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Newsletters are at: <http://eaa179.org/newsletters/>

The Web Site for the LOEFI is: <http://www.loefi.com>

Upcoming Events & Chapter Meetings

February 20, Tuesday, EAA Chapter 179 Meeting, eat at 5:30 PM, meeting at 6:00PM, Copper Canyon Café, 5455 Gibson SE. Guests and visitors are welcome.

February 16-19, ROUTE 66 Air Tour

Young Eagle Dates for 2018 at KAEG. May 5, Sept. 8, Nov. 3

Chapter 179 meetings are on the third Tuesday each month, except in December when replaced by our Christmas Party.



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From the Editor, Harley Wadsworth

Congratulations to Bob and Kathy for completing and flying their KitFox. It is truly a special event when chapter members complete and fly a new airplane. I happened to be at the airport to watch Bob land and taxi in. I am looking forward to his presentation after our upcoming chapter meeting.



Don't forget to pay your chapter dues for 2018. One can now pay online from our chapter website. See January issue for the details.

From the President, Robert Richter-Sand (Bob)

The biggest news was first flight of the Kitfox on 18 Jan 2018 after receiving the airworthiness certificate the week before. With Randy and Lee providing chase plane support, the 1.5 hour flight concluded with a nice landing back at KAEG. Kat and I will be presenting a synopsis of the entire Kitfox build at the 20 February Chapter179 meeting and will conclude with a short movie of the first flight milestone assembled from the wing mounted GoPro and contributions from the observers in the air and ground during the flight.



A Chapter179 Board of Directors meeting was held on 23 January with sufficient directors and officers attending to establish the 2018 budget and define several goals for the year. I will leading the LOEFI planning and know that all Chapter members will volunteer their time in some capacity to make this another great event on 25 August. See you on 20 Feb. BobRS

As you can tell, we'll be the speakers for the next meeting.



After meeting Speaker 2-20-2018:

Our upcoming after meeting speaker will be our Chapter President, Bob & wife Kathy, presenting about their newly completed and recently test flown KitFox.

Other NM EAA Chapter Newsletters

EAA 691, the Green Chile Chapter: <http://eaa691.org> <http://www.facebook.com/eaa691>

EAA 555, Triple Nickel Chapter: <http://555.eaachapter.org/>

EAA 251, White Sands Chapter doesn't have a new newsletter.

Chapter 179 Meeting Minutes

FOR: January 16, 2018

Call to Order: President Richter-Sand called the meeting to order at 0600.

Presidents Report: Bob Richter-Sand announced the Chapter 179 Board of directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 26 at Copper Canyon at 6:00PM. Board members are welcome to attend.

The December Eagle event was great a great success. Joyce is waiting for any test feed-back from National on the success of this initial Eagle event.

The IMC Club held a meeting on November 18 organized by Marc Coan. Meetings 3rd Saturday of every month at Double Eagle at 0930.

Dick Perry gave an update on Route 66 Air Tour. Itinerary & registration has been published in the newsletter.

Bob announced LOEFI date of Saturday, August 25, 2018. The format may be different due to the AOPA fly-in. Fly-Mart donations will be needed.

A LOEFI working group will need to be started after the Board of Directors meeting.

Scott will need to order new Chapter name tags as needed.

Bob recognized the Christmas Party at Russ and Margaret's with praise and thanks for a great occasion.

Vice Presidents Report: Dave Otero: None

Secretaries Report: Todd Blue No December minutes due to Christmas party.

Young Eagle Report: Todd Blue announced February 10 Young Eagle Rally will need volunteer pilots and ground personnel.

Treasurers Report: Dan Horschel gave a summary of Chapter accounts.

Old Business: Route66 Air Tour report by Dick Perry.

New Business: B17 not coming to KAEG. AIAA Distinguished Lecture "Breaking Through The Cloud: Women's National Air Derby. RSVP via the link.

Bob announced that Dan Freidman was at Canyon Rehab Center. 944-2240. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 by President Richter-Sand.

