

En Route



October 2016

NEWSLETTER

Next General Meeting

October 14, 2016

6pm Social / 7pm Dinner / 8pm Program

American Legion, 25406 97th Pl S, Kent (253) 859-9905
(Located on the Kent East Hill just south of the French Field Football Stadium)

Catering provided by NY Deli @ \$25 per person ***NO HOST BAR***

After dinner, Mike & Linda Latta will talk about and include a slideshow of their summer flying adventures, including flying to Oshkosh in their Interstate Cadet and various airplane camping trips! You don't want to miss this meeting! See ya next week!



President's Message...



Having just returned from an awesome three-week vacation, I am in the process of transitioning back to everyday life and realize it is only 6:30 PM, the sun is setting, its raining, and the temperature is 49.5 degrees. Its obvious that summer is now officially over. With a Mint Julep in hand, and my trusty companion Charlie by my side, I reflect on the summer and ponder what's in store for the up-coming winter.

We were fortunate to have had another summer of good weather. This good fortune was instrumental in the success of our two pancake breakfasts hosted at the Auburn Airport. We had many repeat participants who flew from the far reaches of Puget Sound just to experience the pancake genius of the Griddle

Commander "Mr. Dick Migas". Because of the efforts of our many volunteers who supported this event, we were able to make a substantial contribution to our scholarship fund. Thanks everyone for coming and thanks to the many volunteers who made it happen. Your efforts are very much appreciated!

The AOPA convention in Bremerton was a huge success. With over 4,000 attendees, and 700 aircraft counted, it was a record turn out, unmatched by any previous AOPA convention anywhere in the country. Everyone I spoke with had a smashing good time!

So much for the reflection, now for the pondering part. Our membership drive for 2017 is just beginning. It's important to recognize the importance of a high membership count. It was the overwhelming numbers of engaged pilots from AOPA, and EAA that drove the successful removal of the third class medical requirement. In as much as AOPA and EAA address issues related to national issues, WPA addresses issues closer to home at the state level. Whether at the state or federal level you can rest assured that our politicians will continue to try to regulate our flying, and how much it will cost us. The greater our numbers, the better our chances in protecting our ability to fly unhindered by oppressive regulations and higher costs. Everyone reading this message knows a pilot who is not a member of the WPA. I urge you to encourage them to join, and bring them to our next general meeting. Presently, user fees are off the table, but that doesn't mean they will not be resurrected later when the government decides they need more of your money. If your curious about what user fees could look like in the United States, just click on the first link and read the discussion on user fees in Europe. When finished with the article, click on the second link to see a video of a typical flight.

[https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2007/april/01/faa-funding-debate-\(2\)](https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2007/april/01/faa-funding-debate-(2))

http://flash.aopa.org/pilot_media_viewer/media/0704userfees/files/video1.html

Speaking of a smashing good time, another one is just over the horizon. Please mark your calendar for December 8th. This is the date of our next Christmas party. You don't need to be a member to attend, so this would be a perfect opportunity to bring a prospective WPA member and let them see that we are just a bunch of wild, and crazy pilots always looking for a chance to fly and have good time. There will be more details to follow...

I guess that's it for now. I look forward to seeing everyone on the 14th of October at our next General Meeting.

Be well, and fly maxima,

Dave

David Lawrence, President
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davidlawrence@skynetbb.com



*John Smutny's
Treasurer's Report
October 5, 2016*

	Date	5/25/2016	10/5/2016
Savings Account Balance		2,013.17	2,014.48
Checking Account		13,877.24	9,777.14
Due from State WPA for Dues paid by credit card		12.00	24.00
Due to State WPA for Dues paid to Chapter		-112.00	-168.00
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		-4,917.00	0.00
	Total \$	10,873.41	11,647.62
Aviation Scholarship and Development Fund held in Checking Account		3,971.14	4,616.14
Youth Aviation Scholarship Fund, held by State WPA for distribution by the Green River Chapter		265.00	5,182.00

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!

