

# **NEWS**

#### **Upcoming events**

Saturday, Dec 14, VAA
Christmas party at the
Clubhouse. Doors open at
5:30 PM for appetizers,
dinner starts at 6:00 PM,.
Our Air Academy attendee
will share his experiences.
We'll hand out officer
certificates and pins along
with Young Eagles
certificates and pins. If you
have any nice items that you
think someone would want,
bring them for our auction.

Friday, Dec 20, VAA37
Board Meeting will be held at the GWB FBO. At this meeting we will be planning our Chapter activities for 2025. If you have an idea for a gathering presentation or would like to make a presentation, let one of the board members know. If there are any activities that you would like us to consider, let one of the board members know.

## **President's Corner, Dan Leonard**

Merry Christmas to all! Remember Christmas is about our Lord and Savior coming to this earth as a small child. Christ died for us and forgave our sins and gave us his eternal love.

The Chapter has had a good year of activities and in the coming year we plan on more activities such as Breakfast, Young Eagles, VMC/IMC Seminars. Plus other activities.

As we attend our events such as Breakfast, I ask each member to introduce themselves to other participants. Ask them what they do, where are they from, what brings them to breakfast. Let's get out of our small circle of those we always sit with. In our Breakfast meetings I plan on showing presentations from a wide range of aviation topics. Some can be funny, some can be sobering, some can be educational. During our breakfast meetings I find a wide range of people who come, for example, pilots, enthusiasts or the general public. This is the time to show what our Chapter is. You can be an enthusiast and join or invite guests to join the chapter. I recently attended an EAA2 gathering and an enthusiast presented a very detailed description of the new Mosaic Program. If you have topics that you would like presented, please email me or better yet why don't you become a presenter?

In January, I will host the Chapter 37 VMC/IMC Scenarios at Ivy Tech from 7 PM - 9 PM. Please check <u>FAASafety.gov</u> for dates and the calendar events on our website, <u>www.vaa37.org</u>. Please note the date, January 23, 2025 which is the FOURTH Thursday in January.

Remember our Christmas Party is December 14, 2024. Doors

#### Young Eagles



At the December 20 Board Meeting, we will be deciding on the dates for our 2025 Young Eagle Rallies.

If you have never been to a Young Eagles Rally, consider 2025 as the year to come and either observe or help.

Ground crew volunteers do not need to be a pilot or have any aviation experience. Most positions do not require aviation knowledge.

Pilots who want to fly need to register with EAA before they can fly. See either David or Laramie to learn the registration process.

David and Laramie Resler Young Eagles Coordinators



open at 5:30 PM, dinner is served at 6:00 PM. The Chapter is providing the meat and drinks. During the party, our 2024 Air Academy attendee will make a presentation about his week at camp. We will also recognize pilots who have reached their next 100-Young Eagle mark. Certificates and pins will be presented to board members and all those who volunteered at a Young Eagles event.

Also when you see Amber Creed, our simulator engineer, please get a briefing from her on the remodeling of our simulator. I just gave her a laptop to help in the project.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Dan Leonard, President VAA37

#### Annual EAA Survey

We are asking that members take time to complete the annual EAA chapter survey. Our Chapter can earn a point toward the Chapter recognition from EAA. Last year, we earned enough points for the Gold Award. We would like to earn that this year too.

By completing the survey, you can let us know what you like, don't like, and want to change about the Chapter.

Here is the link to the survey **EAA** survey

### Breakfast at the Airport

There will be no Breakfast at the Airport this month.

In November, the weather was not the best for flying but we did have one plane fly in. We welcomed our regulars and saw a few new faces. There were 45 who signed our sign in sheet.

The net profit for our breakfasts in 2024 was \$2,333.74!

The current menu is: pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, breakfast casserole, toast, and fruit. For beverages, we serve coffee, milk, and orange juice. Freewill donation accepted.

We will be making some changes in 2025.

## Monthly gathering

We will not be having a regular gathering this month. In place of it, we will be having our Christmas party on December 14.

#### **EAA Webinars**

EAA produces very good webinars for free. Here is a link to upcoming webinars: <u>EAA webinars</u> Enjoy!

#### Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2025?

**Individual memberships** are \$30. **Family memberships** are \$40. This covers two adults and all children in a family.

**Student memberships** are FREE to those under 19 who are EAA members, which is free to them. See www.eaa.org/membership for details on how to join the EAA as a student.

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