Presentation by: Edy Taylor

Respectfully Submitted:

Todd Blue



Edy Taylor presented at the January chapter meeting on medical considerations for pilots.

Quick Notes

Hello Joyce,
I need to sell several hundred gallons of fuel in the next two days. Could you please send out an email that says, anyone filling up with 100LL this Tuesday, and Wednesday can come for a free cup of coffee from our new coffee bar!
As always, I am trying to keep the price affordable. It is still \$4.35 per gallon!
Thank you,
Deborah

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I got a call from Lee Cardoza, EAA 530 YE Coordinator. He said they have chosen these 2018 dates for Young Eagles at Mid Valley Airpark:
April 14
July 14
October 20

I gave him our dates and he was happy none overlap. He invited our pilots to join them for these dates.
Joyce

New Mexico Racing Pilot, now a Lego Minifigure!

Remember the air racing Ercoupe from Santa Rosa that won the LOEFI 2016 People's Choice Award? You can now buy a LEGO replica of plane and pilot, William Du-bois! Read about it William's blog, "[Planetales](#)".

Word is that William and his Ercoupe are registered for the Route 66 Air Tour! Join the tour and see the gorgeous plane AND meet the famous Lego model in person!



Chapter 179 Friends,

Thank you for letting me contribute to your Scholarship fund. Jay loved flying and his friends in the aviation community! I know he would be very happy to know of and be a part of the Chapter's efforts in encouraging these young kids.

Many thanks,
Joyce Schmitt



GET YOUR KICKS ABOVE ROUTE 66

JOIN THE ROUTE 66 AIR TOUR

January 29, 2018

By Crista Videriksen Worthy

The Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179 is sponsoring a fun fly-out Feb. 16 to 19, 2018, that will take you across New Mexico and into Arizona, following Route 66, the "Mother Road." If you sign up, you'll get lots of great flying, stay in historic hotels, enjoy fabulous food, meet interesting people, and have a blast, but you'll also come away with a new historical perspective. Participants will interact directly with all three of the great transportation systems that revolutionized America in successive waves over the course of the 19th and 20th centuries. First the history, summarized below, and then the [Air Tour itinerary](#), presented in the accompanying photos and captions.



The tour "kicks" off in the eastern New Mexico town of Tucumcari, home to several classic 1950s-era Route 66 motels. You'll drive by the Blue Swallow Motel to see its famous neon sign, promising "100% Refrigerated Air" inside. In Tucumcari, tour participants will stay at the Roadrunner Lodge or Motel Safari. Photo by Sylvain L. via Flickr.

Click on the above or go to the web at the following URL to read more of an article by Crista Videriksen Worthy about our Route 66 Air tour coming up:

<https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2018/january/29/route-66-air-tour>

... and scroll through the great pictures in the AOPA web article!

NEW MEXICO
US 66

AIR TOUR

KINW, KGNT, OEO, KLVS, KSXU, KTCC

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The logo is contained within a black outline of the state of New Mexico. A blue line representing a flight path starts at a dot on the left labeled 'KINW', passes through dots labeled 'KGNT', 'OEO', 'KLVS', 'KSXU', and 'KTCC'. In the upper left is a shield-shaped sign for 'NEW MEXICO US 66'. In the lower center is a red Zia sun symbol with a white circle in the center containing the number '179'. To the right of the sun is a red silhouette of a biplane flying towards the right. The text 'EAA' is positioned to the right of the sun. The dates 'February 16 - 19, 2018' are at the bottom.

Route 66 Air Tour

February 16 - 19, 2018

Sponsored by Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179

Celebrate history, promote general aviation, and enjoy sights along the Mother Road!

REGISTRATION CLOSES 5PM WEDNESDAY, FEB 15th, ONLINE PAYMENT REQUIRED.

Register NOW at www.eaa179.org/route-66-tour/

FLY OR DRIVE and join us at any stop along the Route 66 Air Tour! Join for the full weekend or register to join the tour at any one or more stops. Registration fees are per person plus a nominal fee per aircraft. Participants make their own reservations for overnight accommodations – which are nearly booked – call hotels directly for best results. See website for itinerary and other info.