2016 CALENDAR OF CHAPTER EVENTS



January 13 ~ BOD Meeting at Mahoney's Home

February 12 at 6pm ~ Annual General Meeting at
Mike & Linda Latta's Hangar

March 7 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Latta's Home

April 8 at 6pm ~ General Meeting at the American Legion in Kent
located at 25406 97th Place South (253) 859-9905

April 9-10 ~ Fly-out/over-night to La Conner ~ Tulip Festival and
Heritage Flight Museum Tour

May 14 from 8am to 11am ~ Spring Pancake Breakfast & Airplane
Wash w/Green Tails

May 7 ~ Ranger Creek Clean-up

May 25 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence's Home

June 5 Potluck Picnic with PSAAC 11am to 5pm ~ John Smutny &
Laurie Johnson's Hangar, Evergreen Sky Ranch (See front page for more info)

July 12 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence Home

August 13 from 8am to 11am ~ Auburn AugustFest Pancake Breakfast

August 19-20 ~ AOPA Fly-In ~ Bremerton, WA

October 5 @ 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence's Home

October 14 at 6pm ~ General Meeting at the American Legion in
Kent located at 25406 97th Place South (253) 859-9905

November 2 at 7pm ~ BOD Meeting at Dave Lawrence's Home

December 8 at 5:30pm ~ Christmas Party and Auction in the Rainier
Room at the Truitt Building in Auburn (same as last year)

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



SUCCESSFUL AUGUST PANCAKE BREAKFAST!!!

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the pancake breakfast the Green River Chapter hosted on August 13th at the Auburn Airport. I think it was the best one I have attended so far. We had good attendance of both people and airplanes. Some people attended from both the Bremerton and Paine Chapters which was really nice to see. And we raised a good amount of money for our scholarship funds. I hope

these funds come back to us in the future, in some form when scholarship recipients start their careers.

Some special thanks to these fine people;

- Dave Lawrence, our Chapter President for leading the way
- Tom Jensen, Dick Migas and Mike Latta for manning the grills, especially as the outside temperature increased
- Laurie Johnson for taking care of the donation station
- Leo Dondlinger for giving an airplane ride and other help
- Marlo Jones for managing the juice bar
- The Flynn's for the tables and chairs
- Curt Scott, Linda Latta, Marian Jensen, and many others I am forgetting to mention for being the best helpers
- Linda and Jamelle for taking care of airport office duties, access, and a variety of other things
- My lovely wife Robyn for her hard work, buying supplies, and managing a hundred details I would never think of
- And last, but certainly not least, all those that flew their airplanes in for us to enjoy!



We plan to do this again in May and August next year and so looking forward to it!

By: Shane Mahoney, GRC-WPA Pancake Breakfast Coordinator

WASHINGTON PILOTS ASSOCIATION

GREEN RIVER CHAPTER

Christmas Party and Auction

SAVE THE DATE * SAVE THE DATE * SAVE THE DATE * SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, December 8, 2016 Tickets \$35

Festivities will begin at 5:30 pm

Located at the

Rainier Room in the Truitt Building

102 West Main Street, Auburn

(Upstairs at Oddfellas - use South entrance around back)



Entertainment by The Cowchips playing a mix of western swing, bluegrass and cowboy tunes, featuring three-part harmony reminiscent of the Western bands of the 1940's!

If you haven't started going through your hangars looking for aviation treasures, start now and bring them to the party and have them auctioned off! Contact local establishments and ask them to donate something! Last year's fundraiser was a huge success! **Let's Top It!**

AOPA FLY-IN

As you must have heard by now, the AOPA Fly-In held at Bremerton was a great success. I have read several articles that covered the record attendance of both people and airplanes and included thanks to many people and organizations. As with any large successful event there are many to thank. The WPA was thanked in every article I read. It is important that people can see the things we do as an organization. And what better place than an aviation event.

