



NEWS

Upcoming events

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Saturday, August 8, Young Eagles at SMD, 9:00 to 12:00.

Sunday, August 9, Husted Breakfast, 8:00 AM.

Tuesday, August 11, 5:30 PM, Board meeting.

Thursday, August 13, 7:00 PM, shared gathering at the Vintage clubhouse, member Larry Gering will share his skydiving experiences.

Saturday, August 15, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Young Eagles at GWB.

Saturday, August 22, 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at the Airport.

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President's Corner, Dan Aavang

Hello everyone! It's difficult to believe that the year 2026 is half over!

To all that were able to fly/drive to AirVenture 2026, I hope you had a great time and had a safe trip back home!

We had a great breakfast (every fourth Saturday of each month except December) Saturday 7-25-2026 for those of us that were unable to attend AirVenture!

I hope all of you that were able to tour our 122nd Fighter Wing had an enjoyable time with our National Guard members!

We have five more Young Eagle events in August and September; we appreciate all of you that make these events possible!

We are always looking for members who would like to help with our breakfasts, and all of our activities. If you or someone you know would like to share your aviation history/ experiences, tour your hangar and aircraft for our gatherings, please let us know!

August 22, Breakfast at the Airport to look forward to!
Respectfully:

Dan Aavang, President VAA37



We've had a small break in Young Eagle Rallies as many made the trek to AirVenture. It's time to think of YE again. Our next rally is Saturday, August 15. It is shaping up to be a busy one. If you haven't already let us know that you will be able to help, please do so.

We were able to organize another Home School Rally at Lakefield Airport in Montezuma, OH again this year. Three pilots and five ground crew flew 56 kids. We also had a beekeeper explain beekeeping to the kids, the local EMS brought an ambulance, the Ohio State police brought their airplane and a local pilot put his helicopter on display. As a special bonus, a crop duster did a low pass over the FBO. The kids enjoyed that.

Here is our Young Eagles rally schedule:
 Rally at SMD - August 8
 Rally at GWB - August 15
 Rally at SMD - September 12
 Rally at C62 - September 19
 Rally at PLD - September 26

Upcoming Events (continued)

Thursday, September 10, Shared gathering at Geiger's hangar at HHG.

Saturday, September 12, Young Eagles at SMD, 9:00 to 12:00.

Saturday, September 19, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Young Eagles at GWB.

Saturday, September 26, 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Breakfast at the Airport.

Saturday, September 26, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Young Eagles at PLD.

Husted Fly-in Breakfast

Fly-in/Drive-in Breakfast at Dean Husted's Airport, Hicksville, OH, on August 9 at 8:00 am. This is a fly-in/drive-in event at Husted Field which features a 3000 foot grass runway just north of Hicksville, OH. We thank Dean Husted and his family for inviting us to their home for this great event!

Directions from Fort Wayne:

- SR 37 NE from Fort Wayne, turns into SR 2 in Ohio.
- Turn left on Main St. In Hicksville.
- 2381 OH-18, 1 mile on right.

Directions from Auburn:

- SR 8 E from Auburn, turns into SR 18 in Ohio.
- 2381 OH-18, 2 miles on left past state line.

Flying? 44.31 N 84.78 W.

Chapter Gathering

Our shared gathering for August will be held at the Vintage Clubhouse.

We'll start with VMC club at 6:30. Larry Zepp will present flight scenarios with discussion following.

At 7:00, member Larry Gering will share his skydiving experiences. Hope to see many of you there.

Breakfast at the Airport

The July Breakfast brought seven airplanes and about 30 guests. It was good to hear the conversations in the hangar and people staying a while after eating.

Our next Breakfast at the Airport is August 22. Come for breakfast and enjoy the fellowship with others.

Our main menu is pancakes, waffle sticks, sausage, eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, breakfast casserole, and fruit. For beverages, we serve coffee, milk, and orange juice. Freewill donation accepted.

EAA Webinars

EAA produces very good webinars for free. Here is a link to upcoming webinars: [EAA webinars](#).

Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2026?

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.

Dues can be paid in person, by mail, or by using Cash App*.

For mailing, our address is: EAA Vintage Chapter 37, 2616 County Road 60, Box 9, Auburn, IN 46706

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Pictures from the Young Eagle Rally at Lakefield Airport



