

En Route



April 2017



NEWSLETTER

*******NEW MEETING LOCATION*******

General Meeting

April 14, 2017

6pm Social / 7pm Dinner / 8 pm Program

Rainier Flight Service

800 W. Perimeter Rd, Renton
425-610-6293

BYOB

Catering by
NY Deli

\$25/pp

• We could use some help with arranging tables and chairs if some of you can arrive at 5:30. Thanks!

Our Speaker for the evening is: Doug Houghton, fellow WPA Member, who will provide us with a presentation on how he uses ForeFlight on an iPad. Doug is a frequent ForeFlight/iPad user who has filed many flight plans using this system and uses many other features this system provides. It should be an interesting presentation with large onscreen demonstrations to show you ForeFlight's features. Hope to see many of you at our next Meeting!

President's Message...



Hello everyone! I trust this short message finds everyone well. I was awoken this morning by an all too familiar sound resonating from the flashing around our chimney. Normally, a rainy day would not trigger the alarm, however when +RA (heavy rain) is present it does get a little noisy up stairs. Just for a moment, let's all get into Mr. Peabody's Way Back machine and go back to the summer of 2016. It is there where you can hear people making statements like, "Boy, we need the rain" or "I'm a little worried, this drought may be our future going forward". To those who made those comments I trust you are happy as well as relieved. Enough rain already, now is the time for the sun to reemerge. Certainly long sunny days are on the horizon, so make sure your aircraft is ready to take advantage of the coming opportunities.

I have not seen the final numbers for the 2017 NW Aviation Conference, but it appeared to be well attended. It is always a fun time to see the latest advancements in technology, as well as getting caught up with friends you haven't seen for a while. As in the past it is during this conference that the WPA holds its Annual General Membership Meeting and elects State Representatives for the new year. We extend our congratulations to George Steed who was elected as the new president of Washington Pilots Association. We wish him well, and pledged to support him as he leads us forward. After the elections were completed, awards were given to those members who sacrificed and have gone above and beyond in advancing the interest of aviation in Washington State. I am extremely proud to announce that one of our own, Al and Esther Banholzer, were awarded the Gerber Award for 2017. Both Al and Esther are very humble, and are somewhat reluctant to share their accomplishments with others. From a professional perspective, both enjoy a very distinguished flying career. Esther worked at Delta Airlines for 14 years. She served as a stewardess (flight attendant) starting with the DC-3 and finishing as a senior in-flight supervisor in the B-747. Al served with distinction in the Air Force flying many different aircraft, which included a tour in Viet Nam. Please read the Green River Chapter Newsletter, as well as Wings for a more detailed review of their journey together. If you were not at this event, you probably do not know that we were awarded the Gerber Award as well. Our Green River Chapter was recognized for our continued support of Ranger Creek Airport, support of the Boy Scouts, and continued funding of scholarships. Way to go!

Shane Mahoney, Marian & Tom Jensen, and I attended the WPA State Conference in Lake Chelan last month. It was a two-day event, which included reports from our State WPA leadership team as well as representatives from the Washington State Department of Transportation Aviation Division (WSDOT). At the conclusion of the conference it was abundantly clear that our representatives from the State WPA, as well as those from WSDOT are committed to working together insuring our freedoms to fly without user fees. I can assure you that the dues you pay for your WPA membership is an excellent investment which will continue to insure your right to fly for years to come. Thank you again for your continued support!

This is the time of the year when I tell myself "I will fly more and attend more aviation related events". I hope that is your intent as well. Our next general meeting is April 14th so please mark your calendar, and I hope to see you there!

