master CFI Craig Blumer. He is an air traffic controller at Quad Cities International Airport (MLI/KLMI), a previous airship instructor and pilot,

and a current and active certified flight instructor. I would like to thank Craig for your presentation, as it was very interesting.

Shari and Rick Meyer will once again graciously host our EAA Chapter 75 Christmas Party Extravaganza on December 14<sup>th</sup> at their cabin located at 28816 50th Ave, New Liberty, IA 52765. Shari and Rick are providing an optional opportunity for you to share your Christmas spirit by donating a book or toy to the children at Stead Family Hospital in Iowa City. IA. If you are donating a gift, please do not wrap it. As always, this is a very special time of year and here is an excellent opportunity to share your Christmas spirit with others. Certainly, as a chapter, we have a lot to be thankful for as we look back at all the volunteerism that took place this past year. For more information about this event, please refer to the flyer on page 18.

I along with several members of the board will be attending the EAA Leadership Academy at the Air Academy Lodge in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The training will take place from January 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

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EAA Chapter 75 is a 501(c)(3) non-profit focused on advancing aviation education within the Quad Cities area. Founded in 1959, it is the largest, oldest, and most active aviation chapter in the Quad Cities area.

**Our chapter mission...**Support the mission, vision, goals, and objectives of Experimental Aircraft Association. Create an environment to nurture growth of recreational aviation in our community, focusing on flight safety, education, youth STEM programs, design and construction of amateur-aircraft, maintenance, and innovation.

#### **President's Corner**

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Anyone from the chapter who is interested in attending may register <a href="here">here</a>. If you decide to attend, please let me know at <a href="skyhawk147j@gmail.com">skyhawk147j@gmail.com</a> as I will try to establish carpooling together. The knowledge I will gain will help me move the chapter forward in 2025.

On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, EAA Chapter 75 held elections for continuing board members and an outgoing board member Chris Welvaert. The entire slate of officers was reelected unanimously with Travis Baldwin reelected as Secretary, Elizabeth Richards reelected as Treasurer, and Adam Santic reelected as a Board Member.

Outgoing Board Member Chris, who recently completed his service as a Technician at the Iowa Army National Guard (IANG) has gone to work with SkyWest Airlines. Thank you, Chris, you will be missed on the board and we hope that you will stay in touch as your input is always welcomed. Replacing Chris on the board is Steve Gibson. Steve is an avid pilot and has been an active mentor during the PNB Aviation Club aircraft build with students. Steve's attention to detail and corporate experience as Manager of Caterpillar's Flight Department is a great gift to the chapter. Please help me welcome Steve Gibson.

While on the subject of elections and volunteerism, I would like to thank all the contributors, officers, and board members for their contributions to the chapter. EAA Chapter 75 has a lot of active projects that would not be in place if it was not for the commitment of these leaders. Again, I thank all of you!

Finally, please see the article on page 6 written by Tom Shelton containing an update on the 2025 student aircraft build. This project also represents a great opportunity for anyone interested in volunteering to work with the students. If you would like to learn more, please contact Paul Thronson at 563-386-3179 or <a href="mailto:pthronson@hotmail.com">pthronson@hotmail.com</a> or Tom Shelton at 563-468-9039 or <a href="mailto:tshelton72@gmail.com">tshelton72@gmail.com</a>. As a result of the PNB Aviation Club's efforts, the participating students have received a wonderful gift of knowledge and skills from the group of mentors and advisors.

# THE LANDINGS

#### EAA Chapter 75 Board of Directors Business Meeting - Dec. 11th

The Board of Directors will hold a business meeting at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at Revv Aviation, 9230 North Harrison Street in Davenport, Iowa. We encourage all of the membership to attend.

## 2025 Membership Dues Are Now Being Accepted

Just a reminder to our chapter members that 2025 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. With your payment, please print out the membership application/renewal form and send it along with it. By doing this, it ensures that the information that we have on file is accurate, as many chapter members have had their information updated over the past year. The application/renewal form and the treasurer's address is located on page 23 or <a href="here">here</a>.

## **Chapter Member Jim Ries Earns More Ratings**



Image Courtesy of P&N Flight and Charter.

