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*Happy Holidays to Everyone
From Chapter 1041!*

On The Cover:

A beautiful Christmas-red Barnstormer-style model plane ornament hangs from the Christmas tree. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at Chapter 1041. See you next year!

A Sneak Peek at Next Month!

A beautiful sunrise photo taken by the newsletter editor, Dianna Moy, through the window of a Southwest Airlines flight- with a cellphone camera!

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Barnstormers Christmas Party 2024

Calling all Barnstormers ! Join us **Friday evening – December 13th** for our Annual Christmas Party Gala.

We will repeat our location of last year – **Spring Grove Area High School**
1490 Roth Church Road, Spring Grove PA 17362
(Drive around the high school to the rear parking lot, enter at “Door 10”.)

Doors Open at 6:00pm, Meal Served at 6:30 pm.

Menu includes:

Tossed Salad, Roast Beef, Turkey, Filling, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Green Beans with diced ham,
Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea, and a Cup Cake Dessert!

As usual, we expect that “Stormer Claus” will have goodies on hand for everyone.

Chapter 1041 members are FREE, guests are \$20 per person.

Reserve your seats no later than Saturday, Nov. 30th by contacting Henry Hartman at 717-637-3741 (days), 717-465-5952 (cell), or e-mail: hartmansteiner@comcast.net

This is the “Grand Finale” of our year, be sure to be there for the fun, great food, and fellowship.
Thank you for making Chapter 1041 a great organization!

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Henry's Hangar

"We are a family – a family brought together by aviation."

Paul Poberezny, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

Merry Christmas, Barnstormers !

I hope you had a relaxing and tasty Thanksgiving and are looking forward to a blessed Christmas season.

Speaking of Christmas, I hope you are signed up for our annual end-of-the-year gala, our Christmas Party. One slight change this year, Stormer Claus has some tricks up his or her sleeve ! You'll have to be there to find out the details. It's certain to be a great evening with excellent food, fine fellowship, and a slide show of our year in review.

Looking ahead to 2025, we have a few leads on program presenters but need more. Do you have a suggestion for a speaker ? Or do you have an interest in sharing your life story in aviation ? We are looking for people that can educate us and entertain us with their experiences. Please contact me with your ideas.

In April of 2025, we will offer a Field Trip to the Glenn Curtiss Museum at Hammondsport, New York. Look for more basic information in this issue of The Observer. We have mentioned this destination for several years, now is the time we will make it happen. Please sign up early

for this trip so we have a good count and can invite other area Chapters if we have extra seats.

Looking back on the year we are ending in a few weeks, our Chapter has been blessed with a very good year. We had successful breakfast events, one a record setter and one that was average. Both breakfasts saw a good turnout of our members volunteering to help make the weekends fun.

Our meetings were well attended, we had some Ray Scholars that achieved their goal and some others that are making wonderful progress toward their Private Pilots License. We look forward to these young people continuing to be active with our Chapter.

As we close out a really tremendous year of Chapter 1041 history, I want to thank everyone for your great "EAA Volunteer Spirit". It is a true honor and a pleasure to be associated with the fine folks we have as members.

Our Chapter is alive and vibrant thanks to you ! Let's plan for an even better 2025. As the Rosie the Riveter posters say, "You Can Do It".

Henry



UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2024

- December 13th - **Christmas Party at Spring Grove High School**
- December 14th - **IMC/VMC meeting 9:00 to 10:30 AM at the airport**
 - December 21st - **Chapter Fly-Out**

A LOOK AHEAD TO JANUARY 2025

- **January 6th - Monthly Chapter Meeting, 7PM at the airport**

GET YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT YEAR AT THE PARTY!



Last Month's Program Review

David Tulis, AOPA's Senior Photographer, gave a very interesting overview to a full house with some standing (or sitting on the floor) of what is involved to properly do air-to-air photography. He shared many photos and magazine covers and described the way they are composed and shot. He demonstrated the harness and other safety equipment he uses when shooting photos from an aircraft with a door (or doors) removed.

Several cameras were displayed and described along with the various lenses and filters that make for excellent pictures. David also shared many photos taken "on the ground" at AirVenture this year. A very informative program enjoyed by all.

Photos by Sam Kistler



IMC/VMC Club



Several members showed up this month for the IMC/VMC club meeting at the airport. Plenty of doughnuts and coffee too!

