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Meetings are held on the 2nd

Thursday of every month

@ 7:00 PM

[www.chapters.eaa.org/ea846](http://www.chapters.eaa.org/ea846)

[www.flyskypark.com](http://www.flyskypark.com)

Join us for our upcoming EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering on **Thursday, December 14, 2023** at our chapter hangar, M-1.

Social gathering starts at 6:30 pm, the regular meeting will start at 7 pm.

**December Gathering Agenda:**

- Officer Reports
- Safety Topic— ICAO Flight Plans, **Chris Oehlers**
- Ray Scholarship Update
- Project Updates
- Upcoming 846 Elections
- Program— Cirrus Parachute, **Tim Conway**

**Merry  
Christmas**

Why do Stormtroopers make the best pilots?



## New Members!

Please welcome **Steve Bean, Sam Bohner, Kaden Hilty** and **Chris Shearer** to Chapter 846. Steve had been a member of the chapter in the 2010's and is returning. He lives in Akron. Sam is a student and has helped out during our chapter events this year. Sam lives in Medina. Kaden is a Young Eagle, living in Wooster, and is looking forward to getting involved in aviation. Chris and his wife Lisa recently moved to a home in the Skypark Airport community. Chris has a 1946 Taylorcraft BC12D that he is restoring. He is a Structures DER and has his A&P/IA, along with his CFI certificate.

*Welcome to Chapter 846!*

## SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for the **Chapter 846 Holiday Party / Monthly Gathering.**

**When– Saturday  
January 13, 2024**

**Place- The Knights of  
Columbus Hall  
148 North Lyman  
Street  
Wadsworth OH 44281**



**Please click the link on the Santa hat to RSVP  
no later than January 8, 2024.**



*See flyer on page 3!*

## Passing of Joseph Lipovitz

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The chapter sends its condolences to the Lipovitz family.

## Congratulations to our 2022 Ray Scholar, Logan Cohara!

Logan Cohara passed his Private Pilot checkride on Sunday, December 10, 2023 wrapping up a long journey that began back in the fall of 2021. With Chuck Sargent as his designated pilot examiner, Logan managed to get his oral and practical tests completed over this past weekend despite less than ideal weather. During his long training journey, Logan had to overcome countless hurdles and obstacles and still managed to earn his Private Pilot Certificate despite many opportunities to give up. We are excited for Logan's accomplishment and eager to see what's next for him as he looks to continue his aviation journey!





**Join us at The Knights of Columbus Hall in  
Wadsworth OH for our  
EAA Chapter 846 Christmas Party!**

**Saturday January 13th, 2024 from 5pm until 10pm**

Again, we will be having a White Elephant Gift Exchange! So wrap up that gift your Aunt gave you 10 years ago or that old oil cooler you have sitting in the hangar or anything else you have that you don't really use or need and wrap it up in some **Beautiful Christmas Paper!**

Main Meat Dish and Bottled Water will be provided by the Chapter.

Please fill out the form below and let us know what side dish or dessert you will bring as well as the friends and family who will be coming with you.

**The Knights of Columbus Hall  
148 North Lyman Street  
Wadsworth OH 44281**



*\*The K of C Hall will not sell alcohol at our party. If you would like a drink, you must BYOB.*

## Ray Scholar Update

By Mike Guenther

Our newest Ray Scholar, **Jack Pomfret**, has been fully approved by the Ray Scholarship program for \$6,600 in funding to help him finish the rest of his training and earn his Private Pilot certificate. We recently received his funding from EAA meaning Jack can finally begin his journey as an EAA Ray Scholar under the watchful eye of our Chapter!

## Five Years of Ray Scholars!

Chapter 846 is finishing another successful year of participation in the Ray Scholarship program. The goal of the program, since its inception in 2019, has been to provide deserving area youth with the opportunity to earn their pilot certificate and inspire those youth to be the next great generation of aviation professionals and enthusiasts. We have been blessed to have two Ray Scholars earn their Private Pilot certificates this year with a third on the way towards completing his certificate in early 2024. Since 2019, Chapter 846 has supported seven Ray Scholars in total with **Ben Nagy, Abby Donofrio, Case McIntyre and Logan Cohara** so far completing their pilot certificates with **Jack Pomfret** on schedule to finish early next year.

