



# Columbus Area Aviators

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## February Meeting

The February meeting will be a visit to the **National Museum of the U.S. Air Force** at Wright Patterson AFB in Dayton on **Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup>**.



The museum is open 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and admission is free. There is also a cafeteria on site for lunch. Even if you have been there before, there is always something new to see and this year there is a new fourth exhibit building that was recently opened.

We will meet at the Columbus Municipal Airport parking lot to organize car pooling. **We will depart at 7:00 AM.**

The basic plan is to spend the full day at the museum and then stop for dinner on the return trip back to Columbus.

## January Meeting

The January meeting featured a review and discussion of the 2017 Chapter activity plans and viewing of the January Chapter Video from EAA Headquarters.

## Notes from the President's Desk

Chapter 729 Members:

What an opportunistic winter we're experiencing! Though not the prettiest of days, no one can argue the lack of cold, snow and ice providing opportunities to go fly! As I visit the airport or simply being outside, aircraft are flying regularly!! Enjoy!

Attached you will find the 2017 EAA Chapter 729 calendar providing a good structure for the year. I appreciate and applaud our BOD for their efforts in framing the year and providing opportunity for our members to plan ahead! Their initiatives are intended for everyone to have a chance to be involved.....volunteers, technicians, passengers, pilots, etc. We hope you will find an initiative having your interest and participate.....which is what EAA is all about!

This list is definitely not final and will be enhanced, adjusted and improved as the year goes forward. A list of additional aviation interests, educational opportunities, visits, etc., will be communicated as each is firmed up.

**First up is February outing to National Museum of the U.S. Air Force - Dayton.** It is a great winter item to complete and mark off your bucket-list....even if you've been there before!

A large need for any organization is funding. Here, the BOD is also pursuing opportunities to participate and give back to aviation as a whole and Chapter 729 in general. We are pursuing opportunities which

provide good returns on time spent. More information will be provided shortly.

We're blessed with many capable, experienced and enthused members.....let's go have some fun!!

Safe travels,  
Brad

## The 2017 Chapter Meetings/Events

The preliminary 2017 meeting and event schedule is tabulated below:

Feb 18 (Sat.)	AF Museum – Dayton
Mar 16	Membership Mtg
Apr 20	Fly Out – Rough River
May 6 (Sat.)	Mike Williams Fly In
May 13 (Sat.)	Young Eagles
May 18	Membership Mtg.
May 20	Poker Run Fly Out
Jun 10 (Sat.)	Col. Aviation Day/YE
Jun 15	Membership Mtg.
Jun 24 (Sat.)	Fly Out
Jul 8 (Sat.)	Young Eagles
Jul 20	Cook Out
Aug 12 (Sat.)	Young Eagles
Aug 17	Fly Out
Sep 16 (Sat.)	Fly Out
Sep 21	Cook Out
Oct 19	Membership Mtg.
Nov 16	Membership Mtg.
Dec 9 (Sat.)	Christmas Party

Chapter meetings are a good way to meet others in the local area that share your interest in aviation – homebuilding, restoration, aviation history, military aviation, hangar flying, etc. It is also a way to become involved in activities such as Young Eagle events, visits to member projects, “fly-outs”, etc.

## “Dues Are Due”

It is time to collect dues for 2017. Dues are \$15.00 per year (\$10.00 for family members). Send your check to Larry at:

Larry Morlock  
3407 Woodland Place  
Columbus, IN 47203

## 2017 Young Eagle Events

The Young Eagle Flight events for 2017 will be held on the following Sat. mornings

May 13<sup>th</sup> June 10<sup>th</sup> July 8<sup>th</sup> Aug.12<sup>th</sup>

These events are a great way to introduce kids to the wonders of aviation (not to mention a good reason to go flying). To make these events a success, we will need pilots, planes, and ground crew volunteers.