The Green River Chapter was well represented with volunteers and attendees too. We helped park cars, marshal & park airplanes, take fuel orders, register guests and a number of other tasks. I saw chapter members displaying their airplanes, attending educational forums, and socializing at every turn. My favorite observation was the airplane camping area. I was surprised at how many campers there were and the ingenuity of these people to make their stay comfortable. I saw everything from custom tents made to fit over a high wing to a portable dog house. It is amazing what you can see when you slow down and take time to observe. Something I need to do more often. This is true within our Chapter as well. I am always impressed with what I see when we have a meeting and I take time to observe. Our next Chapter meeting will offer such an opportunity if you watch and listen carefully. Of course you need to attend to share in the observations.

You love to fly and you love the thought of your next flight. I know someone who loves fishing as much as we love to fly. But he will not catch one fish unless he is at the water. You will not catch your next flight unless you are at the airport. Go there, every chance you get. Attend our meetings if you can. They will lead you to the airport more often. I have to say the AOPA Fly-In has helped many into the air. I hope you were one of the fortunate ones who flew-in.

Shane Mahoney

Past Green River Chapter President

WPA Member At Large



After-Party U2 Tribute Band



Poschwatta Family Volunteers



Daryl Hickman's beautiful Super Cub on Display

Big World Flight for Education at Evergreen Sky Ranch

For more than 25 years, Big World Flight for Education has been providing educators with real world applications of the math and science they are teaching at school. One of the goals of BWF is to inspire young people to learn to fly and consider a career in aviation. To achieve these dual goals, four pilots in three planes flew into three small towns in eastern Washington along with a stop at Evergreen Sky Ranch (51WA) this September to present an aviation program to fifth graders.



Once the students arrive at the airport via school bus, they are given a safety briefing, which in its simplest form breaks down to four words, "Don't touch the airplane."

Then they watch Tom Jensen fly his C180 with a stol kit down the runway as slow as he can. Then Mike Latta flies his C180 with a Pponk engine as fast as he can. This shows the versatility of the same model aircraft.

After Tom and Mike land, our pilots all introduce themselves. This year the pilots were Tom Jensen, Mike Latta, Bruce Booker in his Cherokee 180 and Marilyn Emery. They briefly tell the students how they got into flying and what their careers were.



The students are then divided into four groups, and rotated through four stations. At the Preflight station students perform a

preflight on an aircraft, using a checklist. At this station they are introduced to basic aerodynamic principles. If the groups are small and well behaved, the pilot working this station has the option of letting the students get in the plane and operate the flight controls.

At the Preflight station, the students plan a cross country flight, using an FAA flight plan as a guide. The teachers usually have huge smiles as their students begin to use their math skills to figure out fuel burn and time/speed /distance problems. It did not take them long to figure out that they were not going to fly to Hawaii in Marilyn's 1958 Cessna 172.



At Touch 'n Goes, the students learn about airport operations; taxi, take off, traffic patterns and communications. A vinyl mat with a runway on it is laid out to match the orientation of the local airport. The students "fly" model airplanes around the pattern, making appropriate radio calls and sequencing themselves into the pattern. Since we are at non-towered airports, most of the time is spent on operations at uncontrolled airports, but tower operations are also covered.

The last station, Safety and Survival, deals with SAR procedures and techniques to keep warm and safe in the event of an off airport landing. This is one of the favorite topics for the students, and Bruce spices it up with stories of past SAR missions. "Anything on you when you get out of the plane is survival gear, anything in the plane is camping gear," Bruce stresses.

Photo credits by Steven Carkeek and Tim Heneghan



WASHINGTON PILOTS ASSOCIATION



Introducing WPA's

New

Chapter Logo!



The LEGACY jacket:

- * 100% polyester shell
- * 100% polyester mesh upper-body lining, front & sleeve lining
- * Stowaway hood in cadet collar
- * Interior chest pocket
- * Front and back vents for breathability
- * Front zippered pockets
- * Adjustable elastic cuffs with hook and loop closures

COLOR: STONE/NAVY



Men's *Port Authority* - Long or Short Sleeve comfortable wash and wear shirt. Wrinkle resistance makes this shirt a cut above the competition.

