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**NEXT MEETING**

**Where:** Haps Air Service

**When:** 7:00 p.m.

**Date:** June 11th, 2007

**Future dates:**

8/13(cookout),

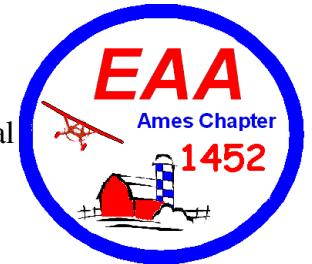
8/18 (Sauer Young Eagles),

9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10

**NEXT MEETING DETAILS:**

An exciting event for our group and local pilots, "Introduction to the new WINGS pilot proficiency " comes to Hap's Air Service in Ames. This is an official FAA WINGS event. Speakers Dean Jones and David Kalwishky will provide training to any who attend on how to avoid the biggest killer of general aviation pilots. This is a great opportunity to show local aviation enthusiasts what our organization is all about.

As of writing this newsletter, 46 have signed up via online registration.



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**TAKE OFF ~ A message from the President**

Scott left April 19<sup>th</sup> for Sun-n-fun 2007 in Lakeland, Florida. Scott's father is the president of the EAA chapter based in Winterhaven, FL. Seen here is Scott and his father with EAA Founder Paul Poberezny and his wife at Sun-n-fun.

*Scotto ~ with EAA founder at Sun -n Fun, 2007*



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For a full write-up of Scott's trip to Florida, visit the website.

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**[A Reminder] - Action Call for Iowa Aviation Community**

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*Special June 4 event gives Iowa aviation interests opportunity for input*

*U.S. lawmakers are in the process of discussing reauthorization and funding of federal aviation programs that will certainly have a major impact on all levels of aviation users. To date, two proposals have been drafted including one by the administration, and a second by the Senate Commerce Committee. Both of those proposed bills include the implementation of at least some level of user fees on general aviation activities.*

**Jason Dodd – Newsletter**

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*Now, the House Aviation Subcommittee is drafting it's version of a reauthorization bill that will likely be introduced sometime in June.*

*As part of an outreach effort to discuss these issues with the aviation community, Congressman Leonard Boswell (Member, House Aviation Subcommittee) is hosting a special event at the Ankeny Regional Airport*



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3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

**Other Upcoming Events:**

**June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Council Bluffs municipal airport  
“Flying the SR-71 Blackbird” by Col. Harlan Hain

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Red Oak Municipal airport. 7:00-11:00 a.m. flyin breakfast .

**June 10<sup>th</sup>**, Northwest Iowa Regional Airport fly-in and airshow. 7:00 am to 12:00 pm in Spencer, Iowa.

**June 17<sup>th</sup>**, 62<sup>nd</sup> annual fly-in breakfast at Harlan Municipal Airport. 7:00 to 11:00.

From 500' AGL in my CHII  
~ Written by Jason Dodd



Joining Congressman Boswell will be Illinois Congressman Jerry Costello, Chairman of the House Aviation Subcommittee, and Congressman Bruce Braley, member of the House Aviation Subcommittee, as well as a host of additional dignitaries from state and national associations and governmental agencies.

Congressman Boswell would like to see the ramp at the Ankeny Regional Airport fill up with a wide variety of aircraft from all around Iowa. Pilots are encouraged to attend by flying or driving to the Ankeny Regional Airport.

Congressmen Boswell, Costello, and Braley will provide an update on reauthorization to attendees, and will meet with airports, FBO's and pilots. Additional items to be discussed will be changes in the collection of aviation fuel taxes that are hurting aviation businesses as well as jeopardizing the funding stream for vital aviation programs.

This is a unique opportunity to talk to two influential Congressmen working for our aviation causes in DC. Let's show them our appreciation and support and fill-up the hangar with people and the ramp with airplanes!

So we can gauge the number people and types of aircraft that will be attending the event, we do ask that anyone who plans on attending to RSVP Michelle Frank at [michele.frank@dot.iowa.gov](mailto:michele.frank@dot.iowa.gov). It would be helpful to have contact information (name, address, etc), how many people will be in your party, if you will be flying or driving, and the type of aircraft you will be flying in. Also, AOPA will be holding an event right after this and everyone is welcome to stay to visit with Phil Boyer, President of AOPA.

For more information on reauthorization of federal aviation programs, one web site (Aviation Across America) has been set up exclusively to provide updates and news on reauthorization of aviation programs. It can be accessed at <http://aviationacrossamerica.org/>. We hope to see you in Ankeny June 4!

~ Michelle McEnany ~ Iowa Department of Transportation - Aviation

See you all at the meeting, and please keep sending pictures and stories for the website!! ~ Jason

