

The Sky's the Limit

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From the Prez

Meeting Notice:

Jan Meeting will be at County Rescue Jan.13 th 7:00 to 9:00pm

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The holidays are over and we've jumped into a brisk New Year! My hope is that everyone's Christmas and New Year celebrations were joyous and safe. Perhaps even a bit of it spent in the air! This time of year always brings out the wonder of what fun we'll venture into during the coming months. Our Chapter is certainly seeing some changes and with the variety of ideas pouring in, I doubt we'll be at a loss for things to do.

First and foremost, I'd like to offer a huge thank you to Clete for his many years of dedication as Chapter President and his wife for the support and encouragement during that time. He served us well and helped form us into the group that we are. I have some big shoes to fill but am looking forward to the challenge.

Next, a bit of introduction for those who may not know me. I'm married to my wonderful wife Jessica and we have to teen daughters, Sarah and Dana. Both girls are in high school at NEW Lutheran, Jes teaches fourth grade at Oconto Elementary, and I am a Firefighter/Paramedic with Green Bay Metro Fire Department. Originally from the Chippewa Falls area, we've been in Green Bay since 1999. Outside of work and aviation, I'm an avid outdoorsman (primarily fishing), volunteer for the Leadership Green Bay program, teach for NWTC in the Public Safety division, and, when time allows, substitute teach in the local schools.

Looking ahead, there are many exciting plans in the works. I see many faces getting interested in the various projects, wanting to participate or lend a hand. I think we're in for a great year in our chapter and can't wait to see our plans come to fruition. So until we meet again, happy flying, be safe, and have a great January!

Dustin

EAA Chapter 651 Meeting

When: Mon January 13th 7 to 9:00 pm

Where County Rescue Services on Allouez Avenue

Green Bay, Wi

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Airwaves

Happy New Year Friends

What a crazy weather pattern we've had through December. It was a little tough to get a few decent flying days in a row. Looks like January is starting in the deep freeze. Brrrrrrrrr!

If you're flying in this cold weather consider ways to keep your engine warm during your descent and landing by starting down from altitude earlier with only a slight power reduction if necessary. Try putting flaps on earlier as you near the traffic pattern, 20 degrees flaps abeam the numbers and a longer final and full flaps on final will help you keep the power up to keep your engine warmer. Don't forget about keeping yourself warm too!! Looking forward to the Chapter moving forward in the New Year. I won't be writing my little Airwaves or Congrats this year but it's been fun.

See you at the meetings! CAVU.......Noel

Congratulations

Jet Air has started offering a .20 cent discount on 100LL on Saturdays and Sundays.

1ST SOLO

Jet Air Private Ground School

12/6 Nathan Froiland 12/9 Travis Maloney C182

KNOWLEDGE TESTS

12/4 Nikita Konshak IFR 12/6 Travis Maloney PVT

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12/31 Travis Malo-

Instructor: Chris

McClellan

To Register: (920)

494-2669

When: Thursdays 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

February 13 - May 15, 2014

Where: Jet Air Group

Austin Straubel Int'l Airport

1921 Airport Drive

Green Bay, WI 54313

Fee: \$375 including Jeppesen Private

Pilot Training materials

Plus one hour in our flight simulator with completion of course.

Chris



Please register by January 15th will ensure timely receipt of materials. Fee does not include the FAA knowledge test.

The CAVU Flight Academy is hosting a 9 week Instrument Ground School starting Wednesday, 29 January, 2014 from 6:00-9:00 pm at the flight school. The cost is \$250.00 including books. To enroll contact Woody on or before 22 January at dr-w@new.rr.com or call 920-850-0263.

From our friend Leon Sigman,

I'm way down in the dumps. An expensive type doctor might call it depression. No I feel worse than that. There's only one activity I enjoy more than flying but this is a family publication so no details, Not only do I love to fly but I get paid for it. But the prospects of living in a perfect world are diminished with the closure of Lakeshore Aviation. I can't believe it. Reality is painful. With the cessation goes organized flight training for Jim and Leon. Oh yes, we're okay if you own your own airplane. We still can be utilized as flight instructors but with the closure goes flight training and rentals. We know that Manitowoc County People are set to operate the airport. They are sincere and must walk a fine line since from now on the taxpayer's money is involved. We also know that insurance companies control the world and deftly mandate that flight instructors are immense liability.

Because staff like Ricky and Eric, MTW is/was one of the friendliest airports in the state. Clean crew cars, sweet rolls, five different instrument approaches, good coffee, excellent runways, social breakfast flyouts, and lest we forget, Jeremy the whiz kid of aircraft inspection and repair. And we have Curt. Everyone has Curt Drum stories.... This is the guy who changed a pancake breakfast into a major air show, developed self-fueling. Brought us the world of seaplanes and Air Taxi. Most of the company's expansions were funded with Curt's very own wallet. He pushed, prodded, and pulled trying to make the Manitowoc airport bigger and better. We all knew that jets based at MTW ceased operation. Jet fuel sales powered the airplanes and resultant monies fueled the airport.

And now it's over. I could hear the bulletin board cry when I removed pictured of my granddaughter, took down ancient cartoons letters from other pilots, you know, the stuff that makes it to your office. Model airplanes, toys, approach plates, maps. Boxes of stuff that you'd never allow to become big bunch. But worst was gently tugging tags from the door. It confirmed the end. Lakeshore Aviation is the fourth FBO I've worked for and at no time were we ever without training/rental aircraft. And now there's a void that says the airport just ain't an airport. So where are you brave 'knight', the guy riding a white horse or a red Corvette, the guy who will invest in a trainer or two, because every flight lost hurts the student, his future and the instructor who's passionate about teaching. The impact hurts all of aviation. Leon



"Miracle on the Hudson"

FREE ADMISSION to the General Public

Presented by Jeff Skiles, EAA VP and Co-Pilot of US Airways Flight 1549

Thursday, January 16, 2014 | 7 - 8:30 p.m. | EAA AirVenture Museum

Hear the incredible story of "Miracle on the Hudson," the celebrated water landing made famous throughout the world.

Join us as Jeff Skiles describes the near catastrophic events leading up to US Airways Flight 1549's emergency landing on the Hudson River, a heroic feat that became known as the "Miracle on the Hudson."

This free public presentation begins at 7 p.m. in the museum Founders' Wing and includes a "beyond the ropes" museum tour.

For more information visit www.AirVentureMuseum.org or call 920-426-6823.

Welcome to a new year and era for our chapter. The weather so far has not been real conducive to flying. Hopefully this will change soon. As some of you are aware I've pulled the trigger on getting ADS B compliant with the Husky. I know that it seems a long way off but the deadline will be coming quicker than we want and my concerns have more to do with being able to get in and have the work done.

I think that we will continue to have many challenges in the future of our ability to fly. I hope that we may have driver license type medical certification coming down the turn pike but as with many of the proposals until its official don't hold your breath. I hope that you can take the time and follow the issues of the day and support The EAA and AOPA in there representing us and don't be afraid or too lazy to write your representatives.

Hopefully this year we will see a couple of our projects get into the air. RV12's, Starduster's and even progress on Stinson's.

Finally your Chapter needs your help and contributions of time and efforts to be able to continue our mission of introducing and encouraging people to get into the air and learn why we love to fly. I will also appreciate any of your written efforts for the newsletter. Noel's contributions will sorely be missed Jim