- * Long or Short Sleeve
- * 4.5 - ounce 5545 cotton/poly
- * Patch pocket

COLORS: Steel Grey

/ Stone /

Light Stone



Men's T-shirt - * Heavyweight 6.1 ounce Soft Spun Cotton

Color Options:

- * Medium Grey
- * White



Ladies Port Authority Jacket :

Soft shell polyester microfleece interior keeps you comfortable.

- * 100% Polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film insert
- * 100% polyester microfleece lining.
- * Front zippered pockets
- * 1000MM fabric waterproof rating
- * 1000G/M2 fabric breathability rating

COLORS: Marshmallow/Battleship grey
Battleship grey/Charge green



Ladies *PORT AUTHORITY* Henley:

With a fit designed to be comfortable all day long, our incredibly soft v-neck heley has 3/4 sleeves with wide cuff details to give it a modern look.

- * 5.6-ounce, 58/38/4 cotton/modal/spandex
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Self-fabric neck taping
- * 3-button placket with dyed-to-match buttons
- * Double-needle hem

COLORS: White or Grey Smoke



Ladies *Port Authority* Vest:

Keep your core warm and protected from the elements in this versatile vest that's easy on the budget.

- * 100% polyester woven shell bonded to a water-resistant film
- * 100% polyester microfleece lining
- * 1000MM fabric waterproof rating
- * 1000G/M2 fabric breathability rating
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Reverse coil zippers
- * Front zippered pockets

COLORS: Marshmallow or Battleship Grey



Ladies SPORT-TEK PossiCharge RacerMesh Polo:

Thanks to our ultra-fine flat back RacerMesh, this polo has unparalleled breathability for superior cooling.

- * 3.8-ounce, 100% polyester flat back mesh with PosiCharge technology.
- * Gently contoured silhouette
- * Tag-free label
- * Self-fabric collar
- * Open placket
- * Set-in, open hem sleeves.

COLORS: Silver or White



PORT & COMPANY Ladies denim button up shirt.

- * 6.5 - ounce 100% cotton
 - * Traditional, relaxed look
- Color: Faded Blue

NEW ITEMS

WPA-GRC HATS AND TOTES ARE AVAILABLE WITH NEW LOGO!!!

\$15.00 each

CHECK INVENTORY AND PRICE

Overview Description

PORT COMPANY

A great casual look with a smooth washed twill texture.
100% Cotton washed twill.
Closure: Hook & loop.
Structure: Unstructured.

Black	Chrome	Driftwood	Hunter	Khaki
Navy	Red	Royal		

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Overview Description

This classic, go-anywhere tote is perfect for the beach, market and beyond.

- 600 denier polyester canvas
- Self-fabric handles
- Dimensions: 14"h x 14"w x 5.5"d; Approx. 1,078 cubic inches

\$15.50 ea.
with WPA logo

CHECK INVENTORY AND PRICING

Overview Description

PORT AUTHORITY

This classic, go-anywhere tote is perfect for the beach, market and beyond.
Click a swatch below to change colors.
Pictured in Classic Green/ Navy.

Black/Black	Chili Red/Black	Classic Green/Navy	Dark Charcoal/Black	Military Camo/Black
Neon Orange/Black	Tropical Pink/Dark Charcoal	Twilight Blue/Navy		

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**ORDER FORM
WPA EMBROIDERED APPAREL**

Mail order form and check to:

