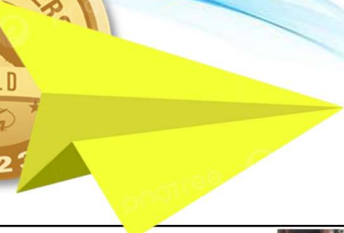




Home of Squadron 534 Youth Aviation Program
Leesburg, FL



DATES:

Young Eagles – October 5th
(Pictures from last YE on page 5)

VMC – TBD

Chapter meeting – September 28
- Pancake breakfast instead!

Next YOUTH PROGRAM: in hangar!
Sept 14 “Fold and Fly” 10:00AM

Time for elections:

If you would like to run for office or become a director, please contact Eric Stolz (703) 508-9096

Pancake breakfast - Sept 28
See flier page 5

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President’s Corner

Mike Hage



They say getting your PPL is just a license to learn. I know my upset recovery and tailwheel training helped me to get out of a hairy wind shear event a couple years ago. Just the other day, John and Steven lost their airspeed indicator. John’s freshly minted instrument rating may have been the difference between a successful landing and a horrible incident. Like they pound into your head, Pitch + Power = Performance. He knew the visual pitch attitude and RPM setting and was able to fly it to the ground and live to fight another day.

My dad always talked about self-fulfilling prophecies. Guys he worked with would repeatedly state they hated their job and were going to quit. Eventually, to save face, they had to quit since everyone was waiting for it. So here it is, **I plan on completing my commercial and CFI by spring.**

I have no more excuses:

- I’m retired so time isn’t the problem.
- I have a plane, so access isn’t a problem.
- We are heading into fall/winter so I can’t blame it on the heat.
- I have the financial resources to do it.

Feel free to poke and prod me when you see me. Whatever it takes to keep me on track.

Tailwinds,

Mike

ALERT! Looking for someone to head up the Youth Program! Talk to John Weber or Mike. This is central to our chapter’s success.

Inspirational Quote:

“The air up there in the clouds is very pure and fine, bracing and delicious.”

– Amelia Earhart



SQUADRON 534 Youth Aviation Program updates!

I am pleased to report that the steering committee which includes our Ray Scholars, has made great progress refreshing the wonderful legacy of our youth group.

Unique Identification: New logo, shirts, hats and name badges with new colors. *(Shirts have arrived!)*

Recruiting: Focused on Lake County schools and existing youth organizations. *Recruiting & info fliers are printed with copies on 534 website*

Workshops: We all agree that aviation is a collection of disciplines for future aviators to absorb, including systems, assembly and building, tools and techniques. Youth will have planned presentations and hands-on workshops. in their own space.

Simulator: Formal flight planning and pilot instructor communications with headsets with potejntial for flying the flight-plans in a real plane.



Maria DeStafano one of our future SIM instructors getting the hang of it!

Food service: committed crew for preparation, cooking and clean-up headed up by David Hopkins.

Young Eagles: First-time YE will get priority front seat flying A non-flying plane will position in front for hangar for sample pre-flight demo for kids and parents! Our Youth group and members will engage visitors, kids and adults.

Ray Scholarships: Hoping to pick-up more qualified youth as we grow the Youth population back next cycle.

Admin: Need help with keeping Youth member’s attendance and logbooks.

Funding: We have monies in our treasury previously donated for Youth group. This will be earmarked for activities and materials needed for the above.

A debt of gratitude to John Weber and all the volunteers who will turn these words and ideas into reality. A special thanks to our **Ray Scholars** who bring brilliant ideas to the table with the important insight of their youth and experience.

Marty Harris
Steering committee chairman



Young Eagles – Oct 5th

Of Special note–

Mason will be building a donated VP2 in his garage! What a great kid!



Youth program - Sept 14

Fold and Fly paper airplane



Treasurer Report – 56 Members

Three ways to pay your dues - pay with PayPal on our website under the membership link, pay in person at a Chapter meeting or at the hangar on Thursdays or Saturdays, or send a check in the mail made out to EAA Chapter 534 to my address below.

\$20 to:

Alaric Schulte – EAA 534
8701 Airport BLVD, Suite 103
Leesburg, FL 34788

SAFETY

Mourning dove bird strike on take-off (my neighbor)

Not good!
Blocked air intake filter!



Take aways:

This would cause power loss, so either abort take-off or land ASAP!

YES! Carb heat will provide an alternate air source with some degradation of power
(Understand your systems)

FLY SAFE!



Chapter 534 Young Eagles

- We will continue with our great **sign-up team** led by our chairwoman Jodie Soule.
- There will be **“name tag stickers”** for all who are without our 534 tags. All members “adult and youth” will now help host and engage our Eagles and their families showing them the planes we are working on as well as flight SIM and chatting about the Youth Program.
- Our existing youth members will be wearing the new **“Squadron 534” T-Shirts.**
- Judie Betz and others will walk families around an **exhibition plane in front of hangar**, demonstrating a traditional walk-around and safety checks. This should save time for YE pilots.
- All **first time YE get front seat** for first flight.



Project Updates

Pietenpol - Ted

Working on empennage cabling



Murphy Rebel – Mark

Working on torque tubes



Cessna 150 - Steve

Wing Root attach issues



Stinson

Future up for discussion

Airport News

Note: very professional flier from Mike Nunez - thanks



**Fly-in/Drive-in
Pancake Breakfast**
Leesburg International Airport (KLEE)
September 28, 2024 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Featuring:
Pancakes (Blueberry or original)
Sausage Links
Coffee and Juice
Donations Appreciated

Visit Our Hangar, View Our Projects, Meet our Members!
-SunAir Ramp for plane parking.
-Wilco Dr. off 441 for drive-ins.

Contact John Weber (352) 406-9726 or Mike Hage ((651) 983-5158 for more information

Rain date - Oct 12



YOUNG EAGLES 20 YE took to the skies Sat Sept 7 at KLEE



Mason showing the new pilot the ropes



All YE photos courtesy of Ted Luebbers