



Columbus Area Aviators

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March Meeting

The March meeting will be held **Thursday** evening **March 17th** at the **Atterbury Bakalar Air Museum**.

As mentioned in Brad's notes on the right, Brian Payne (Airport Director) and Justin Bessler (Assistant Manager) will update the chapter on the aviation programs available locally through the partnership between Ivy Tech, and Jeff Air.

We will also discuss the topics covered at the recent EAA chapter leader meeting in Indy; and time permitting we will show the March chapter video from Oshkosh.

We will meet at **6:30 PM** for refreshments and the program will start about 7:00 PM.

February Meeting

At the February meeting, the initial Board of Directors meeting discussion and planned direction for the chapter was discussed.

We will be developing a calendar of events and meeting topics for several months in advance. A mixture of presentation style meetings, project visits, and other activities are planned.

Members are requested to provide input on topics of interest and to proactively recruit new members for the chapter.

A chapter roster with contact information will be provided to the members as requested.

Notes From The President's Desk

Chapter 729 Members:

Three things are occurring as I write this note.....Sandhill cranes are flying, daffodils are blooming and more aircraft are in the air! Regardless what the calendar says.....spring is here!!

As many of you know, Chapter member Dick Cain passed away last week. Dick was passionate and a tremendous supporter of aviation and Chapter 729. He and wife Margot were at "every" EAA meeting and event which I attended. Our condolences to Margot, the family and many friends.

Your 2016 EAA Chapter 729 BOD is off to a good start. We held a two hour+ BOD meeting in February, attended a EAA sponsored Leadership Conference and communicated with each other on various topics. I'm appreciative of the BOD's enthusiasm and willingness to get/be engaged. Our number one goal is to grow Chapter 729 and feel we are starting to identify steps to achieve this. It won't happen quickly, but have started moving forward and all BOD members look forward to the challenge.

A cornerstone of EAA is growing and nurturing interest in aviation. As many of you know, Columbus Municipal Airport Mgmt., local FBO Jeff Air and Ivy Tech School have partnered to offer aviation related courses. You may have heard about some of this activity but not all. I have asked airport manager Brian Payne to brief the membership on initiatives and status. Brian, along with

assistant manager Justin Bessler, will be attending our March 17 meeting to brief us. I encourage everyone to attend and show support as a Chapter and individually in initiative to nurturing interest in aviation. I believe it will be informative.....please bring questions! Additionally, it will a good time to learn about upcoming Aviation Day.

For April, we are arranging a tour of AAR at Indianapolis airport. AAR is an international MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul) facility providing services to both domestic and international customers of commercial aircraft. It has promises of being a very informative and enjoyable experience. We expect to be on the hangar floor and view aircraft up close as well as touring the support departments and shops. I would expect this visit to be a late afternoon event coordinated with shift change and may need to be flexible on the date. More information will be available at next weeks meeting.

For later this spring/summer, we are discussing a fly-out to Mike Williams' grass strip, visit a home-built helicopter, Vans aircraft and other events. Come next week and help us make these and other things happen!

Safe travels,

Brad

The 2016 Chapter Meetings

The tentative 2016 meeting schedule is tabulated below:

Apr 21	May 19	Jun 16	Jul 21
Aug 18	Sep 15	Oct 20	Nov 17
Dec 15			

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.

Aviation/Member News

Officers For 2016

President	Brad Stinebring
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Director	Bob Butterfield
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“Gone West”

As Brad mentioned, Dick Cain passed away Friday morning March 4th at the age of 84. He and his wife Margot were regular attendees at the chapter meetings and were consistent volunteers supporting the Young Eagle events.

2016 Young Eagle Events

The Young Eagle Flight events for 2016 will be held on the following Sat. mornings (July 17 is a Sunday as part of the Cessna 170 Fly-In).