Dave

David Lawrence, President
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*John Smutny's
Treasurer's Report
March 16, 2017*

	Date	03/16/2017	1/25/2017
Savings Account Balance		2,014.00	2,014.97
Checking Account		8,525.00	8,777.64
Due from State WPA for Dues paid by credit card		0.00	408.00
Due to State WPA for Dues paid to Chapter		0.00	0.00
Due to State WPA for PAC paid to Chapter		0.00	0.00
Due to State WPA for GA News paid to Chapter		0.00	0.00
Due to Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund		0.00	0.00
	Total \$	10,539.00	11,200.61
Aviation Scholarship and Development Fund held in Checking Account		8,019.00	8,019.14
Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund, held by State WPA for distribution by the Green River Chapter		8,137.00	8,137.00

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS HAPPENING NOW!

**IF YOU HAVEN'T RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE
DO SO TODAY! COST IS ONLY \$40.00!**

LET'S GIVE OLYMPIA A VOICE!

CALENDAR OF CHAPTER EVENTS

- Jan 25, General Meeting
- Feb 25, Annual Meeting
- March 18-19, State Board Meeting at Chelan
- March 29 at 7pm, First meeting of new Chapter Board at Lawrence's
- CANCELLED April 8, Fly-out over-night Tiptoe through the Tulips
- April 9 at 11am, Fly-Out Brunch to Kitty Hawk Café, Skagit Regional (Bayview BVS)
- April 14 at 6pm, General Meeting at Rainier Flight Services
- May 6, Pancake Breakfast & Airplane Wash, 7-11 am, see flyer for more info
- May 13, Ranger Creek Clean-up
- May 24 at 7pm Board of Director's Meeting at Lawrence's home
- June 9 at 6pm, General Meeting
- June TBD Fly-Out Picnic
- July TBD Fly-Out Picnic, Copalis
- August 12, Pancake Breakfast during AuburnFest at Auburn Airport, 7-11 am, see flyer for more info
- October 13 at 6pm, General Meeting
- December TBD Christmas Party & Auction

For State sponsored and other special events, go to
<http://www.wpaflys.org>



ANNUAL MEETING and ELECTION RESULTS

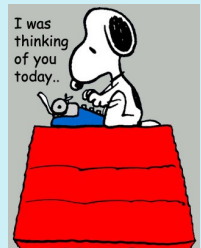
Welcome new Officers and Board of Directors for 2017!



Our President, Mr. David Lawrence, has been re-elected to serve as President of our Chapter for a second term! Yahoo!!!



Leo & Gail Dondlinger had so much fun filling-in as co-treasurers during our Christmas Party, that when Linda Latta nominated Leo at our February meeting to serve on the Board again, he accepted! Thank you John, Linda & Gail! Welcome Back, Leo! We've missed you.....



A HUGE to Mike & Linda Latta for hosting our meeting in their hangar! Added to the ambiance was their Interstate Cadet for everyone's viewing pleasure! We had about 60 members/guests in attendance which means we are doing something right?! Jerry Burr presented a program on Vortex Generators and told great stories of STOL Flying in competitions! Fun evening!!!

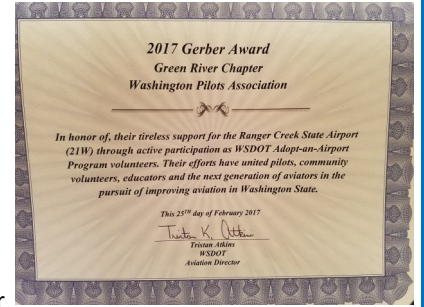




SHOUT OUT to our very own

Al & Esther Banholzer

for receiving the 2017 Gerber Awards
along with our Chapter for receiving one, too!



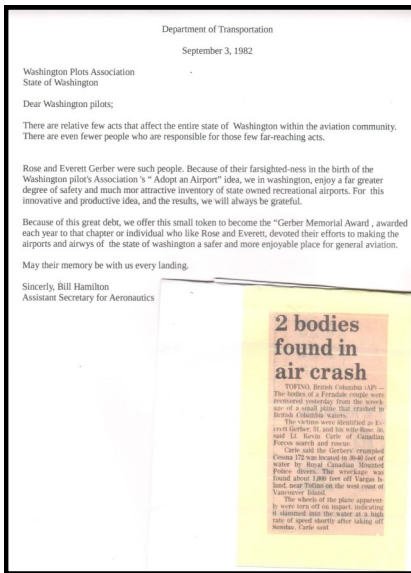
Al Banholzer and Dave Lawrence were surprised and honored to receive the 2017 Gerber Awards at the State WPA Annual meeting in Puyallup. The first was awarded to Al and Esther Banholzer for their countless efforts to promote aviation in Washington State through innovative education and training events,

airport fly-ins, work parties, promoting military and civilian aviation careers and support for Air search and rescue.



