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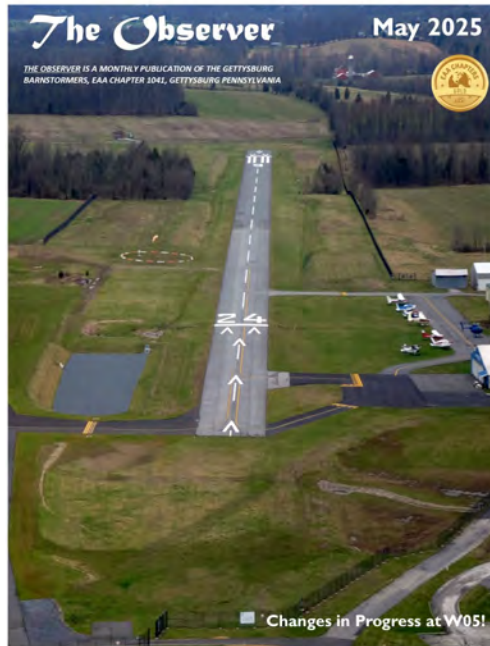
**In 2013, the Easter Bunny Did a Fly-In  
To Solberg Airport (N51)**

## On The Cover:

Solberg Airport, in nearby South Jersey has been trying to have a Summer Solstice Celebration, Santa Claus Fly-Ins, Easter Bunny Fly-Ins, and Warbird Fly-In events, as well as the New Jersey Festival of Ballooning. Unfortunately, with issues, especially since Covid, many events have been put on hold. The cover features a picture from their Easter Bunny Fly-in in 2013.

## A Sneak Peek at Next Month!

Early last year, we had an old aerial photo of W05. This year, we have one taken by Mike Marra, one of our members! This photo shows the improvements being made at the airport! Big changes!



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## Inside This Issue

It's growing! Our aviation community is growing, and some of us are members of other Chapters. The Observer now includes a "Chapter Community News" section where news and events from our neighboring Chapters are highlighted.

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### UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS FOR APRIL 2025

- April 5th - **FIELD TRIP**
- April 7th - **Monthly Chapter Meeting, 7PM at the airport**
- April 12th - **IMC/VMC meeting 9:00 to 10:30 AM at the airport**
  - April 19th - **Chapter Fly-Out, Destination TBD**

### MAY 2025

- May 5th - **Monthly Chapter Meeting, 7PM at the airport**
- May 10th - **IMC/VMC meeting 9:00 to 10:30 AM at the airport**
  - May 17th - **Chapter Fly-Out, Destination TBD**
- May 19th - **Board Mtg. / Breakfast Planning, 7PM at the airport**



### Last Month's Program Review

As last month's meeting was via Zoom, we don't have any pictures from the event! Our program was presented by Tom Weiss of Chapter 478 about his Chapters' 1911 Curtiss A-1 Triad replica. Tom showed a slide show of the building process of the Curtiss replica, and described some of the contributions that Glenn Curtiss made to aviation, as well as being a bicycle and motorcycle builder. The non-flying plane is on display at the Patuxent River Naval Museum.

### Dave Speranza Gives a Tour of His New Hangar!

After the IMC/VMC meeting in March, Dave Speranza gave a tour of his new hangar at W05!. Those that attended the IMC/VMC meeting and the tour went for lunch- looks like everyone had a good time!



## The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA)

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Experimental Aircraft!

This organization is for everyone that has an interest in aviation. Whether you're an experienced pilot, or just someone who loves aircraft, EAA Chapter 1041 welcomes you!



## Henry's Hangar

*"I have learned a great deal since that first meeting. At that time I thought the challenge was the airplane, but I have found it to be the people. An aircraft is a fairly predictable piece of machinery but not so with humans, as many of you chapter officers have discovered."* -

**Sport Aviation, January 1963**

**Paul Poberezny, EAA Founder, 1921-2013**

Hello Barnstormers !

It is with a heavy heart that I write my Hangar column this month. In the last few weeks we have lost two of our friends – John Hart & Herb Bartell. John and his wife, Betty, served our Chapter as Membership Coordinators for many years, and Herb was our Treasurer for more years than I can count. Both of these men were devoted to aviation and to our group. We send our condolences to their families and friends.

While at the same time that I am saddened by our departed folks, I am overjoyed at the appearance of new life within our ranks. First Lady, Peggy, and I became grandparents for the first time on Wednesday March 19th when Amy Jean Claypoole was born. Parents are Barnstormers Juliana & Gary Claypoole Jr., and we're pleased to report that everyone is doing just fine. Could Amy be a future pilot? Grandpa thinks so !

Please make plans to attend our April 7th Chapter 1041 Gathering at 7pm at the air-

port. Check this issue of The Observer for more details about the program that will be shared. We'll also review the April 5th Field Trip to the Glenn Curtiss Museum and how everyone enjoyed the day.

