

The Maple Lake Flyer

March 2024

**First flight in complete darkness: Henry Farman,
flies a Farman biplane without the benefit of
moonlight, on March 1, 1910.**



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EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter

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Next EAA Chapter 878 Meeting

Date:	March 9, 2024
Location:	Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
Meeting Time:	9:00 AM



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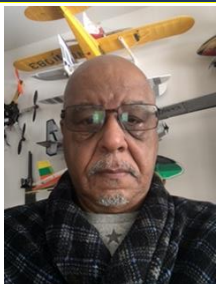
Presidents Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

We have had a good start to 2024 with both the January and February meetings in our rearview mirror. The new meeting format seems to be working well and we have had 20 or so attendees.

A few Notes of what is happening with our chapter.

- The Board is still working at getting a presentation setup for the March 9th meeting.
- All current members will be invited to the Board of Directors meeting going forward. Any member will be able to bring up any subject that they would like to see addressed by the chapter.
- More detailed status of chapter finances will start to be distributed to the chapter in 2024. It will take a couple of months to get this into a good format for people to read. The more detailed finance will include all monies the chapter has and detail what is being spent on the hangar/education renovation, fund allocation general, scholarship, and ear marked for certain chapter programs.
- Community outreach we intend to have more interaction with various schools, community programs (Civil Air Patrol, Scouts, etc.). [Read more >](#) 1 min read



Treasurer Airspace

by Henry Williams



Payment Sites

[Membership Dues](#)

[Hangar Fund](#)



STEM Airspace

by Dick Borrell

What in the world is this unusual looking aircraft? And where is it now?



This is a US Navy S2F (Stoof) submarine hunter from the Cold War era. It launched from an aircraft carrier and returned to land on the aircraft carrier. It patrolled the waters in a great area around the “Carrier Group” looking for Soviet submarines that could pose a threat to the group. It carried torpedoes on board that could be dropped into the sea to destroy enemy submarines.

On February 24th, as guests of the 99's (an international group of women pilots) I flew my 15 yr. old granddaughter to the Princeton MN airport in my Cessna 172. [Read more >](#) 2 min read



Eagle & Young Eagle Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

We are looking forward to another year flying Young Eagles. We will split the location between Buffalo and Maple Lake this year. Location will be determined the month before the event. Our first Maple Lake event in years took place last September and it was a big hit.

As mentioned in previous notices Greg and Betty will be getting more involved this year and assisting Amy and I in the coordination and running of the events.

First one is in April!



EAA 878 Scholarship Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

Committee members are: Greg Thomas, Wayne Flury, Laura Hermann, Lloyd Melvie, Boyd Emmel, Jon Niska, and Kyle Weatherly.

An update for 2023 Scholarship Winner Marlee Walker:



I was able to meet with Marlee in late December, during her Christmas break from Mankato State. During this meeting I was able to present her with her \$ 1000.00 scholarship check from EAA 878. During this meeting I asked her to write a little note on how and what she is currently doing in college. You will see her submission below.

Hello Kyle,

I wanted to email you an update on my journey at college and going through the flight program. I currently just started my spring semester at Mankato, I'm really enjoying it here. [Read more > 1-1/2 min read](#)



Ray Scholarship Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

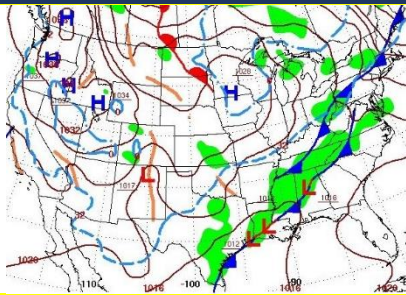
Every chapter has to apply for the Ray Scholarship on an annual basis. The application is due by end of January each year. Our application was submitted in late December and will be evaluated against all other applications in February. Our chapter should know by end of March if we can select a candidate.

There are candidates in the area that I know will be looking to apply so hopefully we find the right candidate to receive this wonderful opportunity.