Photos by Sam Kistler



November Fly-Out Grounded

Due to high winds, the November Fly-Out got grounded. Everyone had a good lunch at the Gettysburg Family Restaurant, though!

Photos by Sam Kistler



Some December Days in History

There are a couple of days in the month of December that many of us don't make note of. Did you remember these important dates in history?

- **December 7th, 1941** - The attack on Pearl Harbor was a surprise military strike by the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service on the American naval base at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii, the United States, just before 8:00 a.m. (local time) on Sunday, December 7, 1941. At the time, the United States was a neutral country in World War II. The attack on Hawaii and other U.S. territories led the United States to formally enter World War II on the side of the Allies the day following the attack, on December 8, 1941. More than 180 US aircraft were destroyed, and a total of 2,393 Americans were killed along with the wounding of 1,178. December 7th is Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.
- **December 17th, 1903** - The first sustained flight by a manned heavier-than-air powered and controlled aircraft—an airplane - was done by its inventors, the Wright Brothers.

Chapter 36 Poker Run and Kids Passport

Chapter 36 had their Poker Run on Saturday, November 9th.

Wendi Clark manned the W05 stop, and we got some pictures of some of the kids who did the Passport Portion of the Run (and some of the poker players too)!

Photos from Wendi Clark and Sam Kistler



Plan Ahead for AirVenture 2025, 2026, and 2027...

There are many of you who, even though you would have loved to go, missed AirVenture. It could have been because of a work schedule, or even the cost of the trip.

If you'd like to see videos from AirVenture, you can find them on the EAA Website (<https://www.eaa.org/ea>).

Videos of the fireworks, airshows, hot air balloons, warbirds, the Honor Flight, and more can be viewed on the EAA pages. All of the videos are archived, so you can even view videos from previous AirVenture events.

The dates for AirVenture are:

- 2025 - July 21st through 27th
- 2026 - July 20th through 26th
- 2027 - July 26th through August 1st

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Finally, there are 1,960 photos taken by the pros at EAA. Click on the link to see them.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/eaairventureoshkosh/albums/72177720318940606>

A Look At The Observer- The Past 12 Months

Looking back over this past year, I suddenly realized how many changes I'd made to the newsletter in the past two years. My goal has been to make the newsletter something that our members look forward to reading, and those outside of 1041 to read and see the dynamic Chapter that we are.

My goal for the newsletter is to continue that spirit, but to also include our neighboring chapters a place to share their events and fund-raisers with the aviation community.

Now that it's the end of the year, I want to take everyone back on a little nostalgic flight- first will be 2022 and the front page of the old Observer, then we'll fly into 2023 with the updated format, and then into each month of 2024 and the covers that we've had this year.

November
2022

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Chapter 1041
NOTAMS:

- November 7th Regular Chapter meeting 7PM G'burg regional Apt
- November 12th IMC/VMC gathering 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM at the airport
- November 19th Chapter Fly-Out
- December 9th Chapter Christmas Party Spring Grover Area High School 6:00 PM
- December 10th IMC/VMC gathering 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM at the airport
- December 17th Chapter Fly-Out
- January 2nd Regular Chapter meeting 7PM G'burg regional Apt
- January 14th IMC/VMC gathering 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM at the airport
- January 21st Chapter Fly-Out
- January 26th EAA's Birthday Born 1953
- January 29th Soup-R-Sundae G'burg regional airport Noon to 8:00 PM

Gettysburg Barnstormers—EAA Chapter 1041
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Henry's Hangar

"EAA members discover the possibilities of using hand and mind to explore that great ocean of air above us." Paul Poberezny, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

Greetings Barnstormers! Fall is here and the leaves are falling faster than the temperatures. In October several of our members participated in the 2nd Chapter 36 Poker Run. During our November 7th Chapter 1041 gathering, we'll learn if any of them had winning hands! And there should be some stories about the events of the day and how everyone visited as many as seven airports.

Speaking of the November gathering - that will be our last regular get-together on the first Monday of the month for 2022. In December we forego a meeting in favor of a gala Christmas Party. Please note Friday, December 9th for this much-looked-forward-to evening of great food, fun, and fellowship. The usual visit by "Stormer Claus" is always a treat that everyone looks forward to. Look for more information in this edition of The Observer and then make plans to party!