Looking ahead, we have our first Wings, Wheels, & Pancakes Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast of the year on June 7 & 8. Saturday, June 7th is the day we will have a special guest, Miss Pennsylvania Page Weinstein, who is a student pilot. Please help to publicize the breakfast and our guest, and plan to come out and donate a few hours of your time to make this another successful event. We raise money by holding the breakfasts to fund our portion of the Ray Aviation Scholarships, our summer picnic, and our Christmas Party as well as refreshments at each meeting. Your support is critical to the future of our Chapter.

Four of your fellow Chapter 1041 members attended the EAA Chapter Leadership Boot Camp at Smoketown Airport on March 15th. Treasurer Karen Radzai, AirVenture Chapter Camping Coordinator Jeff Robeson, Vice President Dave Speranza, and myself enjoyed a great day of learning how to improve our Chapter and meeting with other Chapter leaders from several states. I would encourage other members to consider attending this training when it is offered again.

Enjoy the Spring weather and the milder temperatures!

*Henry*



## John W. Hart Passes Away at 90

The Barnstormers mourn the loss of two members this month, John Hart and Herb Bartell. Both were in their 90's. Our prayers and condolences to their families. We were honored to have them as members.



John W. Hart, 90, of Gettysburg, PA, passed away peacefully at his home on Sunday, March 16, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. Born on March 22, 1934, in Essex, IA, he was the son of the late Chester and Velma Hart. John was the beloved husband of Betty Hart, with whom he shared 35 wonderful years of marriage, building a life filled with love, adventure, and cherished memories.

A man of many talents and an unwavering work ethic, John earned his GED and pursued a variety of professions throughout his life. He worked as a farmer, carpenter, truck driver, and later became the owner of a mini storage facility. No matter the job, he approached each endeavor with dedication, skill, and a strong sense of responsibility.

One of John's greatest passions was flying where he found immense joy taking to the skies. He also loved woodworking, crafting beautiful and intricate pieces that reflected his patience and artistry. John was a proud member of the Gettysburg Barn Stormers Chapter 1041.

John will be remembered for his hardworking spirit, adventurous heart, and deep love for his family and friends. His legacy lives on in the lives he touched and the memories he created.

In addition to his wife Betty, he leaves behind his children, Norman Hart and his wife Mary, Randy Hart. Leon Hart, Janet Bosley, Clem Bosley, Jr., Raymond Bosley, Richard Bosley, Steven Bosley, and David Bosley; his brother, Ralph Hart and his wife Joyce; his sister-in-law, Glaydes Hart; 28 grandchildren; and 44 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Grady, Robert, Eugene, and Danny; his sister, Evelyn; and his grandsons, James, Chad, and Joey.

Services will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Visiting Nurse Association of Hanover and Spring Grove, 440 Madison St, Hanover, PA 17331.

<https://www.centralpacremation.com/obituaries/John-W-Hart?obId=39769005>



## Herb Bartell Earns His Heavenly Wings

On Sunday, March 23rd, our long-time member, Herbert M. Bartell, of New Oxford, PA, entered into God's eternal care at the age of 96. He passed away at the Brethren Home Community located in New Oxford, PA.

Herb was born on October 29, 1928, in Glyndon, MD, and he was the son of the late George W. and Irene Bartell. Herbert was the loving husband of the late Betty (Hetrick) Bartell with whom he shared 63 years of marriage until her passing on October 16, 2014.

Herbert was a veteran, serving his country proudly in the United States Army. He worked as a splicer for the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company, and later Verizon, until his retirement. He was also an Auxiliary Policeman for Baltimore County, MD.

Herbert was a member of St. Mark Lutheran Church, Hanover. He was a Free and Accepted Mason, and a member of the Sharon Lodge #182, Reisterstown, MD. He was an Associate Grand Guardian of Job's Daughters for the State of Maryland.

Herbert was a Cessna 150 pilot and a member of the Gettysburg Barnstormers. His passion was flying, but he also loved cross-stitching and his Bassett hounds.

Herbert is survived by his children, Deborah Stiegler and her husband Dennis of Gettysburg, PA, David Bartell and his wife Sandra of Littlestown, PA, Denise Carney and her husband Keith of Hanover, PA, Dennis Bartell and his wife Kimberly of Abbottstown, PA, seven grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Douglas and Dean Bartell.



Funeral services were held on March 27th at the Kenworthy Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc., in Hanover, PA with Rev. Kirk A. Griffin officiating. Herb was buried in Rest Haven Cemetery, with the Hanover Allied Veterans Burial Detail providing Military Honors, and serving as casketbearers were his grandsons, Matthew Bartell, Christopher Scheder, Nicholas Bartell, Kevin Bartell, Scotty Bartell and Trevor Briscoe.



**Above left and center-** Henry and Dave visit Herb in February 2024. **Above right-** Wendi and Herb at the September 2018 pancake breakfast.

## March Fly-Out Got Scrubbed!

While weather played a role in scrubbing plans to Martinsburg WV, the EAA Leadership Boot Camp in Smoketown took precedence for several members. Sam and Art had a good lunch at the Gettysburg Family Restaurant, though!