We've received a terrific response including aircraft coming from Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico! Several Texans responded, hoping we'll do it again in a warmer season (wimps!) Ha ha. Inspired by the NMPA 2012 Centennial Tour, this promises to be another super historical tour!

To register, download registration form at www.eaa179.org/route-66-tour/ , complete it and send via email to chapter@eaa179.org A \$30 late fee shall be assessed.

Questions? Contact Tour Director Dick Perry at rperry@comcast.net or (505) 263-0763

Sponsored by the Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179. The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) was founded in 1953 by a group of people interested in building their own airplanes. Today, EAA is a community of recreational pilots and builders dedicated to sharing our love of aviation. The Albuquerque EAA Chapter 179 is a 501c3 tax exempt charitable organization.

William Fitzpatrick, Aviation Safety and Education Administrator with NMDOT Aviation Division is putting together a team to do a restoration project of the A-7 in Santa Rosa. If you are interested in getting involved, let him know! Contact him at:

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RISE ABOVE Traveling Exhibit & P-51C Mustang



Gen. Lloyd W. "Fig" Newton Chapter
Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dates: February 27-March 4 2018

Locations:

- Airports: Sun Port & Double Eagle
- Schools: TBD



If you've never heard the roar of a P-51 Mustang in flight... you haven't lived.

The *RISE ABOVE Traveling Exhibit* is a mobile movie theater that tours the country year round to educate and inspire people of all ages with the history and lessons of the Tuskegee Airmen. These war heroes broke down barriers with their courage and determination to serve our country in World War II, and their ability to triumph over adversity remains a compelling and inspirational example to us all.

<http://www.redtail.org/rise-red-tail/rise-traveling-exhibit/>

<http://www.redtail.org/rise-red-tail/p-51c-mustang-tuskegee-airmen/>



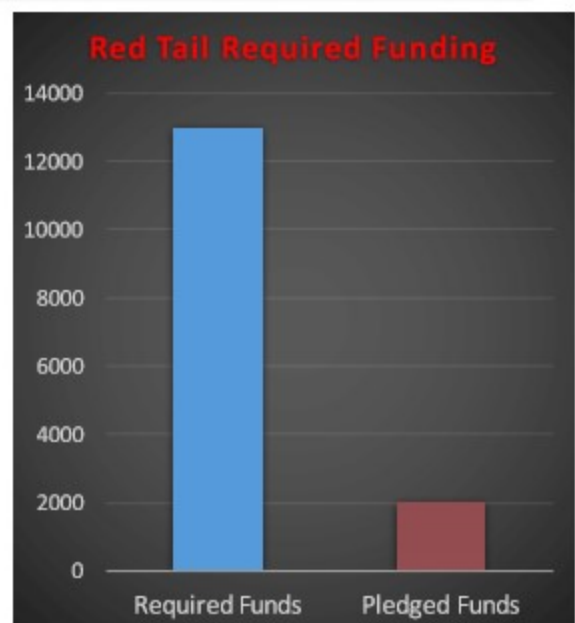
We are actively seeking partners in bringing this outstanding program to New Mexico for the very first time! If your organization would like to participate, please email us or call directly at the below:

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Fund Raising On Going!

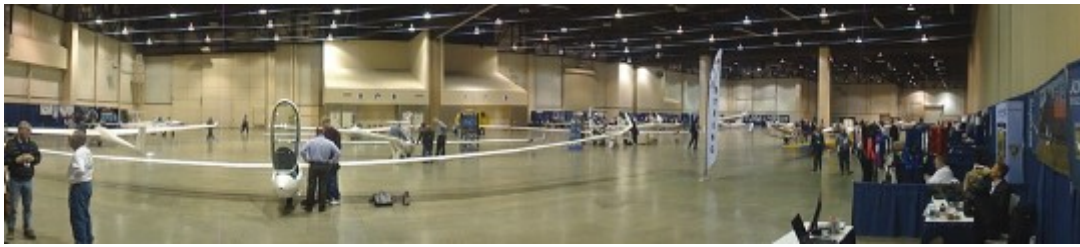
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Discover Soaring with a *special discount* for EAA members at the
2018 SSA Convention



EAA CHAPTERS, please pass to your members!