The second Gerber Award went to the Green River Chapter of WPA in honor of their tireless support of the Ranger Creek State Airport (21W) and their active participation as WSDOT Adopt-an-Airport Program volunteers. Their efforts have united pilots, community volunteers, educators and the next generation of aviators in the pursuit of improving aviation in Washington State.

For further information about these two awards, please refer to this month's *Wings* issue.



History of the Gerber Memorial Award



History in the making, the signing of Bill RCW 36.70.547 with Governor Mike Lowry, Al Banholzer and Tom Jensen.

RCW 36.70.547

General aviation airports—Siting of incompatible uses.

Every county, city, and town in which there is located a general aviation airport that is operated for the benefit of the general public, whether publicly owned or privately owned public use, shall, through its comprehensive plan and development regulations, discourage the siting of incompatible uses adjacent to such general aviation airport. Such plans and regulations may only be adopted or amended after formal consultation with: Airport owners and managers, private airport operators, general aviation pilots, ports, and the aviation division of the department of transportation. All proposed and adopted plans and regulations shall be filed with the aviation division of the department of transportation within a reasonable time after release for public consideration and comment. Each county, city, and town may obtain technical assistance from the aviation division of the department of transportation to develop plans and regulations consistent with this section.

Any additions or amendments to comprehensive plans or development regulations required by this section may be adopted during the normal course of land-use proceedings.

This section applies to every county, city, and town, whether operating under chapter [35.63](#), [35A.63](#), [36.70](#), [or] [36.70A](#) RCW, or under a charter.

[[1996 c 239 § 2.](#)]



**Welcome New Members and
Members from FATPNW to the
Green River Chapter of the
Washington Pilot's Association**

We are happy you have joined our Chapter!

This looks like a fascinating event to attend and I hope many of you can!

Legends of Aviation



**Ted
Lumpkin**

Intelligence officer with the
Tuskegee Airmen, served in
the 100th Fighter Squadron
in Italy in WWII.

This FREE EVENT is sponsored by the Green Tails Aviation Club.

*Special thanks goes to the following for their support and contribution:
Rodney Gillead, President, Western Region Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.,
Alaska Airlines, The Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (ODEI),
Civil Air Patrol, and the Green River College Foundation,
Aviation Department and Executive Staff.*

For info contact Connor: crichardson7@mail.greenriver.edu

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**Wednesday,
April 12, 2017
SU, Grand Hall
Green River College**

6:00 p.m.

**Doors open with
Cake Celebration**

6:30-9:00 p.m.

**Legendary
Speakers:**

**Ted Lumpkin
Tuskegee Airman
WWII**

**Elizabeth "Betty"
Dybbro
Women Airforce
Service Pilot
(WASP)**





PANCAKE BREAKFAST & AIRPLANE WASH

at the Auburn Airport (S50)

When: Saturday, May 6th

Time: 7:00 (set-up) * 8—11am Breakfast

Where: In front of the 506 Building and Wash Rack

The Green River College Green Tails will be co-hosting with the GRC of the WPA and serving pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. While you are relaxing and enjoying a delicious breakfast, the Green Tails will wash your airplane! Offer our future aviator's a ride!!! A monetary donation will be appreciated.*

We need volunteers to make this successful! If interested, please contact Shane Mahoney at 425-269-8740.

SAVE THE DATE *SAVE THE DATE *SAVE THE DATE

There will be another Pancake Breakfast during Auburn Days at the Auburn Airport on Saturday, **AUGUST 12th**

Please calendar both of these dates!