EAA Chapter 75 member Jim Ries (pictured right) completed the four-day Accelerated Commercial Multi Engine Pilot Course offered by P&N Flight and Charter on Friday, November 15, 2024, aboard a Piper PA-34-200T Seneca II (N345CD). Richard Baillargeon served as his Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) and Cole Norton (pictured left) served as his Designated Pilot Examiner (DPE).



#### Chapter Member Isabella Richards Receives Her Patch

Article By - Adam Santic, Newsletter Editor-in-Chief, with the assistance from Liz Richards, Treasurer, EAA Ch. 75

Photos By - Liz Richards, Treasurer, EAA Ch. 75 and U.S. Army National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Annalise Guckenberger.



At a monthly patching ceremony held at Camp Dodge, Iowa, on November 13, 2024, approximately 40 new Iowa Army National Guard troops were given their unit patches after successfully completing their Initial Entry Training. In addition to the unit patch awarded during the special event, Isabella Richards was awarded the Iron Soldier for scoring 584 on her fitness test, and honor graduate for top academic scores as well.

Isabella is the daughter of Liz and Russ Richards, and all three are EAA Chapter 75 members. Isabella works full-time as a middle school science teacher at Lourdes Catholic School in Bettendorf, Iowa and volunteer fire-fighter in Long Grove, Iowa. Now Isabella will also be doing Logistics as a 92A with the 248 HSC, Iowa Army National Guard in Mt Joy. Since Liz and Russ have both served in the military, this was a very special occasion for them both. During Liz's time in the Navy, she earned the rank of AE5 and served with Helicopter Support Squadron Four



Liz. Isabella and Russ.

(HC-4) from 1997 to 2002. Russ is now serving with the Rock Island Arsenal as a Logistics Management Specialist with the Army Sustainment Command, having previously served with the United States Navy as Chief Non-Destructive Inspector and Airframer from 1987 to 2010. Our appreciation goes out to Russ, Liz, and Isabella for their service.

#### Where Are They Now Featuring Nick Hayes: From Line Service Technician to Charter Captain

Article & Photos By - Nick Hayes, Ray Aviation Scholar Alumni

Hello EAA Chapter 75,

Most of you may know me as our chapter's first Ray Aviation Scholar. You also may have heard that I have been promoted to King Air Captain for Revv Aviation. Here I would like to give a sort of progress report.

My professional flying career kicked off in January 2022 as a flight instructor at Revv Aviation. This was very exciting because I had never done a job quite like it. As a Part 61 flight instructor you are entirely responsible for building your clientele and marketing

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yourself. I found it quite different as I was used to working a set number of hours. However, I was able to pick up a full student load of about 6 students in the first month due to the shortage of instructors in the area. I wish I could say that I killed it with my first student, but I definitely had imposter syndrome. Up until recently, I was just learning these things myself!

I have had an opportunity to fly a number of different aircraft over the years, and my favorites have changed as I move forward in my career. My first favorite was the Piper Arrow. I did all of my commercial and CFI training in this airplane so it holds a special place in my heart. The Piper Seminole was my next challenge. Learning to fly with two engines is very exciting, and also quite expensive! Learning to manage my speed and think further ahead was one of the biggest adjustments I had to make while learning to fly multiengine. As well of course flying with one engine. About six months later I started flying the Beechcraft Baron. This was a BE-58 model with two 300hp piston engines. This still stands as one of my favorite airplanes that I have flown. Even though I am flying the King Airs, now the Baron is much simpler and easier to manage when compared to the King Airs. I have been flying Revv Aviation's fleet of King Air aircraft as a co-pilot. This includes the -90, -200, and -350 models.

As part of my transition to the charter department, I was sent to Tampa Bay, Florida to receive a King Air 350 Pilot-in-Command (PIC) type rating. Because the



Simulator training.