Photo by Sam Kistler



## Next Month's Program Preview

Over the past couple of months, we've been advertising the new Vintage Chapter 45. This month, the President of Chapter 45, Bob Rohr, will be the presenter for our April program. His EAA Vintage Chapter is a chapter that is specific to the operation, preservation and restoration of airplanes produced between 1903 – 1971. EAA Vintage 45 is the only EAA Vintage Chapter for the Mid-Atlantic Region including Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

They are currently doing a restoration of a 1945 Ercoupe 415-C in their facility in Downtown Frederick.





## Goodyear to celebrate 100 years of airship flying at EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2025

### *Two Goodyear airships to be part of the weeklong event*

EAA AVIATION CENTER, OSHKOSH, Wisconsin — (January 29, 2025) — Goodyear will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its famed airships by bringing two of them to EAA AirVenture Oshkosh in 2025. The 72nd Experimental Aircraft Association fly-in convention is July 21-27 at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh.

The appearance of two airships marks a unique occurrence in the more than 50 years that Goodyear has brought its blimps and airships to Oshkosh.

“There is no aviation event more ‘blimp-worthy’ than EAA AirVenture Oshkosh and to have two of Goodyear’s airships over the grounds will make this year unforgettable,” said Rick Larsen, EAA’s vice president of communities and member programs, who coordinates AirVenture features and attractions. “We have seen the excitement that Goodyear’s presence at Oshkosh has created throughout the years, whether it is flying during the air shows or even parked as a memorable photo opportunity on the grounds.”

Current plans are for the airships to participate in flying activities during the week, in both the afternoon and night air shows. When not flying, at least one of them is scheduled to be parked near the EAA Aviation Museum during the duration of its stay. Exact schedules will be released when they are finalized.

“Goodyear Blimps have been a symbol of aviation innovation and adventure for a century,” said Michael Dougherty, chief pilot, Goodyear Airship Operations. “We can’t think of a better place than EAA AirVenture Oshkosh to celebrate our 100-year milestone with aviation enthusiasts from around the world.”

Although Goodyear’s aviation efforts began in 1910 with the creation of its aeronautics department, the first branded airship flights in 1925 marked the start of a legendary icon. The first blimp with a lighted sign came in 1930, while the initial aerial broadcast flights over the Rose Bowl began in 1955. The Goodyear airships moved into their most recent era beginning in 2011 with the debut of the semi-rigid Zeppelin NT (New Technology) airships that are used today.

Goodyear’s airship participation at Oshkosh began in 1971 when *America* made an appearance at the EAA fly-in. Since then, it has been a regular visitor to the gathering, with its last appearance in 2021.

### **About EAA AirVenture Oshkosh**

EAA AirVenture Oshkosh is “The World’s Greatest Aviation Celebration” and EAA’s membership convention. Additional information, including advance ticket and camping purchase, is available at [www.EAA.org/airventure](http://www.EAA.org/airventure). For more information on EAA and its programs, call 800-JOIN-EAA (800-564-6322) or visit [www.EAA.org](http://www.EAA.org).

## LAST CALL!

### Barnstormers Field Trip - April 5, 2025

Visit the Glenn Curtiss Museum at Hammondsport, NY

Saturday, April 5th, we will travel on a fully equipped 55 passenger Motor Coach, departing from Gettysburg Regional Airport at 5:30 am. Along the way to Hammondsport, we'll make an approx. 8am fast-food breakfast stop, allowing no more than an hour. Arrival at the museum will be approximately 11:00 am. Once disembarked, we will enter the museum as a group. A documentary film about Glenn Curtiss is shown every hour. You'll be able to choose a 45 minute guided tour or to enjoy the museum on your own. Departure time will be 3:00pm, and a dinner stop of 90 minutes (maximum) will occur about 4:45pm. Arrival back at our home base will be about 8:45 pm.

The cost of a seat on the bus will be \$ 73.00 per person (**ONLY \$40 FOR 1041 MEMBERS!**). Admission to the museum, our group rate, will be \$ 11. for Adults, \$ 10. for Seniors (65+), and \$ 5. for students and kids.

Currently, the remaining seats are available to the general public and neighboring EAA Chapters.

The Glenn H. Curtiss Museum of Local History was formed to establish, conduct, operate and maintain a museum in the Village of Hammondsport, Steuben County, New York, for the display of items relating to and significant in the role of Hammondsport in early aviation, and particularly the contributions made to aviation by Glenn H. Curtiss, a resident of Hammondsport. The museum will display other items of historical significance which contribute to knowledge of Hammondsport and its regional history; conduct classes, exhibitions and observances which promote and stimulate the purposes for which the museum was formed.