*Profits go to the Aviation Scholarship and Development Fund.

PILOT PROFILE of MARIAN DODGEJENSEN

I didn't grow up wanting to be a pilot as so many of my pilot friends did. I didn't even think about it, and if I had I would have assumed it was beyond me. But, when the day came that my instructor got out of the C-150 Aerobat at Ephrata Airport and told me to go do three touch and goes, I got bit by the fly-bug, and bit hard. There is something about realizing that you are alone and in control – no one to catch you if you fall - that gave me such a rush, and still does. There is also the beauty of the whole thing that no one can ever explain just right.



I was born in Lake Charles, La., the third and last child of two Texans who saved up during their married lives to give their children a "good" education. Of course in those days that meant college. So, after high school, I packed up and went to Lubbock for four years at Texas Tech with no earthly idea of what I wanted to be when I grew up. Turns out, as tests my junior year confirmed, I didn't want to do anything enough to be successful at it.

After four years at Texas Tech I emerged with a B.A. Degree; major in journalism and minor in English, and still no idea what I wanted to do other than travel. So, I joined Pan American World Airways as a stewardess and for the next four years I traveled the world and got a second education. The next job combined travel and writing as a minion for Travel Weekly, which is a travel trade newspaper. It was a wonderful job but after five years and moving into a writer position, I knew I did not want to live the rest of my life in mid-town Manhattan. So, again I packed my bags and moved back to Texas with high hopes of landing a writing job.

No writing job and about 10 months later, I came north to visit my sister in Moses Lake. Jill had married a man who worked for Japan Airlines and had been living in Japan for several years. Now that he was teaching at the JAL training base in Moses Lake, she asked me to come for a visit. No writing job was on the horizon in Texas, so I packed my bags and came to Washington for a visit.

The visit extended, so I went to work for the local radio station which led to a job as Communications Officer for the Washington State Patrol. In people speak that means emergency dispatcher. Shortly after my arrival in Moses Lake my sister and brother-in-law told me they had joined a group called the Vagabond Flying Club. My sister urged me to take a few lessons just for the fun of it even though I had no desire to become a pilot.

The more I flew the more I liked it. Meanwhile, I signed up for Ground School at Big Bend Community College. Like I said before, the day I soloed I knew I wanted to spend as much time in the sky as possible for the rest of my life.

The Vagabond Flying Club decided to put on an air show. Most of the club members knew of one air show pilot in the area, and we made plans to contact him to help us with our endeavor as well as to fly in the show. Robert Heale attended one of our planning sessions, and we were together for the next 20 years.

Robert went to work for Silverwood Theme Park just after it opened, when it was still a theme park rather than an amusement park. Silverwood originally had two tigers, one cougar, and African Lion and a black leopard. Robert's job was to take care of the animals plus be corporate pilot and fly an airshow every day from May through October. After two years the owner, Gary Norton, could see that the cats cost more than they were worth to the park, so he told Robert to get rid of them. We managed to find homes for all of them except Sheeba, the black leopard. Also, Gary was talked into keeping Tigger, the tiger, at Silverwood as a mascot.

Thus started another chapter in my life. We remained at our home in North Spokane for a couple of years with Sheeba living in the basement, but when Robert brought home a baby cougar who was in danger of being euthanized, we knew we had to move to the country. We moved to southwest Spokane and set up housekeeping with a cougar and leopard in the back yard – fenced of course.

Robert was killed September 14, 1996 while flying an airshow at Fairchild AFB West of Spokane. While putting strobe lights on his Cap-10 aircraft for night airshows, someone put a wire through a bell-crank, and the wire began to fray with each movement of the stick. The NTSB found this to be the reason for the crash. Robert also said on his way down that his controls were frozen.

I was left with three tigers, two cougars, a black leopard, a herd of cats and dogs and a promise to take care of the cats if anything ever happened to Robert. As Sam McGee would say, "A promise made is a debt unpaid." Sheeba, who was the last to go, died of old age in 2012, just ten days short of 23 years.