King Air 350 weighs over 12,500 pounds, it requires special training. This was a two-week long course consisting of a week of ground study followed by a week of simulator training. This training was specific to the King Air

300 series, but a lot of the systems are the same across all models with the exception of a few key differences with the fuel and electrical systems. I found

this course to be very challenging as I was not very familiar with turbine engines and I only had around 750 hours going into the program. This course was very dense, it definitely could have been extended into a three- or four-week program. This was & still is to this day the most difficult checkrides of my career. The checkride consisted of full engine run up, engine failure on takeoff, steep turns, stalls, four instrument approaches with one of which being single engine, one circling approach, a hold and a VFR takeoff and landing. Every approach I did was done to minimums. Parking the airplane and shutting down the engines at the end of each ride was a huge relief! I did pass on the first try. Some would say that the King Air 350 with a single pilot as the PIC is one of the hardest checkrides out there. I would definitely agree with most people!



The moment Nick Hayes earned his promotion as Charter Captain with Revy Aviation.

I took my captain checkride in a King Air 200 on March 1st of 2024. In order to move into a captain position with a Part 135 company like Revv Aviation you need to have a minimum of 1,200 hours of total time among a few other requirements. I really enjoy flying the King Air 200. It has 850hp on each side and cruises at around 265 knots. I

had a lot more experience flying these airplanes going into this checkride so I felt far more prepared for this checkride than my initial 350 type rating. I am very excited to take on this role as captain. My goal for this year is to reach 1,500 hours to obtain my airline transport certificate.

As a captain, I have acquired a great deal of knowledge. The most important lesson I have learned from being in charge is to stick to my guns. If I feel that a trip should not take place due to maintenance, weather, or some other reason, it is my responsibility to ensure that the flight is conducted safely. I always ask myself a few questions before embarking on a mission. They are is it safe, is it legal, and is it pru-

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dent? By asking myself these questions, I have been able to stay safe and out of trouble. You can always fly another day!

During the summer, I spent most of my time in Billings, Montana, as Revv Aviation had an experimental operation out there with a local Fixed Based Operator (FBO). The mission involved flying a group of doctors to small towns such as Butte and Helena, which I really enjoyed. My rotation was two weeks on, two weeks off. Montana is such a beautiful state, especially from the air! It was particularly challenging to fly into Bert Mooney Airport (BTM/KBTM) since this airport is situated in a mountain valley. The visual into Butte was particularly challenging since I could see everything around the airport, including the town, but the airport is situated directly against the east side of the valley. In this case, I would have to fly high until I was practically over the airport in order to obtain a visual approach clearance.

Recently, I have been based exclusively at the Davenport Municipal Airport (DVN) in Davenport, Iowa. This is much more convenient for me since I am at home most nights. The majority of my trips are not very far from DVN. One of my favorite trips was the one that I took with a family out of Chicago to Mackinac Island in our BE-90. As a result, I had the opportunity to fly onto the island twice within one week. The runway at Mackinac Island Airport (MCD) is 3,500 feet long. It is a little bit shorter than we typically fly into, but with proper short-field techniques it was a breeze! Having the opportunity to fly the -90 and -200 has been an incredible experience.

My objective is not to move on to the airline industry, but rather to develop my knowledge and skills. Thank you all for reading, and I really appreciate all of EAA Chapter 75's support over the last six years.

**Editor's Note:** Nick Hayes has accumulated 1,450 total flying hours, including 1,100 hours as pilot-incommand, 690 hours in multi-engine aircraft, and 770 hours in single engine aircraft as of the publication of this issue.

#### Ray Aviation Scholar Update: Bennett Teitle - November Update

Article By - Bennett Teitle, 2024 Ray Aviation Scholar Image Courtesy of - Pleasant Valley High School

Well folks, the weather is getting chillier and I wanted to share another update on my progression as a Ray Aviation Scholar. My schedule has been pretty busy lately, between applying to colleges, coordinating Pleasant Valley's (PV) Media Team, and trying to fly as much as I can. Here are a few highlights from this past month.

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, my instructor Mike Boyd and I decided to do a night cross country flight to the DuPage Airport (DPA/KDPA) in order to get all my night hours and landings done. The flight went extremely well, and we couldn't have asked for better conditions. After five landings at the DuPage Airport and five landings back at the Quad Cities International Airport (MLI/KMLI) (and half of a P-51 Mustang podcast listened to), I was ready to wrap it up, but not before that ever-so-satisfying logbook signing certifying that I have all of my night requirements done.

