

# *The Maple Lake Flyer*

a newsletter of Chapter 878  
Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA)  
Maple Lake, Minnesota

June, 2012

## **EAA CHAPTER 878 MEETING NOTICE**

## **Wednesday, June 13, 7:00 p.m. at Fred Jude's workshop**

**Note the slightly earlier time!  
(see below for directions)**

### **Agenda for June Meeting**

- See Fred Jude's Champion restoration project
- Fred will also discuss his visit to the American Champion factory
- Scholarship donation for Wyatt Erickson for Air Academy Camp at Oshkosh
- Establish scholarship fund?

**Driving Directions to Fred Jude's shop**, 8120 113<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Annandale, MN (given from the traffic light on Hwy 55 in Maple Lake (or get your own MapQuest directions!):

1. North on CR-8 (4.2 miles)
2. Turn LEFT onto CR-39 (3.4 miles)
3. Turn RIGHT onto Ireland Ave NW (1.9 miles)
4. Turn RIGHT onto 113<sup>th</sup> St. NW (0.1 miles)

For emergency directions, call 763-442-6206.

## **THE PRES SEZ**

**President:**  
Joe Simmon

Chapter President Joe Simmon is visiting his son in China and touring the country. His column will resume next month. (Ed.).

## **MINUTES OF MEETING, May 9, 2012**

**Secretary:**  
Wayne Flury

President Joe Simmon called the meeting to order with 13 members of EAA Chapter 878 in attendance. The chapter treasurer, Dick Burns, was absent, so no report is available for the newsletter. The secretary's report was accepted as printed in the May newsletter.

Glen Morrow advised that he now has his medical certificate back and has a fresh BFR in his logbook! He emphasized that anyone faced with a medical condition that might cause loss of flight privileges should absolutely contact AOPA for assistance and guidance through the process. His experience with them was exceptional. If for no other reason, this is worth the annual dues to AOPA!

Glen noted that the City of Maple Lake is going out for bids to resurface the runway this year. More info on this to follow. Hopefully it will not coincide with our fly-in.

Young Eagles: Keith Smith has a group of kids lined up for an event on May 19 (back-up on May 20). Glen has a group from the Monticello area, Mike Ackerman and Larry

Rosine are assisting. June 9 is International Young Eagles Day. Glen will be out of town and does not have an event scheduled. Glen noted that everyone should do something for Young Eagles on their own...a major group gathering is not necessary and not even necessarily the most productive or most fun way to interact with the Young Eagle riders. Glen will contact the kids from the list generated at our last fly-in.

International Learn to Fly Day is May 19. The chapter decided not to participate with a formal event, though Keith Smith will be at the airport (with Young Eagles) should anyone stop in at the airport with questions.

Marv Sikkila and Bjorn Carlson have resurrected their Legal Eagle projects and are going to build two aircraft. Marv had started his several years ago. Chapter member Ken Sour is doing the welding on the frames.

The June meeting will be held at Fred Jude's workshop to see the progress he has made on his Champ restoration. He will also have a Power Point presentation and discuss his visit to the American Champion factory.

The July chapter meeting will be a picnic at Fred Jude's lake home.

Wayne will contact Elaine Morrow about doing the poster for our fly-in. Fred Jude will make parking wands for aircraft parkers to use at our fly-in. We have not had these before and the lack of these was one of the safety items noted by Glenn Weibel, our volunteer traffic controller.

Peter Radintz noted that the Maple Lake pilots group of which he is a member (pilots with aircraft based at Maple Lake who meet monthly for social activities) are considering a "fly-out." Pete questioned if the chapter was interested in a similar outing, but no decision or direction was made.

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#### **AVBITS**

by Wayne Flury

For several months I have been sending out an irregularly scheduled email to "dues paid chapter members only" (and only via email, no hard copies to members who do not have electronic mail). This is something I began as a "member benefit" that supplements the monthly newsletter. Primarily the messages are for the purpose of general aviation information and news, plus web links to interesting sites. If you are receiving this newsletter as a non-chapter member, you can also receive the AvBits email by becoming a chapter member. Contact me or any chapter officer for membership.