Have you ever heard of a homebuilt plane called a Doodle Bug? On Saturday, Oct. 22nd four Barnstormers traveled to Green Landings Airport near Martinsburg, WV and retrieved the original Doodle Bug, serial number A-1. It was built in 1954 by Lawrence Heuberger of Texas. The aircraft suffered a bit of damage in a hangar collapse and needs some restoration work. During our November gathering we will share more information about this donation to our Chapter. Stay tuned for some very interesting details about this story. And thanks to Art Shaw for storing the parts while we determine the next step for this historic homebuilt.

Your fellow member, Randy Kalp, is planning to present the program for our November 7th gathering. He will describe his experiences volunteering at AirVenture Oshkosh. Randy has jumped into the EAA Volunteer Spirit with both feet and will tell us all about the fun he has had while meeting so many interesting people. Be sure to join us that evening for a great presentation.

While we are on the subject of programs, we need speakers for our monthly gatherings in the coming New Year. Do you know of someone with an interesting aviation story to share? Or do you have a project or experience to tell our group about? There are many opportunities and we need your help to fill the dates on the 2023 calendar. Please contact me with your suggestions and ideas. Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

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The Gettysburg Barnstormers, EAA Chapter 1041 - December, 2022

Stories in this issue:

In honor of Bob, most of the articles in this month's newsletter are devoted to his memory.

- Robert Howe passing
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- The 2022 Christmas party

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Longtime Member, Robert Howe, has passed

On November 21st, 2022, longtime member and our newsletter editor and webmaster, Robert Howe passed away. Sadly, Robert died on the morning of his 75th birthday.

Robert helped keep everyone informed by making sure *The Observer* came out every month like clockwork, helped to run the IMC/VMC Club, help immensely at the Barnstormer Pancake Breakfasts, and most notably, got the high school to start an aviation STEM class.

Robert also helped coordinate with the superintendent of schools to host the annual Barnstormer Christmas Party at Spring Grove High School.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 10th at 1 pm, at the Kenworthy funeral home on Frederick Street in Hanover PA.

Robert Howe, 1947-2022

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Our annual Christmas Party will be held Friday evening, Dec. 9th, at the Spring Grove High School cafeteria. More details are in this edition of the Observer, please sign up no later than Thursday, Dec. 1st if you can join us for the festivities.

December is the month we renew our Chapter status with EAA. There are several pairs of big shoes our Chapter needs to fill with Bob's passing. I'm pleased to let you know the EAA Volunteer Spirit is shining brightly as Dianna Moy has graciously offered to become our Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. Her information will be included in the renewal application we submit to Oshkosh.

As we prepare to start another New Year, we are looking for program presenters for our monthly gatherings. Many of our own members have interesting stories to share, so please consider telling your fellow members about your aviation background and experiences. If you know someone who would make a good speaker, please ask them and pass along the information to me.

Tradition is that we forego a December Chapter gathering

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Above is November 2022, the last issue that Robert Howe put together. To the left is December 2022. the first edition after taking over for Bob.

On the following pages, you'll see how the layout changed during 2023 as I worked at trying to find a format that would catch someone's eye. The biggest problem I had was trying to give it something eye-catching as it was had to differentiate between issues.

Getting some photos for the monthly program segment from David Tulis triggered the idea of making the newsletter more of a news magazine as the pictures he sent were stunning. I'd already sent out the January 2024 issue, but I redid that issue and resent it in the new format.

I'm Looking forward to see what fascinating photos we can get for 2025! Hopefully, some of you will be inspired to send me your aviation pictures and I can use them for our newsletter covers.

Have a very Merry Christmas / Holiday Season!



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AirVenture at Oshkosh—Celebrating 70 Years

It hasn't always been AirVenture. And it hasn't always been in Oshkosh. And it sure as heck hasn't always been this big. The first fly-in was 70 years ago, back in September 1953, the year Paul and Audrey Poberezný founded EAA. It was at Curtiss-Wright Airport in Milwaukee. Twenty-one aircraft and 150 people showed up. It was in Oshkosh a few years later, in 1956, and then moved back to Milwaukee.

In 1959 it got too big, so it was moved to Rockford, Illinois, for 10 years and then made Oshkosh its permanent home in 1970. It was renamed EAA AirVenture Oshkosh in 1998.

