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I am planning a trip for our group on the railroad shown here. There is a rough outline of the trip in my column inside. I hope everyone will join us on this great trip. We are planning extra seats if anyone needs a ride, so please let me know and I'll arrange seats if possible. We are looking forward to this trip, which is now planned for October 21<sup>st</sup>.



Jeanne Rudick



Ray Butters



An Airplane

When you get these three things together, you get a great day for Young Eagles! A special thanks to both Jeanne Rudick and Ray Butters for being so active with our Young Eagles program. Jeanne & Ray have come up with another opportunity to give children between the ages of 8 and 17 the joy of flight. Please join us at Butters Field in Bishopville on October 7<sup>th</sup> at 11AM to fly Young Eagles. Plan to join us there!

## **President's Message**

Our July meeting had great attendance. This is what we would like to see each month. This is the only time we get to see many of our members. It is so nice to see everyone talking together and sharing information and experiences. I think many members also liked the episode of Sky King that we watched. We have more! Let's keep this up.

Our July meeting brought up a new opportunity to fly Young Eagles. Ray Butters has asked for our assistance in flying Young Eagles at the Cotton Festival in Bishopville on October 7<sup>th</sup>. We will need pilots as well as ground crew, so if you can spare a few hours on this date, please let Jeanne Rudick (383-6377) or myself (857-0750) know. As usual, we need all the help we can muster. Ray has offered to reimburse the pilots for their gas used in flying the Young Eagles.

At our last meeting, we also had a suggestion put forth for a fly out to Sylva, North Carolina. (Jackson County 24A) This is southwest of Asheville. There is a train ride there that lasts a few hours. We could go on this ride and then fly home. Sometime in September was suggested, but has been moved to October 21<sup>st</sup>. If anyone is interested, speak up and let us know. Contact our Vice President, Ben Brotherton, at 615-7907 if interested in the details.

We have received a thank you note and a few pictures from Ellen Buchner who attended the senior Young Eagle Air Academy at Oshkosh. See her note and pictures elsewhere in this newsletter. I believe she had a good time as well as Jordie Brotherton. Our chapter did not financially support Ellen, but she did benefit from some points we had left over from our flying as well as what we were given by Chapter 242 in Columbia. Ellen also got a discount just for being sponsored by our chapter.

Lastly, I couldn't close without mentioning that Alex and I are proud new grandparents of 8 pound Matthew Blake Adams, born August 9, 2006 to our daughter and son in law, Virginia and Bryan Adams.

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## **Letter From The Editor**

I have been working on several ideas for get-togethers for our group. I would appreciate any ideas for events to get our group together now that it is getting cooler for more enjoyable flying.

EAA's B17, Aluminum Overcast, will be in Columbia on September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. Let's plan a trip to see this incredible aircraft.

Here is a brief outline of the trip to North Carolina for the ride on the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad tour through the Nantahala Gorge. Check out <http://www.gsmr.com>.

We are planning to fly out of Hartsville at 9AM and arrive at 24A (Jackson County, Sylva, NC) airport between 10:30 and 11:30AM. We are planning rental cars and then it is about a 45-minute drive to the train station. Box lunches are available for \$8. The train returns at 6:30PM. We should be off the ground by 8PM and heading home.

The train ride is 4-1/2 hours and covers 44 miles round-trip. The train will depart Bryson City at 2PM and travel to the Nantahala Outdoor Center and return. This magnificent trip offers highlights like the Horseshoe Curve, Fontana Lake Trestle, Tennessee River, and the Nantahala River Gorge.

If we can get 20 people to go, we can pre-buy our tickets as a group. The cost for adults is \$42 and \$20 for children 3 to 12. Children 2 and under are no charge.

The airport we are planning to fly into is not a backwoods airport in the bottom of a valley, but is fairly open land. The runway is 3000' by 50', similar to Marion airport. The airport altitude is 2857'. We have density altitudes in Hartsville close to this on a hot day, so nothing too unusual there and nothing too small for anything we are flying. You will need an Atlanta sectional for the trip to make the FAA happy.

Please let me know if you are planning to attend as soon as possible. We need to book our tickets 30 days ahead to guarantee seats. October is their peak season due to the fall foliage.

*Ben Brotherton*  
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## Note from Ellen Buchner

To EAA Chapter 1058

The EAA Air Academy was a very awesome experience. I learned a lot of new skills such as welding, woodworking, and sheet metal. I learned a lot about airplanes and how they work. The experience will help me through the rest of my life no matter what I do or where I go.

Not only did I learn a lot from the academy, but I also met a lot of wonderful people. I have made friends that will last for the rest of my life.

I enjoyed the Air Academy a lot and I have to thank the people who made it possible. Thank you for the experience of a lifetime.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Buchner

## Young Eagles Corner

### **October 7 Young Eagles Rally**

Great News! We've had a request!!! A request to support the Cotton Festival by flying Young Eagles on October 7 at Butters Field (formerly known as Lee County Airport) from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Ray (Butters) made quite an elaborate plea for our support at our July meeting. You would have to have seen it to believe it!!!

