



**Special points of interest:**

- **Wednesday August 22—Dinner Meeting**
- **Tuesday September 4— Chapter Board Meeting**

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## President's Message "Nicholas-Beazley Museum" Marshall, MO

When I was about 12 my dad took me to a farm near Marshall MO. to check out a story he heard about an old plane in a barn. Turns out it was made in nearby Marshall, at the Nicholas-Beasley factory.

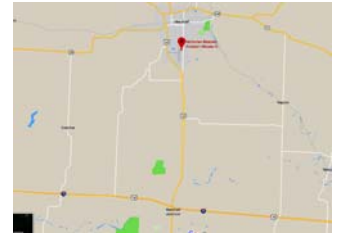


The plane, an NB-3, had been there for years and recently was drug out and burned to make room for some new farm equipment. This story had no happy ending for me, but it started my quest to learn more about aviation history in central Missouri.



What took me years, visits with countless ex-employees, a relationship with the family of the founder and countless hours of digging through local historic sites can be yours in two hours at our next meeting. We will

convene at 1330 on the 22nd of this month at the Marshall airport in Marshall MO. We will visit the Nicholas-Beasley Museum which is a couple hundred feet east of the terminal. Fly There, Drive there, But don't miss this opportunity to learn about local aviation history. We plan to be done about 1600 and eat at a local restaurant. If you fly, we will ferry you to and from the local eatery. Call Terri Jo with your reservations.



This trip will conclude our summer schedule and our Sept. meeting will resume our dinner meeting format with an Oshkosh Re-Cap. Bring your pictures, videos, and interesting stories.



I hope someone has, or can find the rather spectacular B-1 takeoff on

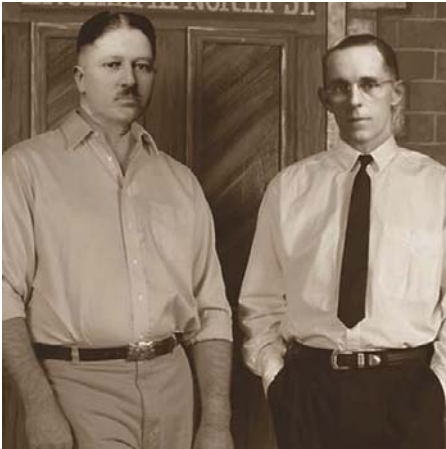
Wednesday night. That has to be seen to be appreciated!!!



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Next Month:



## Nicholas—Beazley Airplane Company



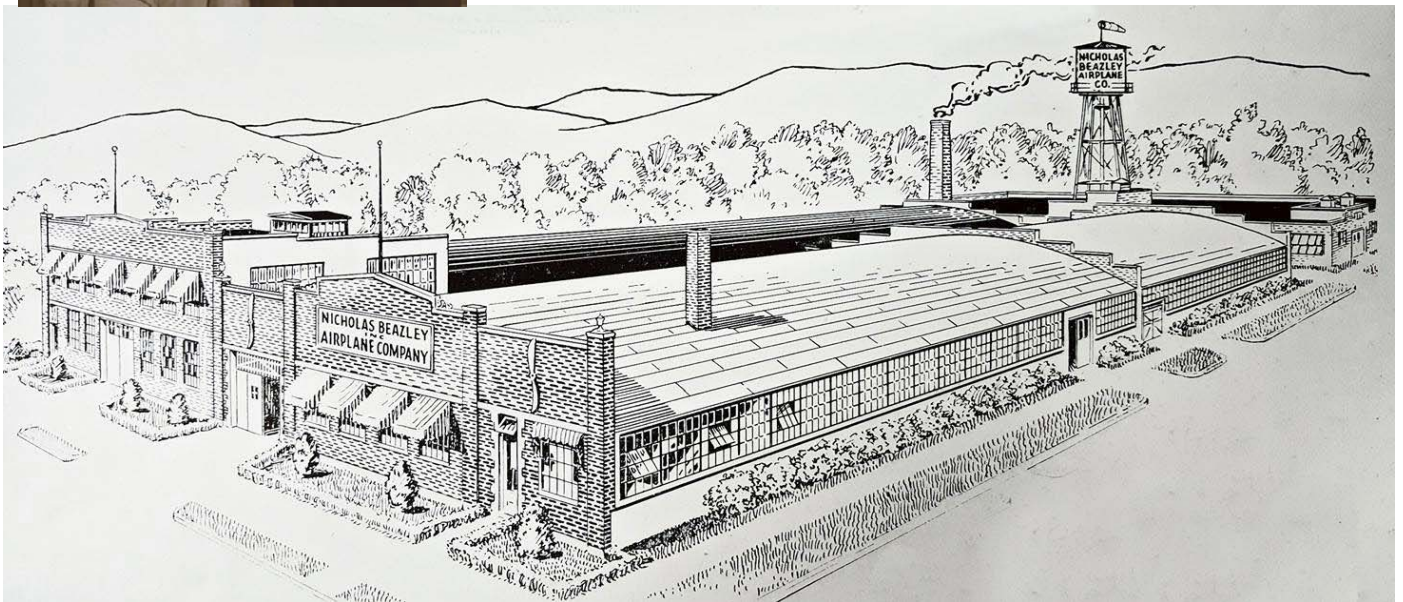
In 1924, about 80 miles east of Kansas City in Marshall, Missouri, Russell Nicholas and Howard Beazley began buying and selling surplus WW-I aircraft and engines. By 1927 their company was the nation's largest aircraft parts distributor.

That year they hired an aircraft designer, Walter Barling, and built the NB-3. In 1929 the monoplane racer won honors at the Cleveland Air Races.

In 1931, Nicholas-Beazley introduced its NB-8, a smaller parasol-wing monoplane. Desperate to survive the Depression, they sold 57 NB-8s at \$1,340, the last one in 1933. The company folded in 1937.

The town built a museum at the airport to honor its native sons. Besides an NB-3, NB-8, military glider, and a tiny homebuilt called the "Flying Flea," the museum displays engines, old

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 by Monday August  
 20, 2018

**Future Meeting Dates**

August 22 —*Membership Tour and Dinner Meeting— “Tour of Nicholas-Beazley Museum— Marshall, MO”*

September 4— Board Meeting at Downtown Airport

We are looking for suggestions of speakers for upcoming meetings. You suggest, we invite and all will enjoy

**Calendar of Events (## indicates KC local)**

**## Aug 22 (4th Wed) Membership Tour and Dinner Meeting Tour of Nicholas-Beazley Museum— Marshall, MO” and Local Restaurant**

**## Sep 4 (1st Tues) Board Meeting Downtown Airport**

**## Sep 26 (4th Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting “Review of Oshkosh” HyVee—Noland Road**

**## Oct 24 (4th Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## Nov 28 (4th Wed) Membership Dinner Meeting HyVee—Noland Road**

**## DEC 5 or 12 (1st or 2nd Wed) Holiday Party**

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