

"The Taildragger"

EAA Chapter 972/April 2022

PREZ SEZ.

It finally looks like Winter is behind us and, so far, Spring has been really nice with the exception of a few T-storms and potential Tornados. Hoping the bad stuff stays away!

The chapter had the year's first Lake Front Gumbo in March. It was a decent turn out (not great). Thanks to Lindy, Garnett, John, Pat and everyone else for the help. We did manage to see a modest profit so we will do it again in April. April is shaping up to be busy with the monthly meeting on the 14th, YE on the 16th at Cherokee County, and the Poker run and Gumbo on the 23rd. I know that this is an aggressive schedule but it will be well worth it if the weather cooperates and we have decent participation. As reported in March, the chapter was awarded the Ray Scholarship. That is a big deal! Because of y'all's support for the YE events and the Whitehouse kids, we are in a position to make a difference in a young person's life.

Moving on, Gayla and I attended a chapter leaders bootcamp in OKC in March. Nearly 40 folks Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Kansas attended. Three chapters from OKC area hosted and did a great job accommodating everyone. It was held at the Wiley Post Airport in NW OKC, home of FAA HQ. Just so you know, at 3PM Friday afternoon there wasn't a car in sight in the parking lot. Must be a 4 day work week?

Final note: if you haven't completed the membership form and paid your yearly dues, please do so next week at the meeting if possible.

NEXT MEAL/MEETING.

- Our next meal and meeting will be Thursday, April 14, hosted by the Leary's.
- MEAL AT 5:30 P.M.: Menu TBD
- MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.: Program TBD

EAGLE'S NEST.

Hi Chapter.

If you haven't heard by now, **[WE WERE AWARDED THE RAY AVIATION SCHOLARSHIP!!!](#)**

What an honor. At the last meeting we chose to give Amie Beam the scholarship. This will finish her up. We can then celebrate Chapter 972 helping our first student through the whole PPL process. WHEN she finishes, we will be allowed to apply for one next year. This excites me because it says a lot for our chapter. Since Amie has soloed, she will not get the full \$10,000.00. She will only get \$6,000 but this should finish her up. If we find someone else, we can award the remaining \$4000 to another student; however, they have to be finished up by October 2022.

[April 16th](#) is our rain date for the YE Flight from March at KJSO. Please make sure you have your protection policy up to date. **[EAA Youth Protection Policy and Program](#)**

Get ready for a big one as we plan for **[June 11th](#)** flight. This will be the International Young Eagles Day. I have it set for Rusk County. Alexia does a wonderful job of supporting us.

We only had 3 kids submit an essay for the Aircamp. John and Joy are looking them over as I write. There was 1 female and 2 males to enter.

Here's the break down on our credits:

We had \$740.00 in credits from 2020 and I used \$400.00 of those to hold 2 places for camp. We now have a total of \$860.00. It costs 1280.00 per student.

$1280.00 \times 2 = 2560.00$

- 400.00

- 860.00

\$1300.00 Remaining for us to pay. (Poker Run)

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We will be hiring for the following support positions at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2022, July 25-31.

- Retail – must be 14+ years of age
- Security (Gate check, bag check, etc.) – must be 16+ years of age
- Auto Parking – must be 18+ years of age
- Bartender – must be 18+ years of age
- Camper Registration – must be 18+ years of age
- Custodial Staff – must be 18+ years of age

Here's the link for the Blue Barn.

[Calling All Volunteers: AirVenture Help Is Needed at the Blue Barn and Camp Scholler Chapters Pavilion \(eaa.org\)](https://www.eaa.org/volunteering)

See y'all next week.

Total Young Eagles Flown: 2,246,548 — Stats as of April 4, 2022

Gayla