EAA Members

The Soaring Society of America (SSA) invites you to attend the 2018 SSA Convention in Reno, NV, March 1-3, 2018!

In the spirit of the SSA/EAA MOU, EAA members are offered special discounts* to attend the SSA Convention 2018 in Reno, Nevada. Come say hi to EAA Chapter 1361, Reno-Stead, Nevada, one of the many exhibitors.

Registration

EAA members must register by calling the SSA Office at 575-392-1177.

Registration is \$100, or \$80 with our EAA member discount.

For daily registration at the door, exhibit hall only daily admission is \$20, and \$40 with admission to the speakers. An EAA membership card is required for the daily EAA member 20% discount.

Schedule

<http://ssaconvention.org/schedule/> lists the full schedule of speakers and events (subject to change)

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There are special breakfasts, luncheons, and dinner events. Discounts do not apply to these events.

- The OSTIV dinner, Friday March 2nd, features Jim Payne, lead pilot on the recent world record Perlan 2 glider altitude record flight in Argentina at 52,172ft.
- The SSA Awards Banquet, Saturday March 3rd, features the remarkable story of gliders in World War II, presented by Dr. Donald Abbe, Curator of the Silent Wings Museum in Lubbock, Texas.

Exhibitors

Over 110,000 square feet display space will be filled with the latest and greatest sailplanes, technology, and must have items.

Join the SSA

The SSA also offers a 25% discount for EAA members joining the SSA for the first time or after a lapse of more than five years. http://www.ssa.org/EAA_discount.asp Check out the the [benefits](#) of SSA Membership. Explore the SSA's [Where To Fly Maps](#) to see if there's a soaring organization near you.

CFI's please note

There is a FIRC preceding the convention on February 27-28. This is approved for CFI's other than CFI-G's. See <http://soaringsafety.org/outreach/FIRC.html> for more information. If you're not coming to the convention, FIRC's are available in other locations and on other dates before and after the convention.

Youth

The SSA offers a free Cadet Introductory Membership (digital) to youth aged 10-18. Please share this with your Young Eagles. <http://cadet.ssa.org>. Handouts are available [here](#).

Thanks for your time and interest.

Ken Sorenson

Chairman, Soaring Society of America

***Current or recently lapsed SSA members who are also EAA members are not eligible for these discounts.**

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On-Going Events

Pilots ABQ Lunch - Every Thursday, Formation Begins at 11:15 AM, at **Monroe's Restaurant** at 6501 Osuna Rd. NE (about four blocks East of San Mateo on the North side of Osuna).

Pilots Mid-Valley Lunch - Every Tuesday, Formation begins at 10:00 AM at Bob Henning's Hangar, 3884 Tammy Ct. SE, Los Lunas, NM, (Mid-Valley Airpark) Ph 865-0007, and continues until 11:50. Then onto Lunch at T J's New Mexican Restaurant at 235 Highway 314 SW, Los Lunas.

Las Cruces/El Paso EAA Chapter #555 Breakfast - Every Third Sunday of the Month, a huge \$6.00 breakfast. Look for the large EAA hangar located at the Las Cruces International Airport (LRU). All pilots and interested others are invited. Consider this for a 'fly out' or for other fun events!

Aviation Historical Society—First Thursday of the Month, Formation begins at 7:00 PM at Bear Canyon Community Center. Contact Harry M. Davidson, Ph (505) 256-7212

EAA 179's **IMC Club** is underway and meeting 9:30am the 3rd Saturday every month at AEG, led by Marc Coan. The sessions are really good. Those interested can go to the following link for the current link for location, information and registration:

<https://www.faasafety.gov/SPANS/events/EventList.aspx?statecd=NM>

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