

# Granite City Flight Lines

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## EDITORIAL:

Currently the President of St. Cloud State University is proposing to close the Aviation Department. There is an effort to have legislation passed would require the continuance of the Aviation Department and its courses. Certainly the Aviation program at St. Cloud State University has contributed greatly to the economic wellbeing of St. Cloud and surrounding counties and cities. We certainly would not have the fine Minnesota Army National Guard base here without this program! The City of St. Cloud with the Assistance of substantial Federal Aviation funds have spent a lot of money upgrading the St. Cloud Airport and one of the reasons this was done was to support the St. Cloud State Aviation Program! Many of the members of Chapter 551 have received their flight training at St. Cloud State or from one of the graduates of their program. Currently flight training by St. Cloud State has been curtailed and it is creating economic problems for the both the Airport and the St. Cloud area.

We who are involved in aviation and its related activities must be the supporters of the Aviation Program at St. Cloud State University. We need a strong active thriving Aviation program at St. Cloud State University! I urge you to contact your elected officials in the Minnesota Legislature to support the continuing of the St. Cloud State Aviation Program! ***This editorial is the opinion of the editor of the Granite City Flight Lines and has not been endorsed or authorized by the Board Members of EAA Chapter 551 or EAA National!***

## CALENDER OF COMING EVENTS

**4/16/2011 St. Cloud Airport Day** 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Lunch will be available and their will be activities for children. Questions contact Jessica Miller 320.296.5200.

**4/16/2011 Tim Mahoney's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!!** When attacking the celebration from the air don't get below 2000' AGL because the heat from the candles on his birthday cake might explode your fuel tanks!

**4/18/2011 EAA551 members are invited to a tour of an Aerospace manufacturing facility in Big Lake, MN -Remmele Engineering Plant 40**

**The tour is expected to last about 1 1/2 hour. Of special interest to everyone will be the High Velocity Machining process used to manufacture precision spares from a solid plates. They can machine**

**complete parts over 100 feet long with complex shapes. This is truly world class machining in a large scale.**

We are planning to meet at the Areoclub hanger at 6:30 and car pool to the facility. You are required to bring identification i.e. drivers license, passport or other. Please email Paul if you think you might go on the tour so he can get an approximant head count. [Paul@redbarnridge.com](mailto:Paul@redbarnridge.com) or **320.420.4937**

**5/8/2011 Wings of the North Annual Pancake Breakfast \$6.00 per plate for: Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee & Juice. Warbird displays. Open cockpit biplane rides and introductory light aircraft rides available. Come out and celebrate aviation with us as we raise money for the awesome Air Expo 2011**

**5/16/2011 EAA 551 CHAPTER MEETING: Dedication of the Memorial Library at Morrison County Airport KLXL Little Falls MN.**

Hello there everyone! Have you ever wondered what the heck an EFB is? How about ADS-B? Well, now is your chance to find out. Come join us at KLXL on May 16th, 2011 @7:00 p.m. for an exciting night of round table discussion. We will have a panel of real world users who utilize Electronic Flight Bags (EFB's) on both the recreational and commercial side of aviation. Technology in today's cockpits is ever evolving. With new products like the IPAD 2, you can stay on top of emerging and exciting new applications without the fear of an end of life product. Save a tree and keep current with electronic charting. There are many versions of EFB's out there and we will do our best to get you informed of each products capabilities...and limitations. We're going to show you moving, GEO referenced charting, bright and brilliant displays, \*FREE NexRad weather, NOTAM's, TFR's, traffic, METARS's, and TAF's. And the best part, these products do NOT have to stay in the airplane! Use in your automobile, boat, fish house, and more. We are at a very exciting turning point for aviation technology innovation. Let us share it with you. Note: We will be primarily discussing portable units such as the IPAD and tablet PC's.

P.S. If you are a current user of an IPAD or other EFB, please get involved. Participate. Share your experience with us.

See you at Little Falls Airport! Mark Priglmeier EAA 551 V.P.