Now it has grown from 21 aircraft to more than 10,000, from 150 people to more than 600,000. Some people call AirVenture "aviation's family reunion" — and that's a damn good description. When you wander around, you're surrounded by friendly and respectful people who love aviation just as much as you do.

Everyone is either an old friend or a potential new one, and that atmosphere is fun and contagious. As Paul often said, you come for the airplanes but come back for the people. And remember, about 6000 of those people are the volunteers who work like crazy, sometimes for months, to make sure you enjoy yourself.

AirVenture isn't an event you attend; it's something you do. It's not like going to a ballgame where you buy a ticket and just sit and watch. AirVenture is what you make it. It's not a spectator sport.

There's too much to put into the small space in this newsletter, but briefly know:

The North 40 and the South 40 are fly-in campgrounds on

the north and south sides of the grounds.

Warbirds—This is where ex-military aircraft spend the week. This area also has presentations, youth activities, and a dedicated shop for T-shirts and things.

Homebuilts—This is EAA's roots. This area includes commercial exhibits and a camping area in addition to hundreds of showplanes flown in by proud builders and pilots.

IAC—This is the home base for the International Aerobatic Club (aka IAC members who aren't happy unless they're upside down).

Boeing Plaza—This is the center of the show. It's the area where the biggest aircraft are parked along with the ones that highlight that day's theme.

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Henry's Hangar

"I've had the privilege of enjoying what I've loved since I was five or six years old."

Paul Poberezný, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

Hello Barnstormers! Summer is here and it's a great time to have some fun with your fellow Chapter members. Here's a run-down in order by calendar dates.

June 2nd - (Friday) - hangar clean-out starting in the morning then set-up of the breakfast equipment, tables & chairs at 6:00 pm.

June 3 & 4 (Saturday & Sunday) - our usual Wing's Wheels, & Pancakes Fly-In-Drive-In Breakfast. We need YOU to contribute a few hours and help make the event a success. There are lots of easy tasks to do starting

with early morning prep (6:30) through serving (8-12 Noon) and clean-up on Sunday afternoon. We hope to see you there!

June 5th (Monday, 7:00pm) - Chapter Gathering, and the program will be the history of the "Doodle Bug" single-place homebuilt airplane that was

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Flying High with the Ford Tri-Motor

For four days in the middle of September, a beautiful, nearly 100 year-old plane called the Ford Tri-Motor provided breathtaking rides out of the York Airport.

This plane, one of 199 made, and one of the 18 still remaining made a total of 32 flights to the delight of all. Unfortunately, Sunday was

cut short due to the rain that impacted the area. Thanks to the many Barnstormers that took the time to come and help out at the event.

This effort was recognized by the EAA as our President received a call from EAA Tour Director, Paul Zenner, expressing how positively

impressed the EAA crew was with our Chapter 1041 members and the York Airport staff and facility.

Great job, Barnstormers! I know we all look forward to another opportunity to host the Ford Tri-Motor. Hopefully this experience that the EAA had with our Chapter will open up the opportunity.



Henry's Hangar

"To be a success you must love people." - Paul Poberezný, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

Congratulations, Barnstormers! What a wonderful pair of weekends we experienced! The Ford Tri-Motor visit was extra special, and then our September breakfast went very well even with the rainy weather. The 1928 Tri-Motor arrived at

York Airport as scheduled on Monday, Sept. 11th, the day of our Chapter gathering for the month. I drove to BWI on Wednesday and picked up Steve Craig, one of the EAA's Tri-Motor pilots.

Thursday was the first day for rides, with 5 flights taking place in the afternoon. WGCAL-8 sent a videographer and publicized the event Thursday, Friday, and

Saturday on various installments of their newscasts. Friday saw 10 flights, Saturday had 13 flights, and on Sunday 4 flights were finished before rain moved in.

I received a call a few days later from the EAA Tour Director, Paul Zenner, and was told how positively impressed the EAA crew was with our Chapter

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Stormer Claus Slated to Make His Annual Appearance



2023 is rapidly coming to a close, with just a couple of events between now and the end of the year.

- ★ December 8 - Holiday Party!
- ★ Dec. 9th IMC/VMC At the airport
- ★ Dec. 16th - Chapter Fly-Out

As usual, the Christmas Party is our "Grand Finale" for the year. It will be held at the Spring Grove Area High School, 1490 Roth Church Road, Spring Grove PA 17362. Drive around the high school

to the rear parking lot and enter at "Door 10".

