



NEWS

Upcoming events

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Thursday September 18,
7:00 PM, Chapter gathering,
rumor has it that Bob
Wearley will share some of
his experiences

Saturday, September 27,
7:00 AM to 10:00 AM,
Breakfast at the Airport

Thursday October 16, 7:00
PM, Chapter gathering,
Shelly Williams will share
her daughter's experiences
as a Navy F/A-18 fighter
pilot

Sunday, October 19, 12:00
PM, Chili Fest, more details
to come later

Thursday, November 20,
7:00 PM, Chapter gathering
and elections for the
2026-2028 term

Saturday, November 22,
8:00 AM to 11:00 AM,
Breakfast at the Airport

President's Corner, Sebastian Baumgardner

With summer winding down and most of our activities wrapping up, I'd like to thank everyone that has volunteered their time to keep our Chapter going.

We continue to see our Young Eagles program sharing the aviation community with many youth from around the area. Whether it's their first flight or a returning participant there is never a shortage of smiling faces and memories being made.

The monthly breakfasts have continued to be a great time full of camaraderie.

These are just a couple examples of the opportunities that bring us together as a Chapter and also with community. It shows our dedication to the Chapter and that the community supports our efforts.

We want to see that continue and are looking for members to help us continue on this path by serving on the Board. Please consider running for an officer seat and help lead our Chapter.

Sebastian Baumgardner

President VAA37



Our 2025 season of Young Eagles started very slow. Due to weather, we could not fly at three of our first four rallies.

Here is a summary for the rallies that we could fly:

- May 8 - flew 24 kids
- August 16 - flew 71 kids

A big THANK YOU to all who helped fly kids and work as ground crew. We appreciate you so much.

David and Laramie Resler
Young Eagles Coordinators

Rallies hosted by EAA Chapter 2 will be held on:

- September 13 at Smith Field Airport
- September 20 at Kendallville Municipal Airport

If you want to help at either of these rallies, please let me know.

SCAIRPORT

SCAIRPORT is scheduled for Saturday, October 25, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at the FBO ramp. We have seven pilots committed to coming and bringing their planes. We need more airplanes decorated in the Halloween theme.

The pilot and passengers are encouraged to dress in costume. If you cannot attend, would you consider providing candy? It can be dropped off at the FBO. Let them know that it is for Scairport.

Candy will be handed out at each plane as the kids go around to look at the decorated planes. We ask that pilots provide their own candy.

We will have more and bigger prizes this year. Categories include the best decorated airplane, the best theme which includes the plane and pilot, and the best costume. One prize is an introductory flight from Sweet Aviation. We are still working on the other prizes.

Our trunk or treaters will vote on the best decorated airplane. We will have a committee three non-members decide on the best theme which includes the plane and pilot and the best costume.

Since we are doing best costume, you don't need to have an airplane to participate. Just carry around some candy and hand it out.

Let me know if you would like to participate in our Scairport.

Send text to me at 260-402-3478.

2026-2028 Elections are coming

This is our election year. As a member of VAA37, you may be called and asked to serve on the Board. The positions to be elected are President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Directors. If you are interested in any of these positions, contact a Board member or a member of the Nominating Committee: Sebastian Baumgardner, Amber Creed, or Danny Aavang.

The ballot will be presented at the October gathering and voting will take place at the November gathering. Nominations from the floor will be taken at either of these gatherings.

Consider becoming more involved in your Chapter by serving on the VAA37 Board.

Monthly gathering

Our guest speaker will VAA37 member Bob Wearley. Come and hear some of his life stories.

Gathering is September 18 at 7:00 at the Vintage Hangar.

Join us there!

Breakfast at the Airport

Our Breakfast at the Airport this month will be on September 27 from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

We had 41 attend breakfast and we had several planes fly in. It was nice to see them.

Be sure to come for breakfast and enjoy the fellowship with others.

Our main menu is pancakes, waffles, 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](#)

Enjoy!

Have you renewed your Chapter Dues for 2025?

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 or mailed or using Cash App.

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

For Cash App! If you have a Cash App account, you can use the app to enter the amount due and send your payment to VAA Chapter 37 using the cashtag *\$geoffrobison*. For more information about Cash App, visit [the Cash App website](#).

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