



# The *Maple Lake Flyer*

A newsletter of EAA Chapter 878, Experimental Aircraft Association  
*EAA Chapter 878: a part of the aviation communities of Maple Lake, Buffalo, and surrounding areas of Minnesota.*

32 Years.....1986 – 2018

October, 2018

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, October 9

**Location:** Buffalo Airport, in the meeting room of the Arrival/Departure Building

**Time:** 6 pm enjoy a spaghetti meal, courtesy of the chapter  
7 pm general meeting

- **FLIGHT TO SUCCESS**  
by Greg Thomes, Chapter President

Powerball, Gopher 5, Mega Millions and Pick-4. While I rarely partake in lottery competitions, it's probably perfectly human to dream about how life would change if the winning numbers came up. Let's see...would a refurbished Super Cub, a new Pipistrel SW 121 or a de Havilland DHC-2 Beaver look better in the hangar?

Well, the chance of hitting the jackpot is so very remote. This is why we rely on hands-on organizations like EAA to be our guide. Plus, the learning curve is so much better as a "do-it-yourselfer." There's nothing wrong with the instant gratification of having something fall into one's lap. However, being an EAA member also allows great relationship building.

We hope you enjoy your days as an EAA member. And, we trust you'll experience a huge learning curve in aviation through our EAA chapter.

Oh – I almost forgot – if you happen to win the Jackpot, I know a fledging EAA chapter that could use a financial boost with their newly purchased hangar!!!

May your skies be bright and breezes light!

Greg Thomes, President



**Remember to regularly check our chapter's website and Facebook accounts:**

<http://www.878.eaachapter.org>



[www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/](http://www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/)

- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2018/19**

- Oct. 9 EAA Chapter 878 meeting
- 23 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- Nov. 13 EAA Chapter 878 meeting
- 27 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- Dec. 1 Tree of Hope toy collection, 9 am to 1 pm, Maple Lake
- 8 EAA Chapter 878 Christmas Party, Bison Creek Bar & Grill (Huikko's Bowling and Entertainment Center), Buffalo
- Jan. 12 EAA Chapter 878 meeting (note: Saturday morning meeting)
- 22 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm

Note: this list generally will not detail the many pancake breakfasts and other fly-ins or local aviation events because they are already well documented on other sites which are dedicated to that purpose. For that information, see our EAA Chapter 878 website, [www.878.eeachapter.org/](http://www.878.eeachapter.org/), and other websites such as <http://www.flyins.com> and [www.socialflight.com](http://www.socialflight.com), or the various Calendars of Events in magazines, websites and airport bulletin boards.

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- **HEADSET DONATED TO CHAPTER 878 YOUNG EAGLES PROGRAM REPAIRED BY DAVID CLARK**  
by Kyle Weatherly

Earlier this year the chapter put out a request for donations of headsets and portable intercom systems that our volunteer pilots could use if their plane was not equipped with an intercom, or if they did not have enough headsets.

We had a great response and now have several headsets available for use.

However, one donated headset (a David Clark H10-60) did not work. I contacted the David Clark Company about getting it repaired and they responded in an extraordinary manner. Not only did they replace the microphone, comm cord, headpad and seals at no charge, they even returned the repaired unit "freight paid!"

It's good to know that companies such as David Clark support the Young Eagles program and EAA chapters in such an outstanding manner.

We could still use more headsets, intercoms or other aviation equipment that you might be willing to donate. It would also be great to have extra portable radios to be used by the Young Eagles or their parents or guardians. Please contact me if you have something to contribute. Remember that EAA Chapter 878 is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and donated items would be a tax deductible contribution.

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- **CHAPTER POSITIONS STILL OPEN**  
by Greg Thomes

As previously noted in the newsletter, the possibility of adding two new volunteer position is open: *Culinary Officer* and *Beverage Coordinator*. During the summer months we've enjoyed a light meal before our chapter meetings. This meal helps to entice members to attend and it's a good social time for members. Persons interested in volunteering for these two positions (or one combined position) is asked to step forward. It's an easy way to be more involved in the chapter and reduces the workload of the president!

**Culinary Officer:** Assist the Chapter President in organizing and offering a light meal at certain chapter meetings held from April to November. Any food purchased will be reimbursed by the chapter. Members at large will be encouraged to provide a "dish to share" to make the meal task easier. The light meal may be suspended for "Saturday morning winter meetings" or at other meetings as deemed necessary.

**Beverage Coordinator:** Assist the Chapter President in providing beverages and refreshments at chapter meetings and functions. This includes water, soda, coffee, etc. No alcoholic beverages will be provided by the chapter at chapter events. Any beverages purchased will be reimbursed by the chapter.

