



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.

34 Years.....1986 – 2020

May, 2020

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 EVENT INFO**

Date:

Location:

Meeting Time:

To allow us to hold a meeting while still maintaining social distancing protocols, our May meeting will be done by

ZOOM!! – Tuesday, May 12, 7:00
(in the comfort of your home)

If you already know what Zoom is and have it installed on your desktop, laptop, or mobile device...GREAT! You're all set and just need to enter the meeting ID code: **897 1067 9297**

If not, see more info contained in this newsletter on Page 2.



NOTE: Since our April meeting was canceled, there were no meeting minutes for April 2020.

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

Since the inception of EAA Chapter 878, our monthly meetings have involved a gathering of pilots and friends, face-to-face, some backslapping and many handshakes. This is about to change real fast.

Please join us this coming Tuesday for our first virtual meeting. We have many important issues to discuss. Because behind-the-scenes there has been some very active committee work. Check-out the information under our meeting notice spots in this newsletter.

One thing that has remained open is our airports. I salute those of you who continue to work on your planes and those still flying. Keep up the good job.

And, to all of you....please be well and stay safe.

May your skies be bright and breezes light.

Greg



Remember to regularly check our chapter's website:

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



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- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2020**

- May 12 EAA Chapter 878 meeting. Zoom “virtual” meeting, 7 pm
- 26 IMC / EAA878 meeting, time, subject, and format to be advised.
- June 9 EAA Chapter 878 meeting. Time and location to be advised.
- 23 IMC / EAA878 meeting, location and format to be advised.

Note: this list generally 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 www.878.eaachapter.org/, and websites such as <https://www.eaa.org/eea>, <https://www.aopa.org/community/events>, www.socialflight.com, and <http://www.flyins.com>. Also see various Calendars of Events in magazines, and airport bulletin boards.

- **ZOOM TO OUR MEETING**

To allow us to continue having chapter meetings even if we can’t currently gather together in person, our May 12 meeting (and perhaps others) will be done via the “Zoom” teleconference app.

Many of you may already have the Zoom app downloaded, and you may have used it for other purposes.

If you do not currently use Zoom, or haven’t downloaded the Zoom app, please do that and become familiar with it. It’s a simple download, easy to use, and is free. It can be installed on your desktop, laptop or mobile device. Download at: <https://zoom.us/download>.

On May 12, open Zoom on your device, click on “Join A Meeting” and enter “ID code”: **897 1067 9297** to be allowed in. No password is required. Note: you can begin joining after 6:50 pm.

Another avenue into the meeting may be: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89710679297>.

There may be some “first time” difficulties, but Zoom is an excellent way to stay connected.

Elaine Morrow provided the following link with tips about “looking good” on Zoom meetings: <https://apple.news/AzQzias2cQSC0uKfP235BSA>.

Note by Editor: pants are optional for Zoom meetings (as long as you sit close to your camera), but if you expect to stand up or move around, please turn off your video!!

- **IMC CLUB**

by Dave Wendt, Coordinator – IMC/EAA 878

IMC/EAA 878 Club meetings: Fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM
This month – May 23



Special Meeting Location Information – The meeting will be a “virtual” event, utilizing the “Zoom” meeting app.

Download this app if you do not yet have it. Expect more info later regarding a meeting sign-in code.

ATTENTION: All interested pilots (IFR & VFR), are you interested in joining IMC/EAA 878 Club? Cost is \$25.00 (EAA Chapter 878 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 about IMC club and program content each month, please contact Dave at DaveWendtInsurance@gmail.com, or 612-272-4600.

- **A FEW THINGS YOU CAN DO DURING “STAY AT HOME” TIME**

- 1) Check out the EAA Virtual Flight Academy at:
 - a) <https://eaa.org/eaa/learn-to-fly/eaa-virtual-flight-academy-resource-center>
 - b) <https://www.eaa.org/en/eaa/eaa-chapters/chaptergram-articles/2018-11-14-EAA-Virtual-Flight-Academy-Takes-Off-at-Chapter-1047-in-Naples>
 - 2) Check out all the EAA webinars at: <https://www.eaa.org/eaa/news-and-publications/eaa-webinars>
 - 3) Take part in an IMC Club meeting via “Zoom”
 - 4) Test your aviation knowledge with the “Boldmethod” quizzes at: <https://www.boldmethod.com/topics/quiz/>
 - 5) Check out the FAA Safety Seminars. Go to FAASafety.gov, look under Seminars and Webinars, click the Webinars box
 - 6) Watch EAA Chapter Videos at: <http://eaa.brightcovegallery.com/chapters>
 - 7) Work on your airplane
 - 8) Go flying (solo)...don't let your currency/proficiency slip
 - 9) Do a “deep dive” into the EAA website, <https://www.eaa.org/eaa>. Discover how much info is available!
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- **BECOME A PART OF THE TREE OF HOPE LEADERSHIP**
by Deb Klier, Tree of Hope MN

Ed. Note: I received the following message from Deb and Howie Klier who have both worked with Elaine and the Tree of Hope for many years. If you would like to become an integral part of this organization, please contact Deb at the email address below.