The Cotton Festival actually will be held south of Bishopville just off Highway 15; but the Young Eagles event will take place, of course, at the airfield. So with all that introduction, are you available to help out??? Volunteers are needed for:

Registering the Young Eagles (2-3)  
Ground School and Boarding Passes (2)  
Boarding Agents (2-3)  
Ground Crew and Safety (2)  
Traffic Control (for airplanes) (1)  
Printing Certificates (2)  
Air Boss (1)  
Pilots (5-??)

Please check your calendars and see if you can support this event with your participation!!!! If you are available, send me an email at [djrudick@adelphia.net](mailto:djrudick@adelphia.net), or give me a call at (843) 260-5597.

In review, Young Eagle Pilot requirements are:

- An Appropriate Airmen's Certificate (Sport Pilot or greater)
- Possess a current Medical Certificate (if applicable)
- Must be current EAA National Member
- Must be current to carry passengers in the aircraft they plan to use
- Must have a current Flight Review

The aircraft used for the Young Eagles flight:

- Must have Aircraft Passenger Liability Insurance
  - Pilots participating are eligible for an additional \$1 million of passenger liability insurance coverage if they carry a minimum of \$100,000 per seat liability insurance
- Must be in airworthy condition

**June 10 Financial Report:** A final tally is now presented for our Young Eagles Rally on June 10! Anonymous Corporate donation: \$500; food sales \$300; and rally expenses: \$443; with a balance of \$357 going to the scholarship fund. Of course there were many expenses incurred privately and not requested for refunds by pilots, members, and volunteers—for these we are truly grateful. Thank You!!

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## AOPA's Airport Watch

*A report & update from Hartsville AOPA Airport Watch  
Volunteer Alex Yarborough*

As AOPA notes in their new Airport Watch brochure, there exists a clear and present danger to general aviation. "Those little airplanes" are under suspicion from areas never before considered. The events of September 11, 2001 have caused people that never before even thought of general aviation aircraft to begin to see all aircraft in their perceived use for harmful purposes. The media continues to spread and fan that fear making it increasingly more difficult for those of us who depend on general aviation for our livelihood, personal transportation, and recreation to enjoy general aviation and the freedom that it grants us to follow our dreams.

Slips in airport security can happen anywhere. Widely publicized incidents where aircraft were used by unauthorized persons, while maybe not terrorist related, have led to increasingly more vocal calls for drastic security measures and severe penalties that can limit the freedom of the entire general aviation public. We all are familiar with the disruption to training schedules that can be generated by these events.

Every pilot is part of the larger aviation community and has a responsibility to that community to remain vigilant in detecting and reporting situations that are not normal. If we as pilots do not step up and act responsibly, you can bet that someone else will step in and TELL us what we must do, and without consideration to the cost or difficulty on our part. Becoming part of AOPA's Airport Watch Network should be on every pilot's checklist. Follow these guidelines and be prepared to call 866-GA-SECURE if you see something that does not seem right to you:

**\*Get to know your airport community.** Not only will you meet new people and new aircraft, but, you will be better prepared to notice suspicious activities.

**\*Become familiar with and follow existing security procedures.** Do not pass around security gates. Practice good security. What if someone stole the aircraft after you left the key in the plane, consider your liability.

**\*Be cooperative.** Make the community around the airport aware that you follow the rules. You may have flown here for years, but the new deputy assigned to patrol this area may not know you.

**\*Greet strangers.** Introduce yourself to new faces at your airport--particularly new flight students, visitors, and transient pilots. This gives us the reputation as "friendly" and makes us more able to evaluate unknown situations.

**\*Share information.** Introduce new students to airport personnel and to others (EAA meetings). Let personnel at

the airport know if someone else is to fly your plane or if you're going to be flying away for some time.

**\*Have your ID ready.** Always carry a government issued ID and your passengers should also. When you're the stranger at another airport, other pilots have a responsibility to challenge you too.

**\*Have your tools ready.** Bring your cell phone if you have one--is it charged? Add 866-GA-SECURE to your speed dial. Many phones have a camera function--take a picture of suspicious activity. This also makes remembering tail numbers easier. Do not endanger yourself, call 911 if help is needed.

**\*Stand united.** Organize or assist in meetings to discuss security issues.

**\*Be prepared for the long haul.** Folks, this stuff ain't goin' away. Security problems didn't start overnight and they ain't gonna be cured overnight. If you ain't willing to get involved, you might consider getting out.

**LOCK UP. Security begins with your own aircraft.** Most crimes are crimes of opportunity, terrorism is usually preplanned, don't make it easier for either.

**LOOK OUT. Don't assume someone else reported something first. Provide details** if you report something to law enforcement or airport officials. **Details carry weight.** Give officials all the details you can. **NEVER** put yourself at risk if you fear that a crime is about to occur. Make mental notes and report the event from a safe location. **The future of General Aviation depends on our supporters taking a stance to take action.**

**Plan safe--Fly safe--Arrive alive.**

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## Upcoming Events

**September 7**– Thursday night at the movies – Columbia with Dick Hitt – CAP Building, 7PM.

**September 10**- SCBC Breakfast at Owens (CUB)

**September 24**- SCBC Breakfast at Barnwell (BNL)

**September 26**– EAA Meeting in Hartsville.

**October 7**– Lee County Cotton Festival & Young Eagles, Butters Field, Bishopville, SC, 11AM

**October 21** – Great Smoky Mountains Railroad Plane, Train, & Automobile Ride