In total our Chapter has been able to award more than \$40,000 in flight training scholarships since 2019 through the James Ray Foundation, EAA and even our own funding on behalf of our Chapter! In addition, all of the scholars listed have qualified for and received a free LightSpeed Aviation ANR headset at no cost through the Ray Scholarship Program. Jack Pomfret has also recently been approved and will be receiving his headset in the near future.

This also marks the second time that we have been able to secure multiple Ray Scholarships in the same year! The future of the Ray Scholarship program looks bright both for EAA and within our Chapter and thanks to the generous support of the Ray Foundation, EAA, Chapter 846 and its members, we look forward to many more years of participating in this wonderful program!

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## Reminder – Chapter Survey

If you haven't already, please complete the chapter survey from EAA. It was emailed to you from our Chapter Constant Contact server recently. If you have not received that email, please let Karl Aber, [ea846newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ea846newsletter@gmail.com), know.

Here is a convenient link to complete the survey:

[Chapter Survey](#)

The survey is conducted by EAA and the results are shared with the local chapter's officers. This allows EAA and the officers to better understand the thoughts from chapter members who elected to participate in the survey, and to use this feedback to improve the chapter experience for local members. Additionally, this annual survey provides EAA with a snapshot of the chapter network.

Chapters having at least a 25% survey participation rate and a chapter membership recommendation score of 8 or higher (out of 10) will receive credit toward the 2023 Chapter Recognition program. This score applies toward the Chapter's Gold recognition that we have received the past four years.

*Please help continue to improve Chapter 846!*



**GUESS WHO  
FOUND ITS WAY  
BACK TO THE  
HANGAR?**

## Passing of Ben Gleason

Even though Ben Gleason was not a Chapter 846 member, he was a fixture in the local EAA community. Ben passed away November 17, 2023, at the age of 86. He was a longtime and active president of EAA Chapter 50, Huron, OH. He hosted a steak fry at Hinde Field for the local veterans for many years and many 846 members flew in to take part in his events. His obituary is available at <https://tinyurl.com/BDGleason>. Condolences to his family.

## New FAA FAAS Team Rep

It's official, **Gary Baker** is now an FAA FAAS team representative. This will enable him to offer "Wing" credits for VMC Club meetings and some 846 presentations.

***Congratulations, Gary!***

## Thanks Randy!

Member **Randy Brooks** was successful in selling our "extra" electric hangar heater for the chapter!



## Non-Builder Owner Guide, by EAA

In July 2023, EAA released The Non-Builder Owner's Guide to Amateur-Built Aircraft. This checklist provides guidance to non-builder owners (NBOs) on what to look out for when purchasing an E-AB aircraft as well as advice on how to familiarize yourself with the capabilities and limitations of your new aircraft.

With the release of the NBO Guide, EAA hopes to improve the safety of operation of E-AB aircraft and help owners make informed decisions during the buying and transition training process.

[Find a free PDF copy of the NBO Guide.](#)

## EAA Homebuilders Week

EAA will be hosting thirty webinars again during the popular Homebuilders Week, January 22-26, 2024. Experts from every corner of the homebuilt aircraft community will bring their knowledge and information to builders everywhere through free and interactive webinars.

Homebuilders Week is a tremendous learning opportunity that celebrates the legacy of EAA founder Paul Poberezny. As he often said, using hand and mind to create aircraft that allow us to enjoy the personal freedom of flight!

Click on <https://tinyurl.com/HBWeek24> to see the schedule and register.

## January VMC Club Meeting

By Gary Baker

Many thanks to all who attended our November meeting! It was great to have twenty folks add their experience and insights to the discussions on preparations for winter flying. We will continue this discussion in January by talking about how we operate in cold weather.



The January meeting of the chapter's VMC Club will be held Tuesday, January 23, 7 p.m., in the meeting room at Skypark Airport. Please note that there will not be a VMC Club meeting in December because of the holiday season.

These meetings are now eligible for FAA Wings credit. You can either register for the meeting after receiving an



email from [FAASafety.gov](mailto:FAASafety.gov) or add your name and email to a list available during the meeting. If you do not have an account at [FAASafety.gov](mailto:FAASafety.gov), you can create one now and sign up for email alerts of meetings and webinars.