John Smutny, WPA-GRC Treasurer
36850 204th Ave SE,
Auburn, WA 98092



Item#	Description	Qty	Size	Color	Cost of each item	Ext. total
CP78	CAP - Port & Company A great casual look with a smooth washed twill look.			Assorted	\$ 15.00	
BG406	TOTE BAG- Polyester Canvas 14"H x 14"W x 5.5"D, Self Fabric handles			Assorted	\$ 15.50	
J764	Men's Jacket Port Authority Legacy (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Stone	\$ 48.00	
J764	Men's Jacket Port Authority Legacy (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)			Stone	\$ 50.00	
PC61	Men's T-shirt Port & Company Essential (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey White	\$ 14.00	
PC61	Men's T-shirt Port & Company Essential (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)			Grey White	\$ 15.00	
S508	Men's Port Authority Short Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey Stone Lt. Stone	\$ 27.00	
S508	Men's Port Authority Short Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)			Grey Stone Lt. Stone	\$ 29.00	
S608	Men's Port Authority Long Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey Stone Lt. Stone	\$ 27.00	
S608	Men's Port Authority Long Sleeve button up shirt (Sizes: 2XL, 3XL,4XL)			Grey Stone Lt. Stone	\$ 29.00	
LSP10	Ladies Port & Company Denim Long Sleeve shirt (Sizes: S, M, L, XL)			Faded Denim	\$ 25.00	
LSP10	Ladies Port & Company Denim Long Sleeve shirt (Sizes: 1X,2X,3X, 4X)			Faded Denim	\$ 27.00	
L318	Ladies Jacket Port Authority Color block Soft Shell (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey Marshmallow	\$ 50.00	
L318	Ladies Jacket Port Authority Color block Soft Shell (Sizes: 2X, 3X,4X)			Grey Marshmallow	\$ 52.00	
L325	Ladies Vest Port Authority Soft Shell (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey Marshmallow	\$ 40.00	
L325	Ladies Vest Port Authority Soft Shell (Sizes: 2X, 3X,4X)			Grey Marshmallow	\$ 42.00	
LM1007	Ladies Henley Port Authority 3/4 Sleeve Scoop neck (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Grey White	\$ 24.00	
LM1007	Ladies Henley Port Authority 3/4 Sleeve Scoop neck (Sizes: 2X, 3X,4X)			Grey White	\$ 26.00	
LST640	Ladies Polo Sport-Tek PosiCharge Racer Mesh (Sizes: Small, M, L, XL)			Silver White	\$ 19.00	
LST640	Ladies Polo Sport-Tek PosiCharge Racer Mesh (Sizes: 2X, 3X,4X)			Silver White	\$ 21.00	
	Sub-total					

Name _____

e-mail _____



BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING MINUTES

July 12, 2016

Home of Dave and Brenda Lawrence – Auburn, Washington

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

MEMBERS:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the May 25, 2016 Board Meeting were reviewed and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – John Smutny

John reported that we continue to be financially solvent. The full Treasurer's report will be e mailed to all board members by July 22, 2016 and will be published in the upcoming Newsletter, to be published July 31, 2016.

Final expenses for Annual Picnic will be paid to John Holmberg and amounts will be included in final Treasurer's report.

Membership Update: Renewal for 2017 begins in September. The board discussed ideas around the membership drive which will begin in September. Most renewals can be done at Puyallup Trade Show this fall. A total of 5 new members have joined since our last meeting.

The State organization has a different membership database than the chapter. The State plans to purge their database as of October of this year. The Green River chapter will retain its database of old members. The board agreed that members who have not renewed will be given a personal phone call to encourage their renewal of membership. Calls will not begin until January, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Newsletter: Robyn will publish next newsletter on July 31. Any content needs to get to her before that date. Board members were encouraged to write personal bios for the newsletter. Mike Latta will provide a bio for the August newsletter.

2. Auburn Airport Advisory Board: There continues to be some concern about the amount of helicopter activity at the Auburn Airport. Dave Lawrence plans to request written procedures for helicopters and will be discussing this with Casey. One suggestion was that the helicopter schools could write the procedures. Outcome of the discussion will be reported by Dave in the next Newsletter.

Action Item: Dave Lawrence will contact Casey and discuss need for written helicopter procedures and will report outcome in next newsletter.