STORMER CLAUS has told us that he will be making his annual appearance with goodies on hand for everyone.

It's not too late to reserve your seats, so contact Henry at (717) 627-3741 (days) or on his cell at (717) 465-5952. Chapter 1041 MEMBERS ARE FREE. GUESTS ARE \$18.00.

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM, DINNER SERVED AT 6:30PM.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Henry's Hangar

"Occasionally I get a letter from an individual not knowing the circumstances, who reads me off for not answering soon enough. All I say is there is no money involved for all the work we do in trying to promote private aviation and I hope soon that I get some relief in one form or another." Experimentier, July 1955

Paul Poberezný, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

A belated Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas wish to all Barnstormers!

We will finish out another great year on Friday, December 8th with our Annual Christmas Gala, again this year at Spring Grove High School. See all the details in this edition of The Observer and be sure to contact me

with your reservations by Nov. 30th. I hope to see everyone enjoying a fantastic meal and all the fun that goes with a Barnstormers Christmas Party!

One of the highlights (at least in my mind!) of the Christmas Party is a continuous slide show of all our

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Goodbye 2023, Welcome 2024!

The Board of Chapter 1041 hopes that all of you had a wonderful Christmas and that you have a Happy New Year!



We also want to take an opportunity to thank the staff at Spring Grove Area High School for another fantastic Holiday Dinner. Stormer Claus arrived at the Christmas Holiday Party in time to ring in the New Year! You'll find a lot of pictures inside of this year's holiday party. As usual, the hustle and bustle of the holidays made the month of December seem like a blur, so January is an opportunity to "wind down" a little. Besides our Chapter meet-

ing on the 8th, the IMC/VMC meeting on the 13th and the Chapter Fly-Out on the 20th, we will be having the first of three Soup-er-Sundae events on the 28th. Bring a can of soup and a side dish and enjoy the comradery!

of soup that we didn't like!
Don't forget, only 152 days until the Spring Pancake Breakfast, and only 203 days until AirVenture 2024!

HAPPY NEW YEAR
We've NEVER had a pot

Henry's Hangar

"Standing at the fence next to the old, white, wooden terminal building and gazing at the bi-planes and Ford Tri-Motors was a thrill I shall never forget."

Paul's first trip at age 14 to what is now Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee, a nine or 10-mile walk from his home
Paul Poberezný, EAA Founder, 1921-2013

Happy New Year, Barnstormers, and a belated Merry Christmas!

As we start another New Year as Chapter 1041 members, we look to all sorts of great activities for the coming 12 months. If you missed our December Christmas Party Gala, you not only missed a fantastic meal but also an evening

of fun, reminiscing, and camaraderie. Now it's time to embark on another year of more of the same!

When searching through Paul Poberezný's many quotes, the one above, taken from his book "Poberezný. The Story Begins", struck me as par-

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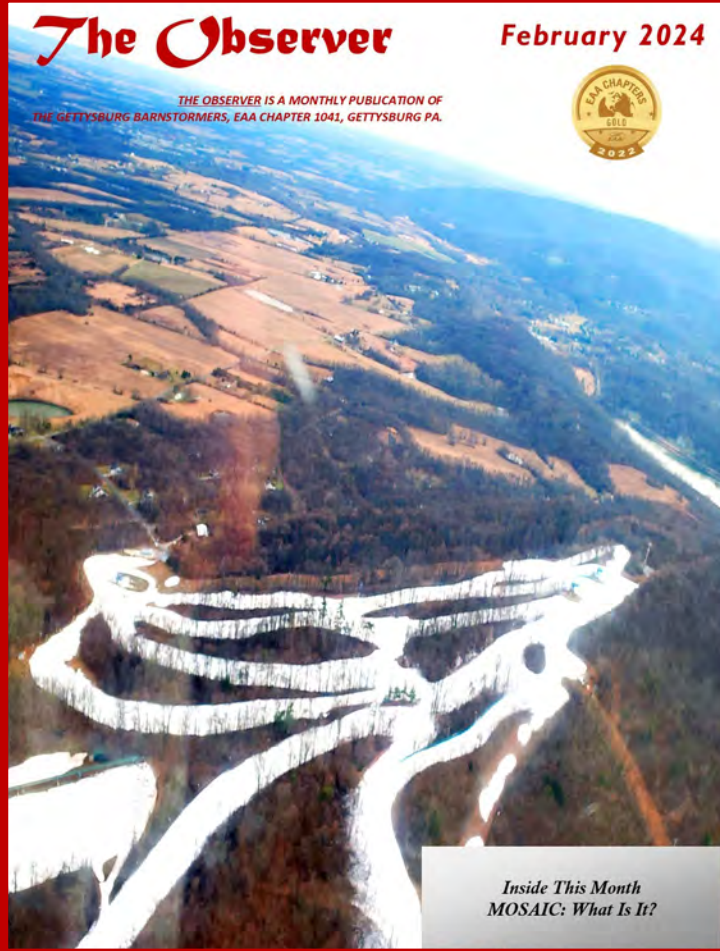