This past month has brought more solos and more confidence in the Cessna 172 Skyhawk airplane that I am training in. So far, I have only soloed to the south practice area, but those flights have helped me learn a lot - from how to navigate on my own to multitasking while in the pattern. This paired with the flight simulator makes it easier to practice my maneuvers and gain more experience as I transition to flying solo more often. Hopefully, I will have my first solo cross country to report on in the next newsletter as I am excited to travel outside of my usual area.



Bennett receives the good news that he qualified for the Iowa All-State Band.

I also tried out for the Iowa All-State Band on trumpet and qualified. I attended rehearsals and performed in Ames, Iowa, where I got to play with many wonderful musicians from other schools in the state. The audition was a two-part process in which I was recalled after my first audition, and on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, I was assigned my parts for the performance.

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In the summer of 2024, I worked as a research intern for the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio as part of the Wright Scholar Program. I was placed into the Turbine Engine Division, which involved using applied physics and computer science principles to perform structural integrity analysis on a variety of engine components. One of the highlights was getting a tour of a Boeing C-17 Globemaster III and talking to the crew. It reminded me of EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, where I got to hear the stories of other amazing pilots. As for the big news, I recently received my return offer from Wright-Patterson, and I am looking forward to spending another summer in Dayton. I hope it is researching with AFRL's directed energy directorate.

Also, last month, I got to work on the Van's RV-12iS student-build project with the PNB Aviation Club, where I helped organize and assemble various pieces for the avionics stack in the cockpit. The mentors and students involved have made incredible progress since I was last in attendance, from mounting the engine to installing a working elevator. If you haven't already checked out this amazing project, please stop by and see some of the amazing work that the chapter is supporting and doing. In December, I am hoping to send members of the PV Media Team to the build to document the progress, and hopefully the group can benefit from more media coverage.

### PNB Aviation Club Seeks Mentors for Fall 2025 Semester

Article By - Tom Shelton, PNB Aviation Club Mentor & EAA Chapter 75 Member

The school systems involved in the current Van's RV -12iS student-build project are excited about the initiative's positive impact on students and are requesting EAA Chapter 75's support for a second plane project to begin in the Fall of 2025. The EAA Chapter 75 Board of Directors has confirmed that the project is aligned with the chapter's mission to promote youth education. A final decision is to commit support that will hinge on a minimum of 7 members volunteering as mentors, and one acting as a project manager.

Instead of building another RV-12iS, consideration is being given to a less complex, less expensive, and faster to build alternative. The plane kit selected could be an Experimental Light Sport Aircraft (ELSA) or an ultralight aircraft. We will be considering a project that would require less than one year to fully complete. This option would require less mentor support, allowing more students to see the final results of their efforts prior to graduation.

For the RV-12iS project, three weekly sessions have worked well, with each lasting 2.5 to 3 hours. Most of our current mentors find that only working 1-2 of the weekly sessions fits their schedules better. To be an effective mentor, you do not need to be a certified Airframe & Powerplant (A&P) mechanic or have extensive building experience. The only requirement is a desire to help high school students develop new skills and interests in aviation. This is what will make a key attribute for a good mentor. We already have 4 volunteer technical consultants offering to support mentors in the project. Once the minimum number of volunteer mentors is confirmed, aircraft evaluation, and the selection process can begin.

If you have any interest in youth aviation education, and can mentor at least 1-2 sessions per week, please call, text or email Tom Shelton at 563-468-9039 or <a href="mailto:tshelton72@gmail.com">tshelton72@gmail.com</a> or Paul Thronson at 563-386-3179 or <a href="mailto:pthronson@hotmail.com">pthronson@hotmail.com</a>. By doing this, this ensures that we can keep the school systems, and the chapter board apprised of our planning progress.

### November's First Saturday Coffee & Donuts

Location - Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI)

Hosted By - Flight Deck Aviation

Photos By - Liz Richards, Treasurer and Adam Santic

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1981 Cessna 550 Citation II (N125RG) owned by NASEE LLC.

Location - Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI)

Hosted By - Flight Deck Aviation

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Mark Howell, Ron Ehrecke, and Adam Santic.



Charlie Hammes shaking Rick Meyer's hand while Mark Howell watches.