**5/21/2011 & 5/22/2011 Blaine's Aviation Days**

The event features many aspects of aviation, such as Experimental, Homebuilt, Civil, Corporate, Military, WWII and Vintage. Numerous exhibitors and vendors will be on site. FAA pilot Safety Seminars are scheduled for both days. EAA Chapter 237 will host a pancake breakfast from 7am to 11am and the Civil Air Patrol will host a lunch from 12-noon to 3pm. Kids activities are planned for those young flyers. Guests are invited to fly in or drive out to the festival and PIC's eat FREE! While most participants will be doing the latter, that doesn't mean you can't take to the skies; those who sign up can enjoy rides from fixed wing planes, helicopters, bi-plane or a WWII B-25. Attendees who prefer their feet firmly on the ground can check out the Golden Wings Museum and learn more about early history of aviation. Anoka County Airport - Jane's Field ANE - Blaine, MN

**6/11/2011 EAA Chapter 551 Bean and Brat Fly In 10:00 am to 2:00 PM Leader's (8Y6) Clear Lake, MN 55319**

***MEAL INCLUDES 1 BRATWURST  
WITH CHIPS, BEVERAGE, BEANS  
AND DESSERT***

**Adults: \$5.00**

**12 and under: \$3.00**

**5 and under: Free**

**Additional bratwurst: \$1.00**

**Additional chips: \$.50**

**Additional beverage: \$.50**

6/19/2011 Lake Elmo Annual Fathers Day Pancake Breakfast. St. Croix Squadron - Civil Air Patrol Sunday, June 19, 2011 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Lake Elmo Airport (21D) 3275 Manning Ave. North, Hangar 39E Stillwater, MN 55082 Per plate: Adults \$7.00; Kids 4-12 \$4.00, Kids under 4 eat free! Serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice & coffee. Silent auction, Displays, kids fun & more!

6/12/2011 Buffalo Air Show, West Metro Aviation

6/18/2011 Young Eagles Rides at Damn Days at Morrison County (LXL) 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

6/16/201119 Canby Air Show, Canby, MN (Wayne Flury, Air Show Announcer)

7/15;16;17/ 2011 EAA's B-17 Aluminum Over Cast will be at (STC) St. Cloud Airport giving rides and on Static Display.

7/16/2011 Wings of the North 09:00 AM - July 17, 20 11 05:00 PM Air Expo 2011 Flying Cloud Airport FCM Eden Prairie, MN.

8/20/2011 Daniel Deonti Memorial Airport in Forest Lake, Minnesota (25D) (Home of 24-hour gas and 24-hour grass) will be hosting its 10th Annual Open House and Fly-in on Saturday, August 20, 2011, from 10am to 4pm. The Fly-in will feature corn on the cob and brats sold by the Forest Lake Lions, and ice cream is available for dessert! Young Eagle rides offered, sponsored by EAA chapter 237. The Fly-in will be held at our new location, the south end of the field. The Forest Lake High School Pep Band is

scheduled to make an appearance, and the car show added last year will again be invited this year. John Schmidt 651 776 1717

EAA Chapter Board 551 Minutes meeting 4-4-2011

President Gary has information on work weekends at Oshkosh. If anyone is interested see Gary. April 16th meeting will be a tour of the Remmele plant at Big Lake. Meet at STC about 6pm and carpool to the plant.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$4100

Mark P. said that he and Gary E. are co coordinators for the B-17 tour July 14-17. We will need 12 volunteers a day Friday thru Sunday. Gary is making a signup sheet to bring to a chapter meeting. Tim M. is checking on getting a crew car donated for the B-17 crew.

June 11th bean and brat fly-in at 8y6, 10am to 2pm

Mark P. would like to have a technology update on an electronic flight bag at the may meeting.

*Program/Social Meetings* are held on the third Monday of every month. *Business Meetings* are held on the first Monday of every month. Locations and exceptions are announced in the monthly newsletter. Also revised and updated Chapter information can be found at [eaa551.org](http://eaa551.org)

**2011 Dues for EAA Chapter 551 are due now. Dues are \$20.00 if you receive the Granite City Flight lines via e-mail. If you receive Granite City Flight lines by US Mail dues are \$25.00 per year. Please pay Treasurer Kenneth HT Olson CPA LTD, 2330 Troop Drive, Sartell, Mn 56377.**

**MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:**

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