



# Columbus EAA Chapter 729

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### Chapter 729 Members & Aviation Friends:

Congratulations to the [Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum](#) on their recent dedication of [Charlie -119](#)! This organization and staff over a four-year period (and pandemic), completed the acquisition, moving, preparation and assembly of a C-119 Flying Boxcar, to be a center piece for A-BAM. This C-119 display perpetually honors and pays tribute to the role this military aircraft played – for its capabilities, missions, military personnel served and importance to Columbus airport and community. Thank you to all involved for your commitment, dedication, passion, and hours given to make this a reality for Columbus!

EAA Chapter 729 hopes to hold a membership meeting in the cargo bay of C-119 soon. More as we discuss with A-BAM on timing and capabilities.

Make plans to attend September “membership meeting”, where we will be announcing a new initiative of Build and Fly for youth! This initiative supported by EAA national and led locally by [Brett Herrick](#), is a hands-on effort to educate youth on design and construction of aircraft, as they build a remote control (RC) from scratch. See more about this program on the last page of the newsletter and come to our [membership meeting on Thursday, September 15 @ 6:30 \(that's this week\)](#), at the EAA 729 hangar.

The 1940 Taylorcraft rebuild is coming along and now in need of more space. So, the aircraft has been moved from shop area to hangar side in preparation of attaching wings. Though a couple weeks off, it will be enjoyable

to see a whole aircraft! Come out and see the progress and more importantly.... come “join” the fun!

Haven't had much luck with “Young Eagle” program this year with all 3 dates being cancelled due to weather! We hope to change that with remaining 2 dates of September 17 and October 01. Assisting with these two remaining dates is member [Kate Russell](#), who obtained her private pilot (PPL) in June. As a “senior project” for high school, she has been assisting in promoting and organizing these events and will be flying YE's as well. Well done, Kate!

2022 Ray Scholar [Tyler Rimer](#) has been working on ground school and started his flight lessons. Unfortunately, he has a leg injury requiring surgery, which will slow his flight instruction, but not his ground school. Ray Scholars has one year to complete PPL, so Tyler has flexibility.

Moving to business side of EAA 729, preparation for annual membership meeting and elections have been under way for October. Terms for three Class II board members (even years) are expiring – [Bob Graves](#), [Bob Butterfield](#), and [Bill Batten](#). Graves and Butterfield have decided to step off the BoD and Batten is standing for another two-year term.

The commitment, passion and wisdom provided by Graves and Butterfield over the past 8 years is unmeasurable, and we all thank them for their service to EAA 729. Will most definitely be missed at our meetings but knowing they will still be engaged and participating is

heartwarming. THANK YOU to who we affectionally called “[Bob Squared](#)”!

Three members have stepped forward to join the board, as well as Batten standing for re-election. [Dan Villager, Kate Russell and James Yrineo](#) will be joining [Bill Batten](#) for elections. A voting proxy will soon be sent out to EAA 729 members in good standing (paid dues) to vote. Want to thank all four of these individuals for stepping forward and assisting in the continuation of building a great EAA chapter and 501C3 organization! Great things are occurring and more to come!

In addition to elections, a proposal for changes in EAA 729 By-Laws will be on the October annual meeting agenda. This too will be included in voting proxy being received soon.

A new security light is being added to EAA 729 hangar. Expect in the next 60 days to see a dusk to dawn light mounted on west side of hangar. We anticipate this to assist not only for EAA hangar but surrounding hangars as well.

A shout out to Larry Bothe for responding to our call for drill bits! He purchased/donated a complete set of drill bits and it was “immediately” put in use! Thank you, Larry!

And to close.... here’s a couple of fun things to attend and/or participate!

On Sunday, September 18 – Kentucky EAA (<https://kyeaafllyin.org>) will hold 48<sup>th</sup> annual Fly-In to Rough River (213), where food and various aircraft contest will be held from 0900-1600. This has been rescheduled from an earlier date, which was weathered out.

On Saturday, October 01 and Sunday, October 02, Bowman Field in Louisville (<https://www.bowmanaviationfest.com>) will be holding their annual “Bowmanfest Airport Day, with an aerobatic airshow included this year!

Now that we’re past Labor Day weekend, some excellent days for experiencing aviation can be found, either at the airport or in the air! Hope you can find your aviation moment!

Be safe,

Brad

*EAA – the Spirit of Aviation!*

## **Aviation/Member News**

### **Officers For 2022**

President	Brad Stinebring
Vice President	Brad Moore
Secretary	Larry Kelly
Treasurer	Bill Batten
Director II	Bob Graves
Director III	Matt Brown
Director II	Bob Butterfield
Director III	Brett Herrick
Y.E. Coord.	Brad Moore
Tech Counselor	Mike Foushee

### **2022 Young Eagle Events**

The remaining Young Eagle Flight events for 2022 will be held on the following Sat. mornings from **9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

**Sept 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Oct 1<sup>st</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.

Reminder: everyone helping out with these events should have completed the EAA Youth Protection Background Checks (no cost).