At the time of Robert's death I had 20 years on with the State Patrol. I couldn't see quitting 10 years short of a decent pension, plus I had me some cats to take care of. With the help of good friends, the cats lived out their lives, and Mike Scalera flew with me in my Citabria till I felt comfortable enough to fly by myself.

As I had time, and the cats began to go to their rewards, I was able to be more and more active in EAA Chapter 79, WPA and 99's. After I retired in 2006, and had only two cats remaining, Felts Field became my life. I flew Young Eagles with the EAA, veterans flights and Hutten Settlement flights with the WPA and donated rides to see the Spokane Valley and Coeur d' Alene area to various charitable organizations.

One of the good things about WPA is that you get to meet and work with pilots all across Washington State. Two of those pilots would become very important to me – Tom and Nancy Jensen. After Nancy's death in 2014, Tom continued to be very active in WPA, and we continued to see each other at various meetings across the state.

In 2015 good friend Dave Lucke, also very active in the Spokane Chapter of WPA, decided it was time Tom and I get to know each other better. In his own inimitable way, David saw to it that we were thrown together at the NW Aviation Conference and Trade Show weekend.

Tom and I were married April 6, 2016, and I began a new chapter in my life. So far, I think it's going to be the best one yet!

Shop The Official WPA Apparel Online Store!



Since becoming a reality last fall, the WPA Online Apparel Store has been a huge success with members throughout the state. This partnership with our approved vendor, Budd Bay Apparel, allows WPA members to purchase a variety of Official WPA embroidered merchandise from the WPA Online Store. All embroidery is the highest quality. Please allow four to six weeks for order delivery as orders are collected by the vendor and produced all at once. By grouping orders and running them together, we can keep the costs down, although some wait times might be a bit longer.

[WA Pilots Association Online Store](#)

The Official WPA Logo and Chapter personalizations are available from a dropdown menu. Please be sure to use the dropdown menus for selecting your size and the embroidery you want.

What a great way to show your support for all the great things that WPA does for GA in Washington State and to show your pride in your local chapter!

https://www.agpestores.com//buddbaypromotions/groupproducts.php?prodgroup_id=13648&prodgroupbypass=true



The Green River Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association is excited to announce a new program for 2017. We have decided to use a small portion of the funds raised during our many activities to gift a one year membership in the WPA and GRC to 15 lucky people.

To be eligible for the membership applicants must:

- Be a student pilot or a student enrolled full time in an aviation program at a higher education institution
- Live within the Green River Chapter territory (Roughly the Renton - Kent - Auburn - Maple Valley Puyallup - Tacoma area)
- Commit to becoming an engaged WPA member by participating in Green River Chapter events such as attending meetings, helping with Ranger Creek airport Spring cleanup and with our Chapter pancake breakfasts that raise funds for programs like this.

Along with the benefits that come with WPA membership, the members of the Green River Chapter offer enjoyable, vibrant meetings and a wealth of knowledge as you navigate through the challenges of learning to fly. Let us help you achieve your goals!

Email wpagrc@gmail.com to express your interest in scoring one of the memberships.

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<http://www.wpaflys.org/Chapters/GreenRiver/GreenRiver.htm>

EARTH QUAKE ALERT

On September 30, 2017, (last Saturday in September), Peninsula Emergency Preparedness Coalition (PEP-C) is hosting an Emergency Preparedness (EP) Fair in conjunction and collaboration with the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management (DEM), the Washington National Guard (WANG), with many other local authorities involved in dealing with major emergencies affecting large groups of people. The Fair site is Gig Harbor High School (GHHS) , 5101 Rosedale St. NW, Gig Harbor WA 98335 and will run from 9:30 AM to 4 PM. Speakers will include seismic experts, emergency medical specialists, survival specialists, and much more.