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*Happy Holidays to Everyone
From Chapter 1041!*

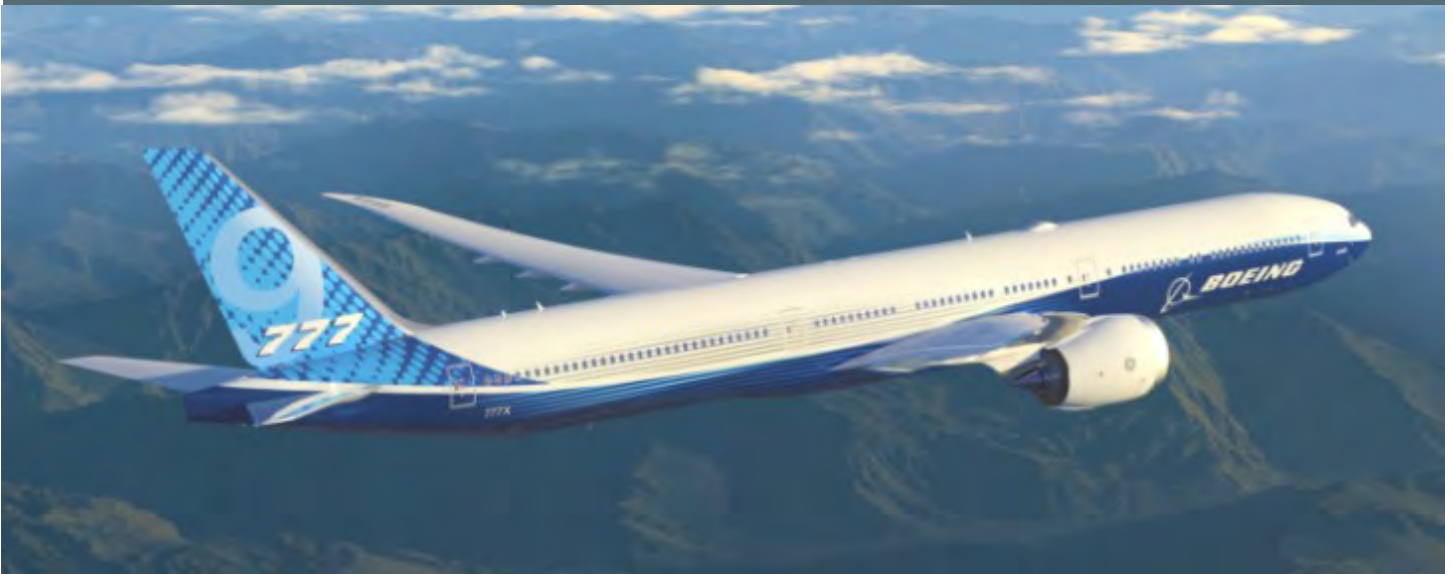
The Gossip In The Air...

There's gossip in the air about some new planes that may appear in the skies in 2025...

- Top Gun "Maverick" had Maverick testing a new supersonic jet. It's rumored appears Skunkworks has an SR-72 in testing that can go at least Mach-6. Footage in the movie was apparently of the plane used for testing, and some of the sequences showing the instrumentation

is accurate enough that is making foreign governments concerned.

- Boeing's 777X is also set to be released in 2025, with a roomier interior, a quieter cabin, and supposedly 20-30% lower emissions than the Airbus A350.
- Boom Technology, Inc. is an American company designing a supersonic airliner named the Overture. They are hoping to bring back



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supersonic air travel The company is also developing a one-third-scale demonstrator: the Boom XB-1 Baby Boom. On June 3, 2021, United Airlines announced it had signed an agreement to purchase 15 Overture aircraft with an additional 35 options, expecting to start passenger flights by 2029. On August 16, 2022, American Airlines announced an agreement to purchase 20 Overture aircraft with an additional 40 options.

