



# EAA Chapter 100

## July 2014 Newsletter

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Reader submissions and comments are strongly encouraged.

### July Hangar Flying Event

When: Saturday, July 12th – 9:00 AM  
Where: Chapter Hangar – Dodge Center  
What: The meeting will be hosted by John and Jeff Hanson

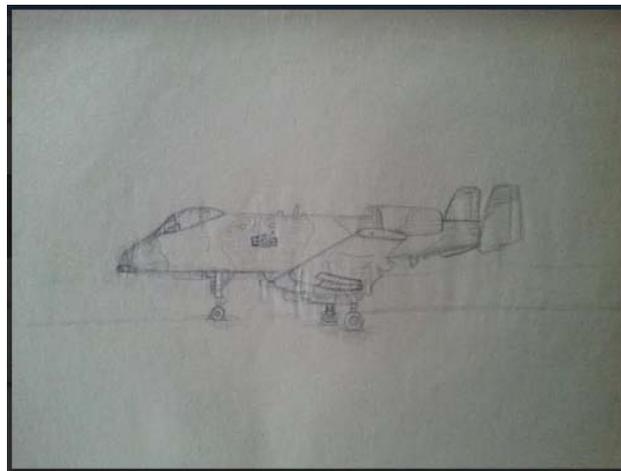
All members are encouraged to get their airplanes out and fly to the meeting. Cross your fingers for good weather!

### Father's Day Fly-In Breakfast

Thanks to all who braved the stormy weather to come out and participate in the fly-in breakfast. All thunderstorms aside, we still had a good turnout of drive-in traffic. Although I don't know the official count, we still served a heck of a lot of pancakes. In the end, the weather shaped up so we could at least clean up in the sunshine. Again, thank you to all who were there. We can't do it without you.

### Interesting Story – It really is a small world

Here's something you might find interesting:



This is a picture of a drawing that I did sitting on the ramp at the Rochester Airport the Friday night before the 1984 Rochester Airshow when I was 13 years old. Dad was on the airshow committee and had gone out to help with the set up and had brought me (and my sketchbook) with.

An Air Force A-10 had flown in for the show and so I sat down on the ramp and proceeded to draw it. I can remember all the details including talking with the pilot and (imagine this) being allowed to climb up and try that big beast on for size. Yes, back then the unheard of "sitting in the cockpit of a military jet aircraft" actually happened! Anyway, after such an awesome experience, what could I do to give something back? Upon returning the next day for the show, I gave the pilot a copy of the drawing that I had completed the night before.

A few weeks later, I received in the mail, a package of A-10 information sheets and a great poster of a flight of A-10's with a thank you note written on it. How cool is that for a 13 year old aviation buff? That poster hung on my wall until I graduated high school and left for the Navy.



I also made a drawing from it and sent it to him in return.



Now let's skip ahead 30 years to Father's Day 2014. After getting home from the breakfast, I received a phone call from my brother

Jeremy. He wanted to know if I remembered the 1984 Rochester Airshow. He went on to explain that he had just spent an afternoon with a very close friend and her brother who had been an Air Force pilot and had flown an A-10 in to that airshow for display. I immediately remembered the event and proceeded to recall my story to him.

It turns out that he retired from the Air Force and now lives in Arizona. Naturally, their discussion turned to airplanes and flying. Jeremy talked to him about our airplanes (the Hatz and the Parakeet) and showed him the videos that I've posted on the internet. After watching them he told my brother that he has always wanted to fly in an open cockpit biplane.

After getting off the phone I proceeded to dig through my boxes in the attic and pulled out that old sketch book. Although I no longer have the poster, I do still have both drawings. Jeremy emailed photos of the two drawings to him along with my story of the event and my open invite to go for a ride in the Hatz next summer when he is back in Minnesota.

Here is a bit of his email response:

Hi Jeremy, it's great to hear from you and thank you for sharing such an amazing story. To say "it's a small world" does not do this justice. I feel like we have  
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completed a loop that began 30 years ago. Your brother's story means a lot to me personally. I used to do a lot of airshows, especially as a younger pilot, and when the opportunity came along to participate in the Rochester Airshow naturally I jumped at it. Not only could I include a family visit, but I also had a chance to do some outreach for the Air Force since they always looked for opportunities to interact with the local community. So I had fun doing some radio interviews and visiting local facilities that had an interest.