Charlie Hammes, Bob Johnson, and Mark Howell





Jon and Lisa Aytes, the hosts of the First Saturday Coffee and Donuts event and Owners of Flight Deck Aviation at the Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI) in Clinton, Iowa.



The builder Charlie Hammes standing near the tail of his homebuilt, a 2023 Van's RV-8 Fastback (N208CH).

Location - Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI)

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Jon Aytes, the host of the First Saturday Coffee and Donuts event and Owner of Flight Deck Aviation at the Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI) in Clinton, Iowa, speaking to the attendees.



The attendees listening to Jon Aytes, the host of the First Saturday Coffee and Donuts event and Owner of Flight Deck Aviation at the Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI) in Clinton, Iowa.



Jim Smith and Jim Fowler.



Dave Skinner, Jim Rohlf, and Jerry Coussens.



Jon Aytes, Kent Johnson, Rick Meyer, and Jim Fowler.



William Colantoni.



Gary Aho.

Location - Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI/KCWI)

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Mike Nass and Jim Smith.



The attendees are enjoying the First Saturday Coffee and Donuts at Flight Deck Aviation.



Marquart MA-5 Charger (N11RS) owned by Ken Perron.



1991 Grumman AG-5B Tiger (N128VU) being flown by Scott Durian.



Right side view of Charlie Hammes' homebuilt, a 2023 Van's RV-8 Fastback (N208CH).



Right side view of Charlie Hammes' homebuilt, a 2023 Van's RV-8 Fastback (N208CH).



Tail view of Charlie Hammes' homebuilt, a 2023 Van's RV-8 Fastback (N208CH).



Left side view of Charlie Hammes' homebuilt, a 2023 Van's RV-8 Fastback (N208CH).

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Paul Fisher's homebuilt 1990 Quickie Q-200 (N17PF).



1973 Cessna Skyhawk II (N13529) owned by Rick Meyer.



2013 Cessna 162 Skycatcher (N9333W) owned by William Colantoni.



Flight Deck Aviation's 2001 Cessna 172S Skyhawk (N2479B).





Flight Deck Aviation's 2001 Cessna 172S Skyhawk (N2479B).



Flight Deck Aviation's 2004 Cessna 172S Skyhawk (N421RW).



Flight Deck Aviation's 2004 Cessna 172S Skyhawk (N421RW).



Jerry Coussens' homebuilt 2022 Lancair IV (N858R).



#### October's Program Presenter -Chapter Member Oliver Kahler

Photo By - Liz Richards, Treasurer, EAA Chapter 75



The Kahler Family - October 26, 2024. Front Row (L-R): Walter & Charlotte. Back Row (L-R): Andrew, Olivia, Vivian, and Sarah.

# THE LANDINGS

#### Chapter 75 Flight Instructors

#### November's Program Presenter -Chapter Member, NAFI Master Flight Instructor & Air Traffic Controller Craig Blumer

Photo By - Liz Richards, Treasurer, EAA Chapter 75





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 <a href="mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com">adam.santic@gmail.com</a>.

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Name	Phone	Email	Students	<b>CFII</b>	MEI	BFR	Wheel	Airports	Plane
								DVN, MLI,	Owner, FBO
Travis Baldwin	309-781-8896	tmb1998@gmail.com	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3G8	Revv Aviation
Craig Blumer	641-799-8149	craigblumer27@gmail.com	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN	Craig's J-3 Cub Owner
Summer Kuehl	563-594-9785	summer@quadcitiesaero.com	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	DVN, MLI	Owner, Club Quad Cities Aero
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Dan Marine	563-506-4731	strawhillavation@gmail.com	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	IOW, OTM, CID, DVN, MUT, MLI	Owner
Matt Reed	563-212-2440	n7421w@gmail.com	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	CWI	Owner, Club
Jim Ries	309-945-2544	jim@villagehomestores.com	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	DVN, MLI, 3G8	Owner, Club Quad Cities Aero, QCAFE
Tim Toal	309-235-0087	timtoal@mchsi.com	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DVN, MLI	Owner
Tony TouVelle	563-271-2540	touvelle.tony@gmail.com	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	DVN, MLI	FBO, Club Revv Aviation, QCAFE

# PNB Aviation Club Van's RV-12iS - November Update

There has been much progress made during the RV-12iS build sessions that are held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, and on Saturday mornings from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.. Our goal is to have the plane completed by May 15, 2025. The students and mentors are nearly finished installing the main wiring harness. This is a major task. The spinner is fitted, and work has now begun on the cowling and avionics sections. Also, concurrent tasking is underway with selected components in the exhaust and heating sections.



