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District III

Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia

As your AMA District III vice president (VP), I attended more than 30 events in 2019. That's a record for me! I will try to use fewer words and more pictures to catch up and showcase the modelers and events I attended in 2019.

On June 25, 2019, members of the AMA Executive Council, AMA's Government Relations team, and I went to Washington, D.C. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with members of the U.S. House and Senate, and officials from the FAA, AOPA, and other involved organizations to discuss the airspace restrictions imposed upon our hobby by the law passed in 2018. These meetings were a step to get our foot in the door and have face-to-face conversations with the policymakers in Washington.



As District III VP, I met with several senate and congressional representatives on Capitol Hill advocating for the modelers of District III.

This was my first time on Capitol Hill and I must say the representatives I spoke with were attentive to our concerns and all asked that we reach out to them for any help needed. I assure you, AMA will utilize these contacts when necessary to help protect our valuable hobby.

On July 19, 2019, on my way to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, I stopped at the International Aeromodeling Center in Muncie, Indiana, to



Todd Lee, from Cleveland, flew this beautiful P-51 in CL Stunt at the Nats. The finish is impeccable!

Terry Frazer (R), from Wheelersburg OH, took first place in RC Pylon Q-40 at the Nats. Congratulations, Terry!



watch some of the Nats activities. I was pleasantly surprised to see several District III members competing in Control Line (CL) Aerobatics and RC Pylon.

On Saturday, I left Muncie and drove to Oshkosh for the 50th anniversary of EAA AirVenture. Hundreds of thousands of aviation enthusiasts attend Oshkosh each year, and AMA has a significant presence there.

In 2015, the EAA began to allow RC flying in the evening at Pioneer Airport, a beautiful grass aerodrome on the massive Oshkosh grounds. The evening flying has become quite popular with more than 100 RC pilots participating each year.



Sean Elliott (R), EAA VP of Advocacy and Safety, and I had the honor of flying a demo flight with the EAA Kadet at AirVenture.

One of the 2019 highlights was EAA introducing the Young Eagles

RC airplane. EAA and AMA worked with Sig Manufacturing to produce an electric-powered version of the LT-40 trainer. The goal is for EAA chapters and AMA clubs to team up to teach EAA Young Eagles to build and fly RC models to keep them interested in aviation. A kit was assembled at Oshkosh and flown at Pioneer Airport on Saturday, July 27.

For more information, visit www.eaa.org/eea/eea-chapters/eea-chapter-resources/chapter-programs-and-activities/EAA-Young-Eagles-Build-and-Fly-Program.

Until next month, fly safely, fly AMA.