

# **Columbus Area Aviators**

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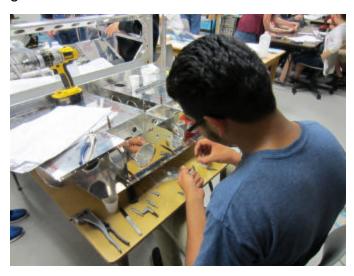
#### **May Meeting**

The May meeting has been cancelled. The planned event (a visit to a homebuilder's project) did not come together in time; and so you will have a free evening to commit aviation (weather permitting).

### **April Meeting**

The planned fly-out to Rough River State Park in Kentucky unfortunately did not occur due to weather issues.

However, a number of us did visit Columbus North High School to review the progress that the students are making in building a Van's RV-12 as part of the "Aviation Nation" program initiated by Bob Kelly. The students have completed several major subassemblies and the workmanship is quite good.



See Brad's comments for information on how you can visit this workshop in person – it is well worth your time!





**Notes from the President's Desk** 

Chapter 729 Members,

Trust everyone is doing well and continue enjoying all the colors coming out.....regardless of the spring rains! I have heard of some great flights of members attending Sun-in-Fun and others flying to Cuba..... and totally envious!!

Our May membership meeting <u>will not</u> <u>occur</u>, as were unable to arrange any agenda in a timely manner. We are building out June agenda and will share asap!

In the mean time, a good deal of weekend activities are occurring. Our (first of four) Young Eagles flights for 2017 will have occurred by this reading and a Poker Run is scheduled for Saturday, May 20. Those interested in completing Poker Run should reply to (blstinebring@comcast.net) and will provide more details. One prize will be available to the aircraft with best poker hand.....their fuel tank will be topped off at BAK airport! Let me know!!

Other activity is the EAA Ford tri-motor providing rides in Bloomington May 18-21, Terre Haute May 25-28 and Anderson May 15-18. Undoubtedly many of you have completed this flight before but a good opportunity to do again or share with another individual.

June 10, 2017 is Columbus Aviation Day from 0800-1500

(http://www.therepublic.com/2017/03/17/milest ones\_in\_sight\_for\_this\_years\_aviation\_day/.

Last year was a great event and this year promises to be as well....if not better! Let's show our aviation enthusiasm and attend this event. Even better, many volunteers are needed, particularly for our YE program, providing a means of giving back!!

Later in June, you may be interested in Johnson County Pilots Association Fly-In Breakfast on Saturday June 24, from 0800-1100 at the Franklin Flying Field (3FK), Franklin, Indiana. They have not had a fly-in recently and hoping to re-establish this fun event. Chapter 729 has a fly-out scheduled for same date and would be a good match as a destination or making multiple stops!

Here's an item for all aircraft owners to put on their calendar, an aircraft Weight & Balance clinic!! In early stages of formulating, Chapter 729 is planning a free clinic on updating W&B on aircraft in September. Hopefully, we can partner with individuals needing to complete a transponder, pitot

system check as well. More details coming and date for this safety related need. How current is your W&B?

I also just learned the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum has nearly met their fund raising goal and most likely breaking ground this summer. Congratulations to ABAM who has done a tremendous job of preserving/communicating history of BAK/local area!! They have previously mentioned Chapter 729 could utilize utilize new covered patio/cooking/picnic area....what a great offer and opportunity for Chapter 729!!

Yesterday, I received invitation from Indianapolis Aero Club for Chapter 729 to attend two different dinner events. First is AOPA Pres. Mark Baker speaking June 13 at Hillcrest Country Club. Later in the year, EAA Chairman & CEO Jack Pelton will be speaking Sept. 12, again at Hillcrest Country Club. Reservations will be required and can be completed at

#### www.indyaeroclub.com.

These promise to be two great evenings put on by the Indianapolis Aero Club which was founded in 1933! Hope you will join me at these events?

Last, I try to write about what's occurring in the future and let news reporter (Mike Foushee) write about what has occurred. But I can't pass on the opportunity to comment on our recent visit to Columbus North High School to witness students working on RV-12 aircraft build. It is so inspiring to see the enthusiasm, dedication, passion and talent being put forth by this group!! If you haven't stopped by, do yourself a favor and do so. You will be encouraged and easily see our future aviation leaders! No invitation needed to stop by between 1600-1730 on Monday and Wednesday's....just walk in. Located on west side of building off of Home Ave., you may have to find an alternate entry but quite doable.