The Glenn H. Curtiss Museum, bearing the name of pioneer aviator and Hammondsport's favorite son, is located on State Route 54, one half mile south of the village of Hammondsport, New York. Dedicated to the memory of Glenn Hammond Curtiss, the museum contains a priceless collection relating to early aviation and regional history. The museum also features a 75-seat theater, a large open area for special events and a museum store. In addition to seeing the museum displays and exhibits, visitors are welcome to visit the Restoration Shop, talk with volunteer craftsmen and watch them work on historic aircraft.

#### Trip Itinerary

5:15 AM	Bus arrives at 1130 Chambersburg Rd, Gettysburg (Airport)
5:30 AM	Depart W05
6:00 AM	Pick up at 880 US15 North, Dillsburg (Advance Auto/Fulton Bank)
8:00 AM	Fast food breakfast 'on your own' (Wendy's)
9:00 AM	Depart the breakfast stop (or earlier)
11:00 AM	Arrive at Glenn Curtiss Museum
3:00 PM	Depart for home

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4:45 PM Dinner stop 'on your own' (Cracker Barrel)  
6:15 PM Depart the dinner stop (or earlier)  
8:15 PM Arrive at 880 US 15 North, Dillsburg  
8:45 PM Arrive at 1130 Chambersburg Rd, Gettysburg (Airport)

Transportation by Cross Country Coaches, Newport, PA. Please NOTE:

- **We allow food/snacks, coffee cups & drink bottles w/ lids.**
- **No soda cans, juice boxes, alcohol or smoking on the coach.**
- We will have aviation related videos for entertainment on the bus.
- Questions? Contact Henry Hartman, 717-465-5952, [hartmansteiner@comcast.net](mailto:hartmansteiner@comcast.net)



Above: Glenn Curtiss and his students

Below: Curtiss Flying School at North Island, San Diego, California in 1911



## The Musings of a CFI

By Jason Pape

### What Am I Thinking?

Last month was the first of what I hope will become a semi-regular column in this newsletter. Whether it's a conversation with another pilot, or an email from EAA, or a YouTube video, or a personal flight experience, I often find myself asking: Did I make the right choice? Could I do better? How would I handle that situation?

The result is The Musings of a CFI. My goal is not to lecture, condemn, or preach but to provoke thought and get others to ask similar questions. Hopefully these musings will spur conversations with other pilots or a CFI. Some of these reflections might even serve as great discussion starters at VMC/IMC club meetings. Generally, I won't draw conclusions. I'll just ask you some questions and allow you to draw your own conclusions. My ultimate hope is that, together, through open conversation we can all become better pilots.

Have a topic that you would like me to muse on? I'd love to hear from you. Also, if we have a conversation at a chapter meeting or an event and it makes me say "hmmm", don't be surprised to see it as a topic in a future article. Don't worry - I won't name names or throw anyone under the bus (except, perhaps, myself).

I look forward to sharing my musings and exploring these questions together!

*Jason*

### How Proficient Are You?

During the Private Pilot checkride a DPE (Designated Pilot Examiner) will often ask what it means to be current. They are looking for the knowledge of the FAR's and the legal requirements for currency. That question is usually followed up by a question or two to gauge if the applicant understands the difference between currency and proficiency. Most seasoned pilots can explain that difference pretty concisely. I recently had a conversation with another pilot about this topic. Reflecting back on this conversation, it got me thinking. How many of us as pilots approach the difference between currency and proficiency correctly? How many of us take currency and proficiency beyond the takeoff and landing requirements or the instrument currency requirements?

The difference between currency and proficiency was on full display for me recently when I flew from Frederick, MD to York, PA to take a young lady on a Young Eagles flight. The winds were from the west and gusty. I was flying from the left seat and greased the landing. For the Young Eagles flight, I flew from the right seat and, for 3 landings in a row, I questioned how I could possibly have passed a checkride. While I frequently switch back and forth between the left and right seat for flights, I think this highlights how the muscle memory that I have from nearly 1000 left seat landings just isn't there after hundred or so right seat landings. While I am current, I certainly am not proficient.

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What about slow flight, stalls, and go-arounds? Do you practice these with any regularity? Most pilots don't. But if you think about it, every time we land, we intentionally fly low to the ground in a part of the flight envelope where we need to be proficient in those things. We all know about the stall-spin risk on the base-to-final turn. It gets beat into us constantly. But do you know where that stall-spin is more likely to happen? Climb-out. High angle of attack, lots of torque, big p-factor. All of those left turning tendencies are there in their full glory. Throw in a poorly executed short field take-off or go-around, or poor rudder discipline, and the conditions are ripe for a stall-spin.

One of the ideas behind the BFR is to make sure that pilots maintain at least a minimum standard with the maneuvers I've mentioned above. But it is just that, meeting the standards. It's like currency, it ensures you meet the minimum standard, but does that mean you are proficient?