The Cascadia Subduction Zone (CSZ) earthquake is the reason for the EP Fair. The last major CSZ quake occurred January 26, 1700, at about 9 AM. This type of quake occurs every 300 to 500 years. There are numerous other quakes that occur in our area, but the CSZ quakes tend to be very large - in the 8.5 to 9.5 range on the Richter Scale. This kind of disaster will affect everything about our lives here and preparing is not a choice as much as a duty.

Please share this information with all you know. There's ample parking at GHHS, there will be lots of events going on as well as classes in the many aspects of surviving a major earthquake and the subsequent fires, floods, and other damage that will occur. <http://patch.com/washington/seattle/risk-cascadia-quake-elevated-puget-sound-slow-slip-event-begins>



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2016

Quality Inn

Pacific, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm by President Dave Lawrence. The flag ceremony was conducted by Boy Scout Troop 401's Color Guard to open the meeting.

Board MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Lawrence - President
Dick Migas – Vice President
John Smutny – Treasurer
Mike Latta - Director
Curt Scott - Director
Linda Latta - Secretary
Tom Jensen – Sr. Board Advisor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous held general meeting were published in the newsletter and were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

Treasurer's report is as published in newsletter. It was reported that there are currently 809 WPA members, out of 20,000 licensed pilots in the state. Recruitment of new members is vital to the organization. If you are interested in recruiting friends, John can provide a list of current members of the Green River Chapter so you will know who has already joined.

Introduction of New Members and Guests

Dave Lawrence introduced two new members, Rick and Patty Cantois. A group of Green Tail Aviators from Green River College were also welcomed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Ranger Creek Discussion:** Tom Jensen shared information about Ranger Creek, a mountain airstrip saved by WPA members. Ranger Creek needs airport layout plans because it does not currently meet FAA standards. WSDOT is working to improve Ranger Creek. 6 WPA members met with State and Forest Service representatives to draft a new airport

layout plan. There will be consideration for improving airplane parking and camping. Draft plans will be posted on WSDOT webpage. Feedback is needed.

Al Banholzer shared that trees at the south end of the runway are a safety issue being looked at by the Forest Service. Additionally, a turn-around is needed at the south end of the runway. Space where current tie downs are located needs leveling with space for at least four airplane tie downs. A number of trees need trimming and the parking area need to be moved back from the runway. Al asked for members to call him to share other issues they would like to see addressed in the new airport layout plan.

2. **Scholarship Awards:** There was a discussion of the awarding of scholarships. Scholarships are presented annually to educational institution approved by the board. The educational institution then suggests the names of recipients of the awards. Awards are based on good scholarship and citizenship. Awards are presented annually in January.

3. **Auburn Airport:** Dave shared that he had received calls of concern related to Auburn Airport operations, specifically regarding potential conflicts between fixed wing and helicopter operations. Helicopter operations are dominating use of space around gas pumps. Members were asked to keep an eye on use of space around the pumps and to report any issues to Casey Maiorca.

Mark Babcock, a Green River WPA member, is Chairman of the Board of Auburn Airport. He provided an update that all hangars and office space is currently rented. There has been discussion of extending the runway in 2018. A 5 year master plan needs to be developed prior to funding of this project. There are four meetings currently being scheduled annually to work on the master plan for the airport.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Potential User Fees:** Tom Jensen shared that on June 15, Representative Bill Shuster introduced an FAA re-authorization bill calling for privatization of the air traffic control system which would be funded by user fees. Tom suggested members should call their representative to make their voice heard against the plan for user fees.

PROGRAM: Mike Latta and Jeff Poschwatta presented a slide show detailing their journey in Interstate Cadets to the Oshkosh AirVenture in July. Additionally, Mike shared pictures and information about airplane camping in the Idaho backcountry.

