



# 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.*

33 Years.....1986 – 2019

July, 2019

- **EAA CHAPTER 878 EVENT AND MEETING INFO**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 9

**Location:** Buffalo Airport, in the A/D Building

**Meeting Time:** 7:00 PM

**Pre-Meeting Meal:** Brats to be grilled and served at 6:30, with meeting to follow  
Come hungry!!

**Note:** → Please bring a dish to share  
Soft drinks, chips, water and condiments provided by chapter

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

EAA Chapter 878...you should be thrilled and proud of the work done this year to help promote aviation as a mentoring organization!

As pilots, every one of us has a mentor. I've look up to and admired many of my flight instructors and fellow pilots. Some of these pilots have 'Gone West.' Others continue to show me the opportunities in aviation.

New classes of potential pilots are beginning their flight training— thanks to you. Their aviation interest may have begun with a Young Eagles flight. It's definitely being augmented by the scholarship programs. Our flying enthusiasm is rubbing off on today's youth!

We're in-the-midst of one of the largest General Aviation growth spurts in decades. There is a huge need for mentors to help mold the new faces in aviation. Your knowledge, experience and overall love of aviation are the ingredients as a mentor. Keep up the good job!

May your skies be bright and breezes light!

Greg Thomes, President



**Remember to regularly check our chapter's website:**

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



- **CHAPTER 878 AVIATION EVENTS – 2019**

- July 9 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 7:00 pm, at Buffalo Airport in the Arrival/Departure Building
- 22 – 28 AirVenture Oshkosh 2019, at “you-know-where!”
- 23 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- Aug 13 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 7:00 pm, at Buffalo Airport in the Arrival/Departure Building
- 27 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm
- Sep 10 EAA Chapter 878 meeting, 7:00 pm, at Buffalo Airport in the Arrival/Departure Building
- 24 IMC / EAA878 meeting at Thunderbird Aviation (KFCM), 6:30 pm

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

- **THE JAZ RECORD**

by Jazmin Spreiter, EAA Chapter 878 Ray Foundation Aviation Scholarship Recipient

Ed. Note: I asked Jazmin to write a monthly report for the newsletter about her experiences and progress in this expedited flight training program. This is her first report. She is taking her training through Inflight, a flight training center based at Flying Cloud airport. Her initial instructor is Ambyr Peterson who is actually a Chapter 878 member by virtue of her association with the IMC.



Inflight at Eden Prairie was such a good choice for me...they are so helpful and organized! I am flying with a female instructor which new for me and is very cool! Her name is Ambyr and she is someone I look up to. She is such a good pilot and teacher as well.

Starting back up in my training has been a little challenging. But with her instructing I know it won't be long. I'm trying to read METARS again, and remembering the information is a little overwhelming.

But nothing beats the rewarding feeling of landing all by yourself!!!! I think had a smile on my face the whole car ride home.



Jazmin Spreiter:  
EAA Chapter 878 member and Ray Aviation Scholarship recipient

NOTE: This scholarship program is separate and distinct from the Chapter 878 Scholarship Program. The Ray Foundation Scholarship is funded by the Ray Foundation of Naples, Florida which has provided \$1 million to EAA to fund the Ray Aviation Scholarships. Approved chapters and candidates are eligible for a scholarship worth up to \$10,000 for flight training. For more info, see: <https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/eaa-chapters/ea-chapter-resources/chapter-programs-and-activities/ray-aviation-scholarship-fund>

- **VOLUNTEER TO BE OUR CHAPTER 878 “FACEBOOK LEADER”**  
by Wayne Flury

Chapter 878 leadership is looking for a person to step forward to be our “social media” leader. If this appeals to you as a way to be a volunteer to the chapter, contact any of the chapter leaders. See contact info on Page 9 of this newsletter in the *EAA CHAPTER 878 and MAPLE LAKE FLYER INFO* section.

Note: here's a Facebook page worth “liking” for its local aviation content: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MNFlightClub>.

- **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 - July 23



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 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED AT BUFFALO FLY-IN BREAKFAST**  
**Four \$1000 Scholarships Awarded to 2019 Graduates of Wright County High Schools**  
by Kyle Weatherly, Scholarship Committee Coordinator

Our goal for 2019 was to present at least one \$1000 scholarship to a high school student graduating from a Wright County school and pursuing an aviation related degree.

Our actual donations received for scholarships totaled just over \$3000, and so the original review of our four applicants meant that one person would be left out. A generous chapter member stepped up to guarantee money for a fourth scholarship, and other members also committed to kick in some additional funds as well.

If you haven't yet made a scholarship contribution to EAA Chapter 878, please consider doing that now. Any funds over the \$4000 required to meet our commitment will go toward next year's scholarships. Remember that Chapter 878 is a 501(c)(3) organization, so your donation qualifies as a charitable contribution.