Much of what I have talked about so far has been about things that can lead to a spin. Specifically, a spin close to the ground where recovery is nearly impossible. One of the most enlightening training exercises I have done is spin awareness training. Besides being a lot of fun, I was especially surprised not only by how hard it is to get a plane to spin, but also how easy it is to break the incipient spin before it develops. I noted a couple of other things too. First, entering the spin did not feel like I thought it would. Second, holy cow you lose altitude fast in a spin. And finally, breaking that spin when it is in its incipient stage requires doing things that go against all human nature when you have to do them close to the ground when your mind tells the lie "You've gotta pull up!" I came away from that training with a deeper understanding of how important it is to be proficient in all the things we normally do close to the ground.

Before closing, here are this month's questions to ponder...

- Can you be proficient, but not current? If you answer "yes", think of an aspect of flying where that "yes" fits you.
- Do you periodically throw in a short field or soft field takeoff or landing just for practice?
- Do you periodically practice go-arounds?
- When was the last time you practiced slow flight or stalls?
- With the long winter of bad weather we've had, are you current, are you proficient?
- Have you had, or thought about spin training? If you had spin training, how long ago was it? Are you ready for a spin should it happen?

To that pilot I talked to that spawned this article... kudos to you! Kudos for recognizing that you might be rusty and even if you could get current just by going and doing 3 laps in the pattern, that, for you, the better choice is to go up with an instructor and maybe even do a full BFR while you are at it. Not only kudos, but THANK YOU! Thank you for the reminder that, even (especially) as a CFI, I need to go back out with an instructor and brush up on some stuff myself. I'll even have some fun doing spins as I go!

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## Sun 'n Fun

### Lakeland, FL - April 1-6, 2025

### Celebrating Its 51st Year!

Its Vision is to “Build a Brighter Future Through Aviation”, and its Mission is to “Preserve and Enhance the Future of Flight Through World Class Events, Inspiring and Educating People of All Ages”, but what exactly is SUN 'n FUN?

The SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo began in 1974 as a fly-in for sport aviation enthusiasts, and has since has grown into one of the largest and most successful aviation events on earth. It is Florida's largest annual convention of any kind, and each year over 200,000 visitors flock to what has become known as “Aviation's Season Opener” or “Spring Break for Pilots.”

Pilots flying into the Expo are fascinated by the vision of hundreds of aircraft showcased in all shapes and sizes. Aircraft areas include Vintage, Homebuilt, Aerobatic, Warbird, Jet, and Light Sport. To serve all those flying in, a major trade show is part of SUN 'n FUN, with over 500 exhibitors with an incredible lineup of products and services, hands-on workshops to teach building and maintenance skills, and dozens of forums to educate pilots and maintainers about safety, new products, and an infinite number of other timely topics. Not just for pilots, SUN 'n FUN has STEM and Career Fair activities, plus a Family Oasis and, of course, world-famous daily and night airshows that feature breathtaking displays from dozens of military and civilian performers.

*SUN 'n FUN Fly-In, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit that markets and supports dozens of year-round events, including the Aerospace Expo. Proceeds from these events are the primary source of funding for The Aerospace Center for Excellence (ACE), which has emerged as a nationally recognized leader in STEM-related and aerospace education through its various learning centers, outreach programs, scholarships, and summer camps aimed at engaging, educating and accelerating the next generation of aerospace professionals. In addition to SUN 'n FUN, ACE is the home of the Florida Air Museum, Florida's Official Aviation Museum and Education Center, and the Lakeland Aero Club, which is the country's largest high school flying club. ACE is the world's leader in producing licensed teenage private pilots and delivers youth programs that engage over 50,000 students a year.*





A vibrant, colorful poster for the Sun n Fun Aerospace Expo. The background is a collage of various aircraft, including a yellow biplane, a blue and yellow jet, a red and white biplane, a green and black drone, a red and white biplane, a blue and white jet, and a blue and white jet. The text "SUN n FUN" is prominently displayed in large, blue, stylized letters. Below it, "AEROSPACE EXPO" is written in smaller, red, sans-serif letters. In the center, "TURN UP THE Fun 51! AT" is written in a playful, blue, stylized font. To the right, "April 1-6 2025" is written in a blue, cursive font. At the bottom, a large, silver, circular coin-like graphic contains the text "EXPERIENCE SNF!" and "GET TICKETS!". The words "FUNNER", "FUN", and "FUNNEST" are scattered around the coin. The bottom of the poster features logos for "AEROSPACE Center For Excellence", "Lakeland, Florida", "FLYSNF.ORG", "Visit CENTRAL FLORIDA", and "Lakeland INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT". A QR code is located in the top left corner.

QR Code

# SUN n FUN

AEROSPACE EXPO

TURN UP THE  
**Fun 51!**  
AT

April 1-6  
**2025**

FUNNER

FUN

FUNNEST

EXPERIENCE SNF!  
GET TICKETS!

Engagement in this event supports  
Aerospace Education at the

**AEROSPACE**  
Center For Excellence

Lakeland, Florida

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# Chapter Community News

The EAA Community is huge- not just EAA Chapters, but Ultralight, Acrobatics, and more- and there's many within an hour or so drive from Gettysburg.

