



January 2018 Meeting

Recap of key highlights from the 1/15/2018 Chapter meeting.

Chapter 643 has dedicated the annual aviation scholarship as the “Donald R. Gordon Memorial Scholarship”. Don Gordon had been a strong proponent of our scholarship program for many years and he was instrumental in helping to successfully launch the program in 2017. In fact, it was through Don’s personal efforts that our first awardee was identified. Going forward, our chapter will be accepting financial donations directed specifically towards the scholarship program – these funds will be kept separate from our regular operations.

- Sophia Shay was introduced as the first recipient of the Donald R. Gordon Memorial Scholarship.
- Sophia is a sixteen year old student pilot based at Alexandria Airport. She has been active in aviation for many years including visits to Oshkosh where she even participated in the One Week Wonder aircraft build program several years ago. Her passion for aviation exemplifies the spirit of what this scholarship program was intended to foster. Don was very proud of this selection.

Membership Renewal – all members are reminded to complete the application form available on EAA643.org and return it with annual dues to Treasurer Rich Kiselewsky.



Committee Updates

- Scholarship Committee – Growing off our successful first year, the committee will be proposing some refinements to the program. If you are interested in serving on the committee itself, please contact committee Chair Frederick Slapa or Brent Connelly.
- Young Eagles – We plan 2 events this year (April and Oct/Nov). More details in future meetings, however we very much are in need of volunteers to help serve on the chapter Young Eagles Committee. Please offer your expertise to the chapter and again contact Frederick or Brent with questions or interest.
- Reminder to members: in order for the Chapter to receive credit for Young Eagle flights, participating pilots must complete an online Youth Protection Policy course available at the EAA national website or the link below:

<https://www.eaa.org/en/ea/aviation-education-and-resources/ea-youth-education/youth-protection-policy-and-program>

2018 Chapter Goals and Objectives were introduced – a more complete review of the recent member survey and these goals will be discussed at our next monthly meeting.

- Grow and Better Retain New Members.
- Build upon our successful core activities: Young Eagles, Annual Fly-In and Scholarship Program.
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Upgrades to the chapter website, social media and other digital channels are already available and will be more clearly discussed at a future meeting. In the meantime, **if you are on Facebook, search for “EAA Chapter 643”** There is a public page and also a separate closed group for our members.

A relaunch of our chapter group flyouts will be a priority for 2018. A new position of “Chapter Flyout Captain” was introduced and Jim Kahle has agreed to help lead and coordinate these trips which will be open to all chapter members.

Finally, our invited speaker was Aviation Attorney Patrick Bradley. In addition to being an active pilot/owner of several Cirrus aircraft, Patrick has a rich history of aviation journalism acting as the legal columnist at Flying Magazine and coauthoring several books with Dick Collins. As an attorney, Patrick worked with the justice department in the aviation branch. He is currently a Managing Partner with Reed Smith LLC and helps defend aviation manufacturers in product liability litigation. He provided us with a very interesting overview of the accident involving Yankee’s pitcher Cory Lidel and his CFI in 2006 over the East River and offered the perspective of defending Cirrus in court related to that unfortunate event.





Welcome NEW and RETURNING Members





Sophia Shay

**Donald R. Gordon
Memorial Scholarship**

Sponsored by EAA Chapter 643



FIELD TRIP

Great Lakes Restoration Joe Preston's Workshop

NEW

**Saturday, January 27th, 2018
8:30am-11am**

Parking – Beside & behind Joe's
workshop building (left side of
driveway)

-or-

Meetup in SkyManor Parking Lot
(8:15am)
Car pool over to Joe's Home

**BRING YOUR OWN
STOOL or FOLDING CHAIR**





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Your 2018 Leadership

Comments? Questions? Want to become a member?
Please call or send us an e-mail. We look forward to speaking with you.

President	Brent Connelly	908-487-7757
Vice-President	Bruce Windom	908-586-4875
Treasurer	Rich Kiselewsky	908-788-5250
Technical Counselors	Adam Silverstein Don Kugler Joe Preston	908-803-8301 999-999-9999 999-999-9999
Fly-In Coordinator	Adam Silverstein	908-803-8301
Young Eagles Coordinator	Frederick Slapa	908-399-6669
Web Site & Yahoo Group	Adam Dagys	908-797-2180




Membership Renewal

- 82 Paid Members in 2017
 - Attended 5.8 meetings / year*
 - 83% like current meeting schedule
 - 50% participated in Fly-In
- 2018 Dues \$24/yr
- Please provide with completed form to Rich K.

