



FROM THE PATTERN

We're into March and it has been a tough winter. Flying has been difficult for all of us due to winter. Hang tight, spring is almost here.

We need to thank Michael Baraz for stepping up to the plate in many aspects of our management. Michael has taken on the programming, both the Safety and IMC club, working with our website, and other matters. February presentations by DPE Bob Schmelzer, who facilitated the IMC club and presented the safety meeting topic.

But let's talk about the future. We are bringing in Jason Schappert again (for the 3rd year) in April and Max Trescott in June. However, bringing in outstanding speakers, like Bob, Jason and Max costs money for room rentals. For those of you who are not members, I am asking you to consider joining CEPA. We also have a vehicle available for charitable tax-deductible opportunities. That is for our scholarship program, whereby we have given scholarships to students pursuing aviation related programs at Illinois institutions.



We are working on establishing relationship with a local high district, working with their aviation program. We have board members working with other related aviation not for profits such as the 99s, Cirrus Owners and Pilots Association, COPA Safety and Education Foundation; and others. It's great having our members involved. I'd like our CEPA members to let us know what you are doing. Perhaps we need a column entitled "Have you heard?" I would also ask that members send in pictures of their aircraft so we can further enhance the member interest perspective.

We also need input from you as our members what you would like to see for our safety presentations. We would also like our members to let us know if you are interested in volunteer opportunities or helping out in other ways.

Your President recently attended a CEA board meeting. One of the board members, talked about the great things we as an Organization do. From my perspective, I believe it is a friendlier board than it was 30 months ago.

Rob Mark has graciously volunteered for the board and is being slotted as Treasurer. Thank you, Rob, for stepping up. Rhett is working on membership. Michael is working on programming and website, Jason is working on scholarship and other programs. Prasad is working on the picnic and other events. Larry is assisting other board members in their responsibilities. Madeleine continues to work on the newsletter and is our representative to the Illinois Aviation Hall of Fame. A big thank you to all.

Please check the newsletter for additional events, as well as events such as the COPA pilot proficiency program which will be held at the end of June at KDPA.

Blue skies and tailwinds everyone.

Arthur

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C.E.P.A. EVENT SCHEDULE 2019

**BOARD MEETING—ATLANTIC AVIATION
SAFETY PROGRAMS - RAMADA PLAZA
IMC—ALTERNATES SFS HGR 19/RAMADA PLAZA**

BOARD MTG	3-4	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	3-27	6:30pm	SIGNATURE HGR 19
BOARD MTG	4-1	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	4-24	6:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
SAFETY MTG	4-24	7:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
Both 4-24 meetings led by JASON SCHAPPERT			
BOARD MTG	5-6	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	5-22	6:30pm	SIGNATURE HGR 19
PANCAKES	6-1	8:00am	TBD Tentative time
BOARD MTG	6-3	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	6-26	6:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
SAFETY MTG	6-26	7:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
Both 6-26 meetings led by Max Trescott			
BOARD MTG	7-1	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
ANNUAL PICNIC	7-10	6:00pm	LOCATION TBD
IMC CLUB	7-17	6:30pm	with WAUKEGAN IMC
BOARD MTG	8-5	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	8-28	6:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
SAFETY MTG	8-28	7:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
Both 8-28 meetings led by Rex Alexander			
BOARD MTG	9-3	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	9-25	6:30pm	SIGNATURE HGR 19
BOARD MTG	10-7	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
IMC CLUB	10-23	6:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
SAFETY MTG	10-23	7:30pm	RAMADA PLAZA
Both 10-23 meetings led by Bryan (Galt)			
BOARD MTG	11-4	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
ANNUAL MTG	11-27	7:00pm	RAMADA PLAZA
BOARD MTG	12-2	7:00pm	ATLANTIC AVIATION
HOLIDAY PARTY	12-18	6:00pm	LOCATION TBA

Chicago Executive Pilots' Association Newsletter is published monthly. This organization was formed in 1986 as a forum for the users of Chicago Executive Airport (formerly Palwaukee) and as a conduit for information from the users to the governing body and from the governing body to the users. Our mission is to promote the safety of operations and continued development of Chicago Executive Airport in a fraternal environment with the pilots, users and community. Membership is open to users of Chicago Executive Airport who support the goals and objectives as stated in the bylaws. Dues are \$30.00 annually and include newsletter.

Letters to the Editor, feedback, concerns or questions and any articles submitted must be received by the 20th of the month. Submissions will be printed on a space available basis and may be edited for style, length and appropriate content. Send text as a Microsoft Word file attached to an email to 99mjm@sbcglobal.net. Please make prior arrangement with the editor for any files not electronically transmitted.

CHICAGO EXECUTIVE PILOTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER 1009 S WOLF ROAD STE 106 WHEELING, IL 60090-6408

AIRPORT MEETINGS:

Chicago Executive Airport has published its 2019 meeting schedule all meetings at the airport office, 1020 Plant Road, Wheeling, IL

Please mark your calendar and attend when you can.

CEA Board Meeting March 20, 6:00 pm

Noise Committee March 6, Any pilot can attend.

NEWS AND VIEWS

Do You Know NOTAMs?

