

The Maple Lake Flyer

May 2025

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EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter

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Next EAA Chapter 878 Meeting

Date:	May 13, 2025
Location:	EAA 878 Aviation Education Center, Maple Lake Municipal Airport
Meeting Time:	Board Meeting-5:30 PM, Chapter Meeting-7:00 PM
Notes:	Guest speaker: Elise Van de Putte, aviation safety inspector & GA accident investigator. Come with any questions to demystify the role of the inspector.



Have you paid
your dues yet?

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Help EAA Chapter 878 by paying your dues.
Payment by either check or credit card is easy!



Presidents Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

Upcoming Chapter Meetings:

- Tuesday May 13, 2025, Buffalo A&D Building:
 - Board Meeting 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
 - Regular Meeting 7:00 pm– 8:30 pm
 - Speaker & Topic to be announced (Should be in Wayne's column)

Hangar Project Status Update:

- **HANGAR WORKDAYS**
 - We have had a couple of workdays and about ½ of the classroom is skinned with the fire-retardant plywood. One more session and all the plywood should be up.
 - We will need to put in Doors and then call for an inspection to get approval to finish the project.
- Items to do: [Read more > 2 min read](#)



Vice-Presidents Airspace

by Wayne Flury

Check Your "My Account" on the EAA Website

What does it say about you? What should it say?

One day while wandering through the dark and tangled woods of the internet, I clicked on the "My Account" segment in the header or navigation bar of the EAA website – as shown on the screenshot below – just to see what was there (if you think about it, why else do we waste a good amount of time on the internet other than to "...just see what is there..."?). [Read more > 1-1/2 min read](#)

Here's An Easy Way for You to Contribute to the Financial Well-Being of the Chapter

AA Chapter 878 is no different than other organizations, groups, or services you may belong to... it may seem you're always being asked to pay your dues, contribute to a scholarship program, help finance the needs of our hangar project, or..., or..., etc. [Read more > 1-1/2 min read](#)



Treasurer Airspace by Greg Thomes

As a GOLD status EAA Chapter, one of the requirements is to maintain a healthy treasury. And thanks to a few of our members, we're able to proceed with our program's year-to-year. A recent benefactor, who wants to remain anonymous, has tendered a challenge to all of us. He and his wife are willing to match donations to 878 totaling up to \$1,500. This contribution also gains this couple the EAA 878 Family Lifetime Membership status!

Let's try to meet this \$1,500 challenge. Please give me a phone call (763/443-7039) for more information on this matching grant. Or, pull me aside at our next meeting.

May your skies be bright and breezes light!



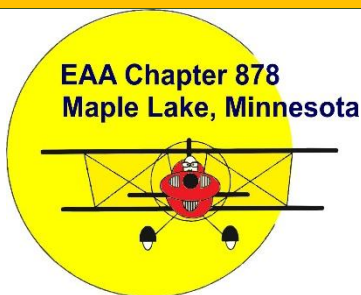
Eagle & Young Eagle Airspace by Kyle Weatherly

Young Eagle events:

- April 12th had to be cancelled. We had 21 kids sign up and they were disappointed.
- Next event is setup for May 10th
- We currently have 16 YE's signed up at this time.
- We will be at Buffalo Airport for this event.

Build and Fly –

- Build and Fly – Tom Rammel was able to attend the February Board meeting. He has picked a plane for this year.
- The materials have been ordered for 10 remote-controlled planes.
- Build and Fly will begin July 2025; official dates have been set but I don't have them in my notes from the last meeting.



EAA 878 Scholarship Airspace by Kyle Weatherly

The committee members are: Wayne Flury, Laura Hermann, Lloyd Melvie, Boyd Emmel, Jon Niska, and Kyle Weatherly.

There is one opening for the Scholarship committee. A committee member helps interview 878 and Ray Scholarship candidates.

2025 – EAA 878 Scholarship.

- The EAA 878 Scholarship has been posted to the website.
- All other scholarships have been updated with links to the most recent and available scholarships.
- The following links are available
 - EAA 878
 - FOBA – Friends of Buffalo Airport
 - AOPA [Read more > 1 min read](#)



Ray Scholarship Airspace by Kyle Weatherly

Ray Aviation Scholarship:

Part of the Ray Aviation Scholarship requirements is chapter participation. Nolan continues to attend all of our events and also provides additional chapter help.

Nolan Update:

- Nolan is continuing to fly and has promised to give me more regular updates.
- Nolan has passed his written, the hardest step for most of the Ray scholars.
- I am expecting to hear from him soon about his solo. He should be a pilot in the next few months.

2025 Ray Scholarship Application:

- Chapter 878 has been selected to administer a Ray Scholarship for 2025.
- This is an honor for 878 to have this ability but it is because we have successfully had 2 Ray Scholars, and our 3rd is well on his way to completing his PPL this spring. [Read more > 1 min read](#)



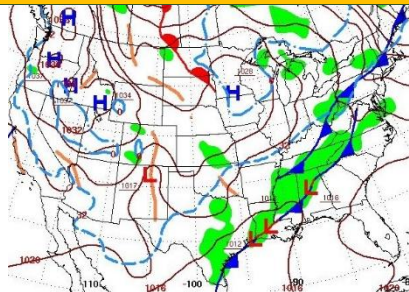
Vim & Vigor Airspace

by Thomas Hurwitz, M.D.

Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea, a common cause of daytime sleepiness

Recently, a pilot was heard to say that he could not tolerate continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) prescribed for obstructive sleep apnea (OSA). His moderately severe disorder caused some excessive daytime sleepiness. He was at risk of mimicking the pilots who overflew their Hawaii destination several years ago when they both fell asleep as a result of untreated OSA. The responsible pilot should self-ground to prevent this or a worse outcome until the disorder is successfully treated. If flying with an FAA medical certificate, a special issuance (SI) is required, based on documentation of effective therapy. At the time of the next FAA physical, the pilot should report the disorder to the aviation medical examiner (AME) and on the MedXPress form. If the AME is made aware of the disorder, he may determine that the pilot is safe to continue exercising his or her duties while pursuing appropriate evaluation and treatment unless the disorder is quite severe and threatens safety. [Read more >](#)

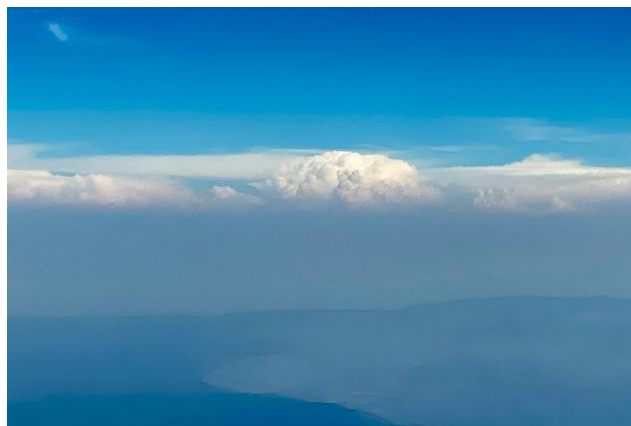
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Weather Manners

by Boldmethod

Dry Line: How It Forms Thunderstorms



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Musings

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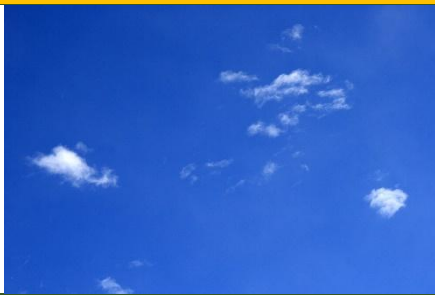


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A home for our EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Center would help us consolidate meetings, conduct training sessions & finish building an RV-4 airplane.

Please join us in this fundraiser to rebuild an old hangar.

Sharing with others would also be helpful.



Notable Mention

by Chapter Leaders & Coordinators

Wanted – Photos of You and Your Airplane

by Elaine Morrow, Chapter Webmaster

Help me make our website a place of chapter recognition and interest. Please send me a photo of your airplane (and you) which I will include on our Chapter 878 website. This includes aircraft projects too!

Send to: pilotelaine@aol.com or call 952-913-2356 with any questions.

Requesting Chapter Member Aircraft and Project Info

By Chris Glaeser

Chris Glaeser (as our chapter Flight Advisor) is still looking forward to getting information from all chapter members about aircraft owned, or projects working on. His focus is to have a list so that if he gets a call from someone asking if he knows anything about RV aircraft or float planes, etc., he has a source of reference.

If you haven't yet responded to Chris, please contact him with your info (a photo may also be nice) with complete data on your airplane, including engine and prop. His contact info is: 952-239-4081, or

chris.glaeser@gmail.com.

WINGS - Pilot Proficiency Program

The objective of the WINGS Program is to address the primary accident causal factors that continue to plague the general aviation community. By focusing on this objective, we hope to reduce the number of accidents we see each year for the same causes. As you will see, it is not a simple "Award" program but is instead a true proficiency program, designed to help improve our skills and knowledge as pilots. [Read more >](#)

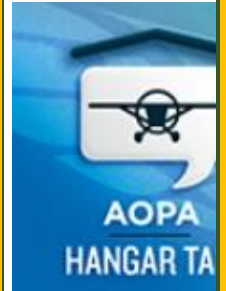
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Chapter 878 Aviation Upcoming Events

May	13	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	28	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
June	10	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	25	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
July	8	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	23	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM

Note: this list will not include the many pancake breakfasts and other fly-ins or local aviation events because they are well publicized on other sites dedicated to that purpose. For other event information, see our [EAA Chapter 878 website](#), and websites such as [EAA](#), [AOPA](#), [Social Flight](#), [Fly-ins](#), [Midwest Airshow](#), [Fly-In and Flight Club](#) and [FunPlacesToFly](#). Also see various Calendars of Events in magazines, and airport bulletin boards.



Editors Airspace by Ray Svobodny

The EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter is published monthly, 1-week prior to monthly Chapter meetings.

Sharing your knowledge and other news with the Newsletter is both fun and easy but please follow our simple editorial guidelines. Your articles, videos, high resolution images, and The Funnies by Wayne are welcome and needed. Our Chapter Members are particularly interested in aviation-related topics.

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If you have questions, please contact me anytime. [Ray Svobodny](#) / 612-327-4232.

BUFFALO FLY-IN

• **BREAKFAST**

- *7:30 AM—12 noon. Hosted and served by EAA Chapter 878 in West Metro Aviation Hangar*

• **CAR SHOW**

- *9 AM—1 PM. Hosted and held on airport grounds by Wright County Car Club*

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Buffalo Municipal Airport—KCFE
1305 County Rd 134 NE, Buffalo, MN

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Serving 7:30 AM – 12 noon

Adults: \$10 Youth 6—12: \$5

Kids 5 & under: free with Adult meal

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