

# CORBEN COURIER

## Event Calendar

Chapter Meeting, Wisconsin Aviation,  
3606 Corben Court, Just off Hwy. 51, May 16, 7 p.m.



## Next Chapter 93 Meeting

Our next Chapter 93 meeting will be held at **Wisconsin Aviation, 3606 Corben Court, Madison, WI on Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 7 p.m.** Please meet in the main conference room.

We will have a brief business meeting followed by a presentation by Al Whitaker, an attorney for Wisconsin Aviation. Al will be sharing his fascinating background in aviation with us. Al created the wonderful display at Wisconsin Aviation entitled Black History in Aviation. I am sure he will shed some light on the important people in this display as well as inform us about his unique two seat twin engine aircraft, the Derringer. Don't miss this one!

- Rob Tweed

## Bombers Galore!

I can almost hear the rumble of those huge Pratt & Whitney radials already. That distinctive low, growling resonance that once filled our enemies with terror during WWII will be visiting Madison on July 25-28.

Our very own Chapter 93 and our friends from Wisconsin Aviation will be hosting the only remaining airworthy Boeing B-29 along with the other two heavy bombers, the Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress and the Consolidated B-24. These mighty aircraft and their brave crews paved the way to our decisive Allied victory in WWII.

A variety of other planes from the Commemorative Air Force and other groups will be participating in this event, which we



have named **Heavy Bombers over Madison.** Joining the group will be a Beechcraft C-45, North American SNJ, North American P-51 Mustang, Stearman PT-17, several helicopters and possibly an F-16 from the 115th Fighter Wing.



Adding to this incredible collection of priceless warbirds will be a hangar dance on Saturday evening, July 27, featuring the Ladies Must Swing big band. Food and drink vendors and a DJ playing classic tunes from the era will also be joining the event.

Ladies and gentlemen, this is a big deal! I suspect Madison has never had such an incredible collection of rare aircraft on its ramp for an event like this that is open for the public to enjoy.

Building from our successful B-17 tour stop at MSN last year, we are expecting significantly more visitors resulting from our expanded promotion of the event. This is where all of you come in. As you can imagine, hosting an event this big will require a large group of volunteers. We are estimating two shifts of 24 volunteers each per day will be required to support the event with ticket sales, passenger

assistance for riders getting on and off aircraft, merchandise sales, crowd management and assistance, etc.

We will begin recruiting volunteers to support Heavy Bombers over Madison during our next chapter meeting. Signup sheets will be circulated.

In the meantime, please keep July 25-28 open on your schedules! We are reaching out to other EAA chapters in the area for their support. Please recruit your family and trusted friends to participate as well. This will be a fun group effort for all!

Chapter 93 will sponsor a private dinner featuring Famous Dave's BBQ for all volunteers committing to support the event.

None of this would be possible without the tremendous support and dedication of our great Chapter 93 team. Thank you so very much for all of your tireless efforts. You are an amazing group!

*- Rob Tweed*





## Cross Country to Sun 'n Fun on Four Wheels, 2013

This year I had originally planned on flying my ultralight trainer to Sun 'n Fun for the big adventure.

However, since I have flown this particular aircraft for less than a year and not even 75 hours yet, I was uncomfortable about my abilities, the aircraft itself, and of course the good chance of bad weather somewhere along the over thousand mile route (one way). I hoped to drive in my wife's nice comfortable car equipped with a good on-board GPS, a

heater/air conditioner, cruise control and room for all my stuff with no worries about taking too much.

This is the first time I have driven to Florida specifically for the Sun 'n Fun fly-in, so I was wondering what all that land I have flown over so many times would look like from the ground. My conclusion is that everything looked as good from the ground as it did from the air, but a lot different. Following is a collection of some of the things I saw. *- Skot Weidemann*



## Member News & Notes



Congrats to Jeff & Patty Plantz, whose new bird is on floats and ready for the Spring!

*At left*, Jeff proudly stands atop the new floats.

Don Ripp recently found the picture (*at right*) of the Waunakee Cub Scouts from November 1989, taken shortly after a Young Eagle and Scout Aviation Badge ride.

Of the seven boys who flew with Don, three are now pilots, including Don's son. One is a commercial corporate pilot, one is a private pilot, and one is in the Air Force. Three out of seven ... those are pretty good odds!

The Cessna 172 pictured here (N3862L) is now owned by fellow Chapter 93 member Jim Sainsbury.



## Chapter 93 Meeting Minutes

*For April 18, 2013*

Rob T. opened the meeting at 7:10 PM. Dick H. did the Secretary's Report to the group, since Earl M. was not at the Board Meeting but vacationing in Lakeland, Florida.

Jim L. gave the Financial Report. The EAA work weekend form arrived and the group discussed the available weekends and it was decided that a group would go the weekend of June 22 & 23rd. The group talked about the upcoming CAF/EAA Event and it was brought up about a sharing of the monies for all of the different groups helping for the Event.

It was decided that further discussion would be continued at the next Board Meeting (May 2nd @ Wisconsin Aviation @ 7:00 PM) and everyone is invited. We will need at least 24 people per shift per day at the Event.

Our speaker was Frank Smidler, who explained his skydiving activities, when he started, the changes in equipment and how many good planes he has jumped from (quite a few). Thank you, Frank, for sharing your skydiving experiences with the Chapter!

*- Earl Martin*

### Chapter 93 Board Meetings: You're Invited!

The Chapter 93 Board meets at Wisconsin Aviation on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM to discuss details about Chapter 93 programs, policies, and strategies.

All Chapter 93 members are welcome to attend these board meetings. Feel free to join in; we welcome your input!

*- Rob Tweed*

### Chapter Officers and Committee Chairs

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## Hangars Available!

*Waunakee - 6P3*

This is to announce the construction of a new hangar building at Waunakee with four T-hangars. Three of these hangars have additional space and an overhead garage door for additional access.

Like the other T-hangar building adjacent to this site, you can own the hangar and have a 20-year ground lease with Waunakee Airpark LLC. Ownership is structured much like a condo. Hangar space in the Madison area is very sparse and other airports in the area just don't have the great social atmosphere we love so much about Waunakee.

If you have any questions, or just want to talk about aviation in the area, and what Waunakee has to offer, please give me a call: Lynn Erickson, General Manager, Waunakee Airpark LLC, (608) 215-9609.



## **Upcoming Local Fly-Ins & Aviation Events**

**Saturday, 5/18 - Spring Fling Pancake Breakfast - Beloit, 44C - 7:00 am to 11:00 am**

For More Info: Bob Rauscher, 608-335-6536, <http://60.eaachapters.org>

**Sunday, 5/19 - Community Pancake Breakfast - Brodhead, C37 - 7:00 am to Noon**

For More Info: Mike Weeden, 608-214-6652, <http://www.eaa431.org>

**Sunday, 5/26 - Chapter 371 Memorial Pancake Breakfast - Portage, C47 - 7:00 am to Noon**

For More Info: Tim Dahnke, 608-697-1648, <http://www.eaa371.org>

**Sunday, 6/2 - Wings and Wheels 2013 - Juneau, UNU - 8 a.m. to Noon**

For More Info: Dennis Winkel, 920-296-0645, <http://www.897.eaachapter.org>

**Sunday, 6/9 - 99s Pancake Breakfast - Watertown, RYV - 7:00 a.m. to Noon**

For More Info: Krys Brown, 920-261-4567, <http://wisconsin99s.org>

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