More information about VMC Clubs can be found at <https://www.eaa.org/eaapilots/eaapilot-proficiency/proficiency-and-education-programs/vmc-club>. All aviation enthusiasts are invited to join us.

***We hope to see you there!***

## 2024 Membership Information— Gary Baker, Treasurer

Chapter dues expire at the end of each calendar year, so here we are at the end of 2023 and guess what? Dues are due. So, unless you recently joined the chapter (after September), have already paid, or are a lifetime or honorary member, a payment of \$25 should be made at your earliest convenience. Don't forget to update on the Membership Form any changes to your contact information.

We are closing out the year at 117 members. Sixteen folks decided to join the chapter this year. Thank you to all new members! Your membership is appreciated, and I hope you are enjoying being a part of one of the largest Chapters in Ohio.

For comparison, there were twelve new members in 2022 included in the total of 111 members. We had twenty new members join in 2021 as part of the 110 total membership! We have had a paid membership of 99 or more for the past four years.

We have had 48 new aviation enthusiasts join our chapter in the past three years. Unfortunately, eight of the new members in '21 and '22 did not renew, as well as 10-15 members in each of the previous years. It is hoped that all current members will renew in 2024.

Don't forget that there are various types of memberships available. The Regular membership of \$25 covers the member and significant other. A Student membership of \$10 is available to high school and college students. The Family membership includes the parents and any children, high school age or younger, and is available for \$30. The Lifetime membership, cost of \$375, covers the member and significant other. Each individual as mentioned above receives a name tag as well. Our Chapter membership does not cover you for the EAA National dues unfortunately. Those dues cover a twelve-month period and are renewable at that time. Go to [EAA.org](https://www.eaa.org) to renew.

An updated Chapter Membership Roster in PDF form will be available in January. The on-line roster has the functionality to add photos, so if you have a recent photo you would like to have included, please send it to me at [ggbaker@zoominternet.net](mailto:ggbaker@zoominternet.net). I have been attempting to get everyone's photo, but I need help as I am missing some.

The on-line roster is available at <https://www.eaachapters.org/main.aspx>. Your user name is **(First Name)(Last Name)EAA846** and your password is **mustang**. After logging in the first time, you should change your password, of course. Click on the Member Search button, top left, and then the black and gray Search button in the line below to the left. This will bring up all Active members in our chapter.

***Thank you again to everyone for your membership in Chapter 846!***

## Check out Jay Waddell's new hangar, *(Things are good in NC...)*



**Jay Waddell, project manager, built this beautiful corporate hangar at Washington-Warren airport (KOCW) in North Carolina.**

## Air Academy Camp Scholarship

Chapter 846 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) is offering a full scholarship to attend the EAA Air Academy in Oshkosh, WI, in July, 2024, to a deserving area youth who has an interest in aviation. The EAA Air Academy is a fun-filled nine-day aviation camp experience for youth ages 16-18.



The Scholarship covers the entire cost of the camp as charged by EAA, which includes room and board. The recipient of the scholarship will need to provide his/her own transportation to and from Oshkosh. More information about the Advanced Air Academy can be found at <https://www.eaa.org/eaayouth/eaaviation-and-flight-summer-camps/eaair-academy/eaair-academy-advanced-camp>. The session 1 camp runs from July 16 thru 24, 2024.

Applications for the Chapter 846 Air Academy Camp Scholarship are being accepted from now until January 31, 2024. The form is included in this newsletter (pg. 8), as well as being available on the chapter website <https://chapters.eaa.org/ea846/scholarships/air-academy-scholarship>.

**The deadline for applications is January 31, 2024.**



## USAF Test Pilot School, Chris Shearer



The November Gathering was enlightened by our new lifetime member, **Chris Shearer**. Chris gave a great presentation on his USAF experiences attending the Air Force Test Pilot school.