*Among 36 Survey Responders

<p>Contact EAA 643A Brent Connelly President, (908-487-7757) Bruce Windom Vice President, (973-586-4875) Richard Kiselewsky, Treasurer, (908-788-5250)</p>	<p>Meeting 3rd Monday of each month Sky Manor Airport (N40) or other announced location Check http://eaa643.org for the latest news re events and schedules</p>
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Join EAA Chapter 643
 Benefits of membership include:
 Lively and informative meetings each month
 Camaraderie with our local members
 Tap into technical expertise of our members
 E-mail notification of events and fly-outs
 Supporting Young Eagles
 Local activities and parties
 Our Fly-In
 General Support for a worthy cause

Members include homebuilders, restorers, balloonists, owners of antique, classic and production airplanes, pilots and non-pilots

EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association), Oshkosh, Wisconsin (the Parent Organization) requires that Chapter Members also have a membership with the parent organization. The BENEFITS of this is that we get Liability insurance for our public affairs (i.e. the Fly-In); a beautiful and very informative monthly magazine; access to the expertise of National Headquarters Personnel; an extremely well done e-mail every Friday called e-Hotline that contains up to the minute aviation news in all categories we are interested in, complete with attached videos.

Date _____
 Name (S) _____
 EAA Member # _____ Expiration Date _____
 Street Address _____
 City, State, Zip Code _____
 e-Mail _____ Phone _____
 Yahoo ID (If you have one) _____
 Your aircraft make and model in flying status if any _____
 Your aircraft make and model in project status if any _____
 Any ratings/licenses you may hold _____

We have an Aircraft/Flight Information Directory on our members Web Site. On the back of this form a brief description of aircraft you have flown and/or worked on would be helpful to the membership. Thanks for your participation in this program.

Dues are \$24 per year or \$2 per remaining month for new members.
 Make check payable to EAA Chapter 643 and mail to Treasurer
 Richard Kiselewsky, 84 Bizer Road, Flemington, NJ 08822



Treasurer's Report

2017 Summary

Total Revenue:	\$2,758	
Membership Dues		1,524
Monthly Food Contributions		625
Net Fly-in Proceeds (Food, 50:50)		609
Total Expenses:	\$2,883	
Meeting Food		736
EAA Ins. (2017 & 2018)		758
YE Computer Equip.		400
YE Expenses		337
Holiday Party (wine)		374
Misc other		278
Gain/(Loss)	(125)	
Cash Balance (12/31/2017)	\$2,756	



2018 Scholarship Committee

- Frederick Slapa (Chair)
- Frank Becker
- Robert Lamperti



Young Eagles Report



- YE Leadership
 - Chair: Frederick Slapa
 - Committee members needed
- Chapter credited with >50 YE flights in 2017
- Tentative 2018 Event Months (to avoid TFRs)
 - April
 - Late October or Early November





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Chapter Goals & Priorities for 2018

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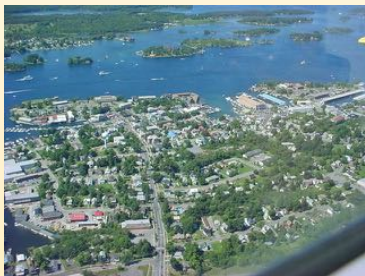
Relaunch Chapter643 Fly-out Program



Sentimental Journey, Lock Haven, PA. (June 2010)



Kentmorr. (May 2005)



Alexandria Bay (Oct 2004)



Block Island. (Oct 2007)



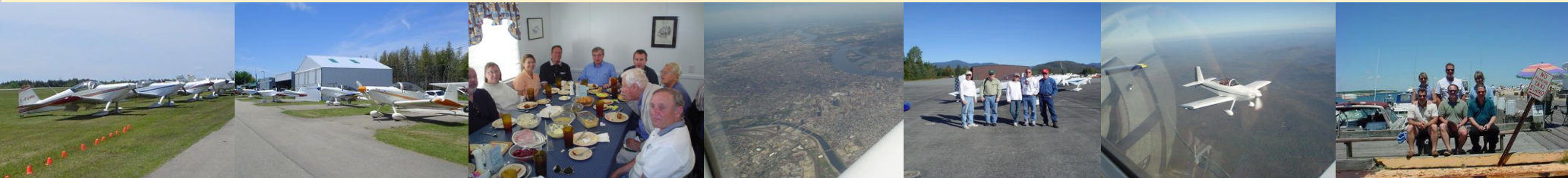
Tangier Island (May 2006)



EAA643 Fly-Out Coordinator (CAPTAIN)

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Collect suggestions, ideas from all members.
- Identify suitable locations & dates.
- Lead the logistics & planning or delegate to other chapter members for specific events.
- Leverage social media to manage event communications
- Connect member non-pilots with pilots wherever possible





Patrick Bradley

Managing Partner

Reed Smith LLC