Paul Thronson and our current Ray Aviation Scholar Bennett Teitle working on a busy Saturday morning.



Mark Howell, Carl Brown and Charlie Hammes putting the cowling on.



Mark Howell and McKenzie begin the installation to the cowling section.



Craig Olson and Sean studying a blueprint.

#### **Classified Ads**

#### **Tools for Sale:**

Cleveland long arm dimpler/riveter w/ material support table top - \$135; Cleveland cam hand rivet squeezer (no yoke) - \$200; hand squeezer yokes (3 available) - \$70 ea.; Avery hand rivet squeezer \$125 (no yoke); back riveting plate/platform - \$75; U.S. Tool 3X rivet gun kit w/ 4 bucking bars; and rivet sets - \$200. Pictures are available on request. Contact Warren Brecheisen at <a href="mailto:n12wb@gmail.com">n112wb@gmail.com</a> or 319-415-2063.

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

#### 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.

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 for more info.

#### 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 bifold 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.

#### **Upcoming EAA Chapter 75 Events**

#### **December**

- 03 6:00 PM IMC Club Meeting at Revv Aviation KDVN
- 07 8:30 AM First Saturday Coffee & Donuts at Craig Olson at KDVN
- 11 5:30 PM Chapter Business Meeting at Revv Aviation KDVN
- 14 1:00 PM for social hour, 4:00 PM for Holiday Dinner Rick & Shari Meyer's Cabin in New Liberty, IA

#### **January**

- 04 First Saturday Coffee & Donuts at PNB Aviation Club in Eldridge, IA
- 07 IMC Club Meeting at Revv Aviation KDVN
- 08 5:30 PM Chapter Business Meeting at Revv Aviation KDVN
- 25 8:30 AM Chapter Gathering at Revv Aviation KDVN
- 25-26 ALL DAY EAA Chapter Leadership Training in Oshkosh, WI (limited and sign ups only)

Visit eaa75.org for more event details

#### **Classified Ads**

#### Hangar Space at the Whiteside County Airport

The airport currently has no hangar space available at the moment. Call Darin Heffelfinger at 815-626-3750 or visit the website for more information.

#### FREE - Yaesu VHF Adapter



This was originally supplied with my Yaesu handheld VHF, bought a few years ago at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh. Being a European, I [Loman O'Byrne] replaced it with one that fits our local outlets. If you have a Yaesu VHF, you might find it useful to have a second adapter for charging. Contact Mike

Nightingale at 309-798-0028 for more information.

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: <a href="mailto:adam.santic@gmail.com">adam.santic@gmail.com</a>.

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### INTRODUCING

### FLIGHT DECK AVIATION

#### CLINTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT'S NEW FLIGHT SCHOOL PARTNER

Have you ever looked up at airplanes and wondered what it would take for you to fly one of them? Or seen the pilots in the airport and wondered how they got such a cool job? If so, get ready for your next big adventure-right here at the Clinton Municipal Airport. The airport is home to a new flight school called Flight Deck Aviation, and we are here to help YOU realize your dream of flying above it all!

In July we began operating out of the main building at the Clinton Airport.

Park in the newly paved parking lot, come inside for a visit, tour the airplanes, and see what it takes to fulfil your dream of becoming a pilot!

Learning to fly is one of the most exciting endeavors you can undertake.

Whether you want to solo, become a private pilot, or you aspire to greater heights and want to fly as a full time career, the first step of your journey begins with Flight Deck Aviation. We can get you there efficiently to make you a safe, competent and proficient pilot!

It doesn't cost you a thing to come out to Flight Deck Aviation to see what we're about—and who knows, you may take the first steps on the way to your next flying adventure!





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





## IMC CLUB - December 3<sup>rd</sup>



Meeting Objective: Informal discussion of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) topics for the purpose of experimental learning.