We wanted to touch base with you about Tree of Hope. As you probably know, Elaine Morrow has stepped down from her position with Tree of Hope. As we reorganize after her departure, we are looking for a couple of people that would want to take on some of the organizational responsibilities to keep Tree of Hope alive.

We know that the Maple Lake EAA Chapter has been involved in the past and wonder if you would know of anyone that might like to become more involved. Any thoughts or suggestions would be welcome. Thank you for your help

We wish to thank Elaine for her years of dedicated service and hard work for Tree of Hope. For the past 10 years, Elaine has been the President of the Board of Directors and put in many hours to ensure the success of Tree of Hope. Elaine has decided to leave her position with Tree of Hope and she will be greatly missed.

Howie and Deb Klier
debklier@aol.com

- **YOUNG EAGLES AND EAGLE FLIGHTS POSTPONED**
by Kyle Weatherly, Young Eagles and Eagle Flights Coordinator

Eagle Flights: Our planned Eagle Flights event for May (adult flying event, oriented to my high school contacts list) is postponed. I have sent out an e-mail addressing this to the participants and we intend to hold the event for those school officials after the 2020-2021 school year starts in the fall. Hopefully we can get a nice Saturday in September or October to do this.

I have reminded the school leaders that our scholarships are still being awarded this year and that if they have any students pursuing aviation careers in either universities or technical colleges next year to please encourage them to apply.

Young Eagles: Our Young Eagles flight event will not be posted for May. We hope we are back in full swing by June and can start flying then. We have had a lot of inquiries so I hope that we pick up where we left off last year.

- **CHAPTER 878 HANGAR UPDATE**
by Wayne Flury

A group of chapter members, consisting of Greg Thomes, Elaine Morrow, Craig Fordahl, Henry Williams, John Schnettler, Pete Radintz, Harold Greseth, and Wayne Flury have been meeting to review the current condition of our existing hangar at Maple Lake, and the needs and goals of the chapter for hangar space.

At an initial meeting, it was decided to send a letter to all hangar owners at Maple Lake and Buffalo asking if anyone had a hangar for sale or lease (with the idea to either keep our present hangar or sell it). Currently the letter has only been drafted and sent to the owners at Maple Lake, and that resulted in one positive response. The committee met (socially distant and masked) to inspect the hangar of Larry Bishop. We concluded that this hangar, while a nice hangar for a single owner, would not benefit the chapter (same size as current hangar, cost to purchase, limited flexibility in use of floor space). Another possibility at Maple Lake is the hangar currently owned by Sandy Jones. This is a large hangar, but needs a great deal of work on the floor, insulation, lighting, etc. It's well situated on the airport. Pete Radintz had already spoken to Sandy about buying the hangar when she is ready to sell, and Pete has offered to lease space to the chapter for storage of tables, chairs and other miscellaneous items.

Elaine Morrow has made a very generous offer to donate \$20,000 to the chapter, contingent upon the sale of her house, for the procurement and upgrade of a hangar at Maple Lake, or for the remodeling and upgrade of our current hangar at Maple Lake (Hangar C-5). She has also offered an interest free loan, up to an additional \$20,000, to support the purchase and/or remodeling of a hangar as noted above.

The committee decided to approach the City of Maple Lake about the possibility of enlarging our current hangar (extend up to 20' to the rear). Henry Williams is preparing an architectural drawing of the proposed modification to support our request in an appearance to the airport commission. Those commission meetings are currently postponed. Discussed there would be a need for fund raising to support this ambitious project. It is felt that this remodel would be a positive asset to the Maple Lake airport.

- **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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FOR SALE...Zenith HD601

Larry Bishop, a former Chapter 878 member, has an aircraft for sale:

Zenith HD601, 400 Hours since built in 2000; Rotax 912, 80 HP; 110 IAS; (2) 15 gallon tanks; Fuel burn: 4 gallons/hour

Located at Maple Lake, MN airport (MGG); \$25,000. Contact Larry at 763-682-3877



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

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Chapter meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet on the second Saturday morning). Meeting location and time may vary each month, depending upon the meeting program or other chapter activities. 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. Annual dues are \$10 for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 for age 35 and over, and \$35 for a family membership.

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

- **THE FUNNIES**
by Wayne Flury

Due to COVID-19, the characters in my cartoons are socially distancing themselves. Unfortunately, this places them outside the boundaries of the drawing box.

It's really too bad, because I had a great punch line idea for this month!

Wayne

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