

MAC News

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Regular Meeting Time change

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The next regular meeting of the Mansfield Aviation Club is 08:00 Saturday October fourth. MAC meets in the conference room on the second floor of the Mansfield Lahm terminal building. This month's meeting is rescheduled one hour earlier to make more time available for the Young Eagle program. Regular meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month at 09:00 unless otherwise stated. The December meeting is the Christmas Party and also serves as the annual meeting of members. It will be held this year on the evening of December 5th at the Sons of Herman Annex.



Fall 2003 EAA Young Eagles



This Saturday is the Fall 2003 Young Eagle program. There will be no advance group signups required for this event. Requirements for parental permission are unchanged so there will be quite a bit of paperwork and signature verification that will have to be done Saturday morning. The past several Young Eagle Rallies have run on this format and it seems to work better

for today's active kids. Many times school or sports events that are able to require attendance pop up on short notice.

Young Eagle advertisements will run on local radio and TV stations this week, and folks that have an interest will be invited to bring their children to the airport on Saturday.

Last Minute Note

As many of you are aware by now, Sue Staight suffered a stroke early this week and as of this writing she is still hospitalized at Med Central. Bob has already expressed his concern that the Young Eagle program runs smoothly in their absence. The energy and dedication that Bob and Sue have shown in Mansfield's Young Eagle program is nothing short of amazing.

Mansfield Aviation Club sends their sincerest hopes for Sue's full and rapid recovery.

We are asking all our members and spouses to make an extra effort to participate in this Young Eagle Rally. There are "Big Eagle" shoes to fill.

The flying hours have also been revised in this new format. Flights will take place between 10:00AM and 2:00PM. Airplanes, and ground crew are always needed. With the new format, more adults attend than previously when a single leader might bring a large group. This makes it more important for us to have plenty of help to safely control the crowd. There is no rain date for the fall event. If the event is cancelled, it will be announced on WMAN.

If you will be flying or providing ground support it's very important that you at-

tend the pilot and crew briefing at 09:15 the morning of the Young Eagle flights. Safety of the participants is everyone's concern, and safety issues, (air and ground), are the topic of the briefing. FAA representatives from the control tower will be there to discuss flight and ground operations. Any changes or improvements made since the last Young Eagle flights will be thoroughly covered. The briefing is held in the same room as the monthly regular MAC meeting. MAC will begin an hour early and end in plenty of time to clear the room for the Young Eagle briefing.



Labor Day Brats and Corn Roast

Great weather and great food marked our annual Labor Day event. About fifty-five members and guests arrived at Jim and Marge Gorman's hangar at MFD to celebrate the holiday weekend with a MAC potluck dinner. If you were there you know we had a great dinner. If you didn't make it, be sure that you plan ahead to join us next year.

Thanks to Jim and Marge for playing the gracious host, and thanks to the MAC members that came early or stayed late to setup or cleanup.



Shelby Airport Fly-in / Drive-in

E.A.A. 148, Shenandoah Flyers LLC and the Shelby Airport Association are co-sponsoring a new event that will be held

at Shelby Airport October 11th, 2003. It looks like a fun weekend is planned. Camping will be available by the pond right next door. No doubt there will be some incredible aviation tales shared around the campfire. Some of the events include:

- ❑ Friday & Saturday night camping
- ❑ Static displays
- ❑ Midget car club
- ❑ Ultralight demo rides by Licensed BFI instructor, (fee)
- ❑ Antique pilots
- ❑ Autogas available
- ❑ Pot-Luck Dinner and live music Saturday night

Young Eagle flights will be available from 10 am to 2 pm with the pilot's briefing at 09:15. Live country music at the potluck dinner is provided by Leslie Shira's band.

If you are interested in joining or learning more about EAA Chapter 148, the monthly meeting will be on Sunday, October 12th, at 1:30 pm.

Questions? Call Pam @ 419-522-7203.



Galion Cookout

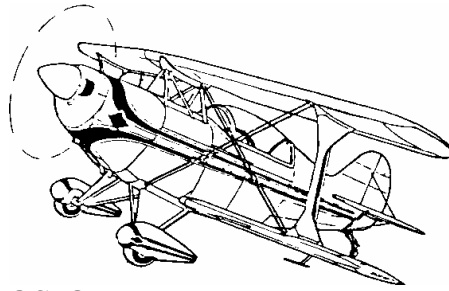


You can hang on to summer just a little longer even if the calendar does say fall. Here is how!

The Galion Association of Pilots has invited MAC members to attend their "**late summer**" cookout this Saturday October 4th at the Graham hangar. The Association provides hamburgers, hot-dogs, brats, condiments and soft drinks. Your table setting and a covered dish are your admission. If you can bring tables and chairs that helps a lot since Jim can't pick rentals after his surgery. Water balloon drops and airport bingo are on the schedule and perhaps even a little karaoke.



Air Events



OCTOBER

- 4 **MAC Regular Meeting**
- 4 EAA Young Eagles (MFD)
- 4 Galion Pilot's Cookout (GQQ)
- 11 Shelby Fly-in /Drive-in (12G)

NOVEMBER

- 1 **MAC Regular Meeting**

DECEMBER

- 5 **Christmas Party**
(Sons Of Herman Annex)

MAC Events shown in boldface

* Indicates a rain date. If you know of an event that should be included on our calendar please let us know at the meeting or call Jerry at 522-4936.



Christmas Party

Keep your eyes open for news about the Christmas Party. The Party and Annual meeting will definitely be on December 5th. We have had the Sons of Herman Annex booked for our event since early this year. The format will be very similar to past years. There will be a cash bar at 6:30 PM followed by dinner at 7:00. The unknown at this time is the program. President Jeff Parrish has been working on this with NASA for several months now, but they have yet to give us a firm commitment. As soon as we have all the particulars, we will get them out to the MAC e-mail list, and shortly after that we will send a notice out via US Mail. Keep in mind that when you get the notice there will be a shorter than usual time to get your reservations sent in. We can't set our ticket prices till we know what fees and accommodations will be required for our speaker. Expenses have increased each year, but we

have been able to hold our price. That will be the goal this year. When tickets do go on sale they will be available by mailing payment in full to:

**Mansfield Aviation Club
Reservations
P.O. Box 1471
Mansfield, Ohio 44901**

Payment is needed with your reservations because we must give the caterers the number of dinners we wish to purchase about a week before the event. They are paid for the number of reservations we make even if fewer people actually attend.

Since tickets will be on sale for a shorter period of time this year, you are encouraged to use our "will call" table to pick up your tickets the night of the party. If you prefer to receive your tickets in advance by mail, please include a stamped self-addressed envelope with your payment. Dennis Atkeson, our treasurer, checks the MAC post office box frequently, and he will do his best to see that all mail back requests are honored. However, depending on the time your reservation arrives, if Dennis feels that there is not enough time for you to receive your tickets by mail, both the tickets and the SSE will be held at the will call table.

Watch your mail for program information and ticket prices!



Satellite Picture

