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"Rising Above for Education" "Making Dreams Become A Reality"

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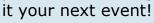
Princeton Lions & EAA Pancake Breakfasts



Princeton Lion's annual pancake breakfast was a huge success on Sunday, June 9, 2024! The organization served approximately 1,300 people a scrambled egg and pan-

fast. The wind proved to be too much for airplane rides. This did not stop the transient traffic to fly in and the aviation enthusiasts of all ages to visit Flight Expo's S2F Tracker, Cubby, and Cessnas.

EAA Chapter 237 hosted their annual breakfast in July. Flight Expo attended with their Mobile Cockpit for youngsters to explore. Contact Flight Expo if you'd like the mobile cockpit to vis-









Making Dreams Become A Reality!

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Connexus Energy Foundation

Flight Expo *WON* The Connexus Energy Foundation's

Your Community Your Choice Award!

Flight Expo was the recipient of \$1,500 from
The Connexus Energy Foundation. Thank you to everyone that voted for Flight Expo and to foundation for their generosity.

Together we are "Making Dreams Become a Reality".





Thank you to those that came to watch us in the parade!

Princeton Rum River Parade



















Flight Expo Upcoming Events

"Not long ago, when I was a student in college, just flying an airplane seemed a dream. But that dream turned into reality."

-Charles Lindbergh, The Spirit of St. Louis, 1953.

Flight Expo Upcoming Events





Aviation Adventures
August 19-21 - 9am-11am
Grades 1-5
Learn about Aviation

Register at www.isd477.org

Man Cave Sale
Final Sale of the Season
All items must go!
August 22-24
9am-5pm
29563 144th St, Princeton

2nd Annual Halloween at the Princeton Municipal Airport on Saturday, October 5th from 11:30 am -1:30 pm 800 Airport Road Princeton, MN 55371

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Build a Plane October 2024 ages 12-18. Visit flightexpo.org to register.

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Promoting Aviation through EDUCATION & PRESERVATION

Flight Expo serves over 10 counties in Minnesota and 18 school districts making aviation programs available to over 131,675 aspiring aviators and budding mechanics. The aviation community will be in desperate need of future employees. According to Boeing, by 2042 the world will need 602,000 pilots, 610,000 Maintenance Technicians, and 899,000 Cabin Crew Members. Flight Expo has numerous *Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)* programs to help create a pipeline of future aviation employees.



1. Cockpit Tours

Flight Expo will bring a mobile cockpit travels to daycares for the preschoolers to experience. This gives them an introduction to aviation at a young age.



2. Aviation Adventures

Students in Grades 1-5 will join us for an exciting week of hands-on classes focused on aviation. Learn the science behind flying, cover interesting types of aircraft, build a paper glider, learn about weather, and have the opportunity to sit in a real aircraft!



3. Build a Plane

For ages 12-18, Build-A-Plane is an interactive program that allows students to build a full scale aircraft. It teaches students different mechanical skills such as welding, riveting, fabric covering, and similar aspects that are used in aircraft construction. Class is lead by certified A&P Mechanics.



4. High School Internship

Utilizing a first-of-its-kind computer program designed for 11th and 12th graders interested in pursuing careers as Aviation Mechanics. The lessons are designed to teach students the necessary information to complete the General Section of their FAA Mechanic Certification. (Certification involves 3 parts: General Power plant, and Airframe.) Completing the first section before technical college could shorten their time in post-secondary school.



5. Flying Club/Flight School

Individuals ages 12+ have the opportunity to participate in Flight Expo's Flying Club. Students fly with an instructor for a total of 40-50 hours in Flight Expo's Cessna 150 or 172. In conjunction with collecting flight hours, students take ground school classes through Sporty's or AOPA Online. This pathway allows students the opportunity to earn their Private Pilot License.



6. Preservation and Restoration Project

Aircraft is donated to the nonprofit for students to work on. All donated aircraft are typically missing several key components or have many areas of major corrosion. Depending on the state of the aircraft, some projects have been fully restored while others the main focus is on preservation. Donated aircraft includes a Kit Fox, Wag Aero Cubby, Hot Air Balloon, Piper Colt, Cessna 152, Cessna 172, Luscombe 8A, L4, Tsunami, and S2F Tracker.

Thanks to the generosity of many donors like you, these programs continue to build a pipeline of future aviation professionals.

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Help Flight Expo Induct John R. Sandberg into the MN Aviation Hall of Fame

Please consider joining Flight Expo and the Sandberg Family in honoring John Sandberg's contributions to the aviation world by submitting a letter of support to Flight Expo to be included in his Nomination Package.

The MN Aviation Hall of Fame would like letters of support to address the following:

Did the candidate make a significant aviation contribution to Minnesota?

Was the candidate merely doing his job or did he go beyond his paid duties?

What area of the State does the candidate represent?



Was the candidate a Minnesota native who shed good light on Minnesota though not having spent his/her career in Minnesota...or was the candidate from another State, but spent his career in Minnesota?

What makes the candidate unique from his/her contemporaries?

Feel free to use the below template or create your own. All testimonials are due September 25, 2024. Email them to flightexpoinc@aol.com or mail to PO Box 155, Zimmerman, MN 55398.

Nominees with community backing are favored over those with little support. To accomplish Flight Expo's goal and the Sandberg Family sincerely ask for the help of those who knew him. Completing John's nomination

package will serve as a tribute to his accomplishments and a testament to his enduring legacy. Flight Expo and the Sandberg family thank you for helping us accomplish keeping this legacy alive.



It is with great pleasure that I nominate John Sandberg to the MN Aviation
Hall of Fame. John was born in 1931 and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota. John opened his aircraft engine shop in
Plymouth, MN in 1969. In addition to being a successful businessman, John pursued his passion for aviation during
and outside of regular business hours. (For him there was no such thing as business hours.) His whole life John devoted his life to building various aircraft and engines that made a difference in the aviation community. Tsunami is only
one of the many aircraft. With Tsunami, Jack's dream had come true. The Tsunami was and still is the world's fastest
home-built race plane. John promoted excellence and encouraged others to set high standards in their endeavors. He
showcased the best in aviation, driving innovation, progress, and improvement.

Please consider inducting John Sandberg into the MN Aviation Hall of Fame. John continues to be a role model and source of inspiration for others. His passion and determination encourage current and future generations to strive for excellence, pursue their passions, and make positive contributions to the aviation community.

Sincerely, Name, Address, Email, Phone



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