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NEXT GATHERING: SATURDAY, SEPT. 5, 2009 AT BLAKESBURG, IA. 1:30 p.m.

This will be our regular September meeting at the AAA/APM National event to vote for our Chapter Choice Award. Please plan to meet under a wing (usually Ed Wegner's) sometime around 1:30 p.m. Review your entries before Sat., so we can pick another great airplane and/or driver to receive our beautiful "state" plaque.

Last Meeting: Sunday, June 14, 2009 Lifetime AAA member Ron Hurlburt invited WI AAA and MAAC for a lunch/meeting at his field (new name "Maxville Prairie Airport") at Durand, WI. A short meeting was held at 12:30 p.m. after a great lunch of burgers, hot dogs and a lot of extras served by Ron and his family and friends. Ron's field is on the Chippewa River, 780' elevation, north/south, 2800'asphalt runway. Ron had mowed the hay next to the runway, and it was marked with cones. To say that it was SMOOOOTH is an understatement. Ron's Liberty Hill Farm has been in his family since 1860. There were about 22 members and guests attending. Paul Isakson of Amery, WI came late in his J-3 Cub and missed the meeting, but we still counted him. Ron has three beautiful airplanes in his hangar, plus there were five more planes that flew in. AAA Headquarters sent a trophy for the occasion, and members voted to present it to Ron and his family for hosting the "first Durand Fly In." The hospitality and the food were outstanding, and we have been invited back. New member Eugene Schuh, 307 Moundsview Ct., Elk Mound, WI 54739 emsechuh@mmm.com plus dues from members paid.

A note from the president: "Hello, Wisconsin Antiquers,

Well, it is the end of August, and the summer is just flying by. I hope everyone is enjoying what little summer we are seeing here in Wisconsin. I would like to extend another "thank you" to Ron Hurlburt and family for a very nice fly-in at Durand. Maybe if we ask him nicely, we could make this an annual thing. Unfortunately, the Homebuilt fly-in at Blakesburg over July 2-4 was rained out. It started off promising with a very large crowd showing up on Thurs. to help celebrate Bob's 85th birthday. Friday morning looked good with a number of airplanes showing up, and then by noon or so the majority headed for home due to the incoming weather. I myself have a good time at Antique Airfield no matter what the weather is. As most may know, the model of AP Warner's Curtiss that he made the first flight in Wisconsin with is making its rounds around the state to help celebrate Wisconsin's 100th year in aviation. EAA Chapter 60 out of Beloit did a very nice job on the model. I had the chance to look it over on its stay in Wausau, along with an interesting presentation for Michael Goe, who is one of the Board of Directors for the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame. They are planning to have a re-enactment flight on Nov. 4 in Beloit to commemorate the centennial of flight along with other activities. See www.aviationhalloffamewisconsin.com for more information. I hope everyone can get out and make a few fly-ins yet this year."

Mondovi, WI "Log-Cabin Fly-in" Sept. 6, '09 Starting 9:30 a.m. lunch @ noon. Freq: 122.9 Contact Doug Ward 715-287-4205 for more information. Maybe stop in on your way to/from AAA/APM.

If you have e-mail, please send it to me, address below. Put WI AAA in the subject line. News or dues \$5. MaDonna McMahan, Treasurer/Newsletter Editor WI AAA, PO Box 447, Wausau, WI 54402-0447. (715-359-8616 or 715-571-6929) mmrealty@dwave.net. Thanks, MM.