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#### **SEND A KID TO CAMP**

by Wayne Flury

I made an exception to my AvBits protocol recently and sent a message to all newsletter recipients with a fund raising appeal for contributions to help defray the tuition cost for an EAA Air Academy Camp for Wyatt Erickson. Many of you know Wyatt as the young man who has "adopted" EAA Chapter 878 after his Young Eagle experience.

Last year the chapter contributed to Wyatt our Young Eagle credits and a monetary gift to help with the cost of the basic camp at Oshkosh (Wyatt also received an EAA "scholarship" last year to help with the cost. The cost of the more advanced camp for Wyatt this year is \$920. EAA had fewer funds available for scholarships this year and Wyatt did not receive one. You also may know that Connie Erickson (Wyatt's mother) has had some medical problems (and consequent financial problems) this last year. The Erickson family was looking for contributions from the chapter and others so that Wyatt could again attend the camp.

With this year's chapter Young Eagle credits, plus an anticipated contribution from the chapter treasury (to be discussed with a motion at our next meeting), plus individual contributions from chapter members plus an extremely generous contribution from Mike Wiskus at West Metro Aviation, the full cost of the camp cost for Wyatt has been raised.

I give my thanks to those persons who have made the additional contributions. For more

## YOUNG EAGLES

## DISCOVER AVIATION DAYS, ANOKA COUNTY

by Wayne Flury

info on the Air Academy, please see: <http://www.youngeagles.org/programs/airacademy/>.

At our next meeting I plan to make a motion for the chapter to institute a “scholarship fund” to assist with Air Academy Camp and other aviation education experiences. For years we have talked about how to get younger people involved in aviation, and this is one way we can make the road to that purpose smoother. If you have the inclination to contribute directly to the scholarship fund, please consider it as not only a financial contribution but also as an investment in the future of aviation.

Don’t wait for the chapter to organize a Young Eagles event for you to participate in...find a kid and take him or her flying...all by yourself!

On Sunday, June 3 I attended the fly-in event known as Discover Aviation Days (D.A.D.) held at the Anoka County Airport. With the Golden Wings Air Museum, American Wings aircraft and displays, plus EAA Chapter 237, vendors and all of the other impressive aircraft that are based at this field, it’s always a fun place to go!

This year they also featured the traveling Vietnam Wall Memorial display. As a Vietnam veteran, it was particularly interesting for me. It was doubly so because this year, for the first year in a long time, my wife and I did not attend a Memorial Day service some place. Our home town, Rockford, always has a community event and we have gone to Ft. Snelling which is a very impressive (and sobering) event. Our excuse this year was that we had to get the house and yard work done because our kids and grandchildren were coming to stay with us. However, at the end of the day I felt as though I had really missed out on something important, that there was a void in my life. The Wall at Anoka helped to fix that.



## EAA CHAPTER 878 PORK CHOP DINNER FLY-IN

Be sure to mark your calendars and plan your presence at the EAA Chapter 878 Pork Chop Dinner Fly-in for September 9, 2012.

This will be our 26<sup>th</sup> annual event and it is looked forward to by pilots and non-pilots alike from all over the area. It is also our only chapter fund-raising event and its very important for all members to help (many hands etc., etc., etc.)

Look for a copy of the 2012 fly-in poster to be included with the July newsletter.

## EVENTS, 2012

Here's a list of events for 2012 compiled from various sources. It is not intended to be complete or all-inclusive, and will primarily feature EAA chapter sponsored events and activities or other unique events. Check the bulletin boards and Calendars of Events in various magazines for more, more, more:

