

EAA CHAPTER 879 Newsletter

March 2023

EAA CHAPTER 879 PRESIDENT NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN



Would you like to give back to the aviation community? Better yet, are you interested in giving back to *our* local aviation community? EAA Chapter 879 is seeking a new chapter president.

Carl Jensen, our current chapter president, plans to step down as soon as a member steps up. Carl has been chapter president since 2008. He's done an awesome job of keeping our chapter running and moving forward. That doesn't mean we don't need new blood and new ideas going forward. Carl has agreed to work closely and guide our next chapter president until he or she feels comfortable taking over the reins (or yoke).

Let's think about who you'd like to see as president, whether it is yourself or another member. Then volunteer or nominate that member to be elected during one of our regular meetings this spring. Nominations will be taken at May 2023 regular meeting.

Figure 1: Lake Ridge FBO Building

1ST CHAPTER YOUNG EAGLES RALLY WAS POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER

Ben Plowman, EAA Chapter 879 Young Eagles Coordinator, made the right call. As aviators, we know how vital a GO/NO GO decision is. The right decisions can prevent costly aircraft damage and could save lives. The event has been rescheduled for April 22nd.

The plan is to fly 30 to 40 kids around an extended pattern at Lake Ridge Aero Park (8NC8). This may be the first time some of these kids have ever flown. Having the opportunity to take-off and land on a grassy runway should



prove to be an exciting and inspiring flight for the kids. Additionally, the kids will have the opportunity to fly a Cessna 172S in flight simulators provided by an 879 chapter member and EAA Chapter 1114.

The chapter plans to provide food courtesy of the Lake Ridge Neighborhood Association, which is located adjacent to the airport.

ABOUT YOUNG EAGLES

Young Eagles



Founded in 1992, the Young Eagles program is dedicated to giving youth ages 8–17, an opportunity to go flying in a general aviation airplane. These flights are offered free of charge and are made possible through the generosity of EAA member volunteers.

It's the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation.

Today, the Young Eagles program has flown over 2 million kids.

Contribute to this Newsletter

No one can make every meeting. That is why our newsletter is essential. It also provides an opportunity to engage members and non-members about stories we find entertaining or informative. It is said, "Pictures are worth a thousand words". Share the story behind that great picture on your phone or in your photo gallery.



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Send your announcements and/or, story & picture(s) to frank@ewhitecap.com for inclusion in an upcoming Chapter 879 newsletter.

Mark your Calendar

- *April 22, – Chapter 879 Young Eagle Rally - Lake Ridge (8NC8)*
 - *April 29, - Danville Regional AP (DAN)*
 - *June 3, - Raleigh Executive Jetport (TTA)*
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EAA 879	Meetings: Every 2nd Saturday 10:00 AM
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Location:
Lake Ridge Airport - FBO Bldg
100 Citation Circle
Durham, NC 27704