May 21st June 11th July 17th Aug.20th

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. **Don't forget to fulfill the Youth Protection requirements.**

Calendar of Events

Apr 5 - 10	Sun & Fun Fly-IN Lakeland, FL ((LAL)
June 11	Airport Day Columbus, IN (BAK)
Jul 25 - 31	EAA AirVenture Oshkosh, WI (OSH)
Sept 3	Fly-In / Cruise-In Marion, In (MZZ)
Oct 1 – 2	Red Bull Air Races Indianapolis Motor Speedway

AirVenture Volunteer Opportunity

EAA's AirVenture 2016 is only 4 months in the future, so they are putting out the annual call for volunteers to help out with the Ford Tri-Motor rides ground operations.

AirVenture 2016 runs from Monday, July 25 through Sunday, July 31.

1. What size tee shirt would you prefer?
S,M,L,XL,XXL,XXXL
2. Name and contact information of person to be notified in the event of an emergency
3. Days or dates you want to work
4. What times would you like to work? (As always, I will try to assign you to the times that you request).
7:00 am - 9:00 am
9:00 am - 11:00 am
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm (This shift could slip to 6:00 pm)
5. Will you be camping on the airport grounds? If yes, in a tent or camper?
6. Your age, if under 18
7. Number of years volunteering with the Ford Tri-Motor at AirVenture (do not count this year).
8. Much of the volunteer work requires bending, lifting, walking and exposure to the elements. We do not want to cause you injury or aggravate a pre-existing condition that you may have, so please let me know if there are some activities that you would prefer not to be asked to do.

If you are interested in volunteering, **please respond to the following questions by APRIL 15th.**

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Interesting Websites

<http://player.vimeo.com/video/93587997>

<http://www.flixxy.com/first-person-view-of-felix-baumgartners-space-jump.htm#.Uu5KxEhDi7Q.gmail>

<http://heaterpix.com/planes.htm>

Women's Air Race Film on PBS

"Beyond the Powder": The Legacy of the First Women's Cross-Country Air Race is a documentary film that follows the 2014 Air Race Classic racers as they make their way across the country, while telling the story of the original race of 1929, also known as the Powder Puff Derby.

The first Women's Air Derby in 1929 was flown from Santa Monica to the finish line in Cleveland, kicking off the National Air Races. The eyes of the country watched as these brave women made history flying cross-country, breaking into a competition that was thought to be for men only. They encountered sabotage, death, and all the difficulties of flying at the dawn of aviation.

Today the Powder Puff Derby continues as the Air Race Classic. The modern day racers carry out the legacy of the original racers with their adventurous and rebellious spirit. Showing that they were more than just their make-up, the original Derby contestants have inspired those flying today to truly push beyond the powder.

Locally both **WFIU** and **WFYI** will broadcast this film in June. For more details go to the following website:

http://hemlockfilms.com/Hemlock_Films/index.html

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.

1946 Globe Swift



N3244K S/N: 1237 TT: 1503 hrs.
Continental O-300-A 298 hrs. SMOH
King Nav-Com, Narco XPDR & Encoder
2- Place Intercom & Bose headsets
August, 2015 annual inspection
\$27,000

Contact:

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Aviation Humor

And people worry about attaching GoPros!



One mouse tells her girlfriend she dates a bat.
" What is this "thing" you are dating?"
" It's a bat, a mouse with wings!"
" But he is so ugly!"
" Well, yes, but he is a pilot!"

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.

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Pilot - Outer marker, inbound.

Tower - Roger, cleared to land runway 36, winds 270 at 21, gusting 29, heavy rain, severe turbulence below 300, RVR 2,000 feet.

Pilot - Roger--cleared to land--and oh, let us know if it gets any worse.

Tower - WORSE?!!!

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Pilot: "Approach, Cessna 123, request two practice ILS approaches, followed by the published missed to the VOR to hold, a VOR approach, two NDB approaches, and an ASR approach."

Approach: "Cessna 123 squawk 4753, and would you like fries with that, sir?"

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A man walks up to the counter at the airport. "Can I help you?" asks the agent. "I want a round trip ticket," says the man.

"Where to?" asks the agent.

"Why right back here."

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A passenger piled his bags on the scale at an airline counter in New York and said to the clerk, "I'm flying to Los Angeles. I want the square case to go to Denver and the two round ones to go to Seattle."

"I'm sorry, sir, but we can't do that."

"Why not? You did it last time!"