June	9-10	Minnesota Air Spectacular, Mankato. Blue Angels. <a href="http://www.mnairspectacular.com">www.mnairspectacular.com</a>
	10	Princeton. Pancake breakfast 7-1. Car show, raffles.
	10	Fergus Falls, EAA Chapter 1174. Belgian Waffle breakfast, 8 – 1.
	10	Montevideo. Breakfast and classic car show 8-1
	16	Granite Falls, 3 pm, Ray Fagen Memorial Air Show "Planes 'n Songs," Aeroshell Aerobatic Team; WWII aircraft/vehicles/re-enactors; bombing runs with pyrotechnics; Aaron Tippin concert following the show! Wayne Flury, Announcer.
	17	Canby Air Show, Canby, MN. Wayne Flury, Announcer. Dave Dacy with wingwalker Tony Kazian, Jim "Fang" Maroney, and Dick Schulz.
	17	Buffalo Fly-In Breakfast / Mike Wiskus Air Show
	17	Stanton, 22 <sup>nd</sup> annual Father's Day breakfast, 7-12.
	17	Dodge Center, EAA Chapter 100 Father's Day breakfast, 7-12:30
	17	Hutchinson, pancake breakfast, pork chop dinner.
	17	Crystal, breakfast and lunch, 8-3. Warbirds, tower tours.
	23	New Richmond, 11- 2. Burgers and brats.
	24	Aitkin. Wild Rice pancake breakfast 7-11, brats/burgers 11-3. Car show.
	24	Fairmont, breakfast.
July	1	Austin. Spam and 'Cakes, 7-1.
	7	Starbuck, Chris Cakes breakfast.
	8	Two Harbors, EAA Chapter 1128 breakfast, 7-12.
	14-15	Flying Cloud, Eden Prairie, AirExpo 2012. Warbirds, Tuskegee Airmen, Doolittle Raiders, Black Sheep Squadron members. 9-5
	14	Detroit Lakes, EAA Chapter 1498, fly-in
	14	Hinckley, breakfast
Sep.	23-29	AirVenture 2012, Oshkosh, WI.
	9	EAA Chapter 878, 26 <sup>th</sup> Annual Pork Chop Dinner Fly-In
	Dec.	1
Dec.	1	Tree of Hope toy collection, Maple Lake Airport.

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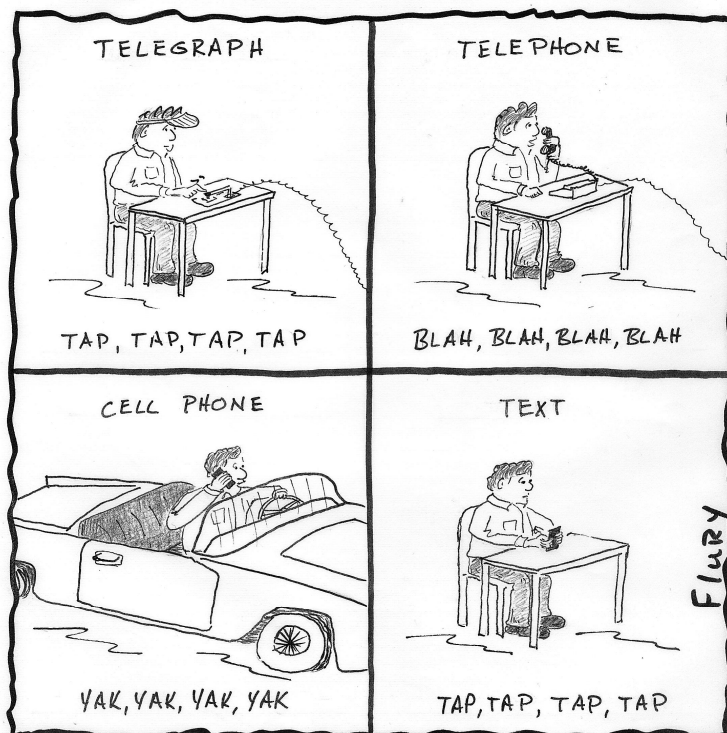
Meetings are normally held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month (except for the winter months of January – April when we meet on Saturday mornings) in the offices of Wright Aero, at the airport, Maple Lake, MN.

Dues are \$25 per year.

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**THE FUNNIES**  
by Wayne Flury



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RAY FAGEN  
MEMORIAL AIRSHOW

# Planes 'n Songs

JUNE 16, 2012\*  
GROUND BATTLE  
REENACTMENT AT 1:00PM  
AIRSHOW AT 3:00PM



Live Performance by  
**AEROSHELL AEROBATIC TEAM!**  
VALENT ECHO'S AIRSHOWS

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THE CAVANAUGH FLIGHT MUSEUM C-47**

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Gates open at 11:00AM  
Children 8 and under . . . FREE  
Ages 9 - 17 . . . . . \$10  
Adults . . . . . \$15  
Food and Beverage Available

Live Performance By

**AARON TIPPIN  
AND HIS BAND**

Following The Airshow



\*In the event of rain, the airshow will be moved to Sunday 17, 2012 at 3:00PM  
Aaron Tippin will perform on Saturday 16, 2012 rain or shine.