Several of our members belong to more than one Chapter, and talk about some of the events that their other Chapter is doing. Unfortunately, we often don't find out in enough time to be able to attend or even volunteer to assist. This section will provide others in our nearby Chapters to promote their news and events.

In addition, some of the smaller Chapters aren't able to have a newsletter due to manpower or resource issues. The deadline to submit items for this section is one week before the end of each month.

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## EAA Chapter 4 - College Park, MD

**Meetings:** Every 1st Thursday 7:30 PM

**Meeting Location:**

College Park Airport  
1909 Corporal Frank Scott Dr  
College Park MD 20741

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## EAA Chapter 36 - Hagerstown, MD

**Meetings:** Every 1st Tuesday 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Hagerstown Aviation Museum  
18450 Showalter Rd Building 8  
Hagerstown MD 21742

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## EAA Chapter 122 - Harrisburg, PA

**Meetings:** Every 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Capital City Airport (CXY), Hangar 2 HQ  
204 Airport Rd  
New Cumberland PA 17070

## EAA Chapter 143 - Essex, MD

**Meetings:** Every 1st Saturday, *breakfast at 9:00 AM, meeting at 10 AM*

**Meeting Location:**

Essex Skypark FBO  
1401 Diffendall Road  
Essex MD 21221

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR Chapter 143:**

- A Chapter airplane build in progress- they are scratch building an Affordaplane (Afford is a relative term).
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## EAA Chapter 390 - Myerstown, PA

**Meetings:** Every 2nd Thursday 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Deck Airport - 9D4 (in Myerstown, PA)  
Ramona Road  
Myerstown PA 17042

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## EAA Chapter 426 - Cumberland, MD

**Meetings:** Every 4th Thursday 6:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Cumberland Regional Airport  
165 Terminal Loop  
Wiley Ford WV 26767

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## EAA Chapter 478 - Lexington Park, MD

**Meetings:** Every 3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM

**Meeting Location:**

St Mary's Airport (2W6)  
Terminal Building  
California MD 20619



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Events listed in Chapter Community News was supplied by the hosting Chapter. Contact the Chapter or click on any supplied links for more information.

**Chapter 1041 Officers, members, and The Observer assume no responsibility for the accuracy of the events listed.**

We're on the Web!  
[www.1041.eaachapter.org](http://www.1041.eaachapter.org)



## More Chapter Community News

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### **EAA Chapter 524 - Frederick, MD**

**Meetings:** Every 1st Thursday 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Chapter House at Frederick Airport  
111 Airport Drive East  
Frederick MD 21701

### **EAA Chapter 540 - Lancaster, PA**

**Meetings:** Every 1st Tuesday 6:30 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Smoketown Airport  
Airport Rd.  
Smoketown PA 17576

### **EAA Chapter 571 - Annapolis, MD**

**Meetings:** Every 3rd Thursday 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Bay Bridge Airport - Pilot lounge  
206 Airport Road  
Stevensville MD 21666

### **EAA Chapter 842 - Fairmont, WV**

**Meetings:** Every 2nd Thursday 6:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

*This chapter meets at local restaurants-  
Contact Chapter President Joe Martin at  
304-368-1365 for location.*  
Fairmont WV 26555

### **EAA Chapter 1071 - Martinsburg, WV**

**Meetings:** Every Last Wed. 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Chapter Hangar  
275 Aviation Way  
Martinsburg WV 25405

### **EAA Chapter 1384 - Westminster, MD**

**Meetings:** Every 1st Thursday 6:30 PM

**Meeting Location:**

*This chapter meets is looking for a more  
suitable location. Contact Chapter  
Newsletter Editor Warren Reames at  
443-739-0438 for location.*

Westminster, MD

### **EAA Chapter 1530 - Elkins, WV**

**Meetings:** Every 1st Tuesday 6:00 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Elkins Randolph County Regional Airport  
400 Airport Road  
Elkins WV 26241

### **UL Chapter 20 - Westminster, MD**

**Meetings:** Every 1st Wed. 6:30 PM

**Meeting Location:**

Eylers Farm  
11429 Alton Rd  
Frederick MD 21701

### **IAC Chapter 58 - Lancaster, PA**

**Meetings:** Every 3rd Saturday 10:00 AM

**Meeting Location:**

Airport 08N  
1701 Schaeffer Road  
Lebanon PA 17042

*If there are any errors or corrections to the information posted for the Chapters, please contact Dianna Moy at 301-717-7412 or by email at: [dianna.nicole.moy@comcast.net](mailto:dianna.nicole.moy@comcast.net)*



## Chapter Community News

Starting next month, we will start posting events for EAA Vintage 45, the Mid-Atlantic Soaring Association (MASA) and others! We at Chapter 1041 want to include as many of our local aviation-related organizations in our Community News!

