



## EAA Chapter 17-- Knoxville, TN

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**Next Meeting!**

**Wednesday, August 18,**  
6:30 p.m. at Sky Ranch!  
**Note new time!**

Chapter 17 is humming with activity lately. Everything from a request and response to help with an RV-4 inspection from a pilot in Brighton, UK, the B-17 visit, Women's Air Race, our Tennessee School for the Deaf Day to a request for a Young Eagle event from a mother. New member Barry Jones has joined us, and these upcoming events are receiving a lot of member planning energy.

The UK pilot said, "I am hoping that I can find an EAA inspector to look at an RV-4 which I am buying from someone Morristown, TN. I am hoping that he could do a basic inspection of the aircraft just to confirm its what the seller says it is and it all looks straight." Our technical advisor, Frank Beeler, stepped up to the plate and hit a home run by taking a series of photos for the Brit sending them along last week. Proving again that EAA members are can do people and love to help each other.

Recently we were approached by the Big Brothers and Big Sisters to hold a "Kids Fly Free" day. They said: "I would definitely like to speak with you sometime about trying to set up a date, perhaps in the fall for Big Brothers Big Sisters. Kara O'Brien, Match Support Specialist Big Brothers Big Sisters of TN Valley will come to our next meeting to discuss the possibility.

Our B-17 Tour sponsorship is well along in planning. Many of our members have taken a leadership or supporting role already. Bill Lofgren and Ralph Wallen are our champions in the planning of this visit. Fred Eckstein and Pat Byrne have made several deliveries of posters already. Thanks!

Please remember Bill Lofgren and keep him in your prayers. He went to Ft. Sanders emergency room last Sunday (August 1) with an irregular heartbeat. They were able to stabilize him but found that his EKG showed the heartbeat was not the way it should be.

Tennessee School for the Deaf Young Eagle Afternoon is September 30, weather permitting. We have received communications from the TSD President, Chairman of residences and High School principal; All three indicating enthusiasm for the event. City View Magazine, PS Engineering and Knox Air have all said they will help make the event a success. We need everyone to look at their calendars and try to help. It is a Thursday afternoon from 3 PM to 7 PM. Phil Spelt, President, Knox County Radio Control Society, Inc. has asked his members to be supportive. Thank you Mark Scheuer, Nathan Sparks and Jim Sexton! Lee Erickson has been hard at work setting up the ground school. Debbie Heidelberg will coordinate student participation again according to Steve Farmer, Director of Student Living at TSD. Also Remote Area Medical has agreed to bring the DC-3 to our event for inspection. Let's make this a major success for the children and our airport neighborhood.

**NEXT MEETING!**

The next meeting will be at **Sky Ranch, Wednesday August 19, 2004 at 6:30 pm.** Ken Carpenter will present his annual slide show from Oshkosh.

Wilma Brantley will talk about her experiences with the Air Classic Race in which she and Leah Castleberry participated last month.

We will also hear from Kara O'Brien, Match Support Specialist with Big Brothers and Big Sisters. She will come to our August meeting and speak about the opportunity to partner with them.



An 18 minute video of the **YOUNG EAGLES Day** in high quality DVD is now available at \$15.00 per copy.

Call 405-7896  
after 8:00 PM weekdays  
anytime on weekends.



Seen at Oshkosh 2004... Chuck Yeager's P-51 Glamorous Glen III.

**Chapter 17 Classified Ads**

1943 Boeing PT-17 Stearman – She's a beauty! See it at DKX or on the web at <http://www.huua.com/stearman/>. Call David Senn (865) 482-3178.

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Glasair I Project – Call Ken Carpenter for details (865) 693-0457.

Instruments needed for an IFR C-172, new or used, good-looking, legal. Call Gordon Webster (865) 717-0917.

Six 2004 EAA Calendars are still available! Call Ed (865) 670-8473.

## Upcoming Events

**August 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Sky Ranch:** The EAA chapter 17 meeting for August will be August 18 at 6:30 pm at Sky Ranch. Ken Carpenter will present his annual slide show from Oshkosh 2004. Wilma Brantley will also share her experiences while participating in the 2004 Air Race Classic. She and Leigh Castleberry teamed up to enter the race flying Lizzie, the Brantley's Diamond DA-40. The race was a closed loop starting and ending in Wichita. This will be a personal account from the PIC's perspective.

**September 7 and 8 at GKT (Sevierville / Gatlinburg Airport):** The EAA B-17 will be in town and available for tours and rides. EAA Chapter 17 will be hosting the event and will provide people to help with registration and other logistics. If you are interested in helping, contact Ralph Wallin at (865) 609-2712 or Bill Lofgren at (865) 577-2692.

**September 30 at DKX:** EAA Chapter 17 will be flying kids from the Tennessee School for the Deaf.

**September 18-19 or October 2-3:** ETGAA Fly-Out to Dayton, Ohio to visit the U.S. Air Force Museum. Contact Thad Phillips for details ([thad\\_phillips@yahoo.com](mailto:thad_phillips@yahoo.com)).

**November 13 at the Tennessee Museum of Aviation (GKT):** The Tennessee Aviation Museum will hold its third annual gala and inductee ceremony at the new Tennessee Aviation Museum on November 13, 2004. The honorees for 2004 are John T. Baugh, Jr. (past President and CO of the Warbirds of America), Cosby P. Harrison (founder of Trade-A-Plane), Harry C. Stonecipher (President & CEO of The Boeing Company) and Lt. Governor John S. Wilder, Tennessee Lieutenant governor. If you are interested in attending, please contact Bob Minter at the Tennessee Museum of Aviation at (865) 908-9372.

### Upcoming Pilot Safety Seminars:

**August 10 and September 14 at Clayton Homes Headquarters in Alcoa, TN:** These seminars will both be sponsored by AOPA Air Safety Foundation and the FAA Nashville FSDO.

**October 16 at DKX:** East Tennessee Wings. Earn your FAA wings in one day! More details soon!

**January 22 & 23, 2005 at GKT:** AOPA Flight Instructor Refresher Clinic. The course is open to anyone, and you don't have to be a CFI to attend. More details to come!

**September 18, 2004 at Rider Jet Center, Hagerstown, Maryland (HGR) 2pm - 6pm.** There will be a display of vintage Fairchild airplanes and memorabilia, an A-10 air show & pilots reunion, and a free showing of "Hagerstown: Remembering Our Aviation Heritage"

**For more information about upcoming events, please see the EAA Chapter 17 website at: <http://www.eaa17.org>**



**Seen at Oshkosh 2004.. Burt Rutan and Mike Melville of SpaceShip One fame!**



**Sean Tucker, as seen at Oshkosh 2004....**

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