Notice Number: NOTC8267

Have you ever wondered what a NOTAM said? Do you know the difference between the various kinds of NOTAMs? In case you need a refresher, FAA has a back to basics course to help you understand what Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) are and what they are saying. There is a lot of useful information encoded into NOTAMs that can help you take your flight safety to the next level.

[For pilots](#)

All General Aviation segments showed increases in deliveries for 2018. By [Pia Bergqvist](#) February 21, 2019 (reprinted from Flying enews)

Icon Aircraft had a very strong year, increasing its reported A5 shipments from 10 in 2017 to 44 in 2018.

At its annual State of the Industry press conference in Washington, D.C., the General Aviation Manufacturers Association released the General Aviation aircraft delivery numbers for 2018.

For the first time in five years, all segments of the industry showed increased numbers. GAMA's chairman and Gulfstream's president Mark Burns announced an overall increase of 4.7 percent in airplane shipments for a total of 2,443 for the year.



“New certifications over the last two years, especially in the lighter jet segments, as well as demand in North America are driving the business jet shipment increase,” said GAMA’s president and CEO Pete Bunce. “This is also the second consecutive year in which shipments of piston and turbine rotorcraft are up, driven by the introduction of new models to the market.”

While Bunce cautioned that the extended partial government shutdown might have some negative effects on the industry, he said new certifications are likely to keep the market strong.

The shipment numbers increased about five percent for piston and turboprop airplanes, while bizjets deliveries saw an increase of nearly four percent. However, the total airplane billings increased by only 1.5 percent, for a total of \$20.6 billion for the 2,443 airplanes delivered for the year. The piston market had a particularly good year with 1,139 airplanes, the greatest number of piston airplanes delivered since 2008. Meanwhile, the number of helicopters delivered increased by 5.4 percent; however, billings actually decreased by 0.7 percent, for a total number of \$3.6 billion.

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GET READY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Another scholarship season has officially started with applications distributed and due May 1st. I expect more applications this year than last, due to the responses I have already gotten from a few of my contacts at the universities.

Last year's winner Logan Smith completed his commercial rating in August shortly after we met him at last years picnic, has plans to complete his CFI ratings this summer and has an ultimate goal of being an ATP by 2021. Great job Logan!

Our second place winner Matt O'Reilly completed his PPL in September of last year and is currently working towards his instrument rating with a goal of becoming a commercial pilot this fall. Congratulations Matt!

The applications are up on our website www.pwkpilots.org. If you know any aviation students, the requirements are that you must be a resident of Illinois enrolled in an Illinois institute of higher learning.

It gives me great pleasure to be a part of this scholarship and its process, to meet young new aviators and watch them rise through the ranks. I'd like to take an opportunity to thank everyone who donates to the scholarship fund, CEPA members for the yearly dues that you pay, and especially the applicants. Just like Time Money and Motivation, it takes all three of you to make this happen and fly.

Jason Simpson
Scholarship Chairman

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Meet Rob Mark, Pilot, Aviation Writer, Editor, Video & Audio Producer and new CEPA Treasurer

A life-long pilot and flight instructor, Rob began flying as a single pilot for small companies in aircraft like the Piper Seneca and Navajo Chieftain. He later flew for the original Midway Airlines until that company closed its doors in 1991. The majority of his flying career has been spent as an ATP-rated business aviation and charter pilot in both Part 91 and Part 135 operations having logged nearly 7,000 hours. He holds Certified Flight Instructor and seaplane ratings. A veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Rob also spent 10 years of his career as an air traffic controller and supervisor for the FAA.



Before joining *Flying* magazine as its senior editor, Rob wrote operations, safety and training stories for *Aviation International News*, *Air & Space*, *AOPA Pilot-Turbine*, *Air Line Pilot*, *Career Pilot*, *P1*, *The Chicago Tribune* and many others. He was twice awarded the Airbus Aerospace Journalist of the Year at the Paris Air Show and also twice awarded the National Business Aviation Association's Gold Wing award for Outstanding Journalism, most recently at the 2018 convention in Orlando.

Rob wrote, produced and narrated a safety video about single pilot aircraft operations for the NBAA in 2017 titled, "[*Alone in the Cockpit*](#)." He also wrote and produced a safety video for drone operators who are not familiar with how their flying could interrupt operations for regular aircraft. That show is called, "[*Before You Fly Your Drone*](#)." He also has experience delivering on-camera analysis for some of his own stories such as when he flew [*Gulfstream's G550*](#).



During his career as a journalist, Rob has authored five aviation books published by McGraw-Hill and publishes the award winning industry blog, [*Jetwhine.com*](#). He has served as an on-air aviation expert for [*CNN*](#), [*Fox News*](#), [*NBC-TV*](#), [*WGN-TV*](#), the BBC and a number of radio outlets. An audio producer, Rob co-hosts the [*Attitude Adjustment*](#) show each day on EAA Radio during AirVenture, the nation's largest airshow in Oshkosh Wisconsin.

A graduate of Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, he returned to teach at his alma mater for 6 years in that same graduate program.



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Banquet held in conjunction with the Illinois Aviation Conference which begins mid-day on Wednesday May 8. Rooms are available at the Holiday Inn & Suites East Peoria at the conference rate of \$102 per night plus taxes. Please reference "IAT" (for Illinois Aviation Trades Association, sponsors of the Illinois Aviation Conference) when making your reservations. Booking through our room block helps us to keep our banquet costs lower.

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