

EAA CHAPTER 1128

Two Harbors Helgeson Airport

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It is a beautiful evening at the lake. I just watched a big, round, yellow moon dance across the treetops before climbing into the hazy clouds. This letter will be early on account of me being gone next week. A couple of pilots are getting together over in Wisconsin and I thought I would join them. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, August 4 at 6:30**. Meet me at the A/D building of Helgeson International Airpatch and we'll decide where to go from there. Don't forget our fly-in movie on August 12 around sunset.

Last Meeting

With help from Dan Murphy's monster tractor we moved tables and huge grills in record time. Casey's hangar went from empty space to a first class cafeteria quickly and efficiently. It was so nice to have many willing hands and the threat of rain never materialized.

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Chapter 1221 is full into their busy summer fly-out schedule. We were all disappointed that weather kept them from flying to our pancake breakfast.

Chapter 272 will be hosting EAA's Ford Trimotor on September 8-11 at Superior's Bong Airport. They will also have their big pancake fly-in on Saturday, the 10th so they will be very busy that weekend. If any of you can spare a few hours helping out I'm sure they would love it. And while you are there, you can take a ride in a living piece of history.

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It rained all morning on July 10 in Duluth. At our happy airfield it never even drizzled but air traffic fizzled. The only bold aviator to fly in for pancakes was Al White. This is not the first time Al has been the only one. It takes a lot of weather to keep Al from hot cakes. The only other arrival was a trio of students on a cross-country task and they didn't even know we were serving breakfast.

Thankfully the good citizens of Two Harbors came in droves. It was slow at first but by 9:30 the line was out the door and halfway across the ramp. Our capable crew was hopping but they kept up with the hungry horde. Dave Smith and Mike Shannon brought out their aircraft so the kids had something to look at. Fifi peeked out of her open hangar at the appreciative crowd. First counts indicate a profitable day for the chapter. Clean up went fast as all hands hove to and we were all out of there post haste. On Monday six of us waited in front of the locked hangar for an hour to move the grills. Finally we just left them for Casey to move. Thanks a million to all the volunteers who made this happen.

Fifi is on her new trailer and the Oshkosh Marriott has been transformed from working van to luxury suite. I'm getting very excited! I didn't get a chance to practice my "Oshkosh patterns" this year but I've been flying out of that strip for 23 years and Fifi has been there for the last six. I think we'll be OK. I hope you can make the pilgrimage this year, you know where to look for me. Happy summer, happy full moon, happy Oshkosh and,

.....Happy Landings!.....