Location: Revv Aviation's Conference Room, 9230 North Harrison Street,

Davenport, IA 52806

Date: Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Around the Room:** What did we learn and find interesting since the last meeting?

**EAA Question:** You're flying in IMC on an IFR flight plan when you determine that you have a radio problem. It seems you can hear transmission, but you are unable to transmit back. What can you do to alert Air Traffic Control (ATC) in this situation?

#### **Topic Discussions:**

- FAA Topic: An IMC Icing Accident Bernie Nitz
- Boise Idaho Trip Review Jerry Coussens
- IFR Quiz Bob Weil
- Scenario: Pop-Up Problems

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### 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 AT CRAIG OLSON'S HANGAR AT THE
DAVENPORT MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (KDVN)

Saturday, December 7, 2024 8:30 – 11:00 AM (RAIN OR SHINE)

Hosted this Month by: Craig Olson



### 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 Craig Olson. Come and see his 1959 Cessna 180B Skywagon and for some good hangar talk.

**FLYING:** Fly to the Davenport Municipal Airport. When taxiing, use Taxiway B to get to the old t-hangar and park on the taxiway or in the grass.

**DRIVING:** Drive to the Davenport Municipal Airport. We will be meeting at Craig Olson's hangar (G-4). Call Craig at 563-549-0855 for access if the gate is closed.

### EAA Chapter 75 Christmas Party - December 14th

We are looking forward to hosting the EAA Chapter 75 Christmas Party. Our cabin, located at <u>28816 50th Ave.</u>, <u>New Liberty, IA 52765</u>, is nestled on the east side of Camp Liberty, by Dixon, IA. Deer frequently visit across the dam and Bald Eagles soar over the tree line of our pond. We want to again share this wilderness experience with all of you during this event. If you are an ad-venturous winter outdoors person, please feel free to bring your attire and enjoy the outdoors for a walk, hike, or cross-country skiing. If you'd rather view the wilderness from indoors, we have binoculars to view from the fireside inside our cabin. Photography is always welcomed. It's always fun to gather in friendship, have a meal, and discuss the thrill of aviation.

Deer watching and social hour starts at 1:00 pm with appetizers and a Christmas punch. Dinner will be served at 4:00 pm: turkey, ham, potatoes, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share, plates, and silverware.

Santa is busy this year; instead as a guest you have an opportunity to donate a book, toy, (aviation or non-aviation related) to the <u>Children at the Stead Family Hospital in Iowa City</u>. This is clearly optional, but a great way to bring joy to children who will spend their Christmas at the hospital. Please note that donations should not be gift wrapped. However, gifts can't be wrapped. They were very grateful for all the donations they received last year.

We look forward to spending a special evening with all of you!

Merry Christmas!

Rick and Shari Meyer Rick: 563-370-3377 Shari: 563-370-3378

#### Directions to the Meyer Cabin via Interstate 80 from Davenport, IA:

- Coming from Davenport, IA, take the Big I-80 Truckstop exit, exit #284.
- Turn right and head north on 60th Avenue.
- Go about 4 to 5 miles till you get to HWY 130 (Plainview, IA) (STOP SIGN).
- Go straight, continue onto Hwy 40 (60th Avenue). Do not turn onto HWY 130. You are heading towards Dixon, IA.
- Go about 4 miles, turn left onto HWY F31 (295th Street)-there is a sign that says Camp
- Liberty a bit before the turn. If you go into Dixon, IA, you've gone too far.
- Go over the bridge and you will see some farmhouses and a hog barn to the right.
- Turn left onto the gravel (50th Avenue).
- If you go by Camp Liberty you've gone too far.
- Go onto the gravel, two hills and turn right at the top of the hill (I will try to have a marker of sorts sitting at the turn)
- Don't turn left onto a gravel road. You are looking for a lane to the right at the top of the hill!
- Follow the lane down and you will see the cabin!!
- If you go around a curve you've gone too far.
- Enjoy the Drive and watch for DEER!!



Celebrate the holidays with EAA's annual Christmas in the Air, a FREE community and family event for all ages at the EAA Aviation Museum!

Explore the museum to enjoy the holiday decorations throughout the exhibits. Enjoy local music, choral, and dance groups performing on various stages. Other activities include writing letters to Santa, and enjoying cookies and milk.

