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# EAA Chapter 2

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## President's Corner

Greetings Chapter 2,

What a great time we had at the annual Chapter 2 banquet! Thanks to everyone who attended. We had lots of great food, great friends and interesting presentations. The chapter has a lot to be proud of and I always enjoy recognizing our members' accomplishments! Thank you all!

Over the past year or so, we have seen an increase in helicopter traffic at Smith Field. Sweet Aviation now offers helicopter training and with Haverfield planning to bring in more helicopters as well, it will only get busier. It was suggested that we have a presentation on helicopter operations to ensure both fixed-wing and rotary-wing traffic can play nice together in the pattern. As such, this will be the topic of our March meeting. Lutheran Air pilot and flight instructor Ron Whetstone will be our presenter and will answer any questions we have about helicopters. We also plan to show an episode of the EAA Chapter Video Magazine after Ron's presentation. I hope to see you there!

Lastly, our meeting on Friday April 11 will feature a WINGS safety seminar by Craig Brown covering aviation charts and airspace. Online registration for WINGS credit is now available at:

[http://www.faa.gov/SPANS/event\\_details.aspx?eid=54278](http://www.faa.gov/SPANS/event_details.aspx?eid=54278).

Happy Flying,

Kevin

## Next Meeting:

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7pm

Ivy Tech Bldg at KSMD

Ron Whetstone will give a presentation on helicopter operations.

## Informal Fly Out List

Chapter 2 is building an informal fly-out email list. If you would like to be notified of informal fly-outs, please send your email address to Kevin Stahl at [President@eaa2.org](mailto:President@eaa2.org) to be included on the list.

## EAA Chapter 2 Membership Renewals

It's the time of year to renew your EAA Chapter 2 membership. Yearly dues are only \$20. They can be paid in person at a Chapter function, by mail with the form included in this newsletter or online using PayPal by clicking on the "Join EAA 2" button on our website ([www.eaa2.org](http://www.eaa2.org)) and selecting the "Renew" option. This online form can also be used to update your contact information should you move or change e-mail addresses. You can check your membership status online by visiting the membership status page at [http://www.eaa2.org/membership\\_status.php](http://www.eaa2.org/membership_status.php). If you do not have internet access but want to check your membership status, please contact Kevin or Geoff and we'll be happy to help!

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## EAA 2 Online Marketplace

Do you have an aviation-related item you'd like to sell or have one that you are looking for? Please visit the EAA Chapter 2 Online Marketplace at <http://www.eaa2.org/marketplace.php> where you can browse listed items or submit your own "For Sale" or "Wanted" listings. This is a free service provided to Chapter 2 members! If you have any questions or issues, please contact Kevin.

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## AOPA Announces Regional Fly-Ins

This year, AOPA will be hosting a number of regional fly-ins around the country. Each will feature a pancake breakfast and town hall meeting with AOPA president Mark Baker. There will also be vendors, aircraft displays, safety seminars, and the chance to meet with AOPA representatives. EAA is planning to be involved with the events too. There is no charge to attend.

We are fortunate that one of these fly-ins will be held at Indianapolis Regional Airport (MQJ) on Saturday May 31, 2014. We are hoping to get a group of planes together to fly to the event. Mark your calendars for May 31st and look for more info as the event draws closer.

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## Chapter Member Project List

We frequently get asked what types of projects are being worked on by our chapter members. Some we know about but there may be others we're not aware of. As such, we'd like to build a list of what projects are currently under construction. If you currently have a project, we'd appreciate it if you could contact Kevin at [kevin.stahl@eaa2.org](mailto:kevin.stahl@eaa2.org) or 260-637-3613 (e-mail preferred) with your name and the type of aircraft under construction or restoration. Feel free to include any other info you think would be helpful and we'll put together the list. We may make it available in the newsletter or website so other chapter members know about them too. If you'd prefer not to have your project info published, please include that request as well. We'd love to include a photo of your project on the Member's Aircraft section of the website as well. Thank you!

## AOPA Visits Smith Field

Alyssa Miller and Paul Harrop from the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) visited Smith Field on Thursday February 20. They spent the entire day visiting with pilots and Smith Field supporters. Alyssa and Paul were covering the progress the airport has made in the time since being saved from closure as well as to recognize the two flight training scholarships that were awarded with the remaining Smith Airfield ForEver (SAFE) money. Alyssa took several notebooks worth of interview notes and a number of people were interviewed on camera for an upcoming AOPA Live segment. Congratulations to scholarship recipients Andrew Griffith and Reigel Jaquish. Look for them to be taking to the skies with Sweet Aviation soon!

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## Please Support H.R. 3708

A bill called the General Aviation Pilot Protection Act (H.R. 3708) has been introduced in the House of Representatives and is sponsored by Indiana's own Todd Rokita. This bill would replace the third-class medical requirement with a valid state driver's license for VFR, non-commercial operations in aircraft up to 6,000 lbs gross takeoff weight and a maximum of 6 seats. AOPA and EAA petitioned the FAA for a similar, albeit less broad, exemption but the FAA has failed to act. This is not a petition! If this passes, it becomes law and the FAA must implement it! We need the support of EVERY Chapter member! Please contact your representative and ask him or her to co-sponsor H.R. 3708. You can look up and contact your representative here: <http://www.house.gov/representatives/>. This is our best chance at removing the burdensome third-class medical requirement for recreational flying and is a critical step in growing the pilot population. Please contact your representative today!