### **2022 Member Dues**

Only those who have paid their 2022 chapter dues are eligible to vote in the November chapter elections. Chapter 729 dues for 2022 can be paid by going to:

[www.EAA729.org](http://www.EAA729.org)

and click on the “**Pay Your Dues Now**” link. Dues for 2022 are still only \$20.00 per year.

### **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](mailto:michael.foushee@yahoo.com)

## Interesting Websites

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=wWFOOJv0M4c>

### EAA Chapter 729 Hangar Needs

We have developed a list of items that would be useful in pursuing some of the chapter's projects. So, if you have any of the following items cluttering up your life, your garage, or your hangar please consider donating them to Chapter 729 (a 501c3 organization).

Swaging Tool	Wheel Balancer
Aircraft Scales.	PPE Storage Cabinet

We have now held a pancake breakfast twice this year. In preparing for these events, we have acquired a new 45 cup coffee pot as well as a supply of plastic ware, paper products, serving pans, etc. Unfortunately, we don't have a good place to store these cooking supplies. If anyone has a storage cabinet that they are not using – and would be willing to donate it to the chapter it would be greatly appreciated. It doesn't have to be new but we are looking for something that has doors.

If you have something that might work, please text or call **Bill Batten** at **812-390-0034**.

### Calendar of Events

Sept 18	KY EAA Fly-In Rough River, KY (2I3)
Sept 19 - 25	Triple Tree Fly-In Woodruff, SC
Sept 27	Monroe County Airport Day Bloomington, IN (BMG)
Oct 1&2	"BowmanFest" Louisville, KY (KLOU)

## Items For Sale or Needed

### 2-Place Oxygen System



2 place cannula 9 cu ft oxygen system from Sporty's. Never used and air filled. Sporty's price is \$730. Asking \$400. Tom Morone 812-343-2859.

### Brantly Helicopter



1959 Brantly B2A N5950X TT: 897.5 hrs.  
35 hours since chrome top overhaul

\$37,500

Contact: Karl Schilling 317-796-4997  
[kschilling@embarqmail.com](mailto:kschilling@embarqmail.com)



## Flight Simulator Components



2-Place

Volair Flight Sim cockpit components – NEW  
Basic frame, widescreen frame plus misc. parts  
Less seat and instrument panel  
Value \$870.00 Sell for \$625.00  
Can be seen at Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum  
Call 812-372-4356 and leave a message

### Aviation Humor

**SNAP-ON GASKET SCRAPER:** Theoretically useful as a sandwich tool for spreading mayonnaise; used mainly for getting dog-doo off your boot.

**E-Z OUT BOLT AND STUD EXTRACTOR:** A tool that snaps off in bolt holes and is ten times harder than any known drill bit.

**TWO-TON HYDRAULIC ENGINE HOIST:** A handy tool for testing the tensile strength of ground straps and fuel lines you may have forgotten to disconnect.

**CRAFTSMAN 1/2 x 16-INCH SCREWDRIVER:** A large motor mount prying tool that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end without the handle.

**BATTERY ELECTROLYTE TESTER:** A handy tool for transferring sulfuric acid from a car battery to the inside of your toolbox after determining that your battery is dead as a doornail, just as you thought.

**AVIATION METAL SNIPS:** See hacksaw.

**HACKSAW:** One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms

human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

**TROUBLE LIGHT:** The mechanic's own tanning booth. Sometimes called a drop light, it is a good source of vitamin D, "the sunshine vitamin," which is not otherwise found under airplanes at night. Health benefits aside, its main purpose is to consume 40-watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105-mm howitzer shells might be used during, say, the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More often dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

**PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:** Normally used to stab the lids of old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splash oil on your shirt; can also be used, as the name implies, to round off Phillips screw heads.

**AIR COMPRESSOR:** A machine that takes energy produced in a coal-burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts last tightened 60 years ago by someone in Springfield, and rounds them off.

**PRY BAR:** A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

**HOSE CUTTER:** A tool used to cut hoses 1/2 inch too short.

**HAMMER:** Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate expensive parts not far from the object we are trying to hit.

**MECHANIC'S KNIFE:** Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on boxes containing seats and leather jackets.

**ELECTRIC HAND DRILL:** Normally used for spinning steel Pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age, but it also works great for drilling mounting holes in wings just above the fuel tank.

## Build and Fly Kickoff at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Chapter Meeting



The Build & Fly program is an opportunity for students as a group build an electric powered Remote Control (RC) airplane in the EAA hangar and then learn how to fly it at the Bartholomew County RC Fliers flying field.

The target audience for this project is Senior High School and Junior High School students. Our initial offering of this project will be limited to chapter youth members and children or grandchildren of chapter members. Also, our initial offering of this activity will be limited to six students. The plan is for the selected students to meet once a week to build this airplane until it is ready to fly.

At this kickoff meeting we will:

- Show the RC airplane kit that we will be building
- Demonstrate an RC airplane flying in the hangar
- Demonstrate an RC airplane simulator
- Each student will be building and flying their own balsa glider
- Determine what the best weekly meeting time is (i.e., a weekday evening or Saturday morning)

**If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Brett so we will have enough kits for everyone.**

Please direct any questions to Brett Herrick at [BrettRV-12@comcast.net](mailto:BrettRV-12@comcast.net)