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# EAA Chapter 569 Newsletter

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## Meeting Announcement

Date: Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

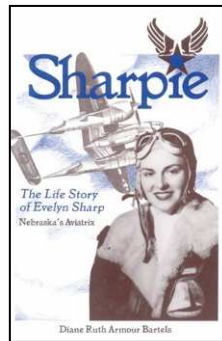
Time: 7:30pm

Program: Diane Bartels

Place: Duncan Aviation Engine Shop  
5000 NW 44<sup>th</sup> St – Lincoln, NE

Author and Chapter 569 member Diane Bartels will talk about her book "Sharpie: The Life Story of Evelyn Sharpe – Nebraska's Aviatrice".

Born in 1919, Evelyn Sharp grew up in



Nebraska during the Depression.

Motivated by her first airplane ride at age 15, she earned a commercial-transport pilot license within the next three years. By the time she was 20, "Sharpie" was one of

only ten women flight instructors in the United States. Soon she became one of the first women to ferry U.S. Army Air Force fighters during World War II.



Nebraska State Fair, taken by Butch Lottman from his PPC. More photos in the photo gallery at [www.eaa569.org/gallery](http://www.eaa569.org/gallery).

## President's Message Cristi Higgins



### Once Bitten...

We all have those moments that get us down and for an aviator lots of things in life can affect our passion for flying or building.

Many of you ask what I do when I'm not doing EAA duties or flying. The answer is I work at the Beatrice Airport on the ramp and in the FBO part time. The other time I am at home taking care of the house or spending time with my kids and family. Also better mention hiking, camping and hanging out with my boyfriend Don.

Flying and life is expensive we all know, so I am seeking full time employment. I really want to stay in aviation although recently I thought maybe I am being stubborn or not thinking clearly and should try a different industry.

I was so down about my love for aviation and seeking a career in aviation, that when I heard an airplane flying over I didn't even want to look up. I managed to stay in that bad mood for a couple days until a chopper flew in to BIE and the sound of the blades rotating through the air made me smile even when I didn't want to. While fueling it up I talked to the pilot

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## Chapter 569 Picnic at Shoemaker's Airfield



"Cappie"



"Squeak, squeak", Don coming in after taking his Navion around the patch.

Mark Gaffney with his daughter Veronica and mother Sharon.



The sun beginning to set at Shoemaker Airfield, but still plenty of "hangar flying" going on.



(More photos in the photo gallery at [www.eaa569.org/gallery](http://www.eaa569.org/gallery))



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about his machine with total curiosity.

As I walked back into the building I realized I could never live without aviation in my life when it naturally brings me this much joy. What kind of power is it that can turn a bad mood so quickly good? The same power that drew me to the airport asking for someone to teach me to fly. I had no pilot friends or family that introduced me to aviation. I literally just felt I wanted to fly and thought airplanes were the sweetest machines I'd ever seen. I had no idea what I was trying to do or why I wanted to fly.

After the first lesson I thought it was fun but I would never be able to do it solo. Still I fought through each step and received my own wings in 2009. After all, if I didn't do it myself I simply wouldn't get to fly. When I finished I had a lot of aviation friends and the support of EAA 569. By then I knew the power of solo flight and how good I felt after each adventure.

I wanted to share this because aviation can be difficult at times to keep in our lives but once we have been bitten by that bug we simply can never give it up. Fly safe and as often as you can. Keep pushing yourself forward in ratings and types or just visit the airport for some hangar talk because I guarantee it will make your day!

Happy Landings, Cristi

## Classifieds

### FOR SALE RV-7 Quickbuild Project

Because of the unfortunate death of the owner, an RV-7 QB project is for sale, located in Kansas City, MO. \$18K. Also for sale, a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Eggenfellner H6 engine, \$10K.

Contact Larry at 816.863.0215

### FOR RENT

Nice Cessna 152 available for rent out of Beatrice. \$89/hr includes all fuel and oil...you provide the fun! Complete checklist and radio script always handy. No instructor charge for rental checkout. Call John Cox 402 239-3953

### Want to learn to fly this fall ?

Do you know someone who is interested in taking flying lessons? Local instructor is now accepting new students.

- Clean affordable airplanes
- Peaceful relaxing airport
- Quality patient instruction
- Free digital video of each lesson

Call John Cox 402 239-3953

### Want to own a 1/4 share of a 2007 Van's RV-9A ???



This is a strong running airplane that can go anywhere right now. Runs on auto gas with a very economical burn rate. Cruise speed is 170 MPH and the prop and engine combination is smooth as silk. More information at [http://www.geicodevelopment.com/rv\\_9a1](http://www.geicodevelopment.com/rv_9a1). Please contact Andy Lahr at 402-423-1722 or Tom Henry at 402-417-8558.

### FOR SALE 1996 Van's RV-6



RV-6 with 185 HP Titan engine (210 smoh by Nevada Engines)), TT 820. New Sterba prop, King KY96 com, Apollo SL60 GPS-com & Apollo 360 moving map, Narco AT50 Txp mode C, RST-504 audio panel, electric flaps, manual pitch and aileron trim. Strobe, nav, taxi & landing lights. Digital Tach & Hobbs. New altimeter, oil temp, tires, brakes and seats. Built by an AP. Great short field performer and fast cross country plane. Bought last December and flown 120 hours since but have decided to go Sport Pilot. Based in Seward, NE. 402 643-3464 or Cell 402 540 5679. Asking \$ 52K obo. • Contact Charles H. Krutz, Owner - located Seward, NE • Telephone: 402.540.5679 . 402.643. 3464

### FOR SALE Ercoupe 415-C

Light Sport qualified (fly without a medical). About 2300 TT, with zero time on rebuilt Continental C-75 engine. Engine has new Titan ECI nickel cylinders and new slick mags. Propeller rebuilt by Fix Prop Shop. Wings rebuilt by Skyport. Rudder peddle STC. All logs and paperwork since new in 1946. Call Wayne at 402-450-6170 if interested.

## Events

**York Airport (JYR)**, EAA Chapter 1055 Fly-in breakfast on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month. 0800-1000. Free will donation.

**Crete Airport (CEK)**, EAA Chapter 569 Fly-in breakfast on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month. 0800-1000.

**Sep 29, Rooks County Regional Airport (KRCP)**, Airport Dedication, 1000-1500. Kansas Gov Sam Brownback will dedicate the first new airport built in Kansas since 1989 at the Rooks County Regional Airport Sept. 29. Dedication program will begin at 2 p.m. CDT. Free lunch to each pilot and co-pilot that fly-in along with fuel discount.

More info: Roger Hrabe: 785.425.6881



Kudos to former Chapter 569 President Doug Hill and his team at Hillaero Modification Center ([www.hillaero.com](http://www.hillaero.com)). They completed a noteworthy project earlier this year through Eclipse Aerospace for the Veterans Airlift Command. Hillaero donated the paint and interior upgrade work personalizing the aircraft for the organization. The completed aircraft will be used by the Veterans Airlift Command for air transportation of wounded veterans and their families, and other compassionate purposes to support the philanthropic efforts of this fine organization. Nice job Hillaero!

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