3. Scholarship Awards: Checks were requested from the State office to be sent to Aviation High School, Green River Aviation Program, and Clover Park Aviation Program. Clover Park verified they do want to participate in the Scholarship Program. Each program will receive \$1,000.

Action Item: John Smutny will contact the State WPA office to verify that the checks have been mailed.

4. Green Tail Integration: Nothing new to report. Green Tails will not participate in next Pancake Breakfast as it is during summer break. An idea was presented regarding Green Tail interest in coming to a hangar and having an informal meet and greet with pilots and possible airplane rides. This idea was viewed positively by all, but nothing was scheduled at this time.

5. Logo Wear: Logo Wear was discussed at the last State WPA meeting. The State WPA would prefer that all logo wear be ordered through them through a specific vendor. For the time being, we will continue to order through Laurie Johnson as desired and await a final decision re: logo wear purchase from the State WPA office.

6. AOPA Regional Fly-In, Bremerton: Reminder: Shane reserved a block of 10 rooms at Comfort Inn in Port Orchard for Friday August 19th and Saturday August 20th. Board members who wish to make a reservation may call 360-895-2666. Reservation is under name of "Green River Chapter". APOA needs volunteers to help with set-up on Thursday the 18th and Friday the 19th with take down help on Sunday. Saturday is the event with a large amount of airplanes and pilots in attendance. Volunteers must register on the APOA website to volunteer and sign up for the Barnstormer Party on Friday night.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Next General Meeting Planning: There was discussion as to whether to have a speaker at the next General Meeting in October. The group decided that it would be interesting to have various individuals provide brief presentations of their flying activities for the summer. Mike and Linda Latta were asked to prepare a presentation on flying the Interstate to Oshkosh and about airplane camping. Those presenting should provide some photos for a brief photo presentation. John Smutny will also prepare a presentation about his airshow activities and other flying. More discussion of addition presenters will occur at the next board meeting.

2. **WPA Christmas Party:** Dick Migas has reserved the Oddfellows in Auburn, Dec 8, Thursday night for the joint WPA/PSAAC Christmas Party. This is to enable us to get the best rate for the facility. The Board was reminded to begin collecting donations for auction and setting aside items they would like to donate for the auction. Dick will finalize arrangements for the Cowchip Band as well for entertainment and dancing. Curt Scott indicated he would not be available to do the live auction, and that the board should begin looking for someone else to do it so he could orient them to the process that was successful last year.
3. **Pancake Breakfast, August 13 at Auburn:** Pancake breakfast flyers were created by Robyn. Curt Scott will post one at Tacoma Narrows. Dick Migas will post flyers at Renton, Auburn and Thun Field. Shane Mahoney will be asked to organize the equipment and supplies needed for the pancake breakfast.
4. **Phone Tree:** None needed at this time. Assignments will be made at the next board meeting for the October General Meeting.

Next Board Meeting: September 6, 2016 at 7 pm at the home of Dave Lawrence

NEXT MEETING:

Next General Meeting

Date: October 14, 2016

Program: Summer Flying Sharing – to be finalized at next meeting

Meeting Location: American Legion Hall in Kent.

ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm by President Dave Lawrence.

Respectfully Submitted by;

Linda Latta

Secretary

Washington Pilots Association

MISSION STATEMENT:

To Advance the Interests of General Aviation in Washington State through Advocacy, Outreach, Education, and Social Activities.



Dick Migas, Vice President



John Smutny, Treasurer



Linda Latta, Secretary



Shane Mahoney,
Past President

2016 Green River Chapter Board of Directors



Dave Lawrence, President



Robyn Mahoney,
Newsletter Editor



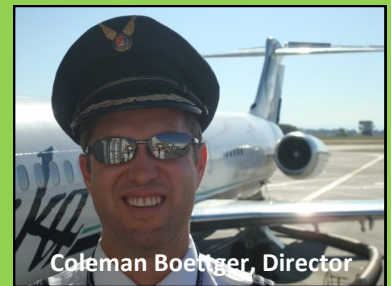
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