The recipients are:

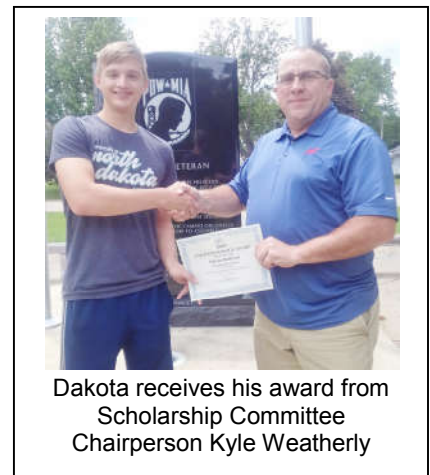
- Tanner Schroer, Delano. Planned course of study - aviation mechanic
- Dakota Bullivant, Dassel. Planned course of study – pilot
- Max Menzemer, Buffalo. Planned course of study – pilot
- Kolbe James Kramer, Buffalo. Planned course of study – pilot



Max (left) and Kolbe (center) received their awards from Scholarship Committee member, Lloyd Melvie



Tanner receives his award from Chapter President Greg Thomes (left) and Scholarship Committee Chairperson Kyle Weatherly (right)



Dakota receives his award from Scholarship Committee Chairperson Kyle Weatherly

- **BUFFALO FLY-IN WAS GREAT!**  
by Wayne Flury

Here are few photos of the crowd at the Buffalo Fly-In Pancake Breakfast on June 9. Look for a complete report at the meeting on July 9. Thanks to everyone who helped.

Thanks to the Wright County Journal-Press for their excellent coverage!



A full house!



Folks enjoyed the pancakes!



The production line.



Jazmin was recognized by Coordinator Boyd Emmel

- **MINNESOTA AVIATION HALL OF FAME FOR 2020**  
by Wayne Flury

The June 2019 edition of the Minnesota Flyer has a report on the 2019 Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame Inductees as well as a sidebar with the names of those who will be inducted in 2010.

Included in that list is Bill Mavencamp (Sr.)! An honor well deserved! Look for more info to come throughout the year.

Bill was a well known aviation flight instructor and examiner. He WAS the face of the Maple Lake airport for many, many years.

For more information, see: <http://www.mnaviationhalloffame.org/>

- **AIRVENTURE OSHKOSH 2019 FEATURES AND ATTRACTIONS**

*Here are just a few of the many features and attractions that you just can't miss:*

#### **Rare & Legendary Aircraft**

- P-51 gathering to salute World War II ace Bud Anderson.
- Unique XP-82 Twin Mustang makes its first Oshkosh appearance.
- Year of the Fighter featuring the F-15, F-16, F-18, F-22, and F-35.
- U.S. Navy WWII fighter aircraft gathering including F4U Corsairs.
- Observance of the 75th anniversary of D-Day featuring aircraft that participated in the invasion on June 6, 1944.
- Aerial firefighting demonstrations will showcase capabilities of the U.S. Forest Service and more.
- U.S. Air Force Heritage Flights featuring F-22, F-35, A-10, F-86, A-1, and P-51s.
- More than 10,000 airplanes and 2,500 showplanes including warbird, homebuilt, aerobatic, vintage, ultralight, seaplane, and military aircraft.

#### **More Commemorations & Anniversaries**

- AirVenture celebrates 50 years in Oshkosh.
- Baby Ace and Pietenpol 90th anniversary.
- Boeing 747 50th anniversary.
- Kitfox 35th anniversary plus the RV-4 and Rutan Long-EZ 40th anniversary.
- T-28 and T-34 70th anniversary.
- Twin Bonanza 70th anniversary.
- MiniMax 35th and Lazair 40th anniversary.
- Giles 25th anniversary.
- Gatherings for Cessna 180, Comanche, Stinson, and Helio Courier.

#### **Educational & Entertaining**

- 1,000 forums and hands-on workshops.
- 900+ industry-leading exhibitors.
- Celebrate Burt & Dick Rutan's return to Oshkosh including Thursday night, July 25, at 8 p.m. in Theater in the Woods.
- Twilight Flight Fest at the Fun Fly Zone featuring EAA STOL Invitational flying, RC airplanes and helicopters, and Patriot Parachute Team, made up of retired U.S. Navy Seals.
- **NEW!** Urban Air Mobility Showcase featuring innovative concepts in personal flight and urban transportation presented by TransportUp.
- Diverse evening activities and informative programs including history-making lineups at the Theater in the Woods sponsored by M&M'S.
- Blockbuster movies at the outdoor Airbus Fly-In Theater.
- Opening night concert featuring The Fray with Animal Years, Monday, July 22, presented by Ford Motor Company.
- World-class daily air shows featuring 180 performing aircraft presented by Quest Aircraft Company and Pratt & Whitney Canada.
- Two night air shows with fireworks – Wednesday presented by Covington Aircraft and Saturday presented by GE Aviation.
- KidVenture where youths can experience everything from flying RC airplanes to airplane building projects.



● **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 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. Annual dues are \$10 for members up to 35 years of age, \$25 for age 35 and over, and \$35 for a family membership.

**Current Officers:**

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