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## Member Profile – Who's Who in Chapter 2?



**Name**  
Paul Simunek

**Are you a licensed pilot?**  
Yes

**When did you start flying?**  
1988

**What do you currently fly?**  
I don't currently fly anything.

**What is the most interesting place you've flown?**  
The San Francisco Bay Area

**What is your favorite place to fly?**  
Anywhere

**How long have you been a member of Chapter 2?**  
About 9 years

**What is your interest in aviation?**  
I've been interested in airplanes since I was a kid.

**What are you building or dreaming of building?**  
Dreaming of a Van's RV-10

**Who introduced you to aviation?**  
The first time I went flying was with a friend in high school. He had gotten his license when he turned 17.

**What is your favorite airplane?**  
P-51 Mustang

**Who is your dream co-pilot?**  
Anyone who likes to fly

**What is your occupation?**  
I am a software engineer.

**What is your most memorable flying experience?**  
I took a few hours of dual in a Pitts S-2B. It was amazingly fun.

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## Let's Grow Chapter 2 Together!

This has been a long, cold winter with not enough flying. Spring will soon be here, with its promise of longer days and new growth. You can help our chapter to grow, too. I have a challenge for you. Find a pilot who is emerging from a snowed-in hanger. The flyer may be grouchy from being inside for so long. But pilots will soon warm up when they are among other flyers. Bring that aviator to our next chapter event! Let's grow Chapter 2 together.

Thanks,

Craig Swanson

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## Member Submissions

We would like to have your member submissions! Please send us a short written story of a trip you've taken, a first flight of a homebuilt, a first solo, or other aviation related story. Send submissions to [newsletter@eaa2.org](mailto:newsletter@eaa2.org).

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## 2014 Dues Renewal

Please complete this form and mail to the address below with a check for \$20 to renew your dues for 2014. If you are a new member, please download a membership form from our website or contact a Chapter 2 officer or board member for more information. Dues renewals are due January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. You may also pay via PayPal on [www.eaa2.org](http://www.eaa2.org)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ National EAA Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please mail this form and a check for \$20 made out to "EAA Chapter Two" to:

EAA Chapter Two  
c/o Geoff Robison, Treasurer  
1521 East MacGregor Dr.  
New Haven, IN 46774

**Hangar Hawks and FAA WINGS Presents:**

# **Pilot Deviations – What do I do?**

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## **Flying with the iPad / Tablet – Part III**

**Saturday, March 8, 2014**



**8:00am - Sign-In / Light Breakfast**  
**8:30am – Pilot Deviations Seminar**  
**10:15am – iPad / Tablet Seminar**  
**11:45 – Hot Dog Lunch**



**Indianapolis Executive Airport (TYQ) / Montgomery Aviation**  
**11329 East SR 32, Zionsville, IN 46077**

Start the flying season off right with this two part FAA Wings Safety Seminar put on by the Hangar Hawks:

First, have you ever received that dreaded phone call from ATC--"Call me when you land?" -- What should you do? How do you handle the ramp check? What if you get a violation letter from the FAA? Learn from the experts who represent pilots and the FAA talk about actual pilot deviations. How you can avoid them all together? What you should say and to whom? You don't want to miss this as it could save your ticket!

Also, the popular "Flying with the IPAD seminar" is back. Learn about the latest tools for both the IPAD and Android devices. We'll talk about Stratus and other ADS-B devices and apps like ForeFlight, Garmin Pilot, WingX, AOPA, and more. Tons of new features and technologies have come out since our last seminar (and more are on the way) - Get the latest and greatest right here!

**Call your friends and register in advance [HERE](#) to get your WINGS credits.**

Contact Jack Vandeventer at [Jack@masterinstruction.com](mailto:Jack@masterinstruction.com) or 317-370-7410 with questions

# Wittman Airport - Oshkosh

# Fly-In Drive-In

Aircraft on Display!

*-S.J. Wittman Birthday Celebration-*

## Pancake Breakfast

**April 12, 2014**

**7:30 – 11:00 A.M.**

**Wittman Airport Terminal**

**20<sup>th</sup> Ave. Oshkosh, WI**



**Sausage, Scrambled Eggs,  
Milk, Juice, Coffee, and all  
you can eat Pancakes!**



**Adults \$7.00\***

**Children under 10 - \$3.00**

\* Free for pilots of homebuilt  
aircraft who fly in.



Learn about Steve Wittman's Tailwind,  
an aircraft design that is still popular with  
homebuilders after 61 years.

**FREE AIRPLANE RIDES!**

**(EAA Young Eagles)**

**For kids ages 8 – 17**

**with parent permission.**

**9:00 to 11:00 A.M.**

**Weather permitting**

**Hosted by EAA Chapter 252 and Wittman Regional Airport**

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