Some items that came in right before we went to press:

- EAA1384- Annual Fly-in on Saturday, May 17th from 9AM-1PM
- EAA Ultralight 20- Monthly meeting - April 2nd -
  - Potluck at 6:30,
  - meeting at 7
- EAA Chapter 36- April 19th rally-
  - **Free Young Eagles flights** for kids ages 8–17 (with parent/guardian signature), and a
  - **Delicious breakfast** served 8:00–10:30 a.m. – Adults \$8, Kids 6–12 \$5, and 5 & under eat free! (NOT AYCE)



## A New Addition to the 1041 Family!

On Wednesday, March 19th, 2025, Amy Jean Claypoole arrived at York Hospital! Baby arrived at 6:56pm, weighing in at 6 lbs, 6 oz. and 19-3/4" long, Baby and parents are doing fine (as are all the grandparents)! Congratulations Peggy and Henry!



## More Chapter Community News

Our reach is expanding! Near the end of March, the Newsletter Editor for Chapter 620 (Miami, Florida) reached out to Chapter 1041 as they are attempting to rebuild their chapter. Covid-19, the loss of members and officers have left a once-thriving chapter with less than half their membership.

As most of you know, Dianna Moy, the Newsletter Editor of 1041, won one of the Newsletter Editor Awards that were presented at Oshkosh last year. During the Chapter Leadership Boot Camp, several Chapters were mentioned as examples of success in different areas. Dianna and The Observer were mentioned, and 620's editor contacted her.

On the bottom left is the original "first newsletter" from the chapter (again, they haven't put one out in years), and asked Dianna what she thought before they sent it out. Well, as communications is the life-line of a chapter, Dianna redid the one-pager and turned it into a 9-pager adding information that would be of interest to their membership including SUN 'n FUN, AirVenture, and even some local want-ads!

Dianna named their newsletter the "Tamiami Flight Lines", and has volunteered to help get EAA 620's newsletters out (quarterly for now) and get their newsletter editor up to speed on desktop publishing over the next few months.



**Above left:** the original single-page newsletter.

**Above right:** the cover of the first edition of the Tamiami Flight Lines newsletter.





ONE WEEK

# ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

July 21-27 [EAA.org/Tickets](https://EAA.org/Tickets)

EAA AIRVENTURE  
**OSHKOSH**  
2025

## FREE YOUTH ADMISSION

Free youth admission ages 18 and under is supported in part by





## A NEW CHAPTER!

Looking for some old fashioned fun?



**EAA Vintage Chapter 45** is looking for you!



### What is an EAA Vintage Chapter?

An EAA Vintage Chapter is a chapter that is specific to the operation, preservation and restoration of airplanes produced between 1903 – 1971. We are hoping to create a community of like-minded people dedicated to pursuing these goals. EAA Vintage 45 is the only EAA Vintage Chapter for the Mid-Atlantic Region including Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

Join us in the restoration of a 1945 Ercoupe 415-C at our facility in Downtown Frederick



Interested? Please contact EAA Vintage 45 President Rob Rohr at [b25j@comcast.net](mailto:b25j@comcast.net) or 443-468-4897

**EAA CHAPTER 524**

## 1st FLY OUT of 2025

**Date:** April 12, 2025

**Destination:** Lancaster, PA (KLNS)

**Plan:** Early lunch; Fiorentino's Italian Restaurant

Plan to meet at the restaurant at 11:00 am.  
More details will be follow. So get that bird out of the hangar and join us for a great day of flying.



## 2025 Spring Fly Out





# 2025 BANQUET SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, May 10, 2025  
6:00 PM

**DUTCH'S**  
Daughter

581 Himes Ave, Frederick, MD 21703



EAA Chapter 524





## March Souper Sundae

Our record of never having a soup that was a failure remains intact, as the soup chef (yours truly) whipped up a big pot of soup to go along with the Chick-Fil-A nuggets, ham sandwiched, and other goodies that got brought to the final Souper Sundae for 2025. Entertainment was the movie "Pearl Harbor". Our next Souper Sundae will be in January of 2026.







# ZENITH 750 CRUZER



## FOR SALE EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT

For sale by owner/builder. Ready for final assembly. It's a partially completed kit that includes a Viking 130 HP engine and two Zenith embossed seats. Some Garmin avionics are available as well as builders tools. My father was the original builder. Contact for more photos, questions, or a tour of the hangar, located in Zephyrhills FL.

**Joanne LeBlanc**

✉ [joanneleblanc@yahoo.com](mailto:joanneleblanc@yahoo.com)

☎ 813-334-9626

## Member Want-Ads

### Free, For Sale, Wanted, and Services!

#### FREE:

**Nothing for free this month!** - if you have something to give away or sell, let Dianna know so that she can list it for you here! We have had good success in getting items noticed and out the door to good homes.

#### FOR SALE:

##### COMPUTERS AND LAPTOPS! -

Listed below are just a few of the computers and laptops available. As many companies to a refresh of their systems every couple of years, Dianna will take these systems, refurbish them and get them working like new.