NEXT MEETING:

WPA Christmas Party and Auction: December 8, 2016, 6:00pm at Oddfellows, Auburn, WA

ADJOURNEMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Linda Latta,

Secretary



BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2016
Home of Dave and Brenda Lawrence – Auburn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

MEMBERS:

Dave Lawrence - President
Shane Mahoney - Past President
Dick Migas – Vice President
John Smutny – Treasurer
Mike Latta - Director
Michael Seaphon – Director (absent)
Linda Latta - Secretary
Curt Scott - Director (absent)
Coleman Boettger Director (absent)
Robyn Mahoney – Newsletter Coordinator

Guests:
Bill Campbell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous meeting will be distributed and approved via newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

Deferred

OLD BUSINESS:

None discussed

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **WPA Christmas Party Planning:** The entire meeting was dedicated to discussing and planning the upcoming WPA Christmas Party.
 - A. **Guest Bill Campbell** was invited by Dave Lawrence. He is a former pilot for Alaska Airlines, friend of President Dave Lawrence, and a trained auctioneer. He is volunteering to be auctioneer at our upcoming Christmas Auction. His assistant will be April Brown.
 - B. **Discussion of Plans for Auction:** There was a lengthy discussion of what the group wanted for the auction and how much emphasis needed to be put on raising money. The board emphasized that we wanted to raise scholarship money, but wanted members to feel this was a celebration and not just an event to raise money. The proceeds of the auction as usual will go to the Youth Development Fund to support aviation scholarships.
 - C. **Format of Party:** The following format was agreed upon:
 - Meet and Greet Social Hour with Auction Items on Display**
 - Dinner**
 - Auction**
 - Live Music and Dancing**
 - Clean up and exit by 10 pm**
 - D. **Goal for Fundraising:** Set at \$3,000
 - E. **Needs for Evening:** Auctioneer will bring PA system. Spotters will let Leo know who purchases items. Leo will record and collect money. Auction of cakes and desserts will be last so that they may be enjoyed prior to dancing by tables that purchase them. Mike Latta will contact restaurants in Enumclaw for possible donations for auction. Dave Lawrence will contact Spencer's. Robyn and Linda will arrange for making centerpieces for tables.
 - F. **Advertisement:** Newsletter with flyers will be posted in area airports etc. and will be e mailed to membership. Newsletter will be published by Nov 17.

NEXT MEETING:

Additional Christmas party final planning meeting to be held Nov 30. 7pm at Dave Lawrence's home.

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Linda Latta

Secretary



BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES

January 24, 2017

Home of Dave and Brenda Lawrence – Auburn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

MEMBERS:

Dave Lawrence - President
Shane Mahoney - Past President
Dick Migas – Vice President (absent)
John Smutny – Treasurer
Mike Latta - Director
Michael Sealfon – Director (absent)
Linda Latta - Secretary
Curt Scott - Director
Coleman Boettger - Director
Robyn Mahoney – Newsletter Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from previous meeting of November 2 were read and approved. Final copy to be sent to Robyn for Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