I have to admit that the people you meet when the aircraft is on display tend to blend together after awhile. So I don't specifically remember talking to your brother, but I definitely remember the drawings that he sent. In fact, it was always touching when someone, child or adult, took the time to write something afterward so I always tried to acknowledge the letters, but your brother's was particularly impressive because of the drawings. He was (is) truly gifted to produce something like that at any age, especially 14. I remember how impressed I was and showing the other squadron pilots who were equally impressed. I am sure if I look through the boxes of artifacts that I kept after I retired, I will find the drawings in there somewhere. At some future date it is my intention to open these boxes and reminisce so I will let you know when I complete the cycle.

Please tell your dad and brother that you all have made me VERY happy with the opportunity to ride in the Hatz biplane. Not only is it a beautiful airplane but it has been a dream of mine for years to ride in an open cockpit biplane! If we achieve this I can check off a very big item on my bucket list! Please tell them that I am grateful and excited with the prospect. And thank you for facilitating everything!

Who would have ever thought that after 30 years our two paths would cross again and now I might have the opportunity to provide him with an experience hopefully as memorable as the one he gave to me.

A small world indeed...

### Upcoming Fly-In Events

Here is a list of some of the upcoming fly-in events in our area:

#### Airlake Fly-In Breakfast/Lunch

Sunday July, 13 2014

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Airlake Airport (KLVN)

Lakeville MN, 55044

For more information, please

email: [FBO@arclakeville.com](mailto:FBO@arclakeville.com)

## Rushford Days Fly-In/Drive-In

Sponsored by EAA Chapter 919  
July 19, 2014  
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (noon)  
Rushford Municipal Airport, 55Y  
Serving Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs,  
Sausages, Hash Browns, Coffee and Juice  
For more information, please contact: Mike  
Thern, FBO [507-864-2705](tel:507-864-2705) or  
email [mbthern@hbc.com](mailto:mbthern@hbc.com)

## Fillmore County Fly-In/Drive-In Omelet Breakfast

Sunday, July 20, 2014  
7:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Fillmore County Airport (FKA)  
Made to order omelets served by the Fillmore  
County Pork Producers

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual John Wood Challenge

Saturday, July 12, 2014  
Briefing: 8:00am Wausau Downtown Airport  
(AUW) Wausau, WI  
The course will be announced the website.  
Pilots will submit an entry stating how long it  
will take to fly the course. The goal is to come  
as close as possible to your stated time without  
beating it (break-out). The goal is to fly the  
course in the time estimated as accurately as  
possible. Awards will be given to the top 3  
pilots, fastest airplane and slowest.

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## Northeast Iowa Regional Airport (Charles City- CCY) Flight Breakfast

Sunday, July 13  
7:00 a.m. – noon  
Pilots in command eat free

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Phone: [641-228-3553](tel:641-228-3553) (Bill Kyle)  
Email: [ccaero@netconx.net](mailto:ccaero@netconx.net)

## Forest City Municipal Airport (FXY)

Sunday, July 20

Flight Breakfast  
7:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.  
PIC eats free  
Phone: [641-581-2880](tel:641-581-2880) (Richard or Theresa Trimble)

## Cresco Municipal Airport (CJJ)

Sunday, August 3

Flight Breakfast  
7:30 - noon  
All pilots and passengers eat free  
Phone: [563-547-3434](tel:563-547-3434)(Anna Schmauss)

## Good Links

Airbus A-380 First Landing at SFO – This is a pretty  
amazing video.

<http://www.wimp.com/approachlanding/>

This video provides some interesting insight into the  
logistics behind the jet demonstration teams – in  
particular the Blue Angels. Oh yeah, it also has some  
awesome flying in it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vub3otfsLVc>

\*\*If you have problems with the links, just copy/paste  
the address into your web browser.



If you want to grow old as a pilot, you've got to know  
when to push it, and when to back off.

-General Charles "Chuck" Yeager