*Thanks, Chris!*

**Congratulations to 846 lifetime member Phil Rodopoulos for passing his multi-engine check ride in a Beechcraft Baron on November 25, 2023! Well done, Phil!**





Experimental Aircraft Association  
Chapter 846  
Wadsworth, OH



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The Scholarship will cover the entire cost of the camp as charged by EAA, which includes room and board. The recipient of the scholarship will need to provide his/her own transportation to and from Oshkosh. More information about the Advanced Air Academy can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/airacademyapp>. The session 1 camp runs from July 16 thru 24, 2024. **Do not apply on-line.**

**Requirements:**

- o The applicant must be between the ages of 16 and 18 at time of the camp,
- o The applicant must reside within a seventy-five-mile radius of Wadsworth Skypark Airport,
- o The applicant must complete this application,
- o The applicant may attend the February 8, 2024, Chapter meeting to speak to the members prior to vote,
- o After the camp, the scholarship recipient must be willing to attend a meeting of Chapter 846 and give a presentation about his/her Air Academy experiences,
- o **The applicant must provide two letters of reference from unrelated individuals,**
- o **The applicant confirms that he/she will have transportation to and from Oshkosh, WI.**

**Applicant's Information (Please Print):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies and Activities \_\_\_\_\_

**Using a separate sheet, describe your thoughts on aviation and why you would like to attend the EAA Air Academy.**

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit your application by mail or email to Gary Baker, Scholarship Coordinator  
EAA Chapter 846 [eaachapter846@gmail.com](mailto:eaachapter846@gmail.com)

**Deadline: January 31, 2024**  
770 Victoria Circle  
Medina, OH 44256

All applicants will be notified by February 12, 2024, as to the awarding of the scholarship.  
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[Click here for printable PDF.](#)

# November Breakfast Run ...

By Dave Gerdeman

The Telegram app has proven very useful to plan and share flyouts and developments within our group.

The weather looked good so planning started midweek for a flyout. We originally planned for Urbana (I74) to hit the restaurant and museum. However, freezing fog settled in that morning and thanks to word from **Gary Baker**, our plans changed. We were able to quickly let everyone know and change to Port Clinton airport (KPCW) to visit the Tin Goose diner. **Steve Lehuta** and I talked before takeoff as he planned to fly as wingman and not leave me in his wake. :-)  
**Jerry Wang** caught up to us soon after passing the CLE Bravo and he dropped into the #3 slot. Can you picture a 1959 172 trailed by a Cherokee 180 and an RV4?!! PCW was active with several planes departing the area as we arrived. We did a right breakout maneuver from the south to space us onto the downwind leg for 27, landed and had prime parking on the Tin Goose ramp.

**Joshua Moore** brought his club Bonanza with his dad, **Dan**, **Abby Donofrio** and **Jack Pomfret**. After breakfast some of us took a walk through the museum. It was my first time and it was really cool! We had 6 planes and 11 members for the outing.

Click this [link](#) for more photos.



## VAN'S AIRCRAFT ANNOUNCES CHAPTER 11 REORGANIZATION

Excerpt from VANS website-

“Over the past few years, the company has faced a handful of complex issues, including unprecedented supply chain challenges throughout COVID, faulty primer that led to corrosion problems on quick build kits, and problems with laser-cut parts that were manufactured in response to high demand. As a result of this combination of issues, the company experienced serious cash-flow problems from which it could not recover through the normal course of business.”

To read the whole story see:

<https://www.vansaircraft.com/2023/12/vans-aircraft-announces-chapter-11-reorganization/>

EAA Ohio Regional  
Newsletter (ORCN),  
[December 2023](#)  
[\(Click to access\)](#)

My friend sent me a pic of these SPAM blockers at a local grocery store



They never hit anything!



### EAA Chapter 846—Upcoming Calendar of Events

Thursday, December 14, 2023	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the Chapter Hangar, M1	7:00 PM
SATURDAY, January 13, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	CHRISTMAS PARTY! (See Enclosed Flyer for Details)	5:00 PM
TUESDAY, January 23, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Wednesday, January 31, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 Board Meeting	Chapter Hangar	7:00 PM
Thursday, February 8, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 Monthly Gathering	Monthly chapter Gathering will be at the Chapter Hangar, M1	7:00 PM
TUESDAY, February 26, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 VMC Club	Meeting will be In the Skypark FBO conference room	7:00 PM
Wednesday, March 6, 2024	EAA Chapter 846 Board Meeting	Chapter Hangar	7:00 PM