I promise to be back in touch shortly about these and other activities as summer approaches and gets into full swing!

Safe travels, Brad

### **The 2017 Chapter Meetings/Events**

The 2017 meeting and event schedule is tabulated below:

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.

#### 2017 Young Eagle Events

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

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

June 10	Airport Day

Columbus, IN (BAK)

Jun 11 Sinful Sunday

Lee Bottom (64I)

Jul 9 Sinful Sunday

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Jul 24 - 30 EAA AirVenture

Oshkosh, WI (OSH)

Aug 13 Sinful Sunday

Lee Bottom (64I)

Sep 9-10 Putnam Co. Airport Day

Putnam Co. (GPC)

Sept 23 Airport Day

North Vernon (OVO)

Oct 14 Seymour Aviation Day

Freeman Field (SER)

Oct 14-15 Red Bull Air Races

Ind. Motor Speedway

#### **Aviation/Member News**

#### Officers For 2017

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

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#### **Interesting Websites**

https://www.youtube.com/embed/u4D0yx4DvB k?rel=0

http://www.warhistoryonline.com/militaryvehicle-news/awesome-b-54-ultrafortressboeings-best-piston-prop-bomber-failed-everfly.html/3

http://www.faa.gov/go/BasicMed

#### **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.

#### **Aviation Humor**

Airspeed: Speed of an airplane. Deduct 25% when listening to a Navy pilot.

Bank: The folks who hold the lien on most pilots' cars.

Cone of Confusion: An area about the size of New Jersey, located near the final approach beacon at an airport.

Dead Reckoning: You reckon correctly, or you are.

Engine Failure: A condition which occurs when all fuel tanks mysteriously become filled with air.

Firewall: Section of the aircraft specially designed to let heat and smoke enter the cockpit.

Glide Distance: Half the distance from the airplane to the nearest emergency landing field.

Hydroplane: An airplane designed to land on a 20,000 foot long wet runway.

Lean Mixture: Nonalcoholic beer

Nanosecond: Time delay built into the stall warning system.

Parasitic Drag: A pilot who bums a ride and complains about the service.

Range: Usually about 30 miles beyond the point where all fuel tanks fill with air.

Rich Mixture: What you order at the other guy's promotion party.

Roger: Used when you're not sure what else to say.

Service Ceiling: Altitude at which cabin crews can serve drinks.

Spoilers: The Federal Aviation Administration.

Stall - Technique used to explain to the bank why you car payment is late.

The 29 Greatest Lies in Aviation

- 1. I'm from the FAA and I'm here to help
- 2. Me? I've never busted minimums.
- 3. We will be on time, maybe even early.
- 4. I have no interest in flying for the airlines.
- 5. I fixed it right the first time, it must have failed for other reasons.
- 6. All that turbulence spoiled my landing.
- 7. I'm a member of the mile high club.
- 8. I only need glasses for reading.
- 9. I broke out right at minimums.
- 10. Don't worry about the weight and balance -- it'll fly.
- 11. If we get a little lower I think we'll see the lights.
- 12. I'm 22, got 6000 hours, a four year degree and 3000 hours in a Lear.
- 13. We shipped the part yesterday.
- 14. This plane outperforms the book by 20 percent.
- 15. We in aviation are overpaid, underworked and well respected.
- 16. Oh sure, no problem, I've got over 2000 hours in that aircraft.
- 17. I have 5000 hours total time, 3200 are actual instrument.
- 18. No need to look that up, I've got it all memorized.
- 19. Sure I can fly it -- it has wings, doesn't it?
- 20. We'll be home by lunchtime.
- 21. Your plane will be ready by 2 o'clock.
- 22. I'm always glad to see the FAA.
- 23. We fly every day -- we don't need recurrent training.
- 24. It just came out of annual -- how could anything be wrong?
- 25. I thought YOU took care of that.
- 26. I've got the field in sight.
- 27. I've got the traffic in sight.
- 28. Of course I know where we are.
- 29. I'm SURE the gear was down.