\*\*Net proceeds of admission will be donated to Minnesota's Military Appreciation Fund (MMAF)  
**LENZEN - ROE MEMORIAL AIRPORT - 2450 540TH ST. - GRANITE FALLS, MN 56241**

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# CANBY FATHER'S DAY FREE AIR SHOW

Sunday, June 17, 2012

**Dad's Belgian Waffles**

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**St. Peter's Burger Feed**

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

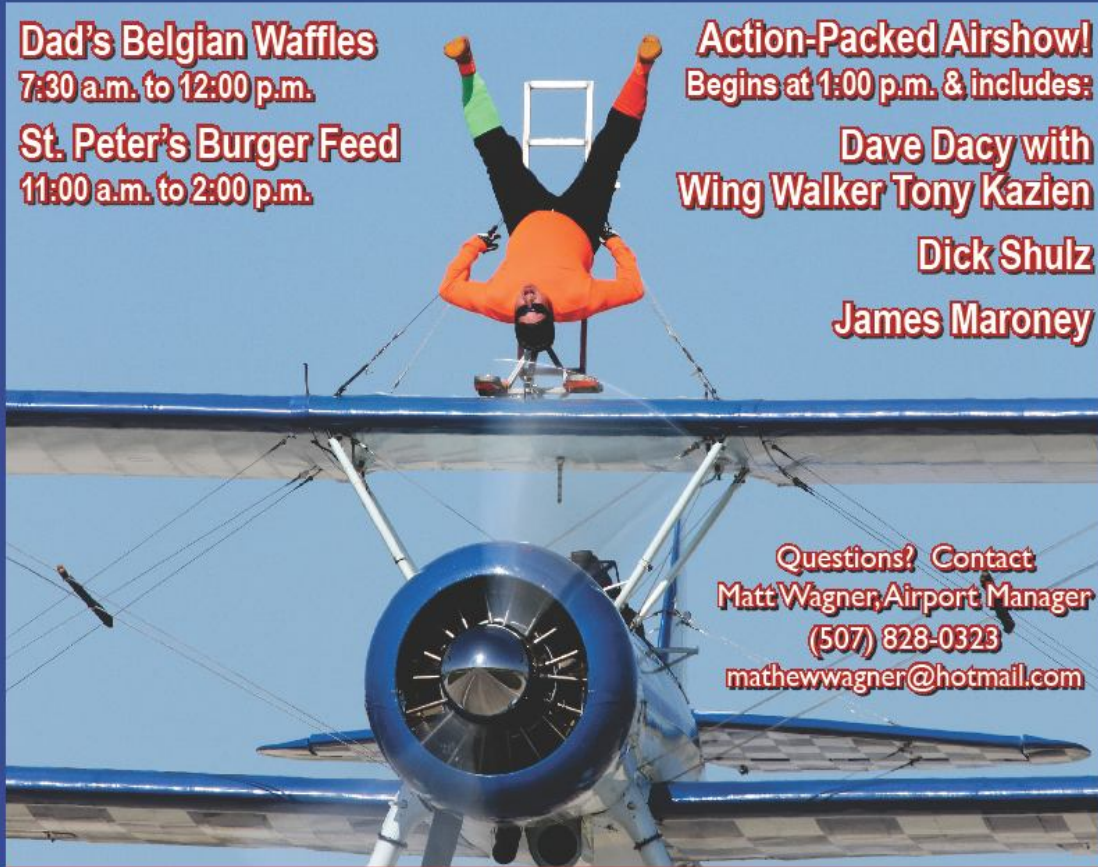
**Action-Packed Airshow!**

Begins at 1:00 p.m. & includes:

**Dave Dacy with  
Wing Walker Tony Kazien**

**Dick Shulz**

**James Maroney**



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## AIR SHOW

**Dave Dacy with Wing Walker Tony Kazien, Dick Shulz, and James Maroney**

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