**\*\*NOTE— Chapter Board Meetings are subject to change. Please check [Chapter 846 Calendar](#) for last minute changes.**

# THE BUILDING CONTINUES...

	Builder	Aircraft	Published Builders Log
1	Mike Baker	Sonex	
2	Michael Baker-Tallmadge	Savannah S	
3	Steve Bauman	G1 STOL	
4	Justin Botts	Sling TSI	
5	Randy Brooks	Rans S-21	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
6	Jeremy Cowgar	Bearhawk LSA	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
7	Bob Eiben	Zenith 701	
8	Mike Guenther	RV-8	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
9	Paul Hanchek	Steen Skybolt	
10	Dale Holmes	RV-7	
11	Dale Housley	Volmer VJ-22	
12	David Kopanski	Spezio Tuholer	
13	Paul/Ron Lutz	Rans S-20	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
14	Dave Manning	Rans 21	
15	Joe Stefanini	SubSonex JSX-2	
16	Matt/Josh Tomsheck	Just Highlander	
17	Rob Trout	RV-14	
18	Jay Waddell	Pietenpol Air Camper	
19	Joe Walker	RV-7	
20	Barry Wawrin	RV-14A	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
21	Fred Wellman (NEW)	Zenith CH 750 Cruiser	<a href="#">Builders Log</a>
22	Brad Wurst	Wittman Buttercup	
23	Jim Yurichak	Kolb Firefly	
24	Jeff Zink	RV-7	

[Members' Projects on the Chapter 846 website!](#)

## Hanger Completed Project Display updated

The Chapter 846 completed projects board has been recently updated. Check it out at the next Gathering!



## RANS S-21 BUILD UPDATE

By Randy Brooks

I'm currently painting the RANS. I have finished the flaps, the Vertical and Horizontal Stabs, the Rudder and the Elevator/Trim Tab. Next up is prepping and painting the wings. I'm using Sherwin Williams Genesis paint which is a single-stage polyurethane paint.



going in the right direction. I keep saying that by the time the fuselage is completed, I may actually figure out this painting thing.

Here are some pictures of the painting adventure so far. I'm painting in our inflatable paint booth that we set up in **Dave Manning's** hangar. So far, it's working out well.



The paint is pretty easy to spray once you get the technique. I've had to scuff sand and re-do a couple things due to orange peel which has slowed down the process.

I want to say a HUGE thanks to **Walt Haloran** for his invaluable instruction and guidance. He has been a great help to get me



*From Ch. 846 member Jay Waddell, for a friend:*

**For Sale:**

**Cessna 1979 A185F**

**S/N 18503726**

Total time 4726.5 hours.

Engine total time 837.7 hours since factory new.

Engine time since internal inspection and repair 0.0 hrs.

One owner since new Factory float kit B never on floats Factor cargo pod, Tail cone handles, Rosen Visors, 88 gallon fuel, RMD wing tips with pulse lights, and Door Stewards

**Asking price: \$265,000**



**Please contact: Kim Geyer, (919) 740-0578, comanderincheze@yahoo.com**

**EAA CHAPTER 846**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Minutes of November 1, 2023**

**President Chris Oehlers called the meeting to order at 19:11.**

**Board Members Present:** Brad Wurst, Chris Oehlers, Gary Baker, Greg Cantrell, Randy Brooks, Dave Gerdeman, Paul Lutz, Paul Hanchek, Brian Burke, Ron Lutz.

**Members Present:** Kevin Fink, Dave Manning, Newsletter Editor Karl Aber.

President Chris Oehlers went over the template for the Fred Coblentz Scholarship. Copies were given to Board members for study and decisions will be made at the next Board meeting.

The Board voted in favor of accepting a second Ray Scholarship from EAA. As per previous discussions and vote, this scholarship will be awarded to Jack Pomfret. He will need to complete an application to EAA to be awarded the scholarship.

Brian Burke, Chairman of the Ford Tri-Motor Tour Stop, gave an update of the final numbers for the event. We flew 58 flights with 508 paying passengers. We received a check from EAA for \$5105.15 which included money from sponsorships. We also made \$950 from the



auctioning of two Tri-Motor shadow boxes.