- The Boom XB-1 "Baby Boom" is a one-third-scale trijet supersonic demonstrator designed by Boom Technology as part of development

of the Boom Overture supersonic transport airliner. Powered by three General Electric J85s, it is planned to maintain **Mach 2.2**, with over 1,000 nautical miles (1,900 km; 1,200 mi) of range. The XB-1 conducted its maiden flight on March 22, 2024.

- The brand new Airbus A350-1000 is slated to take flight in 2025 as well. This is the largest of the A350 line, and is 7-meters longer than any other A350. Like the Boeing 777x, Airbus claims that with a roomier interior, a quieter cabin, and lower emissions than other A350 models.



Barnstormers Field Trip - April 5, 2025

Visit the Glenn Curtiss Museum at Hammondsport, NY
DEDICATED TO CELEBRATING A PIONEER

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.

Saturday, April 5th, we will travel on a fully equipped 55 passenger Motor Coach, departing from Gettysburg Regional Airport at 5:45 am. Along the way to Hammondsport, we'll make an approx. 8:00 am fast-food breakfast stop, allowing no more than an hour. Depending on the wishes of the group, we might leave an hour later (6:45) and skip the breakfast stop.

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 3:00 pm, and a dinner stop of 90 minutes will occur about 5:15. Arrival back at our home base will be about 8:30 pm.

The cost of a seat on the bus will be \$ 73.00 per person. Admission to the museum, our group rate, will be \$ 11. for Adults, \$ 10. for Seniors (65+), and \$ 5. for Students & kids.

Barnstormer members in good standing may enjoy a discounted bus fare which will be determined by the Chapter 1041 Board of Directors. The non-member price will be \$ 73.00 per person. Deadline for reservations will be March 15, 2025.

Teaching the World to Fly

For Glenn H. Curtiss, building and selling airplanes was not enough. He wanted people to understand the idea and beauty of flying his aircraft. Starting with the first sale of an airplane to the Aeronautical Society of New York in 1909, he agreed to teach two of its members, Charles Willard and Alexander Williams, how to fly. These men were his first students. It was clear to Curtiss that teaching people to fly had the ability to open new doors to sales and lead to new improvements as well as a better understanding of science and flight. 1910 set a landmark in the opening of the Curtiss School of Aviation in Hammondsport, New York and San Diego, California. Rarely was anyone turned away.

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By 1916, people from all walks of life were attending one of ten locations across the country. The Curtiss School first trained U.S. Navy pilots, helping to create a strong Air Wing of the military. With newspapers taking notice of its vast diversity, the schools were no longer viewed as a curiosity, but instead recognized and declared a “wonder of the century”.

With the outbreak of World War I in 1914, many of the schools and instructors would become extensions of the military. These flying schools trained some of the finest aviators the world had ever seen. Afterwards, the Curtiss Flying Schools merged into the Curtiss Flying Service, continuing well up to the beginning of World War II.



Above: Glenn Curtiss and his students

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



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Just A Reminder!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th

- EAA Chapter 540
- Lancaster, PA

Chapter 540 will be having a Breakfast with Santa on December 7th. The event will be at the Smoketown Airport on Airport Road in Smoketown PA 17576.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13th (RSVP BY NOVEMBER 30th)

- EAA Chapter 1041
- Gettysburg, PA

The last event for 2024 is the annual Christmas Party. It will be held on Friday, December 13th at Spring Grove High School, 1490 Roth Church Road, Spring Grove, PA 17362-1199.

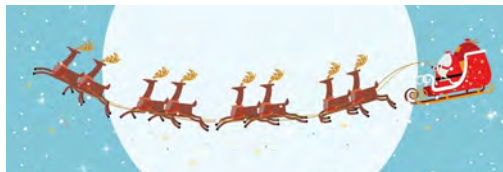
Doors open at 6, dinner starts at 6:30.

PLEASE NOTE: If you haven't signed up yet, reserve your seats by **November 30th** by contacting Henry Hartman at 717-637-3741 (days), 717-465-5952 (cell), or send Henry an e-mail at:



hartmansteiner@comcast.net.

