

Blue Sky Field Trip to Chicago Center

With the unpredictable weather for the next few weeks, let's take a driving trip to see Aurora Center! They can only take 7-10 at a time, so we may make more than one trip. Let me know if that interests you by emailing me

cindy@blueskyaero.com or call my cell 815-252-1031. Did you know you can visit a control tower, too? Fly into Aurora sometime and ask the controller if you can come up to see them. Unless they are terribly busy they will let you park in front of the tower and walk right up!



RENTER'S CORNER

Blue Sky Aero, Inc. has undergone a few changes. The plane rental is now being done under the name **Blue Sky Aero Flying Club**. Everything is the same except just being under a different name. The biggest change is that we have decided to close the shop to outside business. Blue Sky will still maintain our own planes and will continue to operate out of the same facility, but **Alan** now has moved on to work in sales at Aero Parts, Inc. in West Chicago. We are in the process of readying the hangar to reconstruct the Decathlon in the next few months. You are welcome to come by to see the progress anytime! More often than not we will be out on Saturday mornings with hot coffee and doughnuts to enjoy a day at the airport.

Welcome to **Jay Ruffner**, a student pilot working with **Scott**. We have had a few members brave the cold last month, including **Dennis Bute, Randy Huizenga, Layne Henschen, Kris Allen, Tim DeGregorio, and Jim Tyndall**.

The **Citabria** will be tucked away for a couple of months to get a few cosmetic fix-ups. She isn't in too much demand in the winter, but you will see N8503 back on the schedule the first of April. The Arrow, N2109T, is home and flying better than ever. The owner upgraded not only the engine, but requested during the overhaul to replace anything else on the plane that was worn! **Bob Lundsud, Nick Scholtes and Scott** have taken the Arrow for some engine break-in flights and been very impressed by how well it handles and the new average TAS of 148K!

- To add/remove a plane or instructor to your schedule, click on the PREFERENCES link. You can also update your phone number, email and change your password on that page.
- Please avoid tight turns while taxiing. If you need to turn, apply full back pressure, lightly apply brake pressure and keep moving. Do not attempt to turn from a stop.
- Planning a trip? Let me help! I can order charts for you and would be glad to review/answer questions about the trip.
- Want to fly cheap? How about the C152! You don't only have to fly her just for training, and at about \$70 per logbook hour it is an affordable way to get a flying fix!
- Want to familiarize yourself with the Garmin 430W that is in the Arrow? Go to the member's link at the top of the Blue Sky webpage. You will find the manuals and a link to the simulator program, as well as a PowerPoint presentation I created for a seminar on VFR use of the Garmin. Any questions? Email me cindy@blueskyaero.com

Fly Safe..... Cindy