Brad Wurst presented an update and some ideas for the Tool Crib. He estimated a cost of approximately \$500-\$700 for current improvements. After these are complete, future improvements would be approximately \$1500-\$2000.

**Chapter Christmas Party:** The Chapter Christmas will be on January 13, 2024 at the Wadsworth Knights of Columbus Hall. Starting time for the party will be 5:00 p.m. Decorating will be that morning and a sign-up sheet will be at the December meeting. The Chapter will provide the main course with members being asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

Chris reminded the Board of the need for nominations of members to serve as Officers or Board members for the Chapter. Nominations will be accepted at the November gathering with elections being held at the December gathering.

Dave Gerdeman gave a review of the Chapter Pancake Breakfast and made some suggestions for next year. Overall the event was a great success.

Ideas for gathering programs and safety topic presentations were discussed and a list was made for both categories. Availability of speakers will be investigated and a final schedule of topics will be decided on at a future Board meeting.

**With no other business to be brought before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Randy Brooks and seconded by Gary Baker. The motion passed by a voice vote.**

**The next EAA Chapter 846 Board of Directors Meeting will be December 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapter hangar.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Greg Cantrell, Secretary EAA 846**

**EAA CHAPTER 846**  
**Chapter Gathering**  
**Minutes of November 9, 2023**

**The gathering was called to order by President Chris Oehlers at 19:07**

**Visitors Present:** None

**Guests Present:** None

**New Members:** Kaden Hilty, Multiple Young Eagle flights. Steve Bean, former member rejoined.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chapter Treasurer Gary Baker reported there were sufficient funds in the Chapter treasury for Chapter business.

**Secretary's Report:** Chapter Secretary Greg Cantrell reminded members about the Chapter survey sent out by EAA. Completing the survey by 20% of our members helps us toward achieving Gold Chapter status. He asked members present for any corrections or additions of the October 12, 2023 gathering minutes. With no additions or corrections recommended, a motion was made by Walt Halloran and seconded by Randy Brooks, to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed by a voice vote.

**Fred Coblentz Scholarship:** The Board has been working on the project.

**Chapter VMC Club:** The next VMC Club meeting will be on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 in the Skypark FBO meeting room at 7:00p.m. The topic will be "Preparing for Winter Operations".

**December Elections:** Chris reminded everyone there was still a need for nominations to fill the Officer positions of Vice President and Secretary.

**Ray Scholarship Update:** Ray Scholarship Coordinator Mike Guentner reported the second Ray Scholarship the Chapter received has been awarded to Chapter Member Jack Pomfret. He is waiting on EAA for the exact amount the Chapter/Jack will receive. Jack is training at AVIT. Mike also reported Logan Cohara is waiting on sign off by his instructor to take his check ride. Mike is hopeful the Chapter will receive a Ray Scholarship for 2024 from EAA and is also hoping the amount will be bumped up to

\$12,000. Mike reported we have 3 candidates already for 2024.

**Ford Tri-Motor Update:** No update presented as Brian Burke was absent.

**Gary Baker was recognized by the Chapter for the news article about him flying the Ford Tri-Motor at Findlay.**

**Safety Topic: Fuel Management, Randy Brooks.** Randy presented a very informative discussion and video on the management of fuel in an aircraft. Thank you, Randy.

**Air Academy Report:** Chapter Member and 2023 Air Academy Scholarship recipient Doug Tytko gave a very interesting presentation about his experiences while attending the Air Academy at Oshkosh. He thanked the Chapter for the scholarship and the wonderful experience.

Gary Baker suggested the Chapter should apply now for a 2024 Air Academy Scholarship. Randy Brooks made a motion to do so and was seconded by Greg Cantrell. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

**Monthly Program: USAF Test Pilot School, Chris Shearer.** Chris presented an interesting and informative program about his attending Test Pilot School and becoming a USAF Test Pilot. Thank you, Chris.

**With no other business to be brought before the Chapter, a motion was made by Kevin Fink and seconded by Gary Baker, to adjourn the gathering. The motion passed by a voice vote and the gathering was adjourned at 20:51.**

**The next Chapter gathering will be Thursday, December 14, 2023 in the Chapter hangar at 19:00.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Greg Cantrell, Secretary EAA Chapter 846**