If you signed up, but cannot attend, please let Henry know as well, since the meals are paid for in advance.



From Wings To Wheels



A couple of months ago, Tyler Mack gave us a presentation on his Air Academy experience. Well, Tyler was invited to speak to the kids in the Sunday school program at the Biker Church Of York about his experiences at the Air Academy and Air Venture on Sunday, November the 16th.

In addition to discussing his experiences at Air Academy, he also explained the Young Eagles program, his interest in flying and where God is leading him in this journey. The kids had many questions and were very interested in the projects Tyler made at the Air Academy.

Many thanks to Kathy Smith (now retired from Boeing) who gave each child a die cast biplane! Also, many thanks to Pastor Jimmy Quoss for the warm welcome!

-Photos by Pat Lamb



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.

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

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

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 Affordplane (Afford is a relative term).

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

EAA Chapter 426 - Cumberland, MD

Meetings: Every 4th Thursday 6:00 PM

Meeting Location:

Cumberland Regional Airport
165 Terminal Loop
Wiley Ford WV 26767

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

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

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR Chapter 540:

- **12/7 - Breakfast with Santa**

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:

Life is Pizza restaurant
7 Locust Lane
Westminster MD 21157

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



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. Call Dianna at 301-717-7412 or send her an email. Her email is listed in the advertisement in the middle of the next column.

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. If you don't see what you're looking for, call Dianna and she may have what you're looking for!

Laptop and desktop computers running Windows 10, Windows 11 are available. Touchscreens and tablets are available as well.

Do you need something more 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.** Call Dianna (301)717-7412.

Touchscreen Laptop computer - HP Probook 440 G3 computer with 16GB RAM, 128GB SSD with Windows 11 Professional installed. Microsoft Office 2021 (PC based edition), Google Chrome and AVG Antivirus installed as well. \$350. Call Dianna (301)717-7412.



Laptop computer - HP 355 G2 laptop with 8GB RAM, Windows 10 Home on a 128GB solid state drive (SSD), \$150. Call Dianna (301)717-7412.

HP Desktop Computers- Three HP/Compaq 6000 Pro Small Form Factor systems are available, with slightly different configurations. All have 160GB hard drives with Windows 10 Professional with Google Chrome and AVG Antivirus installed. All three also have a built-in Ethernet port.



The first unit only has 6GB RAM- \$125. The second and third units have 8GB RAM, and a parallel port for older printer support. \$145, Call Dianna (301)717-7412 for details.

Dell Optiplex 755 Desktop - Dell Optiplex 755 system with 8GB RAM, and 80GB hard disk. Has Windows 10 Home installed, along with Office 2007 Professional installed.. No wireless network, but system has an Ethernet port. \$185. Call Dianna (301)717-7412 for details.



SERVICES:

Computer Repair, Upgrades, and Sales - call Dianna at (301)717-7412.

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 to place your ad!



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Letter From the Editor

Happy Holidays, everyone!

As we close out 2024 and look forward to 2025, let’s take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments of 2024. We had the first female helicopter Ray Scholar come from our ranks, we had a stunning record-breaking Spring pancake breakfast, several of the youth in our Chapter had their first solo flights, milestone birthdays, and the list goes on and on.

“It Takes A Chapter” to make things happen, and I thank all of our members for their support of the programs Chapter 1041 has for the youth in our community. Our signature events- the pancake breakfasts- have grown in the past few years. The 2025 Spring Fly-In/Drive-In Pancake Breakfast will feature Miss Pennsylvania making an appearance and helping to flip pancakes! With the grow-

ing community support, hopefully 2025 will be the best year yet!

One last big event for 2024, though- the annual Christmas Party will be at 6PM on Friday, December 13th at Spring Grove High School, 1490 Roth Church Road, Spring Grove, PA 17362-1199. mapq.st/3nn4EJc

If you haven’t signed up yet, remember to reserve your seats by contacting Henry Hartman at 717-637-3741 (days), 717-465-5952 (cell), or send Henry an e-mail at: hartmansteiner@comcast.net. If you signed up, but cannot attend, please let Henry know as well, since we pay for the meals in advance.

Merry Christmas! Hope to see you at the party!

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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=NVNKU1RQKy9RUXcrdGY0UVNITjBjdz09>

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.