Amidst all the fun, do not miss the arrival of Santa Claus as he flies in by Bell helicopter at noon to visit with all of the children!

Have your pictures taken with Santa Claus, or take your own family photos in staged areas throughout the museum.

Donations of unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots or non-perishable food goods for Toys for Tots are greatly appreciated. All events and museum admission are free from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### Admission

• Free from 10AM - 3PM

#### **Special Events**

- Starting at 12PM
- Santa Arrives by Helicopter
- Tree Lightning Ceremony by Santa Claus
- Photos with Santa

#### **All-Day Activities**

- Write letters Mr. Claus
- Visit the Sweet Shoppe for cookies and milk
- Holiday-Themed events
- Enjoy dance, music, and choral performance groups



#### DECEMBER 13, 2024 | 6:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

ORDER TICKETS

Join us for the EAA Wright Brothers Memorial Banquet, where you'll experience a once-in-a-lifetime evening.

The EAA Wright Brothers Memorial Banquet honors the spirit and achievements of Wilbur and Orville Wright. This annual banquet provides a memorable experience that will have you returning year after year.

Listen to an inspiring presentation given by a special keynote speaker who shares with us their story of adventure, camaraderie, and flight. Enjoy cocktails and a full-service dinner inside the EAA Aviation Museum's Eagle Hangar, a hall dedicated to the memory of those who served valiantly.

This year's keynote speaker Paul Dye, is the longest-serving NASA flight director in history, Paul Dye was in a leadership position for 38 space shuttle missions, nine of which he served as the lead flight director, responsible for development and training for the mission, as well as real-time execution of all facets of the shuttle flight. Coordinating the work of thousands of mission planners, flight controllers, trainers, and astronauts, Dye spent 20 years in the center seat of Mission Control. These years were preceded by 12 years spent as a systems flight controller, and more years spent as an International Space Station flight director before his retirement in 2013.

#### **Evening Program**

Doors open at 5 p.m.

Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m.

Featured speaker begins their presentation immediately following dinner.

#### Menu | Catering by Michael's Catering

Choose one of these three entrées when ordering your ticket(s).

#### Entry #1 - 6oz. Charbroiled Tenderloin Filet

Served with Sautéed Mushrooms and Beef Demiglaze, with Parsley Buttered Baby Red Potatoes and Green Beans, Yellow Wax Beans and Baby Carrot Sauté.

#### **Entry #2 - Chicken Breast Florentine**

Crispy Bacon, Fresh Spinach, Scallions, with a Touch of White Wine and Cream. Served over Wild Rice Pilaf with Green Beans, Yellow Wax Beans and Baby Carrot Sauté.

#### Entry #3 - Vegetarian

Tri Color Tortellini with Garlic Infused Olive Oil, Parmesan Cheese and Fresh Basil, Served with Green Bean, Yellow Wax Bean and Carrot Sauté

#### **Plated House Salad**

Assorted Leafy Greens, Grape Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Mozzarella Pearls, Red Onion and Asiago Cheese.

#### **Dinner Rolls**

Variety of Homemade Dinner Rolls with Butter on the side.

#### Water

Cucumber Infused Water Glasses.

#### Dessert

Lemon Meringue Pie.

Strawberry Shortcake with Whipped Cream.

#### **Suggested Attire**

Guests are welcome to dress in business casual or cocktail party attire.

#### Parking/Arrival

Vehicle parking is available in the EAA Aviation Museum parking lot. All guests must enter through the main EAA Aviation Museum entrance.



Mr. Mulligan is flying Mrs. Claus to Geneseo so she can pick up all the letters to Santa from all of the kids. Don't miss out on meeting Mrs. Claus and giving her your letters to Santa!

ENTER TO WIN AN ORNAMENT OF "MR. MULLIGAN"



THE BOOK "CORN PLOW TO COCKPIT" HAROLD E. NEUMANN'S MANUSCRIPT





**7TH DECEMBER**10:00AM - 2:00PM

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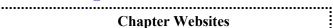




#### **Chapter 75 Merchandise Now Available**

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 Elizabeth Richards, 205 Shawnee Ct. Eldridge, IA 52748. If you would like a cap delivered, please e-mail:

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