Do you need something classic? Dianna can get classic systems for that software you can't get to run on newer systems! Windows XP, Windows 2000, and Windows 7!

Non-subscription version of Microsoft Office can be installed for \$350 additional. All systems have a 90-day warranty. **Systems by HP, Dell, Lenovo, Toshiba, and others available.** If you don't see what you're looking for, call Dianna and she may have what you're looking for!

##### Touchscreen Laptop computers -

- HP Probook 440 G3, 16GB RAM, 128GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021 (PC based edition), \$350.
- HP Model 15-bs095ms, 8GB RAM, 128 GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, \$300.
- HP Pavilion x360 15-br010nr, 8GB RAM, 128GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, NO CAMERA, \$250.

##### Laptop computers -

- Dell Latitude E5520, 16GB RAM, 128GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, dock, \$300.
- HP Probook 650 G1, 8GB RAM, 120GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, \$275.
- (2) HP Probook 6570b, 8GB RAM,

128GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, \$250.

- HP Probook 4540, 8GB RAM, 120GB SSD, Win11 Pro, Office 2021, \$225.

##### Desktop computers -

- (3) HP/Compaq 6000 Pro Small Form Factor systems.
  - (a) 6GB RAM, 160GB HDD, Win10 Pro, DVD-RW, Ethernet port, \$125.
  - (b+c) 8GB RAM, 160GB HDD, Win10 Pro, DVD-RW, parallel port, Ethernet port, \$145.



- Dell Optiplex 755 system, 8GB RAM, 80GB HDD, Win10 Home, Office 2007 Pro, Ethernet port. \$185.



#### SERVICES:

Ground and Aerial Surveys - Sign Fabrication Design, Structural Drawings, Ground and Aerial Surveys - call Sam Kistler at (443)695-5433.

*Listings in the Member Want-Ads are FREE! Contact Dianna at 301-717-7412 or send her an email at [dianna.nicole.moy@comcast.net](mailto:dianna.nicole.moy@comcast.net) to place your ad!*





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## Letter From the Editor

A quarter of the year is gone already! In just a couple more months, we'll be having our Spring Pancake Breakfast, with Miss Pennsylvania 2024 flipping pancakes with us! Here's Pages' bio:

*"Page Weinstein, 27, a proud native of Pittsburgh, and Miss Pennsylvania 2024, is a Magna Cum Laude graduate with two degrees from The University of Alabama, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Dance and Telecommunication & Film.*

*Prior to being crowned Miss Pennsylvania, Page traveled the world as a Flight Attendant for Delta Air Lines. Currently, she is working towards receiving her private pilot's license with dreams of becoming a commercial pilot.*

*Previously, she worked as the News Producer, On-air Personality, Social Media, and Website Content Creator, for CBS4 news.*

*Page is very dedicated to her 501(c)3 corporation, Confident Heart, Courageous Soul, Inc. As chairwoman of the Best Buddies Friendship Walk in Pittsburgh, she has witnessed firsthand how people with disabilities face discrimination. She is an advocate of establishing a more inclusive society. Page teaches individuals that regardless of the story society tries to force on you, you are*

*capable... you are worthy... you are loved!*

*At the young age of 26, Page was diagnosed with melanoma, the same cancer her grandmother passed away from in 2016. She partners with Aim at Melanoma and several other philanthropic organizations to raise awareness for sun safety and melanoma research and awareness.*

*Page began competing in the Miss America system at the age of 12, winning the title of Miss Pennsylvania's Teen in 2014, and was a top 8 finalist at Miss America's Teen. Ten years later, Page was crowned Miss Pennsylvania 2024 and was awarded \$15,000 in scholarships and the opportunity to be a fierce advocate for people with disabilities. Thanks to the Miss America Opportunity, Page has accumulated approximately \$90,000 in scholarships!*

*She began dancing and baton twirling at the age of 2 and has traveled to Belgium, Switzerland, Peru, and nine other countries as a competitive twirler as well as being a featured member of two U.S.A. teams, bringing home gold medals. She was also a featured member of the University of Alabama Crimsonettes for 4 years where she performed at 4 consecutive National Collegiate Football Championship Games.*

*Page competed in the Miss America Competition this January in Orlando, Florida where she was a preliminary talent winner."*

*Dianna Moy*

## Zoom Broadcast of Monthly Program Meeting Segment

The broadcast of our monthly program meeting segment via Zoom will begin at 7PM. Typed messages will be responded to. Audio will be turned off on the presentation side to prevent feedback, so we won't be able to hear you.

The meeting ID and password is the same as last month, and will remain the same for each meeting (unless we get a "meeting crasher"). Below is the link to Join the Zoom meeting along with the password:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86271166916?pwd=NVNKU1RQKy9RUXcrdGY0UVNiTiBjdz09>

Meeting ID: 862 7116 6916

Passcode: EAA1041

**NOTE: If no one joins the Zoom call by 7:05PM, the Zoom feed will be turned off.**