**Note:** A "donation bucket" for food and beverages will be available for member contributions to help defray expenses.

● **MAPLE LAKE FLY-IN 2018**

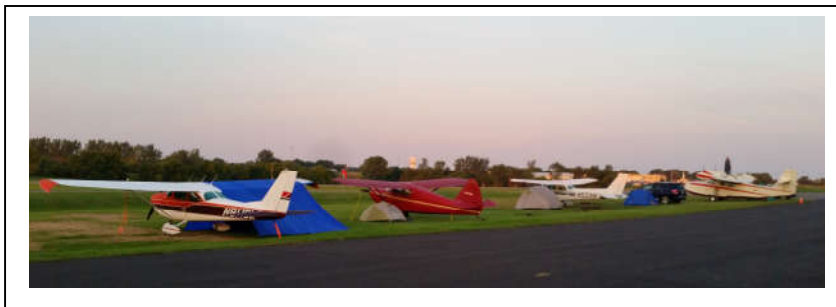
Here are a few photos from our fly-in weekend. For many, many more of both the Young Eagles flights and the grilled pork chop dinner activities, see our chapter Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/](http://www.facebook.com/EAAChapter878/).



**Maple Lake Fly-in  
Camp Out**  
Sept 8-9, 2018

Maple Lake Airport (M66)  
7 miles west of Buffalo, MN  
Contact Kurt at 612-209-3478 for more details.  
Sponsored by EAA Chapter 878, Maple Lake.  
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Saturday, Sept 8	Sunday, Sept 9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3rd Annual Camp Out</li> <li>• 5 PM Public Potluck Social— Bring a dish to share. Hot dogs, hamburgers, paper plates will be provided.</li> <li>• Campfire—7-11 PM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 32nd Annual Fly-in</li> <li>• Pork Chop Dinner 11-2</li> <li>• Experimental Aircraft</li> <li>• Military Aircraft</li> <li>• Bouncy House</li> <li>• Face Painting</li> </ul>



- **CHAPTER MEMBERS ASKED TO RESPOND ON QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT MAPLE LAKE FLY-IN**  
by Alyssa Arends

A recent email was sent to all chapter members asking for a response on their perception of the 2018 Maple Lake Fly-In. This questionnaire was developed by the Fly-In Committee so we might evaluate the direction and future of the Maple Lake fly-in.

If you have not yet already responded, please take a few minutes to do so. We're looking for input about your opinions on the value of the fly-in to the chapter, how do we get more volunteer support, what changes would you like to see made, what would you like to see added, etc., etc. Do you think the fly-in is a positive contribution to the chapter, or is it more work than it's worth? Is the September date OK, or would we get better attendance if it was some other time?

Please be honest in your evaluation.

The email noted that responses can be anonymous, if you wish. For those persons, a Suggestion Box will be available at our October 9<sup>th</sup> chapter meeting for anonymous collection of responses. If you're OK with responding via email, please send your response to: [alyssa.arends@yahoo.com](mailto:alyssa.arends@yahoo.com).

If you didn't get the email (sent by Wayne Flury) or lost it, please let me know and I'll send you a response with the questionnaire attached.

Thank you!

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- **CLASSIFIED ADS**

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Note: the "Classified Ads" section of this newsletter is a place to list your notices for Help Wanted, For Sale, For Trade, etc., etc. Items listed should be generally aviation related. Listings are no charge to chapter members. Non-members may take advantage of this service by contacting the Newsletter Editor for costs and conditions.  
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- **IMC CLUB**  
by Dave Wendt, Coordinator – IMC/EAA 878

IMC/EAA 878 Club meetings:

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

Meeting location –

Class Room at Thunderbird Aviation at Flying Cloud Airport (immediately West of the Elliott Aviation Building and our previous meeting place at Inflight Aviation)



ATTENTION: All interested pilots (IFR & VFR), are you interested in joining IMC/EAA 878 Club? Cost is \$37.00 total dues per year. All meetings are free and open to all IFR and VFR pilots. Our Mission and Purpose is to become BOTH current and proficient pilots!

For more information and program content each month, please contact Dave at [DaveWendtInsurance@gmail.com](mailto:DaveWendtInsurance@gmail.com), or 612-272-4600.

● **EAA CHAPTER 878 and MAPLE LAKE FLYER INFO**

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Chapter meetings are normally held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet at 9:00 a.m. on the second Saturday morning). Meeting location and time may vary each month, depending upon the meeting program. Our December meeting is a family social event held at a local event center, with date, time and place to be determined annually.

Chapter membership is open to all persons interested in aviation. To become a member, simply contact any one of the current officers and request a membership application, or click on the “Membership” link on our website. Dues are \$10 per year for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 per year for age 35 and over.

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**EAA Chapter 878 Advocates:** All Members

Add your name to the list above – how can you help and support your chapter?

The list of volunteer leaders for EAA Chapter 878 continues to grow! Thank you!

● **THE FUNNIES**  
by Wayne Flury



This "Young Eagles" cartoon first appeared in December, 2004 when I used it as a Christmas card.

I dug it out of my files in grateful recognition of the work that Kyle Weatherly and Kurt Pennuto have put into the Chapter 878 Young Eagle program this year.

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