I would really like to see someone step up to take over this important program. Where else can you make a life changing difference for a young person.

I am still around to guide and mentor the person that takes over this program. Please give it consideration it takes up some time but I have been able to do it while managing many other EAA 878 programs as well as a work calendar that I am certain none of you would want.

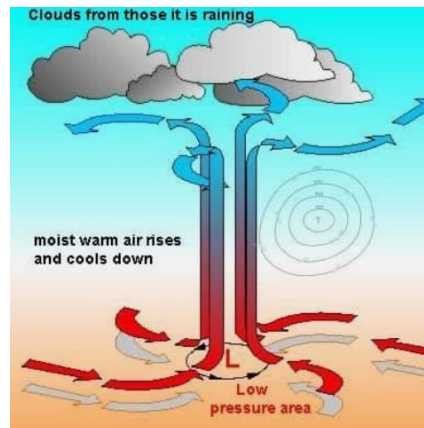
Call me and we can discuss without any obligation - Kyle, 612 759 5227



Weather Manners

by Noteworthy Contributions

How Do Clouds Form?



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IFR Tips

by Boldmethod

Arrival Gate: What Is It?



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Pilot Tips

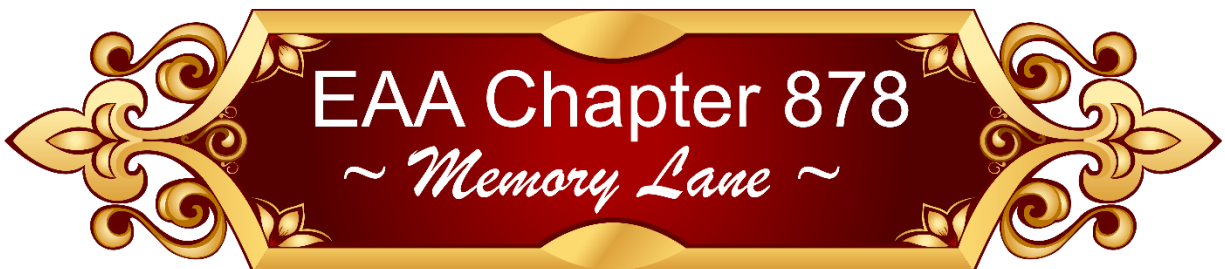
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Tips To Get On Centerline



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Memories This Month In History



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EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Fund



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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.



KFCM Saturday Morning & Pro-Tips Webinars (Wings Credit Given)

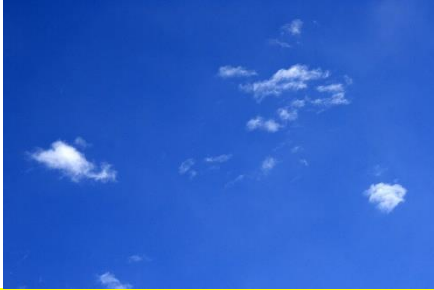
Saturday Morning Webinars (0900-1000 CT)

We will be taking March off for spring break!

Schedule of topics: [FAASafety.gov](https://www.faa.gov/safety)

Questions? [Laura Herrmann](#)

New to Wings? [Wings account setup](#)



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 to get 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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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—2 PM. Hosted and held on airport grounds by Wright County Car Club

Sunday, June 9, 2024

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

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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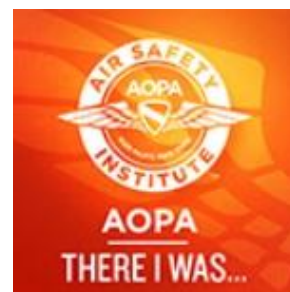


<https://chapters.eaa.org/ea878>



Aviation Podcasts

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Aviation Webinars

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Chapter 878 Aviation Upcoming Events

Mar	9	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	26	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
Apr	9	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	23	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
May	14	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	28	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM

Note: this list will generally 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](#), 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.

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