



THE EAGLE FLIGHT

The Journey begins 5/05

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WELCOME !

EAA CHAPTER PARTICIPATION UPDATE!

We would like to thank the following EAA chapters for agreeing to help when the Eagle Flight lands in their city:

Idaho Falls, ID - Billings, MT -
 Cody WY- Mandan, ND- Sioux Falls, SD- Sioux City, IA - Norfolk, NE - Rushford, MN - Traverse City MI -Oshkosh, WI - Fort Wayne, IN- Fairmont, WV - Athens, OH- Indiana, PA - N. Kingston, RI- Rutland, VT - Hammonton, NJ- W. Lebanon, NH Biddeford, ME- Hanson, MA- Hartford, CT- Ithaca, NY- Wilmington ,DE- Franklin, VA- Lexington Park, MD- Apex, NC- Greenville, TN - Columbia, SC- Vidalia, GA- Daytona Beach, FL- Pell City, AL- Macon, MS-



Pineville, LA- Owensboro, KT-
 Mt. Vernon, IL- Jefferson City, MO-
 Rogers, AR- Garden City, KS-
 Stillwater, OK- Amarillo, TX-
 Pueblo, CO- Los Alamos, NM-
 Show Low, AZ- Salinas, CA-
 Reno, NV.

Any other chapters interested in helping out, please check our route map on the website and see if we are landing in your city. If you can help, please contact::

stacey@theeagleflight.org

Thank you to *Club Peace 'n Plenty and Beach Inn* for a 2 night stay in the Bahamas!

Sponsorship update

The Eagle Flight would like to thank the following sponsors for joining the project over the past few weeks:

[R&M Steel Company](#)
[Zodiac Air Cruisers](#)
[West Mesa Aviation](#)

The following hotels have agreed to provide rooms for the Eagle Flight Crew during Phase I of the trip in 2005:

Club Peace & Plenty-
 Exuma Island, Bahamas
Park Plaza Hotel-
 Oshkosh, WI
Holiday Inn-Ithaca, NY
Holiday Inn-The Grand Montana-Billings, MT

We are in negotiations with hotels in several other cities along the route for sponsorships as well. If you know of a hotel that may be interested in becoming a sponsor at one of the other stops, please let me know.

From the Cockpit- Jared Aicher, Pilot

With only 44 days left until departure, things are quickly falling into place and the proverbial light at the end of the tunnel is growing brighter each day. During the past few weeks, several new sponsors have joined with the Eagle Flight, and the last few EAA chapters have been selected and have agreed to help with our endeavor. With out

the help of all the volunteers across the United States and the Caribbean, this project could never leave the ground.

One of the largest obstacles we have faced to date is actually finding an aircraft to fly during Phase I of our journey. Most aircraft rental companies

are afraid to have an aircraft offline for more than a week at a time, and the majority of the flight schools can't afford to let an aircraft go for more than a couple of days due to the high number of student pilots that are now enrolled in classes across the country.

This week the Eagle Flight

Several sponsorships are still available for the Eagle Flight. You can view our sponsorship video at www.theeagleflight.org/pages/media.htm

Or call
Stacey Commer at
306-242-7896

From the Cockpit, cont.

team joined with West Mesa Aviation (www.where2fly.com) of Albuquerque, New Mexico and solved this problem. West Mesa Aviation is New Mexico's largest flight school and owns and operates a large fleet of aircraft including new Diamond Stars and Cessna trainers. We were able to create a contract with the extremely helpful management team at West Mesa Aviation and will now be flying one of their Cessna 172M aircraft. West Mesa Aviation is also an affiliate with Utah Valley State College (www.globalaviationdegree.com), one of the Eagle Flight's largest supporters. You can learn to fly in sunny New Mexico while earning your college degree online with UVSC. For more information on the online degree program call 1-888-901-7192.

Staff from UVSC Global Aviation will be accompanying the Eagle Flight team in their new Diamond Star aircraft during the United States portion of Phase I. En route they will be promoting the Aeroscholars program, a program that enables high school youth to take aviation related electives while earning college credit! This is a great opportunity for youth to be exposed to the world of aviation. Stay tuned over the next several weeks, as the countdown continues. Clear skies!

Look for us in
this Cessna 172!

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**ARIZONA FLY-IN
Breakfast!**
June 11th, 2005
Show Low, AZ,
Contact EAA 586 for
details.

If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, send a letter of support, or know of anyone interested in receiving this newsletter, please email us at:

info@theagleflight.org

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR SUPPORT!**

EAGLE FLIGHT MERCHANDISE NOW AVAILABLE!

The Eagle Flight Market Place is officially open. In there you will find Tee shirts, globes, Eagle Flight patches and an order form to purchase your wing name! Just click on the Market Place link under the Store link and look through our unique items commemorating this historic journey. All proceeds go directly towards the Eagle Flight fund. To order, check out the Eagle Flight store online and download the order form. Credit cards are accepted.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION IS TAX-DEDUCTABLE!

How can you help?!

Would you like to help sponsor The Eagle Flight project? The Eagle Flight is still raising the much needed funds for the world flight next year. Your tax-deductible donation, whether its \$5.00 or \$1,000 will help children between the ages of 8 and 17 soar into the skies! Did you know that a \$100.00 donation will pay for nearly 50 gallons of fuel? 50 gallons of fuel will take the Eagle Flight aircraft nearly 660 miles!

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