Full Treasurer's report was presented by John Smutny. Detailed presentation of expenses and profits from the 2016 Christmas party was presented. Total income including 4 membership renewals came to \$11,639. Expenses for room, band, etc. was \$2,988.00 leaving a balance of \$8,651.00. There was a deficit on meals of \$900 due to numerous people RSVP'ing they would attend and then did not attend. There was discussion of how to handle this in the future so that we would not have this deficit again. Dinner costs need to be prepaid in the future and made non-refundable if members are unable to attend. To make financial status clearer, there was a discussion of using the savings account for scholarship money retained by the local club. This would make clearer the actual amount of money in the treasury for other activities. This was moved and seconded and approved by the board. John S will write up an explanation of the plan for the next newsletter so that all members will understand how the finances are being handled.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. WPA Membership Gifts:** Previously the board had approved the gifting of up to 10 one year WPA memberships to be paid for out of the scholarship fund. Currently three have been awarded. Members need to be encouraged to suggest individuals who might qualify as recipients of these awards. Flyer related to this will be sent to Robyn for publishing in the newsletter.
- 2. Membership Renewals:** State office should be sending out written reminders regarding membership renewal. Some board members who have not renewed have not received the written reminder. Dave agreed to call John Dobson in the state office to ask that reminders be send. Local chapter will e mail reminder for membership renewal for those who have not done so.
- 3. Newsletter Content:** Next newsletter will be sent out on approximately Jan 27. Articles and Presidents message need to be to Robyn by no later than Jan 26.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. WPA Christmas Party for 2017:**
Auctioneer Bill Campbell will be auctioneer again at next year's Christmas party. He will be assisted again by April Brown.
- 2. Scholarship Awards for 2017:** Notices are usually sent to each school in the fall regarding the availability of scholarship funds. Aviation High school has their awards presented in the spring. They will be notified by John that funds are available for this scholarship again in the amount of \$1,000. Clover Park and Green River will also receive \$1000 scholarship awards again for 2017. John will communicate with the various schools regarding the scholarship funds.
- 3. Monetary awards for teachers:** Curt Scott suggested that perhaps some funds could be used for awards for equipment for teachers in aviation programs. After considerable discussion, this idea was tabled for the time being. Board members need to research needs and develop criteria for awards prior to initiating this program.
- 4. Next Meeting Location:** Mike and Linda Latta's hangar on February 10 at 6 pm. New York Deli will cater and meal cost was set at \$25. There will be a speaker, hopefully a WINGS qualified program. Robyn to include information about the program in the next newsletter.
- 5. State WPA elections:** Two board members and two other members from Green River Chapter attended the state WPA meeting on January 21, 2017. Attendees included Dave Lawrence, Shane Mahoney, and Tom and Marion Jensen. State WPA elections will be held at the Aviation Conference coming up February 25, 2017. A nomination is needed at the state level for Government Affairs position. This individual primarily monitors activity in Olympia regarding aviation. There was a review of bylaws with no changes recommended at this time. *WINGS* will publish more news of the meeting.

- 6. Slate of Officers for Green River WPA for 2017:** Nominations are needed for election which will be held at next meeting, Feb 10. Mike Latta agreed to run again for Director position. John Smutny agreed to run again for Treasurer. Linda Latta agreed to run again for Secretary. Robyn Mahoney agreed to be Newsletter Coordinator again. Dave Lawrence agreed to be President again for one more year, with the hope for a nomination for VP who would be willing to be President the following year. Several individuals were suggested as potential nominees, including Larry Kaufmann for VP, Mark Babcock for Director, and a few others. A call for nominations will be placed in the upcoming Newsletter.
- 7. Fundraising Activities – Pancake Breakfasts for 2017:** Tentatively planned for May 6 and August 12 based on agreement with Auburn Airport management.
- 8. LOGO Wear:** Method for purchasing logo wear from the state WPA on line will be placed in newsletter. Local chapter will no longer coordinate purchase of logo wear.
- 9. Social Event Recommendations for 2017:** Dave opened a discussion of potential fly-outs for 2017. Several ideas were suggested including, a. Fly-out and Brunch at Bremerton Airport Café, b. Concrete WA to museum, c. Fly-out to Copalis Beach, d. Cottage Grove to museum, and fly out to Tulip Festival (overnight). Shane will lay the groundwork for this potential event and bring topic to the February general meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Coleman B will check on the availability of Green River facility in Kent as possible site for April 14 general meeting.
2. Shane M will call Auburn Airport to confirm May 6 and Aug 12 as dates for Pancake Breakfasts. Shane will also contact Jerry Burr to get information about program for the Feb 10 meeting to put in newsletter. Shane will also prepare PowerPoint presentation on election for upcoming general meeting.
3. Dave Lawrence to arrange catering with NY Deli and to call Dobson at state WPA office about membership renewal notices.
4. John S to send out assignments for calling members at next meeting – Curt, Dave, Shane, Coleman and John to do calling. Calls to be made by Feb 7 and include information about potential open positions needing nominations.
5. John to provide Robyn information on finances for newsletter.

NEXT MEETING:

Next board meeting- TO BE DETERMINED. Dave will send out invitation.

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by

Linda Latta

Secretary

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