



March 2026

	WHEN:	WHERE:	PROGRAM:
MARCH MEETING	SATURDAY the 14TH 1:00 pm	RAY ROBINSON SHOP FERNALD, IA	MOSAIC UPDATE from FAA DAVID HINTZ

WHAT'S FLYIN' THIS WAY !!!

Our next meeting will be an update on MOSAIC from FAA employee, David Hintz. Last month we heard from Ryan on MOSAIC and this month we will learn a bit more from the FAA side of where the new policies stand at this moment.

We encourage all to attend because this will be a good opportunity to ask questions and get answers directly from the FAA. Everyone is invited including Chapter 135 and other EAA chapters in Iowa.

We will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday March 14th.

Ray's shop is on the southeast corner of Fernald (it's basically a two street town). If you need further directions, contact anyone on the pane to the right.

WHAT FLEW BY !!!

The first meeting of last month, held at the KMIW terminal, had a small group around the conference table just hangar talking. We were going to watch a video, but the conversation took up the whole meeting!

The second meeting had a few chapter 675 members attend the MOSAIC discussion at the chapter 135 meeting in Ankeny. Those who could not attend hope to glean some of the information from those who did, at the meeting this coming Saturday.

The cold, snow, wind, rain and, of course, fog, have been the Anti-Flying Beast this past few weeks, but the FOGz (Flying Old Geezers for those uninitiated) have been overcoming the Beast by meeting at different local breakfast establishments in Marshalltown. As can be seen on the **CALENDAR**, pilots are getting ready to fly again. And it is getting warmer; just need the wind and rain to let up a bit.

Hopefully some of our chapter members will be able to attend either the visitation or funeral for our long time member **Don Lutes** who passed away on the 3rd of March. You can see the times and obituary here...

<https://www.andersonfhs.com/obituaries/Donald-Lutes?obId=47481482>

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CALENDAR

Saturday, March 21

Harlan Municipal Airport (HNR)
Soup Fly-in
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Free to all fly-ins
712-744-3366 (Scott Pigsley)
spigsley@cityofharlan.com

Thursday, April 9

Marshalltown Airport (KMIW)
Don Feld Hangar
EAA Chapter 675 Meeting
6 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14 – Thursday, April 16

2026 IPAA Conference
Dubuque, IA
515-727-0667
director@iowaairports.org
www.iowaairports.org/ipaa-conference

Saturday, April 18

Spencer Municipal Airport (SPW)
Discovery Flights – 99s Let's Fly Now
10 a.m. – noon
563-650-0342 (Jenny Myren)
jennyalewis@gmail.com
<https://www.ninety-nines.org/letsfly/>

Friday, May 1

Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI)
Fly-in Taco Cookout & Spot Landing Contest
Starts at 5 p.m.
563-242-3292 (Marlana Nass)
clintonairport@cityofclintoniowa.gov
<https://www.facebook.com/FlyClinton/>

?? Saturday, May 7 ??

Pella Municipal Airport
Tulip Festival Fly-in

Thursday, May 14

Marshalltown Airport (KMIW)
EAA Chapter 675 POTLUCK
6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 16

Boone Municipal Airport (BNW)
Fly-in Breakfast
7 a.m. – 11 a.m.
PIC and children under 5 eat free
515-432-1018 (Dale Farnham)
defarnham@msn.com
www.farnhamaviation.com

Saturday, May 16

Sioux County Regional Airport (S XK)
Tulip Festival Flight Breakfast
7 a.m. – 11 a.m.
712-567-1000 (Andrew Schreier)
andrew@airflairinc.com
www.octulipfestival.com/portfolio-item/fly-in-breakfast/

Saturday, May 16

Mason City Municipal Airport (MCW)
Fly-in Breakfast
7 a.m. – noon
641-424-9366 (Todd Kyle)
www.northiowaair.com
todd@northiowaair.com

Saturday, May 30

Marshalltown Airport (KMIW)
EAA Chapter 675 Meeting
Pancake Feed
8:00 A.M.

Sunday, May 31

Cherokee Regional Airport (CKP)
Fly-in Breakfast
PIC eats free
7 a.m. – noon
lducommun@cherokeermc.org

Friday, June 12

Clinton Municipal Airport (CWI)
Fly-in Aerial Drop & Cookout
5 p.m.
563-242-3292 (Marlana Nass)
clintonairport@cityofclintoniowa.gov
<https://www.facebook.com/FlyClinton/>

Thursday, June 11

Marshalltown Airport (KMIW)
EAA Chapter 675
Ice Cream Social
6:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 13

Ames Municipal Airport (AMW)
Fly-in Breakfast
7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
515-292-9056 (Nikki Kyle)
www.centraliowaair.com
nikki@centraliowaair.com

Sunday, June 14

Denison Municipal Airport (DNS)
Fly-in breakfast – Denison Boy Scouts
7 a.m. – noon
712-210-1900 (Ryan Leed)
airport@denisonia.com

Up Close and Personal

As some of you know Deanna and I recently went on a cruise aboard the world's largest cruise ship, the Royal Caribbean Icon of the Seas. At 248,000 tons, it is about 2.5 times heavier than a modern day aircraft carrier. Lots of fun!



But my story isn't really about the ship. It's an aircraft story of course. One of our island stops was the island of St. Martin. St. Martin is an island that is half Dutch and half French. A beautiful Caribbean island east of Cuba. Here is a map of St. Martin.



If you look at the lower left of the island you will see the Airport of Juliana, this island and that airport are known world wide. As can be seen, the western approach for the runway is very close to the Caribbean Sea. In fact there is a beach there. And it is this beach that is famous. Here is why.



People love to watch the airplanes land and take off. In fact there are UTube videos of beach folks hanging on the fence being blown by a large jet which is powering up for its take off role. Crazy, totally crazy. We didn't go to the fence on our stop but we did stay long enough to watch some planes land although from a distance. But still mighty close.



Scholarship Update and a call for Donations

Natalie Henson, our latest scholarship recipient, has completed her first semester of college at the University of Nebraska, Omaha with flying colors. She has been awarded the \$1000 for fulfilling her obligations and plans to attend our chapter Ice Cream Social in June to give us a personal update on her accomplishments.

It's exciting to see these young people achieve their dreams in aviation with the help of our scholarships. We already have other prospective applicants whom are enthusiastic about aviation and are eager to continue their education in the field.

At the moment, we have allocated all the funds we have and rely on local contributions for our scholarship funds. As soon as we reach an amount suitable for a scholarship, we can accept applications and award the prize when the requirements are fulfilled.

If you feel so led, our chapter is a 501(c)(3) and can accept tax deductible donations for educational causes. Since we are an all volunteer organization, there are no administration costs, so all the funds go to the recipient.

Thank you for encouraging these young people which reinforces the aviation industry and our freedom to fly.



***The beach at the Princess Juliana International Airport which is
the main airport on the Caribbean island of Saint Martin***

(Photo from the internet)