## Calendar of Events

Apr 4 - 9	Sun & Fun Fly-IN Lakeland, FL ((LAL)
June 10	Airport Day Columbus, IN (BAK)
Jul 24 - 30	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
Oct 14-15	Red Bull Air Races Ind. Motor Speedway

## Aviation/Member News

### **Officers For 2017**

President	Brad Stinebring
Vice President	Dave Lynch
Secretary	Al Tucker
Treasurer	Larry Morlock
Director	Bill Batten
Director	Bob Butterfield
Y.E. Coord.	Larry Morlock
Chief Photographer	Nick Firestone
Newsletter	Mike Foushee
Tech Counselor	Mike Foushee

## Interesting Websites

<http://talk.newagtalk.com/forums/thread-view.asp?tid=656700&mid=5523936#M552>

## Newsletter Input

The newsletter editor is always looking for input. If you have input please contact Mike by the second Friday of each month at:

michael.foushee@yahoo.com

## Items For Sale or Needed

As long as space is available, I'll list items either wanted or for sale that are AVIATION related. If you will provide me with a brief description and contact information, I will include your items.

### **Starduster II Project**

Airframe  
Tailfeathers  
Tailwheel  
Ribs  
Gussets  
Upper Tank (needs repair)  
Lower Tank (needs repair)  
Tubing and Sheet metal  
Spruce for wings  
Boxes of parts "Many many more parts"  
Rivets and screws  
Large Heavy Table  
Easel for Plans  
Plywood  
2 sets of drawings  
Extra Spruce

Located in Central Illinois  
\$5,000.00 or Best Offer  
Contact Bob at (217) 620 – 4350  
*Serious inquiries only please, call for pictures*

## Aviation Humor

An Office With A View!



**Pilot to Tower:** Pilot to tower . . . I am 300 miles from land . . . 600 feet over water . . . and running out of fuel . . . please instruct!

**Tower to pilot:** Tower to pilot . . . repeat after me: "Our Father, which art in heaven . . ."

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**Keep Up Wingman!**



**The Latest Stealth Fighter!**



Another enemy decoy, built in occupied Holland during WW II, led to a tale that has been told and retold ever since by veteran Allied pilots. The German "airfield", constructed with meticulous care, was made almost entirely of wood.

There were wooden hangars, oil tanks, gun emplacements, trucks, and aircraft. The day finally came when the decoy was finished, down to the last wooden plank. And early the following morning, a lone RAF plane crossed the Channel, came in low, circled the field once, and dropped a large wooden bomb.

| <u>When</u>            | <u>What</u>                | <u>Where</u>                |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Saturday, February 18  | Visit Dayton AF Museum     | Dayton, OH                  |
| Thursday, March 16     | Membership Meeting         | Atterbury-Bakalar Museum    |
| Thursday, April 20     | Fly Out                    | Rough River State Park      |
| Saturday, May 06       | Mike Williams Fly-In       | Mike Williams Grass-(24IN)  |
| Saturday, May 13       | Young Eagle Flights        | BAK Terminal                |
| Thursday, May 18       | Membership Meeting         | Atterbury-Bakalar Museum    |
| Saturday, May 20       | Poker Run Fly Out          | BAK-HFY-MQJ-BMG-OVO-GEZ-BAK |
| Saturday, June 10      | Columbus Aviation Day/YE's | BAK Terminal                |
| Thursday, June 15      | Membership Meeting         | Atterbury-Bakalar Museum    |
| Saturday, June 24      | Fly Out                    | TBD                         |
| Saturday, July 08      | Young Eagle Flights        | BAK Terminal                |
| Thursday, July 20      | Cook Out                   | TBD                         |
| Saturday, August 12    | Young Eagle Flights        | BAK Terminal                |
| Thursday, August 17    | Fly Out                    | TBD                         |
| Saturday, September 16 | Fly Out                    | TBD                         |
| Thursday, September 21 | Cook Out                   | TBD                         |
| Thursday, October 19   | Membership Meeting         | Atterbury-Bakalar Museum    |
| Thursday, November 16  | Membership Meeting         | Atterbury-Bakalar Museum    |
| Saturday, December 09